

# The Fiesta Bee



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

By Joe D'Agostino

Couple of items this month and, by the way, Happy Summer?

On May 22, 2017, Fiesta Gardens filed a petition to Reduce the Required Voting Percentage as Case No. CIV02253 in San Mateo County Superior Court. A hearing on this case will take place on July 18, 2017 at 9am in the Law and Motion department of the San Mateo Superior Court. The notice is posted on the bulletin board at the pool and the other relevant documents are in the Lifeguard Office. You may also visit the court's website at [www.sanmateocourt.org](http://www.sanmateocourt.org).

If you are a member, in good standing, at Fiesta Gardens Homes Association you would have received a copy of all the relevant documents in the mail.

The second item is a reminder that if you have not paid your Association dues please do so. These payments are vital for the operation of the Association. If you are not sure you have paid your dues, please contact our Association Treasurer at [treasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com](mailto:treasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com). You can also pay your dues online at [www.aafin.com](http://www.aafin.com).

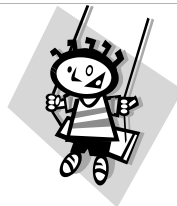
Hope everyone enjoys the summer!

Find past issues of the Bee, FGHA documents, announcements and more at the FGHA webpage  
[www.FiestaGardensHoa.com](http://www.FiestaGardensHoa.com)

## Park Director's Report

By Roland Bardony

The lock at the park was fixed so please be gentle with it.



As a reminder, no skateboarding or scooting on the tennis courts is permitted. This will keep our courts from having to be resurfaced.

If you have any suggestions or concerns please email me.



The next Board meeting will be  
**Wednesday, July 5**  
7PM in the cabana.

## FGHA Board of Directors

|                                    |                                |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| President<br>Joe D'Agostino        | president@fiestagardenshoa.com |
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| Park Director<br>Roland Bardony    | parks@fiestagardenshoa.com     |
| Pool Operations<br>Steve Stanovcak | poolops@fiestagardenshoa.com   |
| Pool Maintenance<br>Mike Russell   | poolmtc@fiestagardenshoa.com   |
| Social Director<br>Carmen Quaresma | social@fiestagardenshoa.com    |

## FGHA Staff

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Treasurer<br>Christina Forrest | treasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com |
| Secretary<br>Karen Debono      | secretary@fiestagardenshoa.com |
| Bee Editor<br>Eleni Hulman     | editor@fiestagardenshoa.com    |

## Civic Report

*By Richard Neve*

### Traffic Action Plan

The signage at Ginnever /19<sup>th</sup> will be changed from "No Buses/Trucks" to a weight limit sign. This is to conform to enforcement policies. Currently, police can only warn buses turning left. With the weight limit sign, they can cite offenders.

Other TAP plans: The City will employ an additional staff member which should speed up the process to roll out the TAP. With the end of June being the end of the fiscal year, they plan to push some of the smaller items on the list before then. They also plan to bundle some of the intersection and red curbing changes across San Mateo and get a single contractor to complete the tasks early July. This will include the left turn lane into Fiesta Gardens School. Signage has gone up at the 19<sup>th</sup> /

Ginnever intersection warning not to block the intersections. SMPD has begun enforcement - please be sure to thank them when you see them.

### Sewage Tank

The public works department (PWD) presented the final two options (the Events Center and the Corporate Yard) to the Public Works Commission (PWC) on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The preferred site was the Events Center, which the PWC endorsed (3 for, 1 abstain, 1 absent) but wanted more emphasis on mitigation of noise and pollution. The proposed site is in the RV park by Saratoga- this will directly affect our residents living on Kent St. The PWD will take the recommendations to the City Council for approval on July 19<sup>th</sup>. I encourage all residents to attend to hear what is being proposed and voice your concerns.

