

DOCUMENTS IN THIS PACKET INCLUDE:

LETTERS FROM CITIZENS TO THE  
MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL

RESPONSES FROM STAFF TO LETTERS FROM CITIZENS

ITEMS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

ITEMS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES AND AGENCIES

ITEMS FROM CITY, COUNTY, STATE, AND REGIONAL AGENCIES



**Prepared for: 9/17/2018**  
**Document dates: 8/29/2018 – 9/5/2018**

**Set 1**

Note: Documents for every category may not have been received for packet reproduction in a given week.

**Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Angelina Bena <angelinabena@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 2:28 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Ordinance for Relocation Assistance for No-Fault Evictions

Dear Palo Alto City Council Members,

My parents are honorable landlords. They take good care of their property, are kind and responsive to tenants, and get below-market rent because they don't feel it is right for them to take advantage of others. They understand that it is a privilege to own property in Palo Alto (one that they could never do if they tried to buy in the current market) and want others to raise their families in a community that positively influenced their own.

My parents would be forced to dramatically increase future rent on their rentals if you extend the ordinance to include smaller rental developments. Even though my father has never evicted a tenant from his properties, he would be forced to protect himself if he needed to do so. This would mean he would need to increase the rent on future tenants. Other landlords will have to do the same thing. All of his current tenants would not be able to afford that increase - thus pricing out a population that currently resides in Palo Alto.

I understand that no-fault evictions can be difficult. But as long as we have high demand for housing and low supply - tenants will have a difficult time. Please look to the housing crisis with an eye focused on sustainability. I fear that the extension of this ordinance will in fact make things worse...causing even me to leave the town that has been my home for 30 years.

Many Thanks,

Angelina Bena Michael  
College Terrace Resident

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** JoAn Chace <joanechace@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 1, 2018 10:57 AM  
**To:** William M. Chace  
**Cc:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Relocation assistance

To City Council Members Liz Kniss, Greg Tanaka, and Greg Scharff:

May I repeat to you this lead paragraph in The Palo Alto Weekly editorial for August 31?

"A five-person majority of the Palo City Council early Tuesday was ready to vote for a staff proposal to require the owners of the city's largest apartment complexes to pay relocation assistance to any tenant they evict without cause."

Why did you three interrupt this unremarkably normal process? What the staff recommended in assistance is in line with the policy of other cities. The dollar amounts of assistance are reasonable. Why did you step in to overrule the staff report and block the will of the majority?

The answer cannot be that you had a better plan for the citizens who vote for you and whom you represent. You three forced an option that may sound reasonable--to help only those whose incomes are below the county's median income level—but it is a policy that in practice will help very few of your fellow citizens. To quote the Weekly again, the policy which you forced on the majority while at the same time ignoring the staff "is likely to result in very few payments being made, since rents are so high in Palo Alto that most tenants earning less than the county's median income level can't afford to live here in the first place."

Why did you not follow the staff report, or the practice of Santa Monica, or the will of the council majority? This is a time when all around you people recognize that the expense of housing here harms individuals, the city (long commutes for city workers), and our innate sense of fairness.

We are puzzled by your action and embarrassed to see members of our council perform an action that appears to us as downright shameful: you used a bad procedure in the council to impose a bad policy on the city. And for what?

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Peter Vilkin <vilkin.peter@att.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 5:37 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Arastradero-Charleston road changes

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

The proposed road alterations on Arastradero/Charleston are utterly without value.

Have you all personally visited the various sites and seen what is intended? They propose to narrow the entrance of all side streets, completely without any need. All this will do is to create further useless impediments to traffic. I have lived on Maybell, adjacent to Arastradero, for 28 years, so I know the neighborhood.

These proposed curbs will probably cause traffic accidents as people run over them. About five years ago, the traffic folks installed stop sign “islands” in several locations on Maybell. People have run over the stop signs at least 15 times. They are a menace. The other night, a driver bringing me back home from the airport nearly hit the one near my house. Only my warning kept him from running over it.

Can something be done to stop this from being completed?

Sincerely,

Peter Vilkin  
Maybell Ave.

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Chris & Jennifer Steck <angesdeux@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 3:38 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** City 311 referral system update one year later

### City Council Members:

I contacted all of you a little over a year ago via e-mail with concerns over how the 311 system was being managed by the City. To be more precise my concern was that nobody in the City was responsible for overseeing the operation of the system. I offered a number of examples of how this lack of overall oversight was leading to all sorts of problems in the system including but not limited to excessive delays before items were ever addressed, indication in the system that items had been addressed when either they hadn't been addressed at all or had only been partially addressed and items that sat in the system and were never addressed at all. At the time I only received a response from a single Council member who indicated they shared many of my concerns. I never heard from anyone else over the last twelve months. I realize you all have a lot of issues on your plates but this seems like a city wide issue that should concern all of you and would have triggered more than just the lone response I received. I can't see that anything has changed or improved in the last year with the 311 system management by the City. I'd like to get suggestions from any of you who are concerned with this situation on the best way for me to proceed at this time with this issue.

Thank you,  
Chris Steck  
Chimalus Drive

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 3, 2018 8:36 PM  
**To:** gkirby@redwoodcity.org; Jonsen, Robert; dcbertini@menlopark.org; Tony Dixon; paloaltofreepress@gmail.com; mdiaz@redwoodcity.org; stevendlee@alumni.duke.edu; council@redwoodcity.org; ibain@redwoodcity.org; wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com; apardini@cityofepa.org; jalcaraz@cityofepa.org; jrosen@da.sccgov.org; molly.o'neal@pdo.sccgov.org; myraw@smcba.org; Council, City; Kniss, Liz (internal); bunnychiba@icloud.com; Lewis, James; drutherford@cityofepa.org; Lee, Craig; cromero@cityofepa.org; Kilpatrick, Brad; Constantino, Mary; michael.gennaco@oirgroup.com; mbuell@cityofepa.org; sscott@scscourt.org; mharris@scscourt.org; jsylva@scscourt.org; rpichon@scscourt.org; senator.hill@senate.ca.gov; roberta.ahlquist@sjsu.edu; cmartinez@cityofepa.org; scharpentier@cityofepa.org; lmoody@cityofepa.org  
**Subject:** Colin Kaepernick joins Nike's "Just Do It" campaign

Love this! Will be sure to buy a pair of Nike's now!!! Aram

Colin Kaepernick joins Nike's "Just Do It" campaign <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/colin-kaepernick-nike-just-do-it-campaign-announcement-today-2018-09-03/>

Sent from my iPhone

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Robert Schulte <rbschulte@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 11:47 PM  
**To:** Keene, James  
**Cc:** Scharff, Gregory (internal); Sartor, Mike; City Mgr; Council, City; Hospitalier, Jon; price@padailypost.com  
**Subject:** El Camino Real Trailers

Mr. Keene,

I assume you are still the City Manager. This situation is getting ridiculous. No other City is permitting this. Junk trailers all over the place, now stacking up back to back in the residential area between Maybell and Vista. Other types of junk vehicles, some for hauling something, and a mobile pizza truck (this is brand new though fortunately) operating on El Camino Real are also part of the circus we have going on here. Please explain why you, the council, our police, or whoever (the county or state?) is letting this happen only in our city.

