

SANTA CLARA COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION
General Meeting
Thursday, May 4, 2017
Messiah Lutheran Church

Call to Order: 7:03 pm

Present: 33, of which 6 were board members: Jerry Finigan, Kate Perle, Kelly Burke, Gary Haliski, Peter Thurston, and Louie Vidmar

UPDATE ON PROGRESS ON THE EAST SANTA CLARA MULTI-USE PATH – Stan Picket

- The general manager of Delta Sand & Gravel, Stan Picket, visited to discuss the multi-use path through east Santa Clara that would border his company's property. There is landscaping around the perimeter down Division, Hunsaker, and west. There is a 15' swatch of bark along the fence with plantings of fast-growing Green Rocket Cedar. The multi-use path will be along Beaver and Hunsaker. He will be contacting Becky Taylor to try to further the process. He has met with the City and Parks and showed them the plan. He is excited for the path to be underway. It is in the Eugene Trails Plan showing connection to Hileman Landing, the Airport, and Amazon Creek. The path on the company's west edge ties into Admiral. He suggested that we collaborate and get voices to prod the country and the city governments. He described his knowledge of Beltline's upcoming improvements, but a resident said that there are more current changes to it.

GALVANIZING THE SANTA CLARA COMMUNITY TO CONSTRUCT THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN – the SCRRIP Team, Ellen Teninty, and Zach Galloway

- In 2007-08 Outreach to groups began. 700+ people were contacted about what needed to be in a neighborhood plan.
- A report was made from the research done in 4 areas through listening sessions, town halls, tables at events, and such.
- Community involvement is needed because the city has given the go-ahead in their schedule and there is funding. Zach Galloway, city planner, aids SCRRIP, and is a consultant to network and get technical. Kate spoke to getting involved as neighbors. Anne spoke to getting their input. Zach spoke to applauding the effort that has already gone into the SC/RR effort. It has been a 2 year process to develop community vision, policies toward development, transportation, streets, infrastructure, public safety, parks, natural resources, and river access. Tonight's focus is the PR experts here to assist in outreach. Santa Clara is a mix of 55% Country-owned property and 45% City-owned property. The country has relegated new permits to the city for 30+ years.
- A brain-storming session on outreach covered topics, community challenges, and public involvement planning. Suggestions came from those present and were written on the board by Kate and Zak.

REST STOPS (New agenda topic due to misunderstanding many neighbors had in perceiving from the newsletter that it would be tonight's topic)

- The current information that Santa Clara is not being considered for a rest stop was given to those present. Many present left after that, but a few stayed for the rest of the meeting.

Reports:

- Awbrey Park – (Gary Haliski) Wildflower walk is this Sat. 11-2 at the park. There will be some refreshments, horse shoes, and a chance to see how the park is looking and the native flowers blooming.

- Luper Cemetery – (Peter Thurston) Open for Memorial Day event
- Tim Foelker's Open Garden – (Tim) May 13th, Sat. 1-4 at 4793 Herman St. Come see the different type of bed design he offers.

Adjourned 8:45

Kelly Burke, secretary