

# COUNCIL NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

### Neighborhood Meeting for Monta Loma/Farley/Rock Street Area September 22, 2016

#### CNC NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATE

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

#### **Heritage Park**

Heritage Park, located at 771 N. Rengstorff Avenue, is currently under construction. This 1.2 acre mini park will feature the 'Immigrant House', a display of agricultural worker housing from Mountain View's past. This lovely property with many mature trees will also include a period windmill, donated by a local Mountain View family, as well as a community garden, walking paths, and picnic tables. Completion is currently scheduled for December 2016.

#### Wyandotte Park

The City of Mountain View recently purchased a .9 acre property at 2254 Wyandotte for a public park. The goal is to have public meetings in 2017 to develop design concepts for the mini park with construction occurring in 2018.

#### **Community Center Renovations**

The Community Center is scheduled for renovation beginning in summer 2017. As part of the renovation, approximately 6,800 square feet will be added to the facility to make the building a total of about 28,600 square feet. The new facility will provide additional classroom space and a large social hall for group functions and rentals. As part of this project, a new intersection is planned at the new entry of the facility, which will line up with Stanford Avenue to improve vehicular and pedestrian access on Rengstorff Avenue.

#### **Senior Center**

The Senior Center will be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its opening in late October 2016. Information regarding the celebration will be out in late summer/early fall.

#### **Rengstorff Park Lighting Improvements**

The City recently upgraded the lighting in Rengstorff Park using over \$ 650,000 in grant funding (\$350,000 from a federal CDBG grant and \$305,225 from a State Housing Related Park Grant). The Rengstorff Park Master Plan identified this work as a priority project to improve security and safety. The project included the installation of new LED

light fixtures where needed throughout the park and the retrofit of existing light fixtures, converting them from induction lighting into LED lighting. The new lights have provided a marked improvement in the lighting levels in the park.





Before After

#### CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

#### 2016 City of Mountain View Elections

There are eight candidates for four seats on the 2016 ballot for Mountain View City Council. In addition, there are two measures on the 2016 ballot related to rent increases for residential units in the City of Mountain View. Measure V was placed on the ballot through the initiative petition process by the Mountain View Tenants Coalition. Measure W was placed on the ballot by the Mountain View City Council. There are some similarities and some differences between the two measures. For more information, please see the Impartial Analysis and related documents on the City's website, which you can find as on the homepage of the City's website (www.mountainview.gov) under "Popular Links" or at <a href="http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/clerk/election/city\_elections\_and\_filings\_and\_reference\_materials.asp">http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/clerk/election/city\_elections\_and\_filings\_and\_reference\_materials.asp</a>.

#### **Council Priorities**

With adoption of the City's 2016-17 budget, the Council reaffirmed its two-year priorities, which were established in fiscal year 2015-16. These priorities are to increase affordable housing options, enhance environmental sustainability efforts and improve transportation and mobility. Over the current and prior fiscal year, a total of 49 projects have been identified to achieve these priorities. A list of last fiscal year's significant Council accomplishments be found goals significant A few highlights of the 2015-16 big www.mountainview.gov/council/goals.asp. achievements include appropriation of nearly \$30 million in funding during 2015-16 for two significant affordable housing developments (with another \$6.3 million reserved just this month to increase affordable housing at Shorebreeze apartments); replacement of 2,000 high pressure sodium street lights with energy saving LED lights; and an update to the City's Bicycle Transportation Plan.

#### **Update on Residents Living in Vehicles and Assisting the Homeless:**

Housing affordability and homelessness are challenges throughout the region, which may result in some people living in cars, RVs or other vehicles. The City has been studying how to address this situation and will present an update to Council on October 4 to discuss options.

