

President's Message

PO Box 5288, San Mateo CA 94402

By Paul McCann

Play Ball! April is a great time to see the neighborhood roar back to life. With the days getting longer and warmer it's a wonderful time to cruise the neighborhood. Our family is looking forward to the annual Easter egg hunt and the throngs of kids searching the grass for precious eggs.

Over the Horizon at the Hillsdale Mall the Bohannon Corporation has submitted plans to redevelop the Hillsdale Mall. We encourage residents to keep apprised of the plans as the increased density will spillover into our neighborhood and the surrounding streets.

From the City of San Mateo regarding the Mall redevelopment::

"The City of San Mateo did receive a preliminary application pursuant to SB 330 last Wednesday from the Hillsdale Mall team. The application proposes the redevelopment of a significant portion of the Hillsdale Mall sites (approx. 32.5 acres). Staff is in the process of taking in the application and getting it routed...

Here's a summary of the proposed development:

- New commercial and office floor area: 2,059,000 sq ft (net increase of 568,669 sq ft). New residential floor area: 1,905,000 sq ft (1,392 units with 209 affordable units)
- 5,390 new parking spaces (net increase of 1,991 parking spaces over existing to be demolished)
- The project heights range from 10-story office buildings along El Camino Real to three-story townhomes along the western edge (Edison Street)"

Looking forward to seeing folks at the upcoming board meeting and seeing you around the neighborhood.



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Find past issues of the Bee, Financials, FGHA documents, announcements and more at the FGHA webpage *www.FiestaGardensHoa.com* 



The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 9 7PM at the Cabana

# **FGHA** Board of Directors

FGHA Boan	d of Directors	The HOA have been moving away from ManageCasa due to issues with their platform. The Dues have been				
President Paul McCann	president@fiestagardenshoa.com	increased to \$518.40 Per Unit. Upon request, the HOA can accept monthly payments of \$47.50 Per Unit. Payments can be paid:				
Vice President Christina Saenz	vp@fiestagardenshoa.com	1. Electronically with a debit or credit card via a QuickBooks invoice. Please reach out to				
Civic Affairs	civic@fiestagardenshoa.com	treasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com to pay electronically.				
Park Director	parks@fiestagardenshoa.com	<ol> <li>Via a check payable to Fiesta Gardens Homes Association and mailed to:</li> </ol>				
Civic Affairscivic@fiesPark Director Mike Brattparks@fiePool Operations Steve Stanovcakpoolops@Pool Maintenance Steve Mullerpoolmtc@		FGHA				
	poolops@fiestagardenshoa.com	PO Box 5288 San Mateo, CA 94402				
	poolmtc@fiestagardenshoa.com	If you've paid via ManageCasa, thank you for the prompt payment. The payment will be applied to the Quickbooks Invoice, and the QuickBooks invoice will				
	social@fiestagardenshoa.com	reflect the payment and the new amount due.				
Christina SaenzCivic Affairscivic@fiestagardenshoa.comPark Director Mike Brattparks@fiestagardenshoa.comPool Operations Steve Stanovcakpoolops@fiestagardenshoa.comPool Maintenance Steve Mullerpoolmtc@fiestagardenshoa.comSocial Director Laurel Kentsocial@fiestagardenshoa.comFGHA Stafftreasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com	You can fill out the Roster Update form on the website:					
FGHA Staff		https://www.fiestagardenshoa.com/register.html if your information has changed. Don't forget to indicate the number of adults and children who will need pool				
<b>Treasurer</b> Vicky Nguyen	treasurer@fiestagardenshoa.com	wristbands.				
Secretary Pam Miller	secretary@fiestagardenshoa.com	A LATE CHARGE OF 10% WILL BE CHARGED STARTING FEBRUARY 1, 2025				
Bee Editor	editor@fiestagardenshoa.com	Sincerely, The Board of Directors,				
Eleni Hulman		Fiesta Gardens Homes Association				

Webmaster Mariano Saenz webmaster@fiestagardenshoa.com

# **Pool Operations**

# By Steve Stanovcak



The Board is happy to announce the hiring of our new Head Lifeguard. Maybe you know her. She grew up here in Fiesta Gardens.