On another note, I have given up on anyone maintaining Palo Alto's El Camino Real. Besides the road deterioration, the landscaping is ugly and overgrown (Oregon Expressway is ironically well maintained though), street signal lights need paint and signs are bent and totally faded, etc. Does anyone from your staff or the county or the state ever do a survey like a property manager might do? I drove recently through stretches of El Camino maybe in Burlingame with brand new signals just for cross walks. We could use one at Vista and El Camino but apparently Palo Alto has this no can do, it is a state road, attitude. I plan to get media out here, maybe KTVU, to get some answers. This City is not as nice as people think, especially if you live near El Camino.

By the way, I don't think many people actually live in those trailers. If so, I would have compassion. I think it is just hoarder storage space on rent free El Camino Real. There was some news story that the people living in all these trailers are working on City and Stanford construction jobs. I would like to see some support for that assertion. Maybe the local paper can find out how many people are coming out of the trailers with hard hats early every morning. I am copying Mr. Price.

Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2017, at 6:02 PM, Keene, James <[James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org)> wrote:

Our folks are taking a closer look to see what can be done and also reaching out to colleagues at CalTrans, etc

<image005.jpg>

<image006.jpg>

James Keene | City Manager  
250 Hamilton Avenue | Palo Alto, CA 94301  
[James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org)

*Please think of the environment before printing this email – Thank you!*

---

**From:** Robert Schulte [<mailto:rbschulte@sbcglobal.net>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 4, 2017 1:33 PM  
**To:** Keene, James <[James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org)>  
**Cc:** Scharff, Gregory (internal) <[Greg.Scharff@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:Greg.Scharff@CityofPaloAlto.org)>; Sartor, Mike <[Mike.Sartor@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:Mike.Sartor@CityofPaloAlto.org)>; City Mgr <[CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org)>; Council, City <[city.council@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:city.council@cityofpaloalto.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Debris along El Camino, Vista Intersection, Street Lights/Signs

Mr. Keene,

Thank you. I see. I thought it was a County road. If the City can get CalTrans (I guess) out here to clean it up great. If not, I hope Public Works can take of this. El Camino is pretty damaged from all the rain, with sections of top layer gone especially along Barron Park. Really a rough ride with pot holes too. Please pressure the State to fix their road.

Thank you.  
Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 4, 2017, at 8:16 AM, Keene, James <[James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org)> wrote:

Mr Schulte,  
Will share with our public works staff. El Camino Real is a State road .

Jim

James Keene  
City Manager  
Palo Alto, California

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** D Martell <dmpaloalto@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 2:14 PM  
**Cc:** Keene, James; Shikada, Ed; Council, City; Kniss, Liz (internal); Scharff, Gregory (internal); Stump, Molly; Kleinberg, Judy; Drekmeier, Peter; Eggleston, Brad; Goodell, Erin; Jonsen, Robert; Supervisor.Simitian@bos.sccgov.org; Anne.Ream@mail.house.gov; Alex Kobayashi; Bill Johnson; Jay Thorwaldson; Dave Price; Allison@padailypost.com; EmiBach@padailypost.com; richard@alexanderlaw.com; Aram James; Debra@firstpaloalto.com; Bear.ride@fprespa.org; CHamilton@da.sccgov.org  
**Subject:** Farewell to Mr. Mello

Josh Mello  
Chief Transportation Official  
City of Palo Alto

Mr. Mello:

During your short tenure with my Palo Alto City government, we paid you upwards to a \$ million dollars. Know that the damage you created to my home far exceeds that amount of a \$ million dollars.

Your management of downtown City parking has created chaos, at best. Your traffic safety project along Middlefield Avenue is a failure, as evidenced by thirteen (13) auto collisions at Middlefield and Lincoln Avenue so far this year, despite resident repeated pleadings to remedy the problem with a single crosswalk (!). Your arrogant ineptitude has left locals ignored, insulted, and up-in-arms. I'm personally offended by your disregard for the disabled and for our compromised seniors. Your refusal to be accountable to the community, to the extent that you refuse to even answer direct questions, is appalling.

It is not advantageous to your career to patronize Palo Alto citizens. I certainly hope you don't receive a severance package or made-a-deal for your resignation (dismissal?). Thanks for nothing! You left my home in a big mess. We will take years cleaning up after you.

Congratulations on manning up to "resign". You're doing the right thing.

Sincerely,  
-Danielle Martell  
Palo Alto City Council candidate, 2016 & 2005

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** lchiapella@juno.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 8:10 PM  
**To:** Passmore, Walter  
**Cc:** Council, City; Keene, James  
**Subject:** Fw: RE: 2811 Middlefield Road - Safeway

Hello Walter,

It has been over 3 months since your email in regards to Safeway at 2811 Middlefield Road. At least 2 more trees have died in the interim and 1 more is moribund. It is clear that the irrigation at Safeway along its perimeters are not consistently watered and therefore do not thrive. Perhaps the City of Palo Alto should plant more trees and WATER them to provide a more consistent tree lined boulevard in the Midtown commercial area.

I am sure that the enforcement action you alluded to was opened as specified, but apparently there has not been sufficient followup to entice any action from the property owner. This Safeway was named the highest grossing store per square foot in the chain, but it does not have enough money to pay for a gardener or water its trees.

Noticeably other property owners are following Safeway's lead. which can be seen at the two properties directly across the street from Safeway. Do you have the authority to follow up and get the property owners to turn the water back on and water their trees?

Sincerely,

Lynn Chiapella

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "lchiapella@juno.com" <lchiapella@juno.com>  
To: Walter.Passmore@CityofPaloAlto.org  
Subject: RE: 2811 Middlefield Road - Safeway  
Date: Fri, 25 May 2018 01:21:09 GMT

Please notify me when and if a landscape plan WITH IRRIGATION is submitted. There are many dead trees on the property and this is the 2nd planting. no water, no trees.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Passmore, Walter" <Walter.Passmore@CityofPaloAlto.org>  
To: "lchiapella@juno.com" <lchiapella@juno.com>  
Cc: "Keene, James" <James.Keene@CityofPaloAlto.org>, "Sproat, Derek" <Derek.Sproat@CityofPaloAlto.org>, "Dale, Dorothy" <Dorothy.Dale@CityofPaloAlto.org>, "Stephens, James" <James.Stephens@CityofPaloAlto.org>  
Subject: RE: 2811 Middlefield Road - Safeway  
Date: Wed, 23 May 2018 23:06:15 +0000

Dear Ms. Chiapella,

Thank you for reporting this issue. The Urban Forestry Section will open a code enforcement report and investigate. Typically property owners will voluntarily comply with any identified corrections given a reasonable time frame. Please be aware that conversations and any needed actions from this point forward will be between the City and property owner.