In February 2016, the City Council discussed the feasibility of a "safe parking program" along with other efforts designed to help individuals and families living in RVs and cars. Since the safe parking item came to the City Council, the City has been working on a variety of efforts including: convening a stakeholder group of nonprofits, regional government agencies, and local churches to implement solutions to this concern; conducting a census and survey of individuals living in their vehicles in Mountain View; working with the Community Services Agency and other nonprofits to offer shower and laundry services; looking into waste disposal options, and working with leaders in the faith community to offer safe parking on church premises. The City also conducted a survey from September 2-19 to get community feedback on this complex issue.

The City Council remains committed to increasing housing availability and affordability as one of its top priorities. Moreover, the City continues providing ongoing support to community-based organizations like Community Services Agency (CSA) - Mountain View's largest service provider for people in need, and supports local shelter facilities, as well as supporting regional efforts in cooperation with the County's supportive housing programs.

For more information on neighborhood and housing programs, please visit: <a href="http://www.mountainview.gov/neighborhoods">http://www.mountainview.gov/neighborhoods</a>

#### City Hall Social Media Sites

than followers Facebook Hall has more 10.8 thousand on still Facebook.mountainview.gov and going are strong 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 <a href="https://www.mountainview.gov/mymv">www.mountainview.gov/mymv</a> and after logging in to your account, select My MV Home, choose *eView* in the My Notifications section.

#### LIBRARY NEWS

#### **Library Newsletters**

The Library publishes 2 regular newsletters, one for adults and one for youth & families, where you will get all the latest information about library activities and new services. You can sign up here: <a href="http://bit.ly/2cHfpFR">http://bit.ly/2cHfpFR</a>

#### **Outside the Lines**

The Mountain View Library, in additional to celebrating Science Fiction this September, also participated in a nationwide campaign to promote libraries. Outside the Lines is a weeklong, national celebration demonstrating the creativity and innovation happening in libraries. To kick off the week, the Library invited chalk artist Mike Borja to create a scifi-themed art piece in Pioneer Park. On Sunday, Sept. 11th, Mike created a massive Yoda drawing and he was joined with other Mountain View residents who created their own chalk art around the Library.



#### **Upcoming Classes and Workshops**

There are programs every day in the library for all ages. See the calendar for all the details: <a href="http://bit.ly/1tKjJ4v">http://bit.ly/1tKjJ4v</a>

#### **Library Remodel Plans**

The Library Board of Trustees reviewed conceptual plans on September 19 for a proposed remodel of the Library. The goals of the remodel are to expand space for children's services, expand the community room, increase the amount and variety of seating on the second floor, and add a second community room on the second floor. These plans will go to the City Council in November and staff is working with architects to complete the design.

#### **Electronic Magazines**

The Library now subscribes to a new service called Flipster. You can use your library card to look at the latest issue of magazines on your computer or mobile device. Try it out here: http://mountainview.gov/emagazines

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

#### Plans and Policies

#### North Bayshore Precise Plan

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 2+ years. This Precise Plan update comes after the adoption of the North Bayshore Precise Plan November 2014 and completion of the Bonus Floor Area Ratio (FAR) application review May 2015.

To date, two community workshops have been conducted and 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 meetings held in February, March, and May of this year. Staff worked over the summer to complete work on the public draft of the updated Precise Plan. The public draft will be released this fall and will be reviewed by the EPC and City Council prior to the end of the year. Additional information on the Precise Plan Update process and upcoming hearings are available on the City's website: <a href="http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/northbayshore\_/default.asp">http://www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/northbayshore\_/default.asp</a>

#### **East Whisman Precise Plan**

Following the July 16, 2016 community workshop for the East Whisman Precise Plan, City staff presented outcomes of the workshop and conceptual land use locations to the EPC on August 24, 2016 and the City Council on September 6, 2016. With the preliminary comments provided by City Council, City staff is preparing for the second Community Workshop anticipated in December 2016. For more information, or to sign-up for email notifications of the upcoming workshop or public meetings, please visit the project website: <a href="https://www.mountainview.gov/eastwhisman">www.mountainview.gov/eastwhisman</a>.