Her name is Catie Cortese and we are excited to have Catie supervise our lifeguards for the 2025 pool season. With that, we know it's only March, but we are planning ahead and could use some help. We are in need of lifeguards to staff our pool for the summer. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a lifeguard, please go to our website,

http://www.fiestagardenshoa.com to see how to apply and find more information.

# Volunteers needed!

# **BLOCK CAPTAINS NEEDED!**

The monthly Bees will once again be distributed to your doorstep! In order for this to happen, we need Block Captains for the different streets in the neighborhood.

We are still in need of block captains for: **Trinity Street** Potomac Way 476-698 Fiesta Drive 700-1100 Bermuda Drive 481-664 Bermuda Drive

If you are interested and able, please contact Pam Miller, at secretary@fiestagardenshoa.com

# Fiesta Gardens Homes Association Inc. Profit and Loss

February 2025

С	urrent Peric	d		Y	ear To Date	•	Approved	
Actual	Budget	Variance	Description	Actual	Budget	Variance	2025 Budget	2025 Comments
			Income					
			Operating Revenue					
419		419	Regular Assessments	291,621	290,822	799	290,822	
3,780	1,984	1,796	Clubhouse Rental (Pool Party)	4,980	1,984	2,996	11,904	
0		0	Guest Passes	644	183	461	1,100	
60	60	0	Bee Ads	120	120	0	720	
0	0	0	Swim School	0	0	0	15,910	
4,259	2,044	2,215	Subtotal	297,365	293,110	4,256	320,456	
			Interest, Late Charges, Collection					
			Fees					
0	0	0	Interest Inc - Operating Fund	0	0	0	0	
32	42	(9)	Interest Inc - Repl. Res. Fund	58	83	(26)	500	
0	0	0	Interest - Collections	0	0	0	0	
0	83	(83)	Late Charges	5,216	167	5,050	1,000	
0	0	0	Misc Income	519	0	519	0	
0	8	(8)	Collection Charges	0	17	(17)	100	
32	133	(101)	Subtotal	5,793	267	5,526	1,600	
4,291	2,177	2,114	Total Income	303,158	293,376	9,782	322,056	
4,231	2,177	2,114	Total meome	505,150	233,370	3,702	522,050	
			Expenses					
0		0	Lifeguard Expense			0	57.400	
0	0	0	Lifeguards	0	0	0	57,186	
0	293	293	Insurance Exp - W/C	558	586	28	3,518	qtrly payment
0		0	Payroll Taxes	0	0	0	5,926	
185	167	(18)	Payroll Service	310	334	24	2,003	
185	460	275	Lifeguard Expense Subtotal	868	920	52	68,633	
			<u>Pool Expense</u>					
2,616	1,863	(753)	Pool Expense total	5,150	3,726	(1,424)	22,355	Special Assessment require for repairs
			<u>Park Expense</u>					
650	670	20	Landscape-Contract	1,550	1,339	(211)	8,034	
0	0	0	Common Area - Maintenance	0	0	0	0	Special Assessment require
0	78	78	Pest Control	204	156	(48)	935	qtrly payment
	0	0	Cabana Supplies and Equipment	167	0	(167)	о	Special Assessment require
0							-	Special Assessment require
0	0	0	Tennis Court- Service & Repair	0	0	0	0	Special Assessment reduite
0	0		Tennis Court- Service & Repair Park Expense Subtotal	0 <b>1,921</b>	0 <b>1,495</b>			Special Assessment require
		0	Park Expense Subtotal	0 <b>1,921</b>	0 1,495	0 (426)	0 8,969	
0 <b>650</b>	0 747	0 97	Park Expense Subtotal <u>Utilities</u>	1,921	1,495	(426)	8,969	
0 <b>650</b> 74	0 747 720	0 97 645	Park Expense Subtotal <u>Utilities</u> Gas	<b>1,921</b> 154	<b>1,495</b> 1,439	<b>(426)</b> 1,285	<b>8,969</b> 8,634	Special Assessment require
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0	220	220	Audit & Tax Preparation	0	441	441	2,645	
0	8	8	Civic Expenses	0	17	17	100	
300	333	34	D & O Ins. Expense	599	667	67	4,000	qtrly payments made in Jan, Apr,
1,299	1,458	159	Insurance Expense	2,598	2,917	319	17,500	Jul, Oct
0	42	42	Mailings, Postage & Copies	252	83	(169)	500	
0	250	250	Meeting Expenses/Social Functions	0	500	500	3,000	
425	425	0	Newsletter Editor	850	850	0	5,100	
44	65	21	Newsletter Postage/ Printing	119	130	11	780	
257	293	37	Office Supplies	514	587	73	3,521	
616	1,767	1,150	Payment Processing Fees	4,346	3,533	(813)	5,300	QB fees for 2025 dues due to
2,576	0	(2,576)	Professional Services	6,282	0	(6,282)	0	timing legal fees, Special Assessment
								required
0	74	74	Reserve Study	0	148	148	890	
300	300	0	Secretary	600	600	0	3,600	
0	125	125	Taxes - Income	0	250	250	1,500	
0	2,000	2,000	Taxes - Property	(1,344)	4,000	5,344	24,000	City accepted appeal for late
2,000	2,000	0	Treasurer	4,000	4,000	0	24,000	penalty
0	44	44	Web Site	0	88	88	526	
7,817	9,405	1,588	Admin Expenses Subtotal	18,815	18,814	(2)	97,002	
14,847	17,350	2,503	Total Expenses	31,834	34,703	2,869	255,448	
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(10,555)	(15,172)	4,617	Net Income	271,324	258,674	12,651	66,608	