Walter Passmore | Urban Forester  
Public Works Department&#65533;&#65533;&#65533;&#65533;

3201 E. Bayshore Road | Palo Alto, CA 94303  
D: (650) 496-5986&#65533; E:[walter.passmore@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:walter.passmore@cityofpaloalto.org)

&#65533;  
Please think of the environment before printing this email - Thank you

-----Original Message-----

From: Info, Plandiv  
Sent: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 8:46 AM  
To: Dale, Dorothy  
Subject: FW: 2811 Middlefield Road - Safeway

Good morning Dorothy,

Can you please reply or forward this email to the appropriate person?

Thank you,

Robin  
Robin Ellner | Administrative Associate III | P&CE Department  
250 Hamilton Avenue | Palo Alto, CA 94301  
T: 650.329.2603 | E: [robin.ellner@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:robin.ellner@cityofpaloalto.org)

Please think of the environment before printing this email - Thank you!

-----Original Message-----

From: Ichiapella@juno.com [mailto:[Ichiapella@juno.com](mailto:Ichiapella@juno.com)]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 8:32 PM  
To: Info, Plandiv  
Cc: Keene, James  
Subject: 2811 Middlefield Road - Safeway

To Whom It May Concern:

The landscape trees at Safeway on 2811 Middlefield Road are not thriving and many have died for lack of water during the drought. Almost all trees on the site are essentially planted in planters surrounded by parking lot and streets. They live in a concrete planter with no planned steady irrigation. Hence the mortality rate is high. I know that the water system on the SE side of the property is not maintained. It appears that most of the trees (this is a second planting) have died or are moribund.

The approved ARB landscape has not been delivered by the property owners. Without water no landscape will thrive. What is the process by which the landscape plan can be reinstated? Please inform me of the next step.

**Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Mel Liu <melli02@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 1:35 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Cc:** Friend, Gil; divestpaloalto@googlegroups.com; 350 Silicon Valley Chat; Paul George @ PPJC  
**Subject:** Fwd: First-Ever Climate Emergency Town Hall

Dear Councilmembers,

Berkeley has led the way for cities to flip the discussion from climate change to *climate emergency*. Shouldn't our city do the same?

A formal declaration is a powerful thing. It sets in motion a sense of urgency that says all lives matter, that all life matters, that we recognize the our nation's outsized role in trashing the planet and that we don't accept a survival of the fittest/luckiest/greediest scenario.

Sincerely,  
Melanie Liu

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Margaret Klein Salamon <[TCM@theclimatemobilization.org](mailto:TCM@theclimatemobilization.org)>  
Date: Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 7:28 AM  
Subject: First-Ever Climate Emergency Town Hall  
To: Melanie Liu <[melli02@gmail.com](mailto:melli02@gmail.com)>



**THE CLIMATE  
MOBILIZATION**

Friends,

Last Friday was a major national first for our City by City strategy.

When Berkeley California declared climate emergency on June 12 of this year, the resolution included a commitment to help launch a Bay Area regional mobilization and just transition effort.

Last Friday they took a huge step in realizing that commitment, hosting a [climate emergency town hall](#) that brought together elected leaders, sustainability staff, other governmental officials, and community groups and organizers for a powerful day grappling with the [stark reality of where we are](#) and strategizing on how to restore a safe climate at emergency speed.

Thank you Berkeley Vice Mayor Cheryl Davila, Councilmember Kate Harrison, and Mayor Jesse Arreguin for making this happen. Thank you LA City Councilmember Paul Koretz, Vice Mayor Davila, and Councilmember Harrison for delivering a rousing call to attendees to join them in mobilizing to protect humanity and the natural world. You can read [our report from the field](#) for more detail on the big day! Huge shout outs to our organizers in the Bay Area!

We are just getting started! We are hoping that, after witnessing the townhall, many more cities and counties in the Bay Area region will declare a climate emergency, commit to mobilization, and embrace the role of advocate, as Berkeley has. We see tremendous possibilities opening up for a breakthrough paradigm shift in the Bay Area.

Next week, Climate Mobilization organizers in 11 localities across the U.S. and Canada will build on this momentum, urging their cities to mobilize for a safe climate.

**Will you join them?** Sign up here to [start a Climate Mobilization chapter in your city](#) or work with [an existing group to start a climate emergency campaign.](#)

Onward!  
Margaret

[\*\*Donate \\$5 a month!\*\*](#)

[\*\*Donate \\$30 a month!\*\*](#)

[\*\*Donate \\$50 a month!\*\*](#)

The Climate Mobilization  
[275 9th Street, Suite 150387](#)  
[Brooklyn, NY 11215](#)  
[United States](#)

If you believe you received this message in error or wish to no longer receive email from us, please

[unsubscribe.](#)

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Riccardo Gaudino <ctb500@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 6:48 PM  
**To:** celebrate@usaproud.org  
**Subject:** Fwd: Inspire mayors - help teach your town founding  
**Attachments:** Mayor-RohnertPark-Sept 9.pdf

**Reply! Questions:** Riccardo Gaudino, Education Director Golden State History - Curriculum Task Force 415.933.4742  
**Good morning Mayor, Celebrate California Admission Week Sept. 9-16.** Help teaching students to know the story of their town's founding, **acting as the first citizen. The State Board of Education approved the 2016 standards of Pacific maritime routes in US 8th grade history.** This innovative goal guarantees students access to the basic knowledge of your local landscape and people of our Golden Gate Frontier Region. I have included wording to champion teaching students for this positive outcome, improve the basic knowledge in all your citizens of your town, and complete this 20 year community service.

**Proclamation: (change as you wish)**

**Whereas**, the California State Board of Education approved the Around the Horn transportation routes as standards in 8th grade US History, and

**Whereas**, the City of \_\_\_\_\_ was founded due to the Spanish mission system of Alta California on the Pacific Coast served by ships, and

**Whereas**, the school districts of California are now required to teach how transportation routes, influenced by Pacific physical geography and climate, resulted in your town's founding, and, **Now, I, \_\_\_\_\_, acting as Mayor of City of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby proclaim "History Yes!!! Wear A Hat" for Teaching My Town's Founding Week for September 9 California Admission Day, and USA PROUD Learning of our Golden Gate Frontier landscape and people in 8th grade US History, and**

**Furthermore recommended for the school board(s) add this innovation to guarantee students access to basic knowledge of their community roots, with special thanks to the Golden State History Task Force to open the local door to learning and growing community awareness. Question: 415.933.4742**

[www.californiadreamer.org](http://www.californiadreamer.org) **Read Rohnert Park Mayor Proclamation** Send to: Golden State History 1065 Seymour St., Napa, CA 94559

MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NO. 922

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF A HISTORICAL EDUCATIONAL MILESTONE

