

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair
Supervisor Wilma Chan

Location: San Lorenzo Library
395 Paseo Grande
San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Summary Minutes

Public Comment

Howard Beckman spoke about the closure of the Hayward Law Library and the reduced hours at the Oakland Law Library. Law libraries have been in a state of crisis for several years; County Law Libraries are not a part of Alameda County. The Board of Trustees for the Law Library reported that the County could prevent closure of the Hayward Law Library by reducing or forgiving the rental charge for the space.

Cosette Sun, retired Law Librarian, stated that she was a law librarian for 35 years and urged the Committee to act to keep the Hayward Law Library open.

Michelle Clowser stated she had concerns about a recent flyer that appeared to be from the EALI Working Group but was actually a flyer regarding formation of an Eden MAC (Municipal Advisory Council). Ms. Clowser felt that it was inappropriate for the flyer to appear to be sponsored by County Supervisors.

Ruth Baratta asked if the Economic & Civic Development department could give an update on the Cherryland Community Center and she also has an idea for the Curb Committee for a mattress retrieval registry proposal.

Mike Baratta, Cherryland resident, disaster preparedness; the Hayward fault; there will be a serious disaster and the Sheriff's Office Headquarters lies right on the Hayward fault; all of the overpasses in the area are in danger. There is an opportunity to move the headquarters to Mission Blvd. and Hampton Road. Mr. Baratta would like to hear a report on the Sheriff's Office building that lies on the Hayward fault.

Jewel Spaulding, League of Women Voters, stated that the Hayward Law Library is scheduled to be closed on April 1st, 2017 and urged the Committee to place this item on the Board of Supervisor's next agenda.

Randy Waage, thanked you for the Earth Day Celebration 4/15/ May 6th thanked for support; He also asked if chairs and tables could be placed outside of the San Lorenzo Library.

Supervisor's Comments

Supervisor Wilma Chan will speak with the County Administrator to determine what can be done about the County Law Library.

I. Update on Eden Area Livability Initiative (EALI) Governance Working Group

[Attachment](#)

Claudia Albano, Supervisor's Assistant, EALI, presented a PowerPoint presentation to give an update on the Eden Area Livability Initiative Governance Working Group.

The purpose of the update is to provide the Committee with a clear understanding of the direction and priorities of the EALI Governance Working Group.

The EALI process began in December 2004 and more than 800 stakeholders participated in a community visioning process, which the results include the REACH Ashland Youth Center, streetscape improvements on Castro Valley Boulevard, planning for the Cherryland Community Center and the Ashland/Cherryland Health and Wellness Element.

EALI Phase II began in October 2012 with over 400 community members attending a charrette and voted goals in the areas of economic development, education, agriculture, environment, public safety and governance.

The EALI Governing Working Group formed in 2015 to implement charrette goals of enhancing local self-governance. The Working Group continues to explore:

- A proposal from community member Keith Barros to create a Fairview Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) and Eden MAC
- The Unincorporated Services Committee to become a forum for Eden Area wide issues as needed
- Consolidation of the West County Board of Zoning Adjustments with those of the MAC(s)
- Should the Castro Valley MAC members be elected by a vote of the Castro Valley electorate

The EALI Working Group continues to work with the Fairview and Eden MAC Formation Committees and the question of an elected MAC for Castro Valley has been tabled until September 2017.

Lester Castillo gave a brief update on the Eden MAC Formation Committee. The Committee is working with Supervisor Chan's office on a survey to gauge the community on their thoughts of an Eden MAC. Town Hall meetings are planned in addition to flyers printed in both English and Spanish.

The EALI Working Group is working with the County Administrator's Office on revising the County budget format so that spending priorities are clear and specific for the Eden Area.

Speakers

Howard Beckman, stated that this is much more complicated than it appears; he left the EALI Governance Group in 2015. Mr. Beckman felt the group was heading towards a specific goal rather than building and reaching a consensus across all unincorporated communities. The Governance Group failed to reach a point of consensus and he is skeptical of what the survey is going to tell the community.

Mike Baratta stated that the community has to be educated on what the MAC is and is it something that they want and he is hopeful that the survey will be beneficial.