# MONTHLY CALENDAR

# FIESTA GARDENS

April 6 Easter Egg Hunt See flyer on page 10

April 9 FGHA Board Meeting 7 p.m., at the Cabana

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

# SAN MATEO

City Meetings will be held online via Zoom calls. For more information on these calls, please visit <u>https://www.cityofsanmateo.org/3971/Agendas-Minutes-Public-Meeting-Portal</u>

# April 7, 21

City Council Special Meeting/Meeting Where: Please see <u>Public Meeting Portal</u> for details. When: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (Special Meeting)

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (regular Meeting)

# April 8, 22

Planning Commission Meeting Where: Hybrid Meeting: Please see <u>Public Meeting Portal</u> for details. When: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

## April 19

Eggstravaganza

Join us for the 48th Annual <u>Eggstravaganza</u> event! Enjoy a family-fun spring-themed event filled with live entertainment, egg hunts, photo opportunities, food trucks, a costume competition and more!

## Egg Hunts!

Small Hunt (age 0-3 yrs.) | Large Hunt (age 4-11 yrs.) Wristbands reservations are free and will be available online at <u>www.sanmateorec.org</u> beginning Wednesday, April 2 at 12:00pm for residents and Thursday, April 3 at 12:00pm for non-residents.

All children participating must have a wristband. Wristbands can be picked up morning of the event starting at 9:00am. Limited wristbands will be available without reservation day-of the event. Stay tuned for more information!

Where: San Mateo Central Park When: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm <u>https://www.cityofsanmateo.org/1749/Eggstravaganza</u>

# Fiesta Gardens Homes Association Inc. Balance Sheet

As of Feburary 28, 2025

ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash - Operating Fund	231,816.15
Cash - Reserve Fund	13,600.21
Accounts Receivable 2025 Dues	41,103.96
A/R (Emergency Assessment)	9,775.00
A/R 2024 and prior periods	5,357.80
Accounts In Collection	19,289.60
Due From ManageCasa	432.00
Construction Refundable Deposit	10,000.00
Other Current Assets	 4,945.72
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 336,320.44
FIXED ASSETS	
New Cabana Costs to Date	1,788,354.04
HOA All in One Property Management System	5,525.00
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ 1,793,879.04
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,130,199.48
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITES	
Accounts Payable	2,514.37
Payroll Taxes Payable	(466.27)
Accrued Expenses	2,846.92
Prepaid Assessments	0.00
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
Construction Contract Retention Payable	7,375.00
Paid on Behalf of Contractor	0.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 12,270.02
FUND BALANCE	1,846,605.19
Current Year Net Income/Loss	271,324.27
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,117,929.46

