

# ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 26, 2023  
6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair  
Supervisor Lena Tam, excused

Location: San Lorenzo Library  
395 Paseo Grande  
San Lorenzo, CA 94580  
Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/84684430209>

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## Summary Minutes

### **I. First Year Report on Ordinance 0-2022-5 to Prohibit Smoking in and around Multi-Unit Residences within the Urban Growth Boundary in Unincorporated Areas of the County of Alameda (Effective as of July 1, 2023)**

[Attachment](#)

Paul Cummings, MPH, Tobacco Control Program Director, Public Health Department, Health Care Services Agency, Tracey Andrews, MPH, Tobacco Control Program, Public Health Department, Health Care Services Agency, Edward J. Labayog, Assistant Planning Director, Code Enforcement Manager, Planning Department, Community Development Agency and Juan-Carlos Martinez, Zoning Investigator II, Planning Department, Community Development Agency presented a PowerPoint presentation on the First Year Report on Ordinance 0-2022-5 to Prohibit Smoking in and around Multi-Unit Residences.

The Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing Ordinance began in January 2022 and took effect in July 2023. Over this period, the Public Health Department collaborated with the Community Development Agency (CDA) to educate the public through virtual forums, newspaper articles, and postcard mailers sent to 55,000 homes. The information was accessible in multiple languages (English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese).

They distributed signs, including 112 metal signs, and made information downloadable from the website. Complaints related to the ordinance have been managed through a process involving warning letters, fines (ranging from \$100 to \$500), and collaboration with property managers.

So far, 50 complaints have been received, with 20 resolved and 10 fines issued. The ordinance has had a significant impact, with cases resolving early in the enforcement process. Challenges include managing disputes between neighbors, ensuring the focus remains on smoking behavior rather than individuals. The partnership with CDA has been crucial, and they hope to continue working together, with plans to further educate the public as restrictions ease.

### **II. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Update about the Process for the New Art Designs for the Utility Box Art Program and Streetlight Pole Banner Program for Castro Valley and Lewelling Boulevard**

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Rachel Osajima, Director, Alameda County Arts Commission, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the New Art Designs for the Utility Box Art Program and Streetlight Pole Banner Program for Castro Valley and Lewelling Boulevard.

The Utility Box Art Program and the Streetlight Pole Banner Program launched in 2017, and involves high-quality digital images printed onto large pieces of vinyl, which are used to create new banners.

The program, coordinated by the Arts Commission and managed by Alameda County's Economic and Civic Development Department, has had significant community involvement. Community members contributed by serving on selection committees and providing feedback through surveys.

In total, 11 artists have been recommended for the project, with their works representing various designs. Presentations of these recommendations were made to local advisory councils, which unanimously supported the selected artists. The next steps involve further approvals by the Arts Commission and the Board of Supervisors, with contracts expected to be presented for approval in September.

**III. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Public Review Draft of the Sixth Cycle Housing Element of the County General Plan**  
[Attachment](#)

Liz McElligott, Assistant Planning Director, Planning Department, Community Development Agency

The draft Housing Element was prepared in accordance with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (State HCD) guidelines for the 6th Housing Element Cycle, incorporating additional considerations required under recent state housing-related legislation. Section I of the draft Housing Element provides an overview of the document and relevant regulation. Section II provides a summary of the projected housing need. Section III summarizes the adequacy of available housing sites and housing resources with reference to relevant appendices. Section IV contains goals, policies, and actions related to housing in Alameda County. The comprehensive research and analysis supporting the development of the goals, policies, and programs in Section IV are compiled in the appendices to the Housing Element.

The goal is to meet regional housing allocation needs while complying with fair housing laws and ensuring equitable access to resources like jobs, education, and transportation. The review highlights various sites, including those near BART stations, with a focus on ensuring that the most vulnerable populations benefit from the developments.

**IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Unincorporated Area Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission**

Supervisor Nate Miley, Board of Supervisors, District 4, reported on the creation of a Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission. The commission is an evolution of a previous advisory committee and has been mentioned to the Board of Supervisors. The goal is to have the commission approved by the end of the year, after review by the Board and other groups. Additionally, the Board is also looking at consolidating or reviewing existing commissions and boards.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned to September 27, 2023.

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