



North Fair Oaks Community Council

*A Municipal Advisory Council to the
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors*

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7:00pm

The North Fair Oaks Community Council provides recommendations on the issues of community health, safety, welfare, public works, and planning for the North Fair Oaks geographic area. It holds regular monthly meetings to address the needs of the community, act as a forum, and serve as an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors.

The North Fair Oaks Community Council was held in person at the Fair Oaks Community Center (2600 Middlefield Rd, Redwood City) and by teleconference using Zoom:

<https://smcgov.zoom.us/j/84671387865> It began at 7:00 PM and Spanish interpretation was available.

This meeting can be viewed in its entirety and shows each agenda item here: [YouTube Video](#)

1. ROLL CALL

Present:

Council members: Chair Juan Prado, Blair Whitney, Brooks Esser, Niket Sirsi, Kathleen Daly, Ever Rodriguez, and Kelly Parisi

Absent:

Vice-Chair George Saman

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

In-Person Comments:

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Comments via Zoom:

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3. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.

Motion: Council member Brooks Esser/ Second: Council member Niket Sirsi

Yes: 7 – Chair Prado, Rodriguez, Whitney, Parisi, Esser, Daly, and Sirsi

No: 0

Absent: Vice-Chair George

4. INFORMATIONAL & RECOMMENDATION: BAY ROAD COMPLETE STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT

Speaker:

Krzysztof Lisaj, Deputy Director Department of Public Works

- Obtain a letter of support for a \$4.3 million grant.
- Location: Bay Road from Fifth Avenue to 15th Avenue, connecting key destinations like Marsh Manor Shopping Center and Taft Elementary School.
- Safety concerns due to high vehicle speeds, lack of walking/biking facilities, difficult street crossings, and insufficient bus stop access.
- Proposed improvements include adding bike lanes, repairing sidewalks, enhancing pedestrian crossings, and installing a traffic signal or roundabout.
- Requesting a total of \$4.3 million (including a county match). The project faces challenges due to the need for an approved housing element by December 31. The proposal includes transferring project sponsorship from the county to Redwood City.

Council member questions/comments:

- When you transfer leadership to Redwood City, does that mean they'd oversee planning, and you be a stakeholder?
- How will they make sure they work with the residents on the North Fair Oaks side of Bay Road? And are there any guarantees?
- Is there going to be remediation for flooding streets?
- You mentioned speed as being a problem. What's the speed limit out there?

In-person Public Comments:

None

Public Comments via zoom:

None

Letter of Support from District 4 for Bay Road Complete Street Rehabilitation Project at the November 13, 2024, MTC Programming and Allocations

Motion: Council member Blair Whitney / Second: Council member Juan Carlos Prado

Yes: 7 – Chair Prado, Whitney, Esser, Daly, Parisi, Rodriguez, and Sirsi

No: 0

Absent: Vice-Chair George Saman

5. INFORMATIONAL: SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (TA) ACTIVE 101 PROJECT

Speakers:

Patrick Glistler, Department of Planning and Fund Management and Charlsie Chang, Government Affairs Officer of Transportation Authority

- The plan aims to enhance critical crossings for pedestrians and cyclists within a quarter mile of US 101, addressing gaps in the transportation network.
- It responds to ongoing congestion on US 101, focusing on comprehensive mobility solutions beyond just highway improvements.
- The Corridor Connect Program was launched to identify and prioritize congestion management projects along US 101, considering all forms of mobility, including public transit and non-motorized options.
- Active transportation includes walking, biking, and using mobility devices, with a goal to make these options safer and more accessible.
- The project identified 148 needs for improvements along the US 101 corridor, including sidewalks, curb extensions, and safe crossings.
- A community engagement tool allows residents to prioritize projects by allocating points to their preferred options, encouraging broad input.
- Eight to ten priority projects will undergo early design work based on community feedback, facilitating quicker implementation and funding acquisition.
- Participants are encouraged to share thoughts on how US 101 acts as a barrier in their community and envision ideal active transportation connections.

Council member questions/comments:

- I'm curious on how and or how far along any of the thought process are?
- Are you looking for how to make it safer easier?
- How else are you promoting voting consumption addition to your website?
- I noticed that Marsh Road over crossing wasn't some project. Does that mean that there's nobody submitted anything, and everybody thinks it's great or is that no in plans?
- Are you guys plugged into that as a source of funding?

In- person Public Comments:

None

Public Comment via zoom:

None

6. INFORMATIONAL: STARVISTA – COMMUNITY WELLNESS CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM

Speaker:

Sarah Naff, Crisis Response Clinician

- Sarah Naff is a crisis clinician with Star Vista, partnering with the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department in North Fair Oaks.
- The Community Wellness and Crisis Response Team (CW CRT) aims to improve mental health crisis responses alongside law enforcement.
- Her primary responsibility involves conducting 5150 evaluations to assess individuals for potential involuntary psychiatric care.
- In addition to 5150 evaluations, Sarah provides emotional support, resource connections, and follow-up care for those in crisis.
- She collaborates with other agencies, including those focused on homelessness and substance use, to provide comprehensive support.
- Sarah has access to police and mental health records, which helps her respond quickly and effectively to crises.
- Mental health support is critical, with approximately 22.8% of people experiencing mental illness, highlighting the importance of available services.

- She hopes to see the team expand in the future to provide more comprehensive coverage and support in the community.

Council member questions/comments:

- How does it work? Do you monitor the radio and go to sites, or the Deputy calls you whenever there's a need?
- Potentially, you can do house visits?
- How is your position funded? Is it through the Sheriff's Office or StarVista?
- What is the protocol if you're not working in the days or hours?
- What is the protocol from a Sheriff's Office when these crises come up?

In-person public comments:

None

Public comment via zoom:

None

7. REPORT OUT

Speakers:

County Executive's Office: None

District 4: Connie Franco

Council Members: Blair Whitney, Everardo Rodriguez, Kelly Parisi, Brooks Esser, and Chair Juan C. Prado

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.