# FGHA BOARD MEETING – January 8, 2025

APPROVED Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Pam Miller, Secretary

The FGHA Board Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm. Board Members in attendance were, Steve Stanovcak – Pool Operations, Steve Muller -- Pool Maintenance, Laurel Kent -- Social Director, Mike Bratt -- Parks Director, Paul McCann – President, and Christina Saenz – Vice President.

December 4<sup>th</sup> Minutes- On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all Board Members, the December 4th minutes were approved.

### Financial /Vicky Nguyen

- December operating expenses are \$41,700. This includes legal fees, property taxes, electrical bills and social events.
- Cash in operating account is -\$1,700 in QuickBooks due to legal fees and property taxes. However, our bank account balance is not negative.
- Cash in reserve and cabana fund account is \$13,600.
- No dues collected in December. \$239,900 collected thus far. This is 98% of the total.
- We collected \$1,700 in Emergency Assessments in December. We have collected \$79,300 so far, which is 87% of the total. We still need to collect \$11,600 more.
- No Special Assessments were collected in December. Two Members are making monthly payments and 2 are in collections. 485 members have paid in full.
- No brick sales in December.
- Our annual property taxes are \$57,500 this year vs \$13,000 last year. This is primarily from the sewar fees of \$52,000. The City decided on an equitable adjustment and we now owe \$28,200. The HOA paid half of the property taxes plus the 10% penalty of \$1,300, and we submitted an appeal for the penalty payment because the City would not accept partial payment; the appeal process takes 3-5 weeks, and we will update as needed.
- We should recover most of our legal fees and the legal fees that we are still incurring will be added on as well. Our attorney is putting a lean on the properties and pursuing collections.
- A water leak detector has been installed so that we will not have a problem in the future with leaking water. The water had been leaking since July of 2023. Which intern caused us to have a large sewar fee added to our property taxes. Our property taxes next year should not be anywhere near to what they are this year. The property taxes have been adjusted for our new cabana but it's hard to tell what they will be due to all the other issues involved this year. Property taxes are public so you can see them online to see comparison of last year vs this year.

New Board Member - On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all Board Members, Mike Bratt will now be our new Park Director.

We still need a Civics Director.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Pool Operations/Steve Stanovcak - Nothing to report.

Civic/Rich Neve - Nothing to report

Social Director/Laurel Kent - Not in attendance at the time of her report.

#### Parks Director/Mike Bratt

• Mike would like to create some park committees to get some work done at the park and save some money. If you're interested let Mike know. This is Mike's 6th time as a Board Member.

• A resident has noticed people using the tennis courts that don't live here. She suggested that maybe we could change the code more often to prevent this from happening. We can definitely do that in the future.

#### Pool Maintenance/Steve Muller

• The pool is fine and welcome to Mike Bratt.

Christina Saenz/Vice President – Nothing to report.

## Paul McCann /President

• It's been a year since I started coming here to the meetings. It's so great to see other people coming to the cabana for meetings as well. I feel we will have some momentum in 2025.

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### Cabana Pricing

Right now, we have three different prices to rent the cabana. 2025 will be our first full year of renting the cabana. It may take that much time to figure out an appropriate price. We may not have lifeguards this coming summer, which could affect the price. It might

be easier to have a flat rate fee. It was suggested that we may want to have in the contract a check list of things that are expected and the person renting the cabana would need to initial these items. It was also suggested that we have set times for renting the cabana and that within those times it would include set up and clean up. As of now the cabana is already showing the wear and tear after only a short time. The level of cleaning after parties is not consistent. Because of this it was reported that ants and cockroaches have been seen. It was suggested we hire a cleaning service to come in and clean after parties. This would be included in the price of the rental fee or would be a separate cleaning fee. Also, the opening and closing of the cabana before and after the parties has been on the board. There needs to be a better way.