### Peninsula Clean Energy Plan

Peninsula Clean Energy, or PCE, is San Mateo County's official electricity provider. PCE is a public, locally-controlled community choice energy program that provides all electric customers in San Mateo County the choice of having electricity supplied from clean, renewable sources at competitive rates. PCE's ECOplus option is 50% renewable and 75% greenhouse gas emissions free, and PCE's ECO100 option is 100% renewable and 100% greenhouse gas emissions free. (PGE is currently 30% renewable) PCE currently serves approximately 80,000 accounts, and will serve approximately 300,000 accounts by May 2017 when its enrollment process is complete. Everyone has been automatically enrolled in the ECO50 plan as of this time. Residents and businesses will receive four notices in the mail with details about their new choices. You can choose to opt in to the ECO100 plan by going to the PCE website (<http://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com/residents/residential-rates/>).

### Dates

**Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>:** City Council meeting (to approve the final sewage tank site). 7:00 p.m. City Hall, Council Chambers.

**Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>:** 8am-2pm is the City-wide yard sale. Sign up starts June 10<sup>th</sup> on the City website (<http://www.cityofsanmateo.org/CitywideYardSale>), deadline to Register is Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm.

*Ideas? Opinions? Interested in learning more? Come to the next FGHA meeting.*



# Pool Operations

By Steve Stanovcak

The pool is now open daily, 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. On days that are cool or even rainy we may close early. At 6:00 p.m. we evaluate the activity at the pool and if no one is there we will close early. If you happen to want to swim on one of these cold nights, we will stay open for you. Just call down to the pool and we will be there for you. The pool phone number is: 650-574-0558.



Just a few reminders when visiting the pool:

- Wear your wristbands
- Pay for your guests. It's just \$2.00 per guest up to a total of 5 guests per residence.
- Toddlers and infants MUST be in a swim diaper and even doubled up. We have had a few incidents that have caused the pool to be closed for 24 hours.

On to wristbands. We are in the process of building a data base so we know how many wristbands need to be delivered to each house. I have received 100's of emails stating, "I didn't get mine," "I didn't get the right amount" or "I want more just because." If you didn't get any wristbands that is because you have not paid your Association dues and there are a lot of you who have not. Paying your dues is not an option. There was no secret when buying your home in Fiesta Gardens that you were buying into an Association and responsible for paying HOA dues. If you are new to the neighborhood, we would have no way of knowing how many people are in your house so we just deliver 2 wristbands and are happy to deliver the amount you need. Remember, there were over 60 homes sold last year in our neighborhood so you may be one of those we are updating. Those of you who ask for more bands than the amount of people who reside in your residence, *Shame on you!* Wristbands are for residents ONLY! Any misuse of wristbands will cause you to be banned from having pool privileges. Our neighborhood is not that big we have a pretty good idea who and how many live where.

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# FGHA BOARD MEETING – May 3, 2017

*Approved Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Karen Debono, Secretary*

The Board Meeting, which was held at Fiesta Gardens Pool Cabana, was called to order at 7:14pm. Board Members in attendance were: Joe D'Agostino-President, Roland Bardony-Parks, Pascale Stemmler & Carmen Quaresma-Social Directors, Mike Russell-Pool Maintenance, and Steve Muller-Vice President. Steve Stanovcak-Pool Operations, and Rich Neve – Civic, were absent.

**April Minutes:** On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all board members present, the minutes with approved changes of the April 4, 2017 meeting were approved.

## Financial - Christina Forrest

- o Chrissy explained that the March financial was not the one going in to the Fiesta Gardens Bee because it wasn't reflective of the new budget (She doesn't have it from Joe D'Agostino yet).
- o Joe will talk to attorney Tom Fier about the retainer.
- o Tom Fier sent documents to the owners that claim they are not part of the association.
- o She is still working on insurance bids.
- o The association has approximately 300k in reserves.

## President - Joe D'Agostino

- o Budget was approved at last month's board meeting. It has not been sent out to owners yet.
- o Joe D'Agostino is to complete a "Notice of Acceptance" required by the city. Notice needs to go out to owners and they are allowed a period of time to respond.
- o Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> Joe D'Agostino will go to the Planning Department to inquire more about the "Notice of Acceptance."
- o Governing Documents: The CC&Rs were not passed. Association will go to court and ask judge to change percentage needed by owners to pass. Currently waiting for date of court hearing. Membership can come to the hearing. This is done when Board of Directors has been unable to get enough owners to vote.
- o Bylaws were passed.