#### **Private Development**

#### Prometheus (100 Moffett Blvd.)

In December 2013 the City Council approved a 184-unit apartment project. The project includes three new residential buildings on an approximately 2.68 acre site. The project includes the conversion of an existing vehicle on-ramp to a bicycle/pedestrian-only paseo connecting Stierlin Road to the corner of Central Expressway and Moffett Boulevard. The project is currently under construction.

#### Calvano Development (1001 N. Shoreline Blvd)

In September 2015 the Zoning Administrator approved an application for the construction of a 4-story, 111,443 square foot office building located on the northeast corner of North Shoreline Boulevard and Terra Bella Avenue. The project is currently under construction.

#### Windsor Academy (908 N. Rengstorff Ave.)

In October 2014 the Zoning Administrator approved a request for a new 2-story, 8,088-square-foot, 84 space daycare center on a 0.43 acre (18,731 sq. ft.) project site. The project includes the demolition of one single-family home, resulting in 7,318 net new square feet of development on the site. The project is currently under construction.

#### D.R. Horton (827 N. Rengstorff Ave.)

In June 2014 the City Council approved a request for a new 24-unit rowhouse development on a 1.4 acre site located at the south east corner of North Rengstorff Avenue and Colony Street. The project includes demolition of an existing one-story industrial building. D.R. Horton has purchased the site from City Ventures. The project is currently under construction.

#### Paul Ryan (858 Sierra Vista Ave.)

On November 12, 2014 the City Council approved a request to allow for four small-lot, single-family homes to replace an existing home, on a 0.52 acre project site, located on the west side of Sierra Vista Avenue between Colony Street and Plymouth Street.

#### Paul Ryan (2392 Rock St.)

In September 2014 the Zoning Administrator approved a request for a Planned Unit Development Permit for a 3-unit small-lot single-family development on a 0.38 acre site. The project is currently under construction.

#### Classic Communities (1946 San Luis Ave.)

In May 2014 the City Council approved a request by Classic Communities for a 28 unit rowhouse project on a 1.6 acre site. The properties included a total of 25 existing units. The project is currently under construction.

#### 1998-2024 Montecito Ave.

In May 2015 the City Council approved a request for a 3-story, 17-unit condominium project with underground parking on 0.93 acre project site. The project would replace three apartments and a single-family home. The project includes a two-unit Density Bonus request and includes one very low income unit.

#### 647 Sierra Vista Ave.

In October 2015 the City Council approved a 29-rowhome project on a 1.6 acre site.

#### 1968 Hackett Ave. & 208-210 Sierra Vista Ave.

In July 2015 the City Council approved a request to allow construction of a 24-unit rowhouse project to replace 21 existing apartment units on a 1.60 acre project.

#### California Communities/Peninsula Communities (2025 and 2065 San Luis Avenue)

In April 2016 the City Council approved a request for a new 33-unit rowhouse development on a vacant 0.93-acre site. The project was initially submitted in October 2014 for a nine-unit development on a vacant lot at 2065 San Luis Avenue. The developer acquired the adjacent 17-unit apartment complex site at 2025 San Luis Avenue and submitted revised plans in August 2015 for an expanded project on both properties.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS**

#### Rails Project Update

In the summer of 2015 Google submitted a Public Works permit application to provide bicycle and pedestrian improvements from the San Antonio Caltrain Station to the Permanente Creek Trail entrance at Rock Street. The project has been named the "Rails" project. The improvements are in the City's right-of-way and implement several improvements outlined in the City's Bicycle Transportation Plan Update including intersections improvements, wayfinding signage, striping and would be completely funded by Google. Google is in the process of finalizing the construction plans with the City. Construction is anticipated to begin in Fall of 2016.

#### City Project Studies, Designs, and Upcoming Construction

#### Shoreline Blvd Bus Lane Utility Improvements Project

The proposed project will construct a dedicated center-running reversible bus lane and improve pedestrian and bicyclist facilities on Shoreline Boulevard between Middlefield Road and Pear Avenue. The project would improve the flow of buses along the Shoreline Boulevard corridor and would not eliminate any existing vehicle lanes. Water and sewer pipelines on Shoreline Boulevard between Middlefield Road and Highway 101 will also be replaced. Design is currently underway and scheduled to complete by summer 2017.