It was decided to form a committee to go over all these suggestions and come up with a price and contract that is fair to everyone.

#### ManageCasa

There have been some issues with ManageCasa. It can be challenging to work with. An example would be if you need to change the name of an owner it can be a 9-step process. The reports are not reliable, accurate or trustworthy. Because of this we have gone back to QuickBooks so now we have three things to update: Managecasa, QuickBooks and Constant Contact. We have one more year left of the contract, and we can change to something else after that. In the interest of time, it was agreed that Vicky and Christina would discuss some of these issues offline.

#### OLD BUSINESS None

#### Miscellaneous Business and Comments

The next Meeting will be Wednesday February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:00pm on Zoom or join us in the cabana. Meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

# FGHA BOARD MEETING –February 5, 2025

APPROVED Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Pam Miller, Secretary

The FGHA Board Meeting was started at 7:08pm. Board Members in attendance were, Mike Bratt -- Parks Director and Paul McCann -- President.

#### January 8th Minutes- The January minutes could not be approved as we did not have a quorum.

#### Financial /Vicky Nguyen

- January operating expenses are \$17,000. This includes processing fees, legal fees and pool expenses.
- Cash in operating account is \$199,600.
- Cash in reserve and cabana fund account is \$13,600.
- \$219,900 collected as of January 1st. Another \$77,800 is in A/R. 7 Members are making monthly payments.
- No Special Assessments were collected in December. Two members are making monthly payments and 2 are in collections. 485 members have paid in full.
- No brick sales in January.
- The HOA received the annual property taxes of \$57,500 vs \$13,000 the year before. This was due to the sewer fees of 52,000. The HOA disputed the property taxes when the bill was received in October. After the deadline the city decided on an equitable adjustment. Our property taxes were adjusted to \$28,200. We did not have the funds to pay the entire bill, so we paid half and were charged a fine of \$1,300. We submitted an appeal for the penalty fine because the city would not accept partial payment. The city accepted the appeal, and the HOA did not have to pay the \$1,300 penalty.
- We heard from the attorney that the lien on the property was ruled in favor for \$108,000. We would need to pay collection fees of \$2,500 to \$6,000. This would need to possibly be in a special assessment. One member asked if there would be interest charged to the defendant yearly, monthly or daily. It was also suggested we could budget this for 2026. We will inquire with our attorney regarding the interest. It was reminded that in the emergency assessment it was stated that what we recoup in legal fees will go toward the yearly dues, whether it's this year or 10 years from now. We will need to clarify would we be charged a fee from our attorney to keep it open until 2026.
- We will still possibly need a special assessment to replenish our reserve and bring the pool up to code. Costs are rising and the longer we wait the more expensive. It will be up to members if we do a special assessment this year or another year. It was discussed in a previous Board Meeting to give three options for a special assessment for members to vote on. Each one showed what could be accomplished with each amount of money. The 3 options were, \$205.00, \$250.00 or \$300.00. It was also brought up that we should up the dues 3% each year or every other year to keep up with inflation and other costs. In the past the dues were kept flat yet things were going up. We did a 20% increase for 2025. The benefit of a special assessment is the money comes in all at once and is a onetime assessment rather than raising our dues permanently to cover the costs. Bottom line, if we don't have a special assessment and our reserve remains low then we won't have our amenities. We can't spend money we don't have. If we decide to vote on a special assessment there would be 4 options, no assessment and the 3 options above. Mike Bratt will look in David Stirling to see about our voting options and how to go about voting.

#### **BOARD REPORTS**

Pool Operations/Steve Stanovcak in attendance late.

