



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
BOARDS AND COMMISSION
 FARMWORKER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Half Moon Bay Library,
 Community Room
 620 Correas St., Half Moon Bay,
 CA
 650-363-1800
www.farmworkercommission.org

March 8, 2023

7:00pm

The Farmworker Advisory Commission brings visibility to issues that disproportionately affect farmworkers, advises the Board of Supervisors on policies and initiatives, serves as a forum for the community, and advocates/supports the farmworker community.

The Farmworker Advisory Commission was held in person at the Half Moon Bay Library’s Community Room (620 Correas St., Half Moon Bay).

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Yesenia Garcia, Judith Guerrero, Yolanda Guzman Calderon, Rogelio Nabor-Martinez, Stephanie Perez, Jonathan Ramirez, Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez, John Vars, Corina Rodriguez Perez

Staff Present: District 3 Board Liaison Marisol Escalera Durani, Deputy County Attorney Lauren Carrol, Consultant Facilitator Debbie Schechter. Community Affairs Office: Emma Gonzalez, Kenny Chu, Jennifer Llamas, Megan Gosch, Joshua Caspillan, Jennifer Castro-Lara

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

AGENDA

3. Swearing-In of New Commissioner

Administered by Deputy County Attorney Lauren Carrol	Board of Supervisors new appointee to the Farmworker Advisory Commission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corina Rodriguez Perez, representing Community-Based Organization for an initial staggered term ending September 30, 2024.
Commissioners Comment	No comment.
Public Comment	No public comment.

4. Update and Commission Discussion on Half Moon Bay Shooting, County Efforts to date and Work Moving Forward

Presented by Board of Supervisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board of Supervisors allocated money to provide housing to farmworkers and their families, affected by the shooting, for the entire year.
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Mueller, District 3 and San Mateo County Executive Officer, Michael Callagy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ San Mateo County has created wrap around services for each of the families to meet their needs since the night of the shooting. ● Moving forward will look at how to help all farmworkers and ranchmen families in the coast and throughout San Mateo County. ● Will be implementing a taskforce to look at all the farmworkers and ranchmen housing in the county to address health and safety issues and relocate families to a safer place if needed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If a home is unpermitted but livable, the family will remain there while its being fixed. ● To ensure enough housing the County of San Mateo met with the State and City of Half Moon Bay and found land to build temporary housing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The county also applied to a \$5 million dollar grant to build 40 to 60 modular units. ● Long term vision: To build another property similar to Moonridge. ● District 3 office has been working with advocates on the coast to identify gaps to meet the needs of the farmworkers such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Services the county already provides and areas of improvement.
Commissioners Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commissioner Corina Rodriguez Perez ● Commissioner Jonathan Ramirez ● Commissioner Stephanie Perez <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ After the rebuilding of the units, will there be yearly inspections to ensure their permanence? ● Commissioner Judith Guerrero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If a farmworker needs to be moved, what support, or other services, can they expect from the county? ● Commissioner Yesenia Garcia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If the owner of the land wants to build a mobile home, will it take the same amount of time to obtain a permit? ● Commissioner Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rita Mancera.

5. Training Session for New Commissioners

Presented by Urban Habitat – Larisa Casillas, Program Director for Leadership, Development and Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commissioners participate in an activity to identify common values, their motivation for being in the commission, and goals or issues for future work on commission. ● When the commission begins to decide on issues, they will revisit their list of values to help with the prioritization process.
Commissioners Comment	No comment.
Public Comment	No public comment.

6. Motion: Election of Farmworker Commission Chair and Vice-Chair

<p>Presented by Deputy County Attorney Lauren Carrol and Consultant Facilitator Debbie Schechter</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the roles and responsibilities of Chair and Vice Chair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair: Facilitates meeting and engage in discussions with staff outside of meetings. ○ Vice Chair: Steps in when Chair is absent.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for nominations, and election of Farmworker Advisory Commission Chair <p>Motion to elect Judith Guerrero as Chair of the Farmworker Advisory Commission</p> <p>Commissioner Stephanie Perez/ Second: Commissioner John Vars</p> <p>Verbal roll call vote was taken: Yes: Yesenia Garcia, Judith Guerrero, Yolanda Guzman Calderon, Rogelio Nabor-Martinez, Stephanie Perez, Jonathan Ramirez, Corina Rodriguez Perez, Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez, John Vars (9) No: 0 Abstain: 0</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absent: 0
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for nominations, and election of Farmworker Advisory Commission Vice-Chair <p>Motion to elect Corina Rodriguez Perez as Vice-Chair of the Farmworker Advisory Commission</p> <p>Chair Judith Guerrero/ Second: Commissioner Stephanie Perez</p> <p>Verbal roll call vote was taken: Yes: Yesenia Garcia, Judith Guerrero, Yolanda Guzman Calderon, Rogelio Nabor-Martinez, Stephanie Perez, Jonathan Ramirez, Corina Rodriguez Perez, Nicolas Romero-Gonzalez, John Vars (9) No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0</p>
<p>Commissioners Comment</p>	<p>No comment.</p>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>No public comment.</p>

7. Overview of Farmworker Commission Goal Setting Process

<p>Presented by Consultant Facilitator Debbie Schechter</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduced the importance of goal setting as a commission
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each commissioner must identify: (1) important issues they want to address and (2) what information or data they need to help them with the goal setting process. • Commissioners will continue to meet to set goals, actions, time frames, and responsibilities
Commissioners Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Judith Guerrero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If we want to hear from the community, specifically the farm working community, how do we do that?
Public Comment	No public comment.

8. Report Out

<p>Commissioner’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report out. <p>Supervisor’s Report, presented by Marisol Escalera Durani</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District 3 created a website where people can enter a street address into a map to determine which district it belongs to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ www.smcgov.org/district-3 ○ Website also includes District 3 staff contact information
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9. Adjournment

<p>The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.</p> <p>Next Commission Meeting: * Wednesday May 10, 2023; 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.</p>
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