

COUNCIL NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Grant Road/Sylvan Neighborhood Meeting April 21, 2016

CNC NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATE

PARKS AND RECREATION

Stevens Creek Trail

The Cities of Mountain View, Sunnyvale, Cupertino, and Los Altos recently completed the Four Cities Coordinated Stevens Creek Trail Feasibility Study. This study provided the cities a list of opportunities to extend the Stevens Creek Trail from Dale/Heatherstone to the section of trail currently completed at Blackberry Farm in Cupertino. Based on the outcome of this study and input from City Council, a capital improvement project is being proposed to study extending the trail from Dale/Heatherstone to Fremont Avenue via the open space along Highway 85 with new access points at Mountain View High School and Remington Avenue in Sunnyvale.

Summer Recreation Schedule

Residents can currently sign up online for Summer recreation programs and classes through the City's website: http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/cs/rec/

Concerts on the Plaza at Civic Center Plaza

The Community Services Department proudly presents six Concerts on the Plaza. The concert series will take place on the first Friday of the month from April through September from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Join your friends and neighbors and bring your blanket or lawn chair down to the Civic Center Plaza for a variety of musical performances. In addition to the music, there will be food trucks, a "Pop Up Park" area for children and for adults, beer and wine. The 2016 schedule is as follows:

- May 6, 2016 Mo-Chi Quartet
- June 3, 2016 Dolce Musica
- July 1, 2016 Rahmil & Barley
- August 5, 2016– Rosemarie and the Rhythm Riders
- September 2, 2016 Jerry Jay Quartet

Thursday Night Live at Downtown Castro Street

Join us for the Thursday Night Live Series in Downtown Mountain View. Castro Street between California Street and Evelyn Avenue will be closed to traffic so the public can

walk the street to enjoy restaurant dining, shopping, children's activities, a farmer's market, live music and a custom/classic car show. All events are from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

2016 Thursday Night Live Performance Schedule:

- June 16, 2016 Evolution, Tribute to Journey
- June 30, 2016 Long Train Running, Tribute to the Doobie Brothers
- July 14, 2016 The Peelers, Top 40 Mash-ups and Medleys Cover band
- July 28, 2016 The Cocktail Monkeys, 60's to current Cover band

Summer Outdoor Movie Night Series

Celebrate how Parks Make Life Better!TM with a movie under the stars! Popcorn and light refreshments will be served. All movies begin at 8:30 p.m. or when dark outside. Bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on. This event is co-sponsored by the City of Mountain View Recreation Division and Youth Advisory Committee.

2016 Summer Outdoor Movie Series Line Up*:

- July 8, 2016 at Cuesta Park, 615 Cuesta Drive Minions
- July 15, 2016 at Sylvan Park, 600 Sylvan Avenue Kung Fu Panda 3
- July 22, 2016 at Eagle Park, 652 Franklin Street Inside Out
- July 29, 2016 at Stevenson Park, 750 San Pierre Way Peanuts Movie
- August 5, 2016 at Whisman Park, 400 Easy Street The Good Dinosaur
- August 12, 2016 at Rengstorff Park, 201 South Rengstorff Avenue Zootopia
- * Movie schedule subject to change, please check the City website http:/www.mountainview.gov/depts/cs/events/summermovie.asp for the final movie schedule.

For more information on all of these events, check out the Mountain View recreation activity guide that you should have received in the mail, or check the recreation section of the City's website.

SOCIAL MEDIA

City Hall Social Media Sites

Hall has than 10.8 thousand followers Facebook more on at Facebook.mountainview.gov and are still going strong on **Twitter** (twitter.MountainView.gov) and Nextdoor. These are great ways to stay on top of dayto-day announcements, upcoming meetings and news from City Hall. Follow us online at www.mountainview.gov and on social media at www.mountainview.gov/social

Get the latest updates on City news, events and activities:

Sign-up for for our bi-monthly e-newsletter, *eView*. Subscribe to MyMV at www.mountainview.gov/mymv and choose *eView*.

PLANS AND POLICIES

North Bayshore Precise Plan Update

On February 3, 2015, the City Council directed staff to amend the North Bayshore Precise Plan to include residential land uses. This process is anticipated to take approximately 2 years. This Precise Plan update comes after the adoption of the North Bayshore Precise Plan in November 2014 and completion of the Bonus Floor Area Ratio (FAR) application review in May 2015.

To date, two community workshops have been conducted and initial discussions regarding potential land use scenarios have taken place with the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) and City Council. The EPC and City Council considered Precise Plan policy topics at their February 3, 2016 and March 1, 2016 meetings, respectively. Additional hearings with the EPC and City Council will be conducted in the upcoming months to review additional policy related materials. Additional information on the Precise Plan Update process and upcoming hearings are available on the City's website.

Website:

http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/northbayshore_/default.asp

East Whisman Precise Plan

On June 23, 2015, the City Council accepted a VTA grant to help develop a new East Whisman Precise Plan. A scope of work for this new plan was brought to the City Council March 2016 where staff received the go ahead to proceed with the project. The first phase of the project will include a community workshop which is scheduled for this summer.