# February Minutes From page 7

**Civic Director** 

Social Director Not in attendance

Parks Director/Mike Bratt

Pool Maintenance/Steve Muller Not in attendance

Christina Saenz/Vice President Not in attendance

Paul McCann /President

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

## Miscellaneous Business and Comments

So, with the money taken in this year, members asked do we need lifeguards. The pool was not open numerous times due to the difficulty of hiring and retaining lifeguards, plus some were not available or not showing up. The budget is \$68,000 for lifeguards, which is 27% of our budget, yet they are only here from May to beginning of October. Although we raised the wage for lifeguards to be competitive these problems still occurred. A member who grew up in Fiesta Gardens is concerned that the Board is considering having no lifeguards this year. She has lots of ideas to help facilitate still having lifeguards and has offered to help figure out the lifeguard situation. Maybe this could be a study year. She would like to get a committee together to help keep the lifeguards at our pool. It was suggested she put in the Bee and on ManageCasa that she is looking for people to join the committee.

It was discussed that we will do a trial where we deliver hard copies of The Bee to all members. Steve Stanovcak has a friend who will make the copies for free. We will need Block Captains again.

A member also said that there was some confusion about paying the yearly dues monthly rather than in full. They did not realize they would be charged a late fee by doing so. They felt it should have been stated clearer that they would be paying 10% more by choosing monthly. Our Treasurer will give the people who chose monthly payments the option to stop monthly payments and pay in full with no late fees.

The next Meeting will be Wednesday March 5th, 2025, at 7:00pm on Zoom or join us in the cabana. Meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm

# FGHA BOARD MEETING – March 5, 2025

Unapproved Minutes, Respectfully Submitted, Pam Miller, Secretary

The FGHA Board Meeting was started at 7:05pm. Board Members in attendance were, Mike Bratt -- Parks Director, Steve Stanovcak -- Pool Maintenance, Christina Saenz -- Vice President, and Paul McCann -- President.

January 8th Minutes and February 5th Minutes – On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all Board Members, the January and February minutes were approved.

## Financial /Vicky Nguyen

- February operating expenses are 14,800. This includes residual legal fees of \$2,600.
- Cash in operating account is \$231,800.
- Cash in reserve and cabana fund account is \$13,600. Starting in March I will be transferring cash from the operating account to the reserve account so it can earn interest.
- HOA dues, \$250,500 collected so far which is 86% of the total. Another \$41,000 is in accounts receivable. 7 Members are making monthly payments.
- No brick sales in February.
- Vicky will be looking into our water and electricity bill. They are higher than last year. Not sure if it's because rates have increased, or usage has increased.
- \$82,800 of the emergency assessment has been collected, which is 89%. We still need to collect \$9,800.

# BOARD REPORTS

Pool Operations/Steve Stanovcak

Nothing to report

Civic Director- we need a Civics Director.

# Social Director - Not in attendance

# Parks Director/Mike Bratt

- Need to get in the park and rake to separate some of the sand.
- The motion lights are not working. Will need to see what is going on.
- Once we have better weather, we can start the major projects like sanding the benches.
- We need to re-stain the lifeguard building, bathrooms and the cabana. The estimated cost would be about \$1,050 for the stain if we do it ourselves. It would take about a day. Will put this on next month's agenda.

# Pool Maintenance/Steve Muller Not in attendance

# Christina Saenz/Vice President

• All good.

# Paul McCann /President

• Looking forward to spring.

# NEW BUSINESS

# **Cleaning Company**

Steve Stanovcak proposed that the Board hire the cleaning company (Elite Pro Cleaning) to clean the cabana. Christina will organize when the cleaners come based off the party schedules and when the pool is open. Lifeguards will still do some of the cleaning and restocking of supplies. This cleaning fee will be included in the cost of renting the cabana.

On a motion duly made and 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved by the majority of Board Members present (Mike Bratt abstained), it was decided to hire Elite Pro Cleaning to do the cleaning of the cabana after rental parties, which will include the cabana, one bathroom, and the kitchen as well as the two outside bathrooms. Elite Pro Cleaning will also clean the outside bathrooms once a week during the summer months when the pool is open.