Resolution to Commemorate the Historical Milestone of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade History Social Science Standards to include Pacific Maritime Routes for Teaching Excellence in all California Schools

WHEREAS, the history of the Pacific Coast Maritime Routes – around Cape Horn, across Panama, Peru, Hawaii and Asia to the California coast, including the Marin County coast and waterways, have shaped trade development, development of labor force and the transportation of gold and farm products; and

WHEREAS, the teaching of the rich history of the Pacific Coast maritime and overland transportation routes enables students to be aware of and knowledgeable about the way communities they live in have developed: how the Coastal Miwok Indians populated this region for thousands of years in over 600 sites; how the first Spanish settlement in Marin was established in 1817 when Mission San Rafael Archangel was founded; how Marin County is home to numerous ecosystems including Coastal Strand, oak woodland, mixed evergreen forest, and Coast Redwood Forests chaparral and riparian zones; how the Lagunitas Creek Watershed is home to the largest-remaining wild run of Coho salmon (endangered at both state and federal level) in Central California; and

WHEREAS, State Resolution 33 encouraged recognition of the significant role Maritime Transportation Routes played in the history and development of California, the diverse populations and the patterns of settlement which all played a key role in the cultural and economic history of California; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the California State Board of Education adopted the History-Social Science framework, including the standards addressing Pacific maritime transportation in the history of California for 8th grade instruction; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marin County Board of Education hereby recognizes this historic milestone of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade History-Social Science Standards to include Pacific Maritime Routes for Teaching Excellence in all California Schools and adopt this resolution to celebrate our heritage of innovation in education and inspire Marin County school districts, teachers and students with the 19<sup>th</sup> Century perspective of US History.

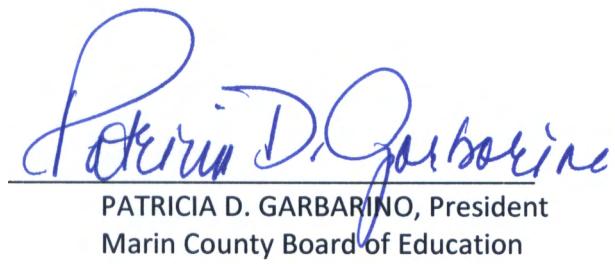
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Marin County Board of Education at a special meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES: Garbarino, Goldman, Hellman, Nemzer, Robinson, Warren, Wilson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

(SEAL)



Patricia D. Garbarino  
PATRICIA D. GARBARINO, President  
Marin County Board of Education

Attest:



Mary Jane Burke

MARY JANE BURKE, Secretary  
Marin County Board of Education and  
Marin County Superintendent of Schools



# Proclamation

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROHNERT PARK

*Proclaiming September 9<sup>th</sup>*

*as*

## CALIFORNIA ADMISSION DAY

**Whereas**, the California State Board of Education approved the Around the Horn transportation routes as standards in 8th grade US History, and;

**Whereas**, the City of Rohnert Park was founded due to the Spanish mission system of Alta California on the Pacific Coast served by ships, and;

**Whereas**, the school districts of California are now required to teach how transportation routes, influenced by Pacific physical geography and climate, resulted in your town's founding, and;

**Now, Therefore, be it Proclaimed** that I, Pam Stafford, as Mayor of the City of Rohnert Park and do hereby proclaim "History Yes!!! Wear a Hat for Teaching My Town's Founding Week" for September 9<sup>th</sup> California Admission Day, and USA PROUD Learning of our Golden Gate landscape and people in 8th grade U.S. History.

**Duly and Regularly Proclaimed** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

CITY OF ROHNERT PARK

Pam Stafford  
Pam Stafford, MAYOR



## California Senate Resolution

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 33  
Introduced by Senator Migden  
Relative to

# Pacific Maritime Routes

**WHEREAS,** The early settlement and development of California was deeply influenced by the immigrants and goods that came to the state by way of the maritime transportation routes by sailing around the Cape Horn of South America, via the Isthmus of Panama, as well as through the more commonly used routes of transcontinental migration; and

**WHEREAS,** The Pacific maritime routes are an essential educational component of the state's interpretive history; and

**WHEREAS,** The recognition of the Pacific maritime routes in relation to the state's history will result in a more comprehensive global understanding of the economic impact and cultural settlement role of maritime trade routes; and

**WHEREAS,** Scholars and agencies are encouraged to collaborate in their research in order to develop a fair and complete official state historical policy, including the geographical and historic influences, of our historic seafaring population; and

**WHEREAS,** Californians benefit from the development of a complete California story based on geography, climate, botany, transportation, and human settlement and migration; and

**WHEREAS,** The role of Pacific maritime transportation in the history of California is conveyed by the images contained in the State Seal of California; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,** That the Senate encourages the recognition of the significant role maritime transportation routes played in the history and development of California, including, but not limited to, the fact that these routes are responsible for the diverse populations brought to the state; and be it further

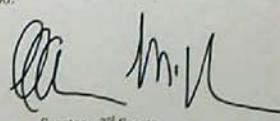
**RESOLVED,** That the Senate promote an understanding of the distinct origins of the Golden State seafaring populations and an awareness that their patterns of settlement played a key role in the cultural and economic history of California; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

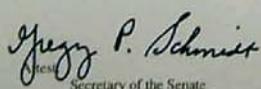
Adopted in the Senate August 10, 2006.