## Open Forum:

- o A new Fiesta Gardens owner was introduced and welcomed to the meeting.
- o Residents in attendance discussed neighborhood traffic issues and possible solutions.
- o A resident suggested that the BOD offer some type of recognition to homeowners that have made improvements to their yards. Possibly put an announcement in the Bee.

**Vice President - Steve Muller:** had nothing to report.

**Civic - Rich Neve:** A report was given on behalf of Rich as he was not in attendance.

- o City has signed a contract with the Event Center to place sewage tank on their property.
- o Sewage Rates will be increasing.
- o Discussed traffic issues and possible solutions – it was suggested that the board put together a traffic solution recommendation and present it to the city.

**Social - Pascale Stemmler:**

- o Summer Pool Party: Has been scheduled for Saturday, July 8, 2017.

**Parks - Roland Bardony:**

- o Trees were treated for aphids.
- o Children's Park sandbox has been filled with sand.
- o Park: Roland will fill holes that were created by graffiti removal truck and reseeded the area.

**Pool Maintenance - Mike Russell:**

- o Reported that the pool is currently non-functional. They should have it working properly and ready for use by Saturday, May 13, 2017.
- o Pool Opening is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>, weekends only, 12noon to 8pm

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- o Wrist bands have been ordered.
- o Beginning Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, the pool will be open 7 days a week 12noon to 8pm.

Pool Operations - Steve Stanovcak: was not present.

**Old Business:**

- o Joe D'Agostino-President reported that he is in contact with the architect that drew up the new clubhouse plans. Drawings are complete.

**New Business:**

**Calendar Review:**

**ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE**

It was noted that the next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:00pm. There being no further business before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

## MONTHLY CALENDAR

### FIESTA GARDENS

July 5  
FGHA Board Meeting  
7pm, Pool Cabana

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

### SAN MATEO

July 1- 8  
Downtown San Mateo Tween Scavenger Hunt  
Starting June 1st, Tweens in 5th-8th grade can stop by the Library to pick up their Downtown San Mateo Scavenger Hunt Packet. Search around Downtown to identify the items in the packet and return them by July 8th for a chance to win a variety of gift certificates.  
Where: All San Mateo Public Libraries  
When: June 1 - July 8  
Cost: FREE

July 11, 25  
Planning Commission Meeting  
Where: City Hall, City Council Chambers  
When: 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

July 12  
Public Works Commission Meeting  
Where: City Hall Council Chambers  
When: 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

July 6, 13, 20, 27  
2017 Central Park Music Series  
The City of San Mateo sponsors this event every year to provide you memorable summer evenings of FREE live music. Whether you are looking to socialize with friends, get some much needed family time, or dance the night away, this season is sure to be a great time.

July 6 - Neon Velvet - Party  
July 13 - ForeJour - Foreigner/Journey  
July 20 - Tito Garcia - Latin  
July 27 - Urban Outlaws - Country  
Where: Central Park  
When: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Cost: FREE

July 17  
City Council meeting  
Where: City Hall, Council Chambers  
When: 7:00 p.m. - ?

Saturday, July 22  
2017 Citywide Yard Sale  
The City of San Mateo is hosting a citywide yard sale on Saturday, July 22nd and you're invited to reuse, reduce, recycle, and resell! Host your own yard sale in front of your residence and resell items you no longer need. You may also partner with your neighbors for a community event and fund-raise for a local organization of your choice.

Our new Interactive Map Application will display the location of your sale along with the locations of all other participants.  
Deadline to Register is FRIDAY, JULY 21 at 5:00pm  
When: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

# The Fiesta Gardens Annual



**Saturday, July 8**

**11:00am – 4:00pm**

Schedule of events:

11:00am: Kids' bike parade & flag raising

11:30 am: Pool opens early!!