We need to make sure the meeting agenda is posted no less than four days before the monthly meeting.

# OLD BUSINESS

# Special Assessment

There is still an ongoing discussion regarding whether or not we will have a Special Assessment. There are a few ways we can handle this. The least costly would still be a secret ballot but it would not be required to be mailed out. But we would need to have a meeting of the membership and it would need to be a quorum of the membership to pass. We would need to have two envelopes, one that the ballot goes in which would then go into another envelope that they would sign and put their address on. They would then put their vote in a box. We would have an Inspector of Election. This process would help save on postage. Another way to do it is electronically. This would require us to change our bylaws to allow electronic voting. Vicky looked up what we would need for a quorum, it would require 50% of the total membership or a 1/3 simple majority, it would depend on what our bylaws say. Mike will do a little more investigation into this to see if it will apply to us. We would need 1½ of the total membership to vote. The apartments get 1 vote per unit and each home gets 1 vote. Possibly we could vote to update the bylaws to allow electronic voting and vote to approve or disapprove the special assessment. The problem is getting people to vote. At one time the Board had to go to a judge to have it approved because we couldn't get enough members to participate in the voting process. No decision was made yet on the Special Assessment.

# Cabana Pricing

A group of people met twice to come up with a new pool contract. They came up with a flat rate of \$300.00 with a \$250.00 deposit. After some discussion the rates were changed. It was also mentioned that we need some more people to open and close the pool during parties. It consists of letting the residents into the cabana and meeting them at the end of the party to lock up and make sure things are good. It was also discussed that it might work well to have a keypad entry that could be changed after each party.

The rates to rent the cabana going forward are: During the summer \$300.00 for a day party and \$400.00 for a night party. Both would require a \$300.00 cleaning deposit. During the winter \$300.00 for a day party and \$300.00 for a night party, both with \$300.00 cleaning deposit. Hours of rental would be: day parties 12:00pm to 4:30pm and night time parties 6:30pm to 10:30pm for both summer and winter.

# On a motion duly made and approved by a majority of board members present (Mike Bratt abstained) it was decided to approve the new pool contract as stated above.

## Swim Lessons

Swim lesson rates need to go up. After much discussion the rates will be: Group rates for 2 weeks, residents \$100.00, non-residents \$115.00. Private lessons for 2 weeks: residents \$160.00, non-residents \$175.00. These are eight 30-minute classes for both group and private. The swim lesson form will most likely now be online. Christy Knott showed an example of what the form would look like.

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It would also be great if they could pay online. It was also brought up that swim lessons have always emphasized water safety and raising the rate too much may price out some people.

On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by majority of board members present (Mike Bratt abstained) it was decided to raise the swim lesson rates to, group lesson residents \$100.00, non-residents \$115.00. Private lessons, residents \$160.00 and non-residents \$175.00.

### Head Lifeguard and Lifeguards

Christy Knott and the lifeguard committee have found someone interested in being head lifeguard. She worked at our pool a long time ago and grew up in Fiesta Gardens, her name is Katy. She is committed and passionate about taking our pool to the next level. She has been a swim lesson instructor and helped train the animals at SeaWorld.

#### On a motion duly made and seconded and approved by all board members it was decided to hire Katy as our head lifeguard.

We will be having a lifeguard hiring event at the pool on March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00am to 12:00pm. It will be for ages 15 and older. They can come by and see what the lifeguard position is all about. There will be a flyer in the Bee and on ManageCasa. There is a list of previous lifeguards that will be sent the flyer as well to invite them to the hiring event. There are other ways the committee is looking into finding lifeguards.

We will start delivering a hard copy of The Bee to residents. We have some residents who have volunteered to be Block Captains but we need more.

Christy has done a great job spearheading this lifeguard committee. If you would like to join the committee, contact Steve Stanovcak.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 at 7:00pm on Zoom or join us in the cabana.