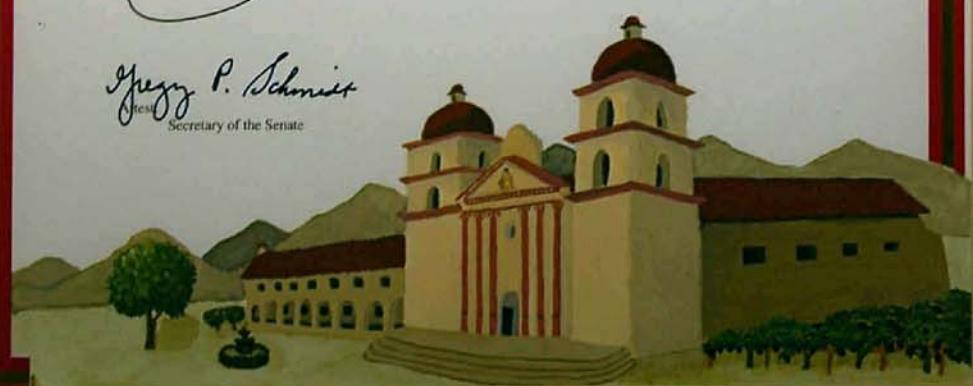
President pro Tempore of the Senate



Senator – 3<sup>rd</sup> Senate



Peggy P. Schmidt  
Secretary of the Senate

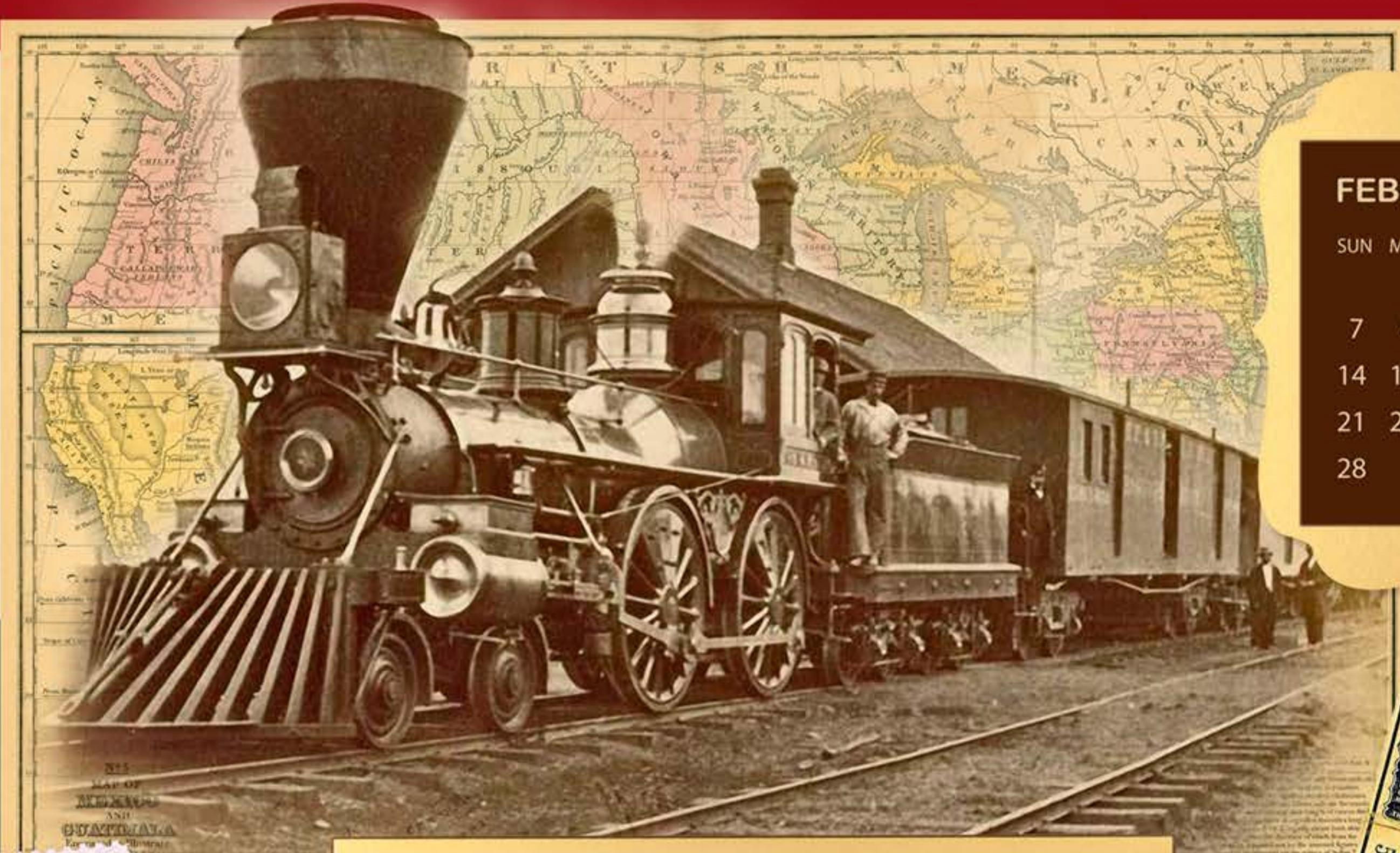




# AMTRAK®



Theodore Judah discovered the route across the Sierra Mountains.



## PACIFIC RAILROAD PIONEERS

The First Transcontinental Railroad was built crossing the western half of America and it was pieced together between 1863 and 1869. It was 1,776 miles long and served for the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States to be connected by rail for the first time in history.



## FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
			5	6		
	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			28			



Watch For US!  
[www.usaproud.com](http://www.usaproud.com)

# Are you USA Proud?

Dear Student: Explore the map. Imagine sailing from Boston to South America to Hawaii and finally California. In the 1840s at Sonoma and Petaluma Valley, General Vallejo was shipping hides on Mexico's Frontera del Norte with his Acapulco partner Henry Virmond to Germany.

This poster-calendar is for you to take home to display. In 2002, when you were born as the new Millineum generation, we started to fix the problem in California schools of not teaching teens how to open their local "Pacific Coast" window in 19th Century US History. In 2004, we sailed as a courier ship dispatched for you for this patriotic purpose to improve the US history law with mayor endorsements from Monterey to the Capitol. In 2006, the California Senate adopted the Pacific Maritime Routes resolution. Finally, August 2016, the State Board of Education approved the "Around the Horn" and "President Polk" standards for teaching teens US history in grades 8th and 11th. Now, for the first time in our Golden State K-12 schools, you have the sailing ship, the horse, the covered wagon, the American steam locomotive, all together for learning. You have the complete Atlantic-Pacific geo-political system of climate, soils, food staples, commerce, waterways, technology, migration in the West.

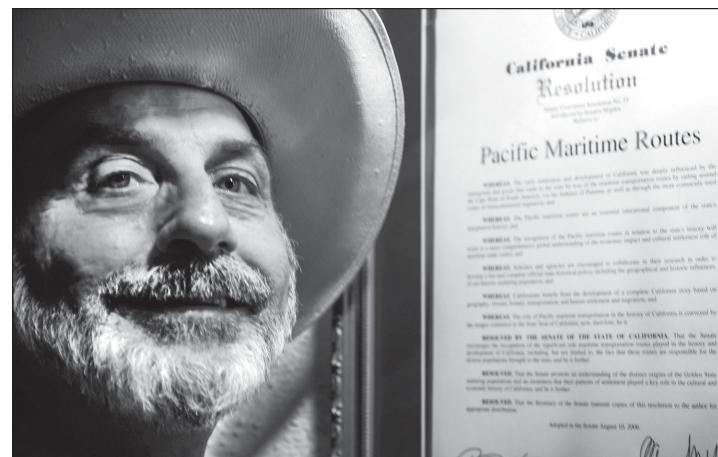
I share the hope for this education milestone to guarantee you access to basic knowledge of our landscape and people. Today's generations will now growup with local roots in the classroom to improve community awareness that we didn't have... to transform apathy into caring.



The pioneer  
purpose of this  
innovation will  
strengthen  
your classroom  
learning  
connection to  
grow community  
awareness.



AROUND THE HORN  
HISTORY RESOLUTION



Riccardo Gaudino  
Education Director for USA PROUD Learning Challenge.



We are dedicated  
to teaching this  
essential foundation  
that guarantees your  
access and youth  
preparedness for our  
democracy's future.



## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 29, 2018 12:16 PM  
**To:** Keene, James  
**Cc:** Council, City; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Fwd: SAFETY ISSUE - Lack of accommodation for disabled patron at Mitchell Park Library

Hello Mr. Keene,

Per my voicemail today, there are significant unsafe conditions that the City has created at the Mitchell Park Library that is impeding [REDACTED] safe access to the library.

It is clear to me that Library Management is not taking this seriously, but I'm hoping that you will.

It is mayhem at this point - children running in the library, both adults and children riding bikes and scooters on the patio and along the very narrow sidewalk.

Riders dropping their bikes on the patio near the entrance, making it difficult to sometimes get safely to the entrance.

The bike stands create an unsafe barrier to safely accessing drop-off and pick-up in the white zone.

Bike riders shoot down the narrow sidewalk, at a high rate of speed, as a pass through from the park.

There are no bike lanes for the kids to use, the parking lot is narrow and dangerous, so not safe for anyone.

Clearly whomever designed the front of the library did not use even an iota of common sense when planning that design.

Thus, the City has created extraordinarily unsafe conditions for anyone with disabilities, anyone who is medically fragile, anyone with special needs, anyone at all really, including the kids.

[REDACTED] loves the Mitchell Park Library, but is now expressing fear about going there because of all the bikes whizzing by and kids running in the library, fear that someone will run into [REDACTED] causing [REDACTED] to fall.

It is only a matter of time before someone will suffer injury due to these conditions.

Thank you.

All the best,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Kanth, Gayathri" <[Gayathri.Kanth@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:Gayathri.Kanth@CityofPaloAlto.org)>  
**Date:** August 20, 2018 1:50:37 PM PDT

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Subject: RE: SAFETY ISSUE - Lack of accommodation for disabled patron at Mitchell Park Library

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your follow up email. I'm sorry that your [REDACTED] had difficulty getting to the library.

Library staff have been working with running children and will continue to work with them.  
We are investigating the possibility of installing signs in the patio area.

Hope [REDACTED] will be able to use the library safely.

Thanks,

Gayathri.

Gayathri Kanth | Assistant Library Director

1213 Newell Avenue | Palo Alto, CA 94303

D: 650.329.2668 | [Gayathri.Kanth@cityofpaloalto.Org](mailto:Gayathri.Kanth@cityofpaloalto.Org)

Please think of the environment before printing this email - Thank you

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Wednesday, August 15, 2018 2:48 PM

To: leConge Ziesenhenne, Monique; Kanth, Gayathri; City Mgr; Perez, Alexander; Garcia, RuthAnn; Martinez, Josh

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: SAFETY ISSUE - Lack of accommodation for disabled patron at Mitchell Park Library

Thank you one and all for helping [REDACTED] get [REDACTED] library card - [REDACTED] is so thrilled.

There continues to be a problem with safe access to the Mitchell Park library - [REDACTED] was very scared last week, and then today, to walk in the patio area to enter the library.

This was because children were riding scooters and bikes in that area.

There was also a bit of a problem with children running in the library last week.

Can you please make sure that both children and adults know the rules and are educated on them?

Can someone at the library be assigned to monitor this?

I don't want [REDACTED] or anyone else, to be scared, and be at risk of falling due to this problem.

Thank you.

All the best,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On Jul 7, 2018, at 6:40 AM, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you all!

Much appreciated.

Gayathri, I received your email and do as you request.

All the best,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On Jul 3, 2018, at 1:00 PM, "leConge Ziesenhenne, Monique"  
<[Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Please expect a paper application in the mail and we will follow up and provide the library card by mail at the address you've provided below.

Again, we look forward to seeing you in our libraries soon!

Monique le Conge Ziesenhenne, PhD

Director of Library & Community Services President, Public Library  
Association, 2018-2019

270 Forest Avenue | Palo Alto, CA 94301

D: 650.329.2403 | E: [monique.ziesenhenne@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:monique.ziesenhenne@cityofpaloalto.org)

Please think of the environment before printing this email - Thank  
you

What I'm Reading Now:

The Art of Possibility: Transforming Professional and Personal Life  
by Rosamund Stone Zander

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Monday, July 02, 2018 3:41 PM

To: leConge Ziesenhenne, Monique  
[<Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org>](mailto:Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org)

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]> City Mgr <[CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org)>

Subject: Re: Lack of accommodation for disabled patron at Mitchell  
Park Library

Thank you Monique.

Since [REDACTED] is unable to use the Internet, would you kindly mail an application to [REDACTED] so that I can fill it out and mail it back to you for processing?

At this point, I think that it would be best if [REDACTED] actually has a new library card in hand before [REDACTED] may be willing to feel comfortable enough to try Mitchell Park library again.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Thank you again.

All the best,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On Jul 2, 2018, at 1:05 PM, "leConge Ziesenhenne, Monique" <[Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org](mailto:Monique.leConge@CityofPaloAlto.org)> wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

On behalf of the City Manager, I want to express how sorry I am for your [REDACTED] recent experience at the Palo Alto City Library. It is certainly not the experience that I expect our visitors and patrons to have when they come into a library facility.

Your comments are correct, in that everyone should be made to feel welcome, to have access to the library, and that a solution should have been found the day [REDACTED] was here. I will work with staff to be sure that they are better trained to find an answer in the moment. The appropriate managers have been copied here so that they can be sure to follow up. I do hope that you and your [REDACTED] will return to use the library.

Again, I appreciate your comments. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions or comments in the future.

Sincerely,

Monique le Conge Ziesenhenne, PhD  
Director of Library & Community Services President,  
Public Library  
Association, 2018-2019

270 Forest Avenue | Palo Alto, CA 94301

D: 650.329.2403 | E:  
[monique.ziesenhenne@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:monique.ziesenhenne@cityofpaloalto.org)

Please think of the environment before printing this  
email - Thank  
you

What I'm Reading Now:

The Art of Possibility: Transforming Professional and

Personal Life

by Rosamund Stone Zander

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Monday, July 02, 2018 11:51 AM

To: City Mgr <[CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:CityMgr@cityofpaloalto.org)>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Lack of accommodation for disabled patron at  
Mitchell Park

Library

Hello,

[REDACTED] went to Mitchell Park Library this morning and  
was made to feel very badly by your library staff.

They were very dismissive and they made [REDACTED] feel  
unwelcome, so [REDACTED] left.

They did not accommodate [REDACTED] special needs, which  
include [REDACTED].

Firstly, [REDACTED] wanted to check out DVDs. [REDACTED] could not find  
[REDACTED] library card, and they could not find [REDACTED] record in  
their system.

So, [REDACTED] wanted to get a new one, but did not have any ID  
with [REDACTED] address on it.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then asked for a form to bring home to me to fill out  
so that [REDACTED] could get a new library card, and again was  
dismissed and told to fill it out on the Internet.