12:00pm: Lunch (please bring cash)

Fun afternoon of swimming and games!



**Fiesta Gardens Homes Association  
Board Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, July 5, 2017  
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 – Mike Russell
  - v. Pool Operations – Steve Stanovcak
  - vi. Vice President – Steve Muller
  - vii. President – Joe D’Agostino
5. Old Business
  - i. Traffic Control Measures
  - ii. Cabana Clubhouse/Bathrooms/Guard House Renovation Update
  - iii. Governing Documents Status
6. New Business
  - i. Funding new clubhouse
7. Questions and Comments
8. Adjournment/Break into Executive Session if needed.



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# Happy July 4th

The year is moving quickly and so is housing inventory! You will see below how prices have continued to climb and the days on market are low. Interest rates are still favorable and inventory is low. On that note, please watch your mail in the coming weeks for my new Fiesta Gardens listing. It is a home that people always inquire about and are curious as to what it looks like on the inside! I'm putting the finishing touches on it as I type. This will be a MUST SEE! Have a safe Independence Day!

## Fiesta Gardens YTD Market Activity

**PENDING**

| Address              | City      | Bd | Ba  | DOM | SqFt  | \$/SqFt  | Lot (SF)   | List Price  | Age |
|----------------------|-----------|----|-----|-----|-------|----------|------------|-------------|-----|
| 2251 Southampton Way | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 0   | 1,530 | \$849.02 | 5,000 (sf) | \$1,299,000 | 61  |
| 2330 Kent Street     | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 9   | 1,320 | \$907.58 | 5,000 (sf) | \$1,198,000 | 61  |
| 916 Fiesta Drive     | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 7   | 1,560 | \$705.13 | 5,000 (sf) | \$1,100,000 | 63  |

**PENDING**

|             |   |             |  |   |       |          |            |             |    |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|---|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|
| # LISTINGS: | 3 | AVG VALUES: |  | 5 | 1,470 | \$820.57 | 5,000 (sf) | \$1,199,000 | 62 |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|---|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|

**SOLD**

| Address              | City      | Bd | Ba  | DOM | SqFt  | \$/SqFt    | Lot (SF)   | List Price  | Age | Sale Price  | COE      |
|----------------------|-----------|----|-----|-----|-------|------------|------------|-------------|-----|-------------|----------|
| 2309 Kent Street     | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 6   | 1,380 | \$971.01   | 5,400 (sf) | \$1,185,000 | 61  | \$1,340,000 | 04/06/17 |
| 850 Bermuda Drive    | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 13  | 1,210 | \$1,057.85 | 5,252 (sf) | \$1,088,000 | 63  | \$1,280,000 | 06/15/17 |
| 2056 Ginnever Street | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 10  | 1,240 | \$1,008.06 | 5,000 (sf) | \$1,000,000 | 62  | \$1,250,000 | 01/12/17 |
| 1119 Annapolis Drive | San Mateo | 3  | 2 0 | 10  | 1,530 | \$754.90   | 5,200 (sf) | \$1,088,000 | 60  | \$1,155,000 | 01/06/17 |

**SOLD**

|             |   |             |  |    |       |          |            |             |    |             |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|----|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|-------------|
| # LISTINGS: | 4 | AVG VALUES: |  | 10 | 1,340 | \$947.96 | 5,213 (sf) | \$1,090,250 | 62 | \$1,266,250 |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|----|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|-------------|

|                   |   |                     |  |   |       |          |            |             |    |             |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|--|---|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|-------------|
| # LISTINGS TOTAL: | 7 | AVG VALUES FOR ALL: |  | 8 | 1,396 | \$893.37 | 5,122 (sf) | \$1,136,857 | 62 | \$1,266,250 |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|--|---|-------|----------|------------|-------------|----|-------------|

**Quick Statistics ( 7 Listings Total )**

|                   | Min         | Max         | Median      |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>List Price</b> | \$1,000,000 | \$1,299,000 | \$1,100,000 |
| <b>Sale Price</b> | \$1,155,000 | \$1,340,000 | \$1,265,000 |

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