Safe Parking

In February, City Council discussed aspects of a safe parking program for individuals and families living in their vehicles. At that time, Council gave direction to staff to explore a variety of efforts designed to help those who are considered "vehicularly homeless." This month, the City hosted a regional stakeholder meeting to discuss this issue. Thirty-five people attended the meeting, including elected officials, leaders from the faith community, nonprofit representatives, and staff from federal, state, and local government agencies. The purpose of the meeting was to begin a regional dialogue on this issue, including discussing what is happening in our region, what steps are being taken to address the problem, and what can be done to move the needle. The City is also working with LifeMoves, a nonprofit leader in serving the homeless, to conduct a census and survey of individuals who are living in their vehicles in Mountain View. Other efforts include researching the possibility of creating a waste disposal site; keeping public restrooms open during evening hours; working with the Community Services Agency to host a mobile shower and laundry service; and working with the faith community to pilot safe parking on site.

PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT

Wonder Years Preschool (86 El Camino Real)

On October 14, 2015, the Zoning Administrator approved an application by Wonder Years Preschool to build a new 2-story, 4,800-square-foot preschool building on a site adjacent to their current property. The project would replace an existing 1-story building that currently houses a car-stereo business.

Loop Convenience Store (790 E El Camino Real)

On March 9, 2016, the Zoning Administrator approved an application to reconstruct the existing gas station and car wash and to add a new convenience store.

El Camino Hospital Campus Update (2500 Grant Rd.)

El Camino Hospital is applying to construct a new 2-story, 56,000 sq. ft. Behavioral Health building, a new 7-story, 265,000 sq. ft. medical office building, a new 5-level 390-stall parking structure adjacent to the new medical office building, and a 4-level, 430-stall addition to the existing North Parking Garage on the 40-acre hospital campus. The project includes demolition of the following existing buildings: a 21,300 sq. ft. Behavioral Health building, a 260,000 sq. ft. Old Main Hospital Building, and a 90,000 sq. ft. North Addition Building (adjacent to the Old Main Hospital) and removal of 220 surface parking stalls.

Website: http://www.mountainview.gov/elcaminohospital

Live Oak Properties (525 East Evelyn Ave.)

In September 2012, the City Council approved a request to allow a 70-unit attached rowhouse project on a 3.65 acre lot with existing industrial buildings. The project is Phase II of the Shea Home project on East Evelyn Avenue and is located on the south side of East Evelyn Avenue, east of Highway 237. The property owner requested a permit extension for the PUD permit and the tentative map to September 12, 2016. The extension of time request was approved by the Zoning Administrator on June 25, 2014.

Evelyn Family Apartments (779 E. Evelyn Avenue)

On March 1, 2016, the City Council approved a 4-story, 116-unit apartment building for low- and very-low income households. Construction is anticipated to begin in Summer 2016 with lease-up in early 2018.

334 Bryant Avenue

The application is a request to subdivide a 0.9-acre lot into four single-family lots and to construct four new single-family homes replacing one existing single-family home. The project is located on the north side of Bryant Avenue near Stacey Court.

Adachi Project (1991 Sun Mor Avenue)

In August 2015, the applicant submitted a formal application to allow development of 11 single family homes and to subdivide the existing 5-acre lot into 12 lots. This property is located at the north end of Sun Mor Avenue.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Mountain View Community Shuttle

The Mountain View Community Shuttle launched in January 2014 to provide enhanced transportation connections throughout the City. In February, after a year in service and based on public feedback, the Mountain View Community Shuttle program introduced a few routing improvements and a simplified schedule to improve its operations and better serve riders. Shuttles now operate 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., seven days a week on 30-minute intervals on weekdays and 1-hour intervals on weekends and holidays. Additionally, the shuttles operate on a clock-face schedule providing riders with more predictable service frequency and times. For example, if riders know a weekday Gray route shuttle arrives at the Civic Center at 10:40 a.m., they will also know the next shuttles will be along at 11:10, 11:40 a.m., 12:10, 12:40 p.m., etc. On weekends and holidays, that same shuttle would always arrive at 44 minutes past the hour (or 10:44, 11:44, 12:44, etc.). City and shuttle program staff will continue to monitor the success of these changes and gather new feedback throughout 2016. The information will be shared with the City Council before the end of 2016.

Mountain View Community Shuttle GPS Tracking

Mountain View Community Shuttle is beta-testing real-time tracking. Visit **MVCommunityShuttle.com** from any device and choose Map from the menu to get real-time results of where the shuttles are on the route and when the next one will arrive at your stops. Help us test the system, and give us your feedback.

Project Studies and Designs

Mountain View Community Center Renovation and Expansion

Design is underway to renovate and expand the Community Center. The project will include a larger and updated Social Hall with catering kitchen, relocation of the preschool, and increase the number of multipurpose rooms. Design is scheduled for completion in 2016 with construction beginning in early 2017.