#### **Shoreline Boulevard Pathway**

City staff is completing design work to rebuild the pathway along the east side of Shoreline Boulevard between Villa Street and Wright Avenue. The project would reconstruct the bicycle and pedestrian pathway to meet American with Disabilities Act requirements and install a new pathway connection to Jackson Street and Central Expressway to connect the neighborhood to the Transit Center and downtown. Design is scheduled to be completed by fall 2016. Construction funding has not been identified for this project, though staff has applied for a federal grant.

#### New Permanente Creek Trail Extension from Rock Street to Middlefield Street and New Fields at Crittenden Middle School

The City is working collaboratively with the Mountain View Whisman School District to design and construct the next extension of Permanente Creek Trail as well as build a new sports field at Crittenden Middle School. The trail will be extended south from Rock Street along the west side of the school campus to the Middlefield Road/Farley intersection. The School District is proposing to change the existing western baseball field to a soccer-track field using artificial turf. The two projects are under final design. The trail project is proposed to start construction in January and the field construction will start after school ends in June 2017.

#### **City Projects Under Construction**

#### Water Main Replacement through Crittenden Middle School

Due to the poor condition of the existing water main and with the preparation of the new trail project, the City is relocating an existing water main that runs along the proposed trail alignment through the west side of Crittenden School campus. Construction activities are underway for the new main that will now run north-south through the school parking lot on the east side of the campus. Work along the active school parking lot will be occurring at night to minimize disruptions to school and after-school activities. Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of October.

#### **Rengstorff Pool Slide**

The slide at Rengstorff Pool will be replaced. A contract is in place for the work and the contractor is waiting for the parts to arrive. The project is scheduled to complete by November 2016.

## Resurfacing Segments of Rengstorff Avenue, Old Middlefield Way and Charleston Road

A construction project is underway to resurface Rengstorff Avenue from Central Expressway to Middlefield Road, Old Middlefield Way from Rengstorff Avenue to U.S. 101 and Charleston Road from North Rengstorff Avenue to San Antonio Road. Construction is scheduled to be completed by December 2016.

#### 2015-16 Street Resurfacing and Slurry Seal Program, Project 16-01

Various streets in the neighborhood are proposed to be resurfaced or slurry sealed. Construction bids have just been received and construction is expected to start in October and complete by December 2016. The streets proposed for improvement are:

- Montecito Avenue from San Pierre Avenue to Burgoyne Street
- Betlo Avenue/Ruth Avenue/Marcelyn Avenue
- Diablo Avenue/Tamalpais Street from Hamilton Avenue to Whitney Drive
- Granada Drive from Montecito to Wentworth Street
- Wentworth Street from Granada Drive to Gemini Avenue

#### **Transit Center Master Plan**

Progress continues on the development of a new master plan for the Mountain View Transit Center to respond to anticipated increases in employment in Mountain View and a higher demand for and utilization of the Transit Center by rail, transit and other transportation services.

As directed by Council, the master planning effort is being conducted in two phases. The initial phase included the evaluation of conceptual grade-separation alternatives to the current at-grade rail crossing at the intersection of Castro and Central Expressway. At its June 22 meeting, the City Council approved a preferred grade separation plan that calls for re-routing Castro Street and Moffett Boulevard vehicle traffic at the rail tracks.

The second phase of the master planning is now underway and includes the development of a plan for improved access, services and facilities at the Transit Center. A City Council Study Session is scheduled for October 18 to discuss conceptual alternatives and key issues for providing parking at the Transit Center in the future, and later in another Study Session in November, the Council will review other concepts to improve services, facilities and access to the Transit Center. A final conceptual master plan is scheduled to be presented to Council in early 2017.