

The Fiesta Bee



A Monthly Newsletter for the Fiesta Gardens Homes Association, San Mateo, CA
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President's Message

By Mike Russell

Greetings Neighbors! Daylight savings has arrived and Spring is in the air. I'm happy to report that we are within reach of receiving the Building Permit for our new Cabana. Once the permit is approved, the Cabana Committee will begin the process of obtaining bids. We will also post a rendering of the new cabana on the Fiesta Gardens website (www.FiestaGardensHOA.com). Watch this space for updates.

As always, I encourage you to attend our monthly meetings. Your input is important to the Board. At the next Meeting on Wednesday, April 4th at 7 PM, we will have a representative from the developers of the proposed Concar Passage project give us a presentation.

I encourage your questions, comments and feedback about Fiesta Gardens. If you can't attend the meetings, please feel free to email me at president@fiestagardenshoa.com.

See you in the neighborhood.

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The next Board meeting will be
Wednesday, April 4
7PM in the cabana.

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APRIL

April is filled with celebration.
It is the month of:

National Humor Month
International Guitar Month
Keep America Beautiful Month
Lawn and Garden Month
National Kite Month
National Poetry Month
National Pecan Month
National Welding Month
Records and Information Management Month
Stress Awareness Month

Civic Report

By Richard Neve

Concar Redevelopment

The developer, California Coastal Properties, held an open house presentation last week for the neighborhood.

Traffic Action Plan.

We have heard NO response from FG residents to the plan for the Restriping of Bermuda, published in last week's Bee. Should we assume that everyone is happy about the plans? Questions? Email me at civic@fiestagardenshoa.com or contact the Public Works Department.

Sewage Tank:

The city is beginning the environmental review process for this project. Mailers/invitations for a public scoping meeting will be sent soon. This is tentatively scheduled for the evening of April 19, likely at the City Council Chambers. The purpose of the scoping meeting is to gather input and questions from residents which will be used to guide the environmental impact analysis. The city has offered to hold a meeting for FG residents prior to this if residents are interested. Let me know if you would like to have them present. civic@fiestagardenshoa.com

Measure P.

Get educated (www.smartergrowthsm.com)! In 2020, Measure P, which sets standards for height limits and affordable housing, expires. If you have any questions, you can reach Lisa at limitheights2018@gmail.com

Here is a link to the Measure P language we wish to extend: www.smartvoter.org/2004/11/02/ca/sm/meas/P/

We are collecting signatures to get Measure P on the November Ballot. Please contact me if you want to sign, at civic@fiestagardenshoa.com

SB827- ACTION NEEDED!

This is a Sacramento senate bill introduced by Senator Wiener. In a nutshell it takes away local authority control on housing within a 1/2 mile radius of a major transit stop (e.g. Caltrian) or a 1/4 mile radius of a stop on a high-quality transit (Bus stop). This would override density controls and height limitations. Thus, you could see high rises going up all along the train corridor which affects Fiesta Gardens. This would override local measures like Measure P.

ACTION: Write to state senators Jerry Hill, Scott Weiner, and Assembly Member Kevin Mullin to voice your opinion.

MONTHLY CALENDAR

FIESTA GARDENS

April 4
FGHA Board Meeting
7pm, Pool Cabana

April 15
Deadline to get articles and ads to Bee Editor.

SAN MATEO

April 2, 16
City Council meeting
Where: City Hall, Council Chambers
When: 7:00 p.m. - ?

April 10, 24
Planning Commission Meeting
Where: City Hall, City Council Chambers
When: 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

April 5
Teen Movie Screening -- "Jumanji - Welcome to the Jungle"
Rated PG-13. 2017. Light snacks provided. For 7th-12th graders.
Where: San Mateo Main Library, Oak Room, 1st Floor
When: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

April 11
Public Works Commission Meeting
Where: City Hall Council Chambers
When: 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

April 22
Free Recycling Event
First of two 2018 Free Recycling Events. The other will be Saturday, October 20, 2018.
E-Waste Drop Off - items such as camcorders, cell & desk phones, chips and components, computers, connectors/cables, DVD players, fax machines, fluorescent tubes (limit 5 per household), etc. *Unacceptable items - NO household appliances such as cooktops, dishwashers, fans, floor heaters, ovens, stoves, refrigerators, freezers, or household hazardous waste.*
Community Paper Shred - a maximum of 3 standard size banker boxes (10"x12"x15") for secure on-site destruction. Staples and paper clips are okay. Proof of residency required
Give-N-Go to Goodwill - items such as clothes, shoes, accessories; books, tapes, and other media; toys; children's clothes; vacuum cleaners, microwaves, lamps, and small kitchen appliances (working or not); bath linens and throw pillows; pictures, paintings, and sculptures, etc.
Where: Beresford Park parking lot, 2720 Alameda de las Pulgas
When: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE

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FGHA BOARD MEETING – February 7, 2018

Approved Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Karen Debono, Secretary

The Board Meeting, which was held at Fiesta Gardens Pool Cabana, was called to order at 7:02pm.

Board Members in attendance were: Rich Neve - Civic, Roland Bardony - Parks, Mike Russell - Pool Maintenance, Steve Muller – Vice President and Carmen Quaresma - Social Director. Steve Stanovcak -Pool Operations and Joseph D’Agostino - President were absent.

