



# District 6 Neighborhood Leaders Group

**Tuesday, 6/30/2015**  
**Rose Garden Branch Library**  
**DRAFT Meeting Minutes**

6:34 pm - Meeting called to order

## **Attendance:**

## **Agenda changes**

The following topics had no speakers/updates.

Diridon

Historic Preservation

KaBoom - Randi Kinman

Primrose Preschool

Tamien Park and Garage

Win 6

## **Agenda items were rearranged and grouped according to speaker (i.e. Larry Ames)**

### **County Supervisor Ken Yeager's Office - Alex Shoor, Policy Aide**

- Strike averted by collaboration between the County Board and SEIU.
- Funds approved for a County of Santa Clara Office of LGBTQ Affairs (for 2-1/2 ppl) - intended to be a hub for services to offer coordinated support and resources.
- Since 2013, number of homeless is decreased by appr. 14% due to the Housing First initiative.
- Pharmaceutical companies to fund a drop-off program that collects and disposes of approximately 35,000 pounds of unwanted and expired over-the-counter and prescription drugs from county residents each year.
- Tobacco purchase age raised to 21 in county unincorporated areas.
- Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones (UAIZ) Act - state bill that now provides tax breaks for landowners who use vacant, unimproved, or blighted lands (up to 3 acres) for small-scale agricultural production and animal husbandry. The County of Santa Clara currently contains an estimated 662 parcels that might qualify.
- The City of San Jose would need to address the fact that it currently allows only up to 1 acre to account for urban agriculture; eligible parcels might have to be rezoned.
- Launching the Diabetes Awareness Campaign and the creation of a new Diabetes Coordinator

position; this program is meant to educate people on prevention and lifestyle, and provide screening.

### **Councilmember Pierluigi Oliverio's Office - no updates**

(xyz present - name on attendance sheet)

### **Lincoln Ave. Business District Road Diet - Larry Ames and (Richard xyz - name on attendance sheet)**

- Officially opposed by Willow Glen Business Association; they cite downturn in business; not efficient for bicyclists; lowers the amount of traffic.
- Positive - improved pedestrian infrastructure
- Lots of discussion on the fact that other variables (i.e. summer, dynamic business climate, etc.) actually impact business coming in.
- Willow Glen School - differing grades will no longer have separate start times, which will likely impact amount of traffic.

### **1821 Almaden - Larry Ames**

Out for public comment; Larry to forward relevant email to D6NLG.

### **BART (Alum Rock Station) - Larry Ames**

Still in monthly meetings.

Next one is - August 12, 2015, 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Mexican Heritage Plaza

### **Council District and San Jose budget - Larry Ames**

- Budget work plan/ad-hoc committee to meet July 8...(???)
- D6 budget recommendations - [http://www.wgbackfence.net/NC/budget\\_2015-final.pdf](http://www.wgbackfence.net/NC/budget_2015-final.pdf)

### **Neighborhoods Commission - Larry Ames**

Official D6 stance on illegal fireworks -

<http://www.wgbackfence.net/NC/Illegal-Fireworks.pdf>

### **Ohlone - John Leyba**

Breaking ground.

### **Riparian Policy Codification – Larry Ames**

Work plan proposed by the Community & Economic Development (CED) Committee - as a budget priority for the fiscal year (???)

### **Los Gatos Creek Trail Trestle – Larry Ames**

The SJ Council voted 7-2 to ignore the Historic Landmarks Commission recommendation and finalize plans for demolition of the historic bridge in order to build a prefab replacement bridge. Assuming that the judge agrees that the City has satisfactorily completed the EIR process, demolition is to begin in June.

### **New Business Topics**

- SJ General Plan Envision 2040 Amendment Meeting (on Residential Rezoning) - scheduled for City Council meeting in November.
- District 6 and San Jose - Potential issues in 2015-2016 urban ag rezoning
- District 6 Elections (June/Nov 2016) - Candidate Forums  
Larry Ames made the following motion, and Richard ? seconded, that - D6 should sponsor (jointly with UNSCC) candidate forums for both the primary and general elections.
- Future Meeting - Proposed Invited Speakers  
Harry Freitas, CSJ Planning  
CSJ Code Enforcement...?

### **Next D6NLG meeting: Sept 22 – Willow Glen Library?**

#### **District 6, Neighborhood and other Announcements**

- SJ to collaborate with County of Santa Clara water district on Master Plan/Strategy...?
- Burbank/DelMonte NAC - "Back to School" community event, Aug 8, Harley-Davidson parking lot, 11:30a-4p

7:45p - Meeting adjourned