Your staff should NEVER ASSUME that patrons are able to use the Internet - [REDACTED] is unable to due to [REDACTED]

And, we do not have good enough Internet access at home for me to do it for [REDACTED]

The bottom line:

Your library staff did not have enough humanity and caring to accommodate [REDACTED] special needs.

Simply put, they were unkind to [REDACTED] and made [REDACTED] feel unwelcome.

As a result, [REDACTED] left feeling rejected and dejected.

The actions of your staff resulted in [REDACTED] being unable to access your library, which is unacceptable.

They could have and should have come up with some sort of solution during [REDACTED] visit to solve both problems - they didn't, because they just didn't care.

Please fix this, as I would like [REDACTED] to be able to access your library, to feel welcome at all times, and to feel good about going there.

Thank you.

All the best,

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Michael Harbour <[dr.mharbour@gmail.com](mailto:dr.mharbour@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 2, 2018 6:20 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Cc:** Keene, James  
**Subject:** Fwd: URGENT: 429 University Ave Appellants Recommend Rejection of Latest Plans

Dear City Council Members:

Below is the Appellant's response to the recently re-submitted design plans for 429 University Ave. The Appellants reject these amended designs and have asked the ARB to deny approval. The Applicant has failed to adequately address the final four items mandated by the City Council in their Motion from February 6, 2017. The Motion states that the Planning Department should report to the City Council in writing their findings for your final review. We encourage you to closely follow these proceedings and review the plans in relationship to your original Motion.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the *appropriate* development of Palo Alto.

Sincerely,  
Michael Harbour, MD, MPH, FACP  
Lead Appellant for 429 University Ave  
Downtown Resident 480 Palo Alto Ave  
Downtown commercial property owner 421 and 421 Kipling Street

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Michael Harbour** <[dr.mharbour@gmail.com](mailto:dr.mharbour@gmail.com)>  
Date: Sun, Sep 2, 2018 at 5:25 PM  
Subject: URGENT: 429 University Ave Appellants Recommend Rejection of Latest Plans  
To: [arb@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:arb@cityofpaloalto.org)

Dear Architectural Review Board Members,

I am writing on behalf of the Appellants to the 429 University Avenue Proposed Development Project. The Appellants are very disappointed with the applicant's re-submission of plans (dated 8-23-18) in response to the items required in the City Council's Motion from February 6, 2017. The required items (**in bold**) and the Appellant's responses (**in red**) for each are listed below. The ARB saw these incomplete and sparse plans for building Option #1 (selected by City Council) for the first time on August 16, 2018. As a proposed development, the ARB has had less input on this particular building design than most. We strongly urge you to reject these plans as submitted and return them to the City Council for final review and approval.

City Council Motion and Appellant Response:

1. **Applicant to return to ARB for review of proposed Western Wall design**--although the tree pattern is an iterative improvement, the overall design is incongruous and unconnected with the rest of the entire building. It makes no sense.
2. **Applicant to return to ARB for review and recommendations for landscaping**-- the landscaping remains sparse, poorly designed, and does not bring warmth to a giant, cold cement block building.
3. **Applicant to return to ARB for review and recommendation to Director of Planning of building materials, colors, and craftsmanship related detailing associated with building**--this submitted building and design has been "disavowed" by the original architect, Joe Bellomo. The applicant had advertised him as the "Birge Clark Award" recipient which was something intended to mitigate the fact that Birge Clark

**buildings would be demolished if this building is approved. Mr. Bellomo told the ARB that the cement slag was "proprietary." Since the original design, materials and craftsmanship are no longer the same as those originally promised, we strongly urge denial based on the inability to confirm the original items as submitted.**

**4. Also recommended ARB consider recessed pedestrian entries as ARB has consistently sought to improve the pedestrian experience of this building, but there has been little refinement of the feature over the different iterations--the building violates municipal design code and downtown design guidelines. There is no improvement or change to the pedestrian experience of this building. It remains "unfriendly." In inclement weather, there is no recessed space or shelter for pedestrians. The building is a giant cement block which maximizes size and demonstrates massing. It lacks transition to neighboring buildings. It is not compatible with surrounding one story buildings with recesses.**

Thank you for your detailed review of these items listed within the Motion. This meeting was hastily scheduled during a holiday week, and unfortunately no appellants are unable to attend in person. The city's assigned planner, Adam Peterson, is also unable to attend. Since this meeting is quasi-judicial, any concern regarding any of the above four items should be sent back to the City Council for its final decision. Please do not approve the plans as submitted.

Sincerely,  
Michael Harbour, MD, MPH, FACP  
Lead Appellant for 429 University Avenue

**From:** Roberta Ahlquist  
**To:** [citycouncil@menlopark.org](mailto:citycouncil@menlopark.org); [Council\\_City](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Fw: Los Angeles Tenants: The Rent's Getting Too Damn High!  
**Date:** Monday, September 3, 2018 1:00:13 PM

---

Residents across the state are hampered if there is no rent controls

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** Capital & Main <[info@capitalandmain.com](mailto:info@capitalandmain.com)>

**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018, 12:52:29 PM PDT

**Subject:** Los Angeles Tenants: The Rent's Getting Too Damn High!

[View this email in your browser](#)



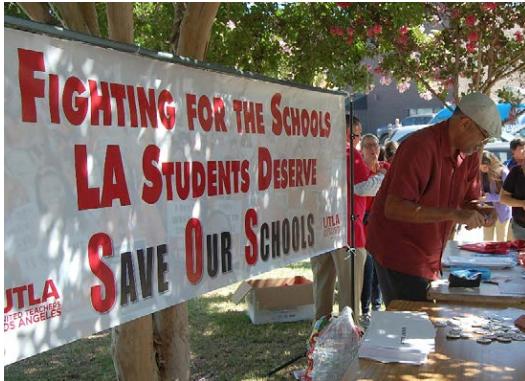
**August 31, 2018**

Los Angeles County has not had a rent control policy for its unincorporated areas since Ronald Reagan was president. That leaves low-income tenants like 62-year-old Jose Nuñez, of Florence-Firestone, with limited options. Nuñez, who gets by on a \$975 monthly disability payment, was recently [served with an eviction notice](#), along with other tenants in his apartment complex.

Nuñez hasn't been able to find another apartment he can afford. And so he and other tenants have banded together to fight the eviction in court. Theirs is an increasingly

common battle in California, where skyrocketing rents have given rise to a burgeoning tenants-rights movement. Renters are taking their grievances to local governments, to courtrooms and, in November, to the ballot box, where voters will decide a controversial measure that could give municipalities more latitude to regulate rents.

---



### [Los Angeles Teachers Prepare for Strike](#)

In the latest Learning Curves column: Tensions mount between L.A. teachers and the city's public school district. Betsy DeVos' "No Gun Left Behind" grants. And will California's charter school law finally be revised after 26 years?

