ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 26, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair Supervisor Lena Tam Location: San Lorenzo Library 395 Paseo Grande San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Webinar: https://zoom.us/j/84684430209

Summary/Action Minutes

I. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM:</u> Nomination of Two Privately-Owned Properties to the Alameda County Register of Historic Resources as Landmarks – 16026 Paseo Del Campo and 225 Via Linares in San Lorenzo

Attachment Attachment

Dominic Lucchesi, Staff Planner, Planning Department, Community Development Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation and staff report on the Nomination of Two Privately-Owned Properties to the Alameda County Register of Historic Resources as Landmarks – 16026 Paseo Del Campo and 225 Via Linares in San Lorenzo.

The nomination process for the two properties to be added to the Alameda County Register of Historic Resources and Landmarks is guided by the Historic Preservation Ordinance established in 2012. It is overseen by the Parks, Recreation & Historical Commission (PRHC). There are four designation categories: Landmark, Structure of Merit, Historic District, Contributing Resource. It requires property owner consent and PRHC public hearing before Board approval.

The landmark properties are in good repair and eligible for Mills Act contracts (property tax relief for preservation). The applications were submitted in December 2024 by property owner and the PRHC held a hearing Feb 6, 2025, voted unanimously to recommend landmark designation.

This was presented to Eden MAC & Unincorporated Services Committee in March and received support from each body. In addition, the county has received eleven (11) letters of community support.

Speakers

Randy Waage, Jessica Caballero, Dave Chapman, Carlos King, Brian Sousa, Chris Palmer, Michelle Clowser, Diane Wydler, Kathy Ready, Tracy Mangini and Amelia Martins spoke in support of the Two Privately-Owned Properties – 16026 Paseo Del Campo and 225 Via Linares in San Lorenzo being added to the Alameda County Register of Historic Resources as Landmarks.

II. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM</u>: Alameda County Fire Department Measure X Bond Program Update Attachment

Eric Moore, Deputy Chief, Communications and Support Services, Alameda County Fire Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on Measure X, the \$90 million bond passed in 2020 to modernize fire stations in unincorporated areas.

Phase 1 includes construction of three new stations: Station 7 in Palomares Hills (construction expected November 2025), Station 25 in Castro Valley (January 2026), and Station 22 in San Lorenzo (August 2026). Each station will feature a consistent architectural theme, improved facilities, and integrated public art developed with the Alameda County Arts Commission. Environmental reviews, permitting, and contractor selection are underway, with temporary relocation plans secured where needed.

New fire stations

Station 7 (Palomares Hills) – New facility across from the existing 1980s station; will house a Type 1 engine and 3 staff members.

Station 25 (Castro Valley, San Miguel Ave.) – Larger, multi-unit station with a Type 1 engine, tiller truck, battalion chief, and 8 daily staff. Built on the current site with temporary relocation to a leased facility.

Station 22 (San Lorenzo) – To be built on a newly acquired site; will house 3 daily staff.

These new stations modernize infrastructure, improve safety, and reflect community identity

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

III. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM</u>: Alameda County Arts Commission Public Art Projects connected to Measure X Projects Castro Valley Fire Stations 7 and 25, and San Lorenzo Fire Station 22 with announcement about opportunities for community involvement Attachment

Rachel Osajima, Director, Alameda County Arts Commission, presented an update on public art projects connected to Measure X fire stations 7 in Palomares Hills, 25 in Castro Valley, and 22 in San Lorenzo, and the new Fire Training Center in Dublin. The plan outlines art opportunities, timelines, artist selection processes, and community involvement. Each project will have a dedicated selection committee (including community members and fire department representatives) to choose artists from the County's pre-qualified artist registry. Selected artists will create two-dimensional works that will be fabricated in durable porcelain enamel on steel panels and integrated into each site's architecture.

Community engagement is central, with opportunities to join selection committees, complete surveys, and participate in public feedback sessions. A community roundtable is scheduled for June 24th at the Castro Valley Library. Measure X funds will cover architectural art elements within fire station projects; artist payments and administration costs are funded separately. The overall goal is to create uplifting, community-rooted artwork that honors the fire department and enhances public spaces.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

IV. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM</u>: Alameda County Arts Commission Public Art Projects connected to Mission Blvd Corridor Improvement Project in Ashland and Cherryland with announcement about opportunities for community involvement

Attachment

Rachel Osajima, Director, Alameda County Arts Commission, presented an update on the Mission Boulevard Corridor Improvement Project in Ashland and Cherryland, focusing on public art integration and community engagement. The project is a continuation of the East 14th Street revitalization effort, designed to improve safety, transportation, and the overall streetscape. Public art will follow a similar framework to East 14th, using cut-metal panels, pedestrian barriers, utility box art, banners, and new metal benches with unique artistic designs. A professional artist will be commissioned, with proposals drawn from the County's pre-qualified artist registry.

A selection committee of 5–7 community members will help choose the artist, with proposals expected from 5–6 finalists. Community involvement opportunities include serving on the selection committee, completing surveys, and participating in future meetings, with outreach ongoing in partnership with local associations.

The goal is to create uplifting, durable, and visually cohesive artwork that enhances the corridor's environment, continues the positive impact seen on East 14th Street, and reflects community identity.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

V. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Overview of County's Emergency Alerting System, including coordination efforts, recent improvements, and future initiatives for timely public notifications https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.com/

Brentt Blaser, Emergency Manager, Office of Emergency Services, Alameda County Sherriff's Office, presented a PowerPoint presentation on an Overview of County's Emergency Alerting System, including coordination efforts, recent improvements, and future initiatives for timely public notifications.

Alameda County uses A/C Alert (Everbridge) as its unified mass notification system, capable of sending alerts via text, email, phone, social media, and federal channels like WEA and EAS, but gaps remain when cities use separate tools like Nixle.

On December 29, 2024, there was a gas leak in San Leandro. Notifications were delayed and fragmented because San Leandro used its own Nixle system instead of A/C Alert. This caused confusion about what alerts were sent, who received them, and how to update information. Door-to-door notices and local sirens were also used, but communication gaps left some residents unaware or uncertain about whether to evacuate.

Jurisdictions must use the unified system (A/C Alert) for consistency and transparency. Supervisors expressed concern about system gaps and urged stronger coordination.

The Committee suggested that this presentation be shown at Mayor's Conference and City Managers' Association to push universal adoption of A/C Alert. In addition, the County can explore partnerships for digital billboards and sirens.

Speaker

Randy Waage commented

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Waage announced: 1) an Earth Day event at the San Lorenzo Village Homes Association building on April 19th from 8am to 2pm; 2) a weekly Senior Coffee Hour hosted by the HOA every Thursday from 10am to 11am, 3) and a Senior Town Hall on May 21st at the Castro Valley Library, focused on travel training, mental health, wellness, and affordable housing. The Town Hall is open to all seniors and their supporters, with lunch available by registration.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to May 28, 2025.

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