



MINUTES OF THE CITY-SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE

SCUSD District Office – Board Room
1888 Lawrence Rd, Santa Clara, CA 95051
Wednesday, January 10, 2018 7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Santa Clara Unified Present:

Stanley Rose III, Superintendent, Chair
Larry Adams, SCUSD Director Bond Projects
Albert Gonzalez, SCUSD Board Trustee
Andrew Lucia SCUSD Assistant Superintendent
Kathie Kanavel, SCUSD Assistant Superintendent
Kevin Keegan, SCUSD Assistant Superintendent
Patty Picard, CSEA, Chapter 350 President

Mark Allgire, SCUSD Chief Business Official
Andrew Ratermann, SCUSD Board Trustee
Michele Ryan, SCUSD Board Trustee
Michal Healy, Dir. Facilities Development Planning
Jennifer Dericco, SCUSD Public Information Officer
Corinne Sanfilippo, SCUSD Executive Assistant

Council Present:

Lisa Gillmor, Mayor
Teresa O'Neill, Council Member
Kathy Watanabe, Vice Mayor

Staff:

Andrew Crabtree, Dir. of Community Development
Dennis Ng, Traffic Engineer
Dan Winter, Assistant Chief of Police
Kimberly Castro, Recreation Manager, Parks & Recreation
Ruth Shikada, Assistant City Manager
Dale Seal, Deputy Dir. of Parks & Recreation
James Teixeira, Dir. of Parks & Recreation
Raania Mohsen, Management Analyst
Manuel Pineda, Assistant City Manager

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Meeting was called to order by Superintendent Rose at 7:34 a.m.

2. Public Presentation

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the December 6, 2017 minutes by Board Trustee, Albert Gonzalez, with a second by Board Trustee, Michele Ryan.

4. Parks, Playgrounds, Athletic Fields & Rehabilitation Project Updates

Director of Parks and Recreation, Jim Teixeira reported on the Bowers and Machado Parks public input meetings. He noted that for safety there will be a temporary fence provided at Bowers Park, protecting students from the work that will take place as it is close to the school. Machado Park work is closer to the baseball fields. SCUSD Director of Facilities Planning Development, Michal Healy reported that the Request For Proposal (RFP) for review of SCUSD playgrounds and fields is live.

5. Land Development Updates

Director of Community Development, Andrew Crabtree reported that a proposed development on the former Yahoo site will be reviewed at the January 23, 2018 Council meeting for early consideration. The proposed mixed-use development would add more than 6000 housing units and increase the square footage of development from 3 million square feet to 10.5 million square feet. Council recently approved agreements to proceed with a student housing project for Santa Clara University, which includes over 600 beds for students and faculty and 20,000-40,000 square feet of retail space on the joint City and VTA parcels currently used for parking by the Santa Clara Station and Santa Clara Police Department. Council approved agreements to proceed with the project and replace the facilities for parking in support of the future location of Santa Clara's Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Station. Director Crabtree also discussed the senior housing development to be built at 1575 Pomeroy Avenue.

6. Development of Cannabis Regulations in the City of Santa Clara

Assistant City Manager, Ruth Shikada reported that the City has a moratorium in place, which means that cannabis dispensaries are temporarily banned from operation within the City to allow time for development of appropriate cannabis regulations. The City will be hosting a series of outreach meetings and then report collected feedback to the City Council in March/April. SCUSD would like to be involved in the meetings to work together on development of regulations regarding where businesses would be located in proximity to a schools and how this will affect schools.

7. Sister City Limerick Ireland Relationship

Vice Mayor Watanabe requested this be on the agenda for an update. This was a one-time event with the school district. The MOU that was put in place in the fall was for the October visit only. Sister Cities has completely taken over and is now handling the Limerick Ireland visit. Andrew Lucia, Assistant Superintendent would like to be "cc'd" on anything dealing with the students and staff of Limerick returning so that he can work with Sister Cities and SCUSD is fully aware of dates, activities and other events that need to be coordinated with the schools that the students would be visiting.

8. Update on HAWK Lights

City Traffic Engineer, Dennis Ng reported that they have finalized the HAWK (High-Intensity Activated crossWalk) pedestrian crossing beacon. The beacon/signal located on Benton Street at Santa Clara High School is scheduled for activation, which could be as early as within two weeks. Jennifer Dericco, PIO for SCUSD, will start contacting parents and the community to prepare them for the activation. It was noted that VTA bus drivers should also be educated about the stop-and-go operations during the flashing of the lights. Glade/Monroe signals will be replaced and the Monroe/Chromite signal will soon be activated.

9. Concerns Regarding Signage Around Schools to Calm Traffic (Example: Haman at Homestead Road)

Superintendent, Dr. Rose expressed a concern some principals have regarding the schools on major streets as traffic doesn't seem to be slowing down at the major times of the start and ending of schools. He gave the example of Haman School located at Los Padres and Homestead Roads. The traffic continues at a fast pace as students are entering and exiting the school. He asked if signs could be placed to make drivers aware of the students in the schools. Director of Facilities Planning Development, Michal Healy reported that this issue is being addressed through the Safe Routes to School grant and that a plan to assess needs should be in place soon. It was also suggested to let the Santa Clara Police Department know of any future concerns so they can send more officers as appropriate to assist with traffic law enforcement.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 a.m. The next meeting will be hosted at the City of Santa Clara Council Chambers on February 7, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.