December 2017 Minutes: On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all board members present, the minutes of the December 13, 2017 meeting were approved.

Financial - Christina Forrest – not present. No Report.

- Mike Russell – Pool Maintenance made a motion to approve FGHA 2018 Budget. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by all board members present.

President - Joe D’Agostino – not present. No Report.

Guest Speaker: Lieutenant Matt Lethin with the City of San Mateo Police Department. Lieutenant Lethin answered questions that FGHA owners in attendance had about ongoing traffic issues in the neighborhood and surrounding neighborhoods.

Open Forum:

- A homeowner was concerned regarding traffic coming off the freeway to cut through FGHA neighborhood causing traffic issues for residents. He would like to see more police presence.
- A homeowner suggested that signs be posted informing residents dates that street sweeper is in neighborhood so that they can move their vehicles.
- A homeowner wants to know how to inform the SM Police Dept. regarding cars parked in red zones, abandoned vehicles and oversized vehicles. Lieutenant Lethin told them to contact the non-emergency number to report. Officer informed owners that there is a 72-hour enforcement that begins once the vehicle has been tagged.

Vice President - Steve Muller:

- Steve Muller reported that Joe D’Agostino has resigned as President. There is an opening on the board that will be posted in the next BEE.

Civic - Rich Neve:

- Gave updates regarding the Sewage Tank – City of San Mateo has not broken ground yet.

Social - Carmen Quaresma:

- Easter Event will be held on March 24, 2018 from 9am – 11am in the small park. Contact Carmen Quaresma for information regarding volunteering to help prepare for this event.
- Summer Pool Party has been tentatively scheduled for June 30, 2018. Check the BEE for more information.

Parks - Roland Bardony:

- Concrete walkways by park have been completed
- Part of the play structure was repaired in the children’s park
- New sand will be placed in the children’s sand box.

Pool Maintenance - Mike Russell:

- Nothing to report

Pool Operations - Steve Stanovcak – not present.

- Nothing to report

Old Business:

- No report due to Joseph D’Agostino, Board President absent

New Business: Mike Russell gave a report due to Joe D’Agostino absence.

- Clubhouse Update: The City of San Mateo requested additional documents. The FGHA Board provided the documents to the city. The city will review the documents and provide a response in approximately 3 weeks, informing the board if the permit has been approved or additional documentation is required.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE

It was noted that the next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 7:00pm. There being no further business before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:29pm and will be immediately followed by an Executive Session.

**Fiesta Gardens Homes Association
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, April 4, 2018
7:00pm**

1. Call to Order
2. Reading and Approval of Minutes
3. Financial Report – Chrissy Forrest
4. Board Reports -
 - i. Civic – Rich Neve
 - ii. Social – Carmen Quaresma
 - iii. Parks – Roland Bardony
 - iv. Pool Maintenance – Steve Muller
 - v. Pool Operations – Steve Stanovcak
 - vi. Vice President – Steve Muller
 - vii. President – Mike Russell
5. Old Business
 - i. Cabana Clubhouse/Bathrooms/Guard House Renovation Update
 - ii. Set date for association meeting
 - iii. 2018 budget
6. New Business
7. Questions and Comments
8. Adjournment/Break into Executive Session if needed



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Blazing 2018!

Easter is around the corner and 2018 is flying by faster than I can believe. The real estate market is flying just as fast with even lower inventory levels and higher prices! If you saw my recent mailer with 3 of my current listings, the one at 11 Hayward closed for \$1.2million which was \$300k over the list price.

Fiesta Gardens continues to sell in record time with great prices as well. The first quarter of 2018 has already seen a 10% to 12% bump. Here is a summary of year to date!

Quick Summary of Comparable Properties

Residential Summary											
Res. Single Family											
SOLD											
Address	City	Bd	Ba	DOM	SqFt	\$/SqFt	Lot (SF)	List Price	Age	Sale Price	COE
2238 Portsmouth Way	San Mateo	3	2 0	0	1,530	\$1,084.97	5,000 (sf)	\$1,388,000	62	\$1,660,000	03/13/18
1014 Fiesta Drive	San Mateo	3	2 0	10	1,280	\$1,226.56	5,000 (sf)	\$1,388,000	63	\$1,570,000	02/22/18
2212 Kent Street	San Mateo	3	2 0	14	1,320	\$1,003.79	5,400 (sf)	\$999,000	61	\$1,325,000	12/29/17
SOLD											
# LISTINGS:	3	AVG VALUES:		8	1,377	\$1,105.11	5,133 (sf)	\$1,258,333	62	\$1,518,333	
# LISTINGS TOTAL:	3	AVG VALUES FOR ALL:		8	1,377	\$1,105.11	5,133 (sf)	\$1,258,333	62	\$1,518,333	

Quick Statistics (3 Listings Total)			
	Min	Max	Median
List Price	\$999,000	\$1,388,000	\$1,388,000
Sale Price	\$1,325,000	\$1,660,000	\$1,570,000

Feel free to contact me if you or someone you know is thinking of selling. I'll always be happy to share the latest and greatest information with you. Also, please remember, I work the entire Peninsula and can even refer you to an awesome agent outside of the area. Your referrals are always treated with the highest priority and professionalism. I want to be your one-stop shop for all your real estate needs. *See you around the neighborhood!*

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