Michelle Clowser stated that she agrees with Howard Beckman's comments, that there was no consensus.

Diane Wydler stated that her concept of a Town Hall was to gather ideas, however these Town Hall meetings are designed more to disseminate information on one point of view. Most people don't know what a MAC is.

Randy Waage stated that he attends a lot of the Homeowner Association meetings; for him the SLVHA functions as a MAC and he would like to it to continue in that fashion. He is optimistic about the survey.

Supervisor Miley stated that there will be outreach to the entire community to generate conversation to respond to the survey.

II. Green Infrastructure Plan *a plan to guide the identification, implementation, tracking, and reporting of green infrastructure projects (sustainable stormwater treatment systems)* [Attachment](#)

Justin Laurence, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Green Infrastructure Plan.

Green infrastructure is low impact development (LID) stormwater treatment facilities it removes pollutants, delays flow discharge, and reduces volumes.

Examples of green infrastructure include: rain gardens/bio-retentions, tree well filters, pervious paving, green roofs and rainwater harvesting.

The Green Infrastructure Plan will establish the policy and procedure for identification, prioritization, implementation, tracking and reporting of project stormwater treatment. It will set long term pollutant reduction goals and reasonable assurance to ensure that pollutant load reductions will meet permit targets for 2020, 2030 and 2040. The plan will also unify concepts from the Complete Streets Policy, Urban Greening Master Plan, Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan, Community Specific Plans and Climate Action Plan. It will also provide an opportunity for urban forestry, pavement management, water conservation and other sound environmental policies.

Next Steps

- Develop Framework Template (draft completed)
- Submit Framework to the Board of Supervisors for approval in June 2017
- Work with County agencies and stakeholder groups to update plans/procedures/policies to incorporate GI requirements prior to plan submittal for public and private projects

The final plan is proposed to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval in June 2019 and will take effect July 2019. The approved plan will be submitted to the Regional Water Quality Control Board by September 2019.

III. Update on Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Cultivation Ordinances

[Attachment](#)

Liz McElligott, Assistant Agency Director, Community Development Agency, presented a memorandum and draft ordinance to update the Committee on the Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Cultivation Ordinances.

The revised draft ordinances submitted incorporate the policy direction received from the Transportation & Planning Committee.

Number of Dispensaries

Revised the number of dispensaries to be allowed in the unincorporated county to five dispensaries in total: three (3) in the West County: two existing dispensaries already approved and one proposed at Fairmont Campus or at an alternative location to be determined if the Fairmont option does not proceed; two (2) in the East County, subject to an RFP process

Buffers from Sensitive Uses

Maintain the 1000 foot buffer from sensitive uses in the existing County Code (i.e. does not reduce the buffer to 600 feet as stated in the earlier draft ordinance)

Inventory Limit

Changed the limit on inventory at a dispensary from maximum 20 pounds to maximum 100 pounds

Proposition 47

Deleted the exclusion of individuals with Prop 47 reclassified drug violations from employment and licensure

On-site Ingestion

Changed to allow limited testing of product on site, but only by management as necessary for business operations.

Dispensary Locations

Removed requirement that dispensaries conditionally permitted in the Agricultural district be accessory to a permitted cannabis cultivation operation.

Revisions to the Cultivation Ordinance

Number of Cultivation Sites

Added two potential cultivation sites to the proposed pilot program, for a total of four sites: two (2) permitted dispensaries in good standing will be eligible for pilot cultivation permit. Up to two cultivators may be selected through a solicitation process similar to that being used for dispensaries.

Proposition 47

Deleted the exclusion of individuals with Prop 47 reclassified drug violations from employment/licensure

Buffers from Sensitive Uses

Changed the 600 foot buffer from sensitive uses in the earlier draft ordinance to 1000 feet.

The ordinances are tentatively scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors for a first reading on April 25, 2017 and second reading on May 9, 2017.

Speakers

Michelle Clowser stated that she is opposed to onsite ingestion of medical cannabis.

Randy Waage stated that cannabis dispensaries should not be located in suburban areas.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to May 24, 2017.

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