## ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' UNINCORPORATED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 27, 2020 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair Supervisor Wilma Chan Location: San Lorenzo Library 395 Paseo Grande San Lorenzo, CA 94580

# <u>Summary Minutes</u>

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Waage stated that SkyWest golf course is closing which was a great place to walk. Community members should think about park space and walk space, maybe other businesses could be interested in the space.

#### I. COVID-19 Update

Attachment

Aneeka Chaudhry, Assistant Agency Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the COVID-19 health crisis.

The presentation included information on cases rates, hospitalizations, testing and updates on shelter in place orders.

#### Speaker

Jennifer Ong asked about antibody testing, drive thru test sites at schools in the Cherryland area, and if there are a high number of elderly persons being infected with COVID, due to the nursing home situations.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

#### II. Alameda County Economic and Civic Development COVID-19 Update Attachment

Eileen Dalton, Director, Economic and Civic Development Department, Community Development Agency, presented a PowerPoint on the Department's Small Business Recovery Planning.

The Economic and Civic Development Department's Small Business Recovery Planning focuses on three (3) areas:

- Business Adaptation Grants
  \$5,000 reimbursement grants for COVID-19 related business adaptations needed to operate business Funding for 60-80 grants
   BOS approval in June – launch program in July
- Small Business Marketing Assistance Program Conducting a marketing needs survey of all businesses to design a free marketing program to fit the needs of small businesses as they reopen Fall 2020

3) Open for Business

Commercial permit streamlining – quick permits and signage

Temporary use (12-18 month) of outdoor private property, including parking, for outdoor dining and retail

Explore with Public Works use of public right-of-way for outdoor dining and retail

Resources most helpful for recovery include:

- Resources/services most helpful for recovery:
- Access to capital/other debt relief
- Understanding new C-19 regulations (what is needed to re-open and stay open)
- Help applying for fed/state/local grants/loans
- Business assistance workshops (marketing assistance, business counseling, pivot)
- Having a peer-support network
- Managing organizational change
- Legal/HR assistance

#### Speakers

Jennifer Ong reported on information from the Workforce Development Board meeting regarding layoffs in the unincorporated area.

Randy Waage asked if the Department has reached out to local businesses that need assistance setting up during COVID-19.

Ashley Strausberg, Eden Area Chamber of Commerce thanked Eileen Dalton and her staff for their assistance with COVID-19 recovery efforts.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

#### III. West County Board of Zoning Adjustments (BZA) Changes

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Rodrigo Orduña, Senior Planner, Planning Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed changes to the membership of the West County Board of Zoning Adjustments.

The Board of Supervisors recently established two new Municipal Advisory Councils (MACs), Fairview and Eden Area to enhance local governance in the unincorporated area. With the creation of the new MACs, the Board seeks to modify the composition of the West County Board of Zoning Adjustments to more accurately reflect the representative areas of the MACs.

Staff recommends the Unincorporated Services Committee recommend the proposed ordinance regarding the composition of the West County Board of Zoning Adjustments be forwarded to the full Board for adoption.

**Recommendation from the Unincorporated Services Committee**: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

### IV. San Lorenzo Creekway Information and Survey

#### **Attachment**

Cristina Bejarano, Associate Planner, WRT, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed San Lorenzo Creekway.

Based on community input for more than a decade, HARD and Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conservation District are proposing to transform the County's existing maintenance road along the San Lorenzo

Creek (SLC) channel into an appx. five (5) mile long multi-use pedestrian and bicycle facility, starting at the Bay Trail in San Lorenzo/San Leandro and running through Ashland, Cherryland, Hayward, and onward into the East Bay Regional Park District.

**Project Benefits** 

- 1) Increase safe opportunities for biking and walking:
- 2. Increase public health and access to open/green space:
- 3. Reduce the risk, number, and severity of pedestrian collisions:
- 4. Foster community identity
- 5. Create long-term opportunities for youth employment and civic engagement:
- 6. Reduce greenhouse gas emissions:

The San Lorenzo Creekway uses a community-based framework for public safety that encourages use of and promotes a positive relationship with this public space by all members of the community.

A San Lorenzo Creekway Public Safety Team (PST) has been initiated, which has planned a multifaceted safety approach including Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED); Safe Routes to School (SR2S) and youth engagement programs; homelessness advocacy engagement; and the County's Community Assessment Treatment and Transportation (CATT) Team; and others.

Members of the PST have been involved in public safety planning and include Hayward Police & Fire Departments, Alameda County Sheriff's Office & Fire Department, HARD Public Safety, Downtown Streets Team, and Alameda County Public Health (Safe Routes to School).

Studies performed by the National Association of Realtors and National Association of Home Builders have shown that trails ranked high as an amenity. Many home buyers are attracted to homes with trail access. Real estate listings highlight trails as a selling point. A majority of knowledgeable realtors point out that most buyers and renters today like having a nearby healthful and fun alternative to driving their car.

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

#### V. Update from the Public Works Agency on COVID-19 Impact on East 14<sup>th</sup> Street Streetscape Project <u>Attachment</u>

David Lau, Construction Engineer, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the COVID-19 Impact on the East 14<sup>th</sup> Street Streetscape Project.

The Alameda County Public Works Agency has begun Phase II of the East 14th Corridor Improvement Project. The project is designed to improve safety and access for all users, strengthen community identity and revitalize the corridor.

The Project will include new sidewalks, high visibility crosswalks, new bike lanes, pedestrian scale street lighting and landscaping in addition to other amenities.

COVID-19 impacts to the project include delayed start from March to May 2020, in addition to a 5% to 10% reduction in available workforce.

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#### ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned to June 24, 2020.

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