Library Renovations

Design is underway to renovate the Library. Areas of improvements will include the Children's area, community meeting room, the addition of study rooms and staff areas.

Heritage Park

The design of a new park at 771 North Rengstorff Avenue is complete. Construction is scheduled to begin summer 2016. The park will feature the Immigrant House and a restored Star Steel windmill.

Projects under Construction

Installation of Solar at City Facilities

The City has installed solar photovoltaics on three City facilities including the parking areas for the Shoreline Golf Course. The three combined systems will generate up to 583 kW of energy that would reduce approximately 600 metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions annually.

Rengstorff Park Lighting

The City has installed new lights and replaced existing lights with LED throughout Rengstorff Park. Visitors will find the park better lit and more welcoming.

Residential Street Light Fixture Replacement

The City is currently replacing approximately 2,000 high pressure sodium fixtures residential street light fixtures with new LED street light fixtures. The majority of lights South of El Camino Real have been replaced, and the City is anticipating the project will be completed by June 2016. The replacement project is expected to reduce the City's street light energy use by approximately 500,000 kWh, saving \$61,000 and reducing the City's greenhouse gas emissions by 146 metric tons annually. In addition, the LED lights will produce a more even distribution of light and will appear brighter than the previous street lights. Replacement of lights on the City's main streets and arterials was completed in 2014.

Greening of the Library

The City has completed a water efficient demonstration garden at the Pioneer Park entrance area of the Library. Visitors are invited to the new garden to learn tips about different drought tolerant plants suitable for both sunny and shady areas.

Veterans War Memorial

A new Veterans War Memorial has been constructed in Eagle Park at the flag pole area outside of the Eagle Pool Building.

Shoreline Athletic Fields

The new soccer and baseball fields along with concession building, restrooms, and children play area are now open.

Projects Coming Soon

Green Bike Lane Pilot Project

The City of Mountain View is embarking on a pilot project to make bicyclists more visible and to improve safety where cyclists are most likely to mix with heavy auto traffic. Green colored pavement in bike lanes, in this case colored material applied to the surface of the road to simulate a colored pavement, is used to increase the visibility, identify areas of potential conflict between bikes and cars, and reinforce the priority of bikes in the lane. Three intersections in Mountain View that will see the green bike lanes are:

- Sylvan Avenue/The Americana at El Camino Real
- Cuesta Drive at Miramonte Avenue
- Bryant Avenue at Grant Road

The project bid opening was April 13th and construction should be completed by the end of summer.

Grant/Martens/Phyllis Intersection Improvements

This project will improve pedestrian crossing movements including new sidewalk along the north side of Martens Avenue to the first intersection with Carmelita and improve traffic movements to enhance safety. This project is currently in design and is planned to be constructed in summer 2017.

Residential Parking Permit Program

The City has been studying a potential Residential Parking Permit Program. A study session was held with the City Council in February to get public input and direction on certain parameters. Staff is currently revising the proposed program per direction received at the study session and plans to bring the final Residential Parking Permit Program and new ordinance to the City Council later this year. If approved, this sets up the process [similar to the City's Neighborhood Traffic Management (Traffic Calming) Program]. The process would start with a petition by the residents and there would be resident vote before any permits would be issued for any specific area. For more information, please read the staff report from the February 23, 2016 meeting.

Stevens Creek Trail Landscaping

The City has a small project to add some additional landscaping along the Stevens Creek Trail between Sleeper and El Camino Real. This project is planned to be in construction later this calendar year.

Projects by Others

California Water Service Company (Cal Water)

California Water Service Company is a private utility company that provides water to certain properties within this neighborhood. Cal Water has a water main replacement project planned along Grant Road between Martens and Sleeper. The City is currently working with Cal Water through the City's street construction permitting process. A specific schedule has not been finalized, but Cal Water is hoping to complete the project this summer. Advance notification to adjacent residents and project signage along Grant Road will be required prior to any construction activities starting. Work hours will be restricted to avoid commute hours.

El Camino Real Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project Update

The Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) released a draft environmental impact report for its proposed El Camino Real BRT project in late 2014. Seven project alternatives were evaluated, including combinations of mixed-flow and dedicated lane configurations, along with a no-build alternative. The environmental document has not been formally adopted by the VTA. The VTA is now considering an additional BRT

project alternative that would designate the right through lane on each side of El Camino Real during peak commute periods as a restricted use lane for transit, high occupancy vehicles, right-turning vehicles, and electric and hybrid vehicles. Each of the cities along the El Camino corridor are being asked if they are interested/support this new alternative and the possibility it can be tested as a pilot program. The City of Mountain View City Council discussed the new right lane alternative at an April 5, 2016 Study Session and indicated some interest in exploring the new alternative, but did not take formal action to approve or endorse it. The VTA will not take any action on the new alternative, or the environmental impact report, until other cities along the El Camino Real corridor have had an opportunity to discuss the new BRT alternative. No date for a final decision on the BRT project is available at this time.