# Fiesta Gardens Homes Association Monthly Board Meeting Agenda Wednesday, April 9, 2025 7:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Reading and Approval of Minutes
- 3. Financial Report Vicky Nguyen
- 4. Board Reports:
  - a. Civic –
  - b. Social Laurel Kent
  - c. Parks Mike Bratt
  - d. Pool Maintenance Steve Muller
  - e. Pool Operations Steve Stanovcak
  - f. Vice President Christina Saenz
  - g. President Paul McCann
- 5. New Business
  - a. Request to allocate \$1200.00 to stain the new cabana and guard/bathroom building
- 6. Old Business
- 7. Questions and Comments
- 8. Adjournment/Break into Executive Session if needed



# NOW HIRING

# LIFEGUARDS + SWIM INSTRUCTORS

# Fiesta Gardens Pool in San Mateo

# TAKE THE NEXT STEP!

The Fiesta Gardens Homes Association manages our neighborhood pool. We are looking for Lifeguards and Swim Instructors who can commit to keeping our residents and guests safe so that everyone can enjoy the pool facilities. If you think you have what it takes...



to learn more and be considered for currently available opportunities

\*If you turn 15 this summer, you can still apply. More details about this in the application. 12-14 year olds, watch for info about Junior Lifeguards coming soon.

\*\*If you haven't taken a Lifeguarding course yet, you can still apply! If you're offered a job with us, you will have time to get your certification before May 1st.



Scan to Apply or go to bit.ly/fiestagardensjobs

# QUALIFICATIONS

- strong swimmer
- 🧭 good communicator
- Lifeguarding Certification\*\*

# **EXPECTATIONS**

- focus on safety
- 🧭 commit to work hard
- 🧭 be a reliable employee
- 父 take care of the pool area

# LOCATION

# Fiesta Gardens Pool 1075 Bermuda Dr., San Mateo



Come Join the Hunt! Sunday, April 6 Age 4 and under @ 10:30: Cabana Grass Big kids @ 10:45 Grass next to tennis courts Donuts and Coffee Provided





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# So Far A Seller's Market in 2025!



The first quarter of 2025 is off to a strong start for sellers in Fiesta Gardens. Homes are hitting the market and going pending quickly. While our neighborhood inventory is higher than last year, demand remains strong.

Buyers have adjusted to mortgage rates averaging nearly 7%, and many lenders report their busiest period in three years. The market continues to see rising home values, steady sales, limited inventory, and fast-moving

transactions.

If you're considering a move, let's create a plan to achieve your real estate goals. Reach out today!

# 2025 FIESTA GARDEN YTD SALES RECAP

#Listings Total:	5	AVG VALUES FOR ALL:	8		8	1,454	\$1,090.78	5,260 (sf)	\$1,545,000 70	\$1,850,000	
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601 Bermuda Drive		San Mateo	3	2 0	6	1,640	\$1,128.05	5,300 (sf)	\$1,688,000 71	\$1,850,000	03/13/2
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2009 Ginnever Stree	t	San Mateo	3	2 0	7	1,240	\$1,201.61	5,000 (sf)	\$1,490,000 71		
1028 Lafayette Stree	t	San Mateo	з	2 0	6	1,530	\$979.08	6,000 (sf)	\$1,498,000 69		
2218 Kent Street		San Mateo	3	2 0	19	1,330	\$1,165.41	5,000 (sf)	\$1,550,000 69		
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#Listings:	1	AVG VALUES:			2	1,530	\$979.74	5,000 (sf)	\$1,499,000 69		
ACTIVE											
2224 Southampton V	Vay	San Mateo	3	2 0	2	1,530	\$979.74	5,000 (sf)	\$1,499,000 69		
Address		City	Bd	Ba	DOM	SqFt	\$/SqFt	Lot (SF)	List Price Age		

Quick Statistics (5 Listings Total)								
List Price	<b>Min</b> \$1,490,000	Max \$1,688,000	<b>Median</b> \$1,499,000					
Sale Price	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000					

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