---

### [The Economic Impact of Climate Change Rattles the Oil Industry](#)

Research shows that global warming will hit the American economy hard, particularly in the South. The oil industry is now pushing for government-funded protections against a problem it helped create.



### [Joe Biden Backs 'Public Option' Foe in Primary Fight](#)

Delaware Sen. Tom Carper helped defeat Joe Biden's Affordable Care Act public-option proposal back in 2009. But the former Vice President is still backing Carper in his party's primary. Co-published by [Splinter](#).

---

### [Cuomo Received \\$25,000 From Weinstein Lawyer's Firm as He Suspended Probe](#)

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo halted an investigation into the Manhattan DA's handling of the Harvey Weinstein case just as the law firm representing Weinstein gave Cuomo's campaign \$25,000. Co-published by [Sludge](#).



[Ohio, NJ and California Pension Funds Invested \\$885 Million in Hedge Fund That Controls National Enquirer Parent](#)

States pumped hundreds of millions of dollars of pension cash into a high-risk hedge fund that took control of the National Enquirer's parent company, American Media Inc. Co-published by [MapLight](#) and [Fast Company](#).

Danny Feingold,  
Publisher, Capital & Main



Copyright © 2018 Capital & Main, All rights reserved.  
You are receiving this email because you opted in at our website.

**Our mailing address is:**

Capital & Main  
[1910 W Sunset Blvd.](#)  
[Suite 740](#)  
Los Angeles, California [90026](#)

Add us to your address book

Want to change how you receive these emails?  
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

**From:** Arlene Goetze <photowrite67@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 1:15 PM  
**To:** Ro Khanna; press\_harris@harris.senate.gov  
**Subject:** 5G wireless on Public Health & Environment

Forwarded by Arlene Goetze, NO Toxins for Children, photowrite67@yahoo.com

N.B.

The Sept. 3 issue of **Bloomberg Businessweek** reports that South Korea now has a \$720 million experiment on 5G wireless networks and how they can reorder urban life in Pangyo Zero City, an open air lab near Seoul. It can transform everything besides phones--cameras on streets, car to driverless car communication, self-driving buses, drones overhead, fewer underground cables for internet and more underground shopping malls. **Not a word about its effect on human and animal life.**

**From PubMed**

Environ Res. 2018 Aug;165:484-495. doi: 10.1016/j.envres.2018.01.016. Epub 2018 Apr 11.

## **5 G wireless telecommunications expansion: Public health and environmental implications.**

**by Russell CL1.**

Author information

1PO Box 7443, Menlo Park, CA 94026, USA.

Electronic address: cindyleerussell@gmail.com.

**\* Radiofrequency radiation - RF... a new form of environmental pollution and negative public health**

**\* Years before health consequences are known**

**\* Pregnant women and children are more vulnerable to developmental harm from microwave radiation**

**\* Children absorb more microwave radiation per body weight than an adult, but standards are for adults.**

### **Abstract**

The popularity, widespread use and increasing dependency on wireless technologies has spawned a telecommunications industrial revolution with increasing public exposure to broader and higher frequencies of the electromagnetic spectrum to transmit data through a variety of devices and infrastructure.

On the horizon, a new generation of even shorter high frequency 5G wavelengths is being proposed to power the Internet of Things (IoT). The IoT promises us convenient and easy lifestyles with a massive 5G interconnected tele-communications network, however, the expansion of broadband with shorter wavelength radiofrequency radiation highlights the concern that health and safety issues remain unknown.

Controversy continues with regards to harm from current 2G, 3G and 4G wireless

technologies. 5G technologies are far less studied for human or environmental effects. It is argued that the addition of this added high frequency 5G radiation to an already complex mix of lower frequencies, will contribute to a negative public health outcome both from both physical and mental health perspectives.

Radiofrequency radiation (RF) is increasingly being recognized as a new form of environmental pollution. Like other common toxic exposures, the effects of radiofrequency electromagnetic radiation (RF EMR) will be problematic if not impossible to sort out epidemiologically as there no longer remains an unexposed control group. This is their common health risk behaviors. Effects can also be non-linear.

Because this is the first generation to have cradle-to-grave lifespan exposure to this level of man-made microwave (RF EMR) radiofrequencies, it will be years or decades before the true health consequences are known. Precaution in the roll out of this new technology is strongly indicated.

This article will review relevant electromagnetic frequencies, exposure standards and current scientific literature on the health implications of 2G, 3G, 4G exposure, including some of the available literature on 5G frequencies. The question of what constitutes a public health issue will be raised, as well as the need for a precautionary approach in advancing new wireless technologies.

### **3.1. Controversy persists as evidence of harm increases**

The controversy over health effects of radiofrequency electromagnetic radiation (RF EMR) from commonly used wireless devices such as cell phones, cordless phones, WiFi routers and cell tower infrastructure remains problematic. RF research in the U.S. is poorly funded and even when a study is robust it never seems to answer the question of long term safety or provide appropriate precautionary limits. (Wyde, 2016). In 2011 the International Agency on Research on Cancer (IARC) listed non-ionizing radiofrequency radiation from cell phones and other wireless devices in Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans, based on a thorough analysis of current scientific evidence (IARC, 2011; IARC, 2017).

**... Radiofrequencies are absorbed by and pass through living systems that contain water. Pregnant women and children are more vulnerable to developmental harm from microwave radiation due to immature organ systems (Birks et al., 2017, Othman et al., 2017a, Othman et al., 2017b). Research also shows children absorb more microwave radiation per body weight than an adult, however, standards were developed for adult bodies (Morgan et al., 2014).**

...

**KEYWORDS:**

Environmental pollution; Public health; Radiofrequency radiation; Wireless technology      PMID: 29655646 DOI: 10.1016/j.envres.2018.01.016

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Cindy Alvarez <cindy.alvarez@mail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018 10:50 AM  
**To:** scottlargent38@gmail.com  
**Cc:** thompsonsharkey@gmail.com; sylvia.macdonald@ido.sccgov.org; julianinemckinney@protonmail.com

One of our residents, Dan [REDACTED] has provided photraghs of property damage caused by Thompson [REDACTED]. Also, one of the security guards here has provided written testimony that because of Thompson [REDACTED] the conditions at Markham Plaza apartments have deteriorated to the point where he is in fear for his life coming to work. Because of Thompson [REDACTED] and his collusion with the Santa Clara County Sheriff office , many young children at the Markham Plaza Apartments will likely grow up suffering from post tramatric stress disorder.

I will do my part to warn as many people as possible about Thompson [REDACTED] He is a criminal and a danger to society and he must be stopped.

Cindy Alvarez,  
Markham Plaza Tenant Association

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Susan McConnell <susan-carl@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 3, 2018 11:27 PM  
**To:** Howard, Adam  
**Cc:** ParkRec Commission; Council, City  
**Subject:** Name Change

Hi Adam,

I wanted to inform you of our club name change. Our Silicon Valley Pickleball Club board voted to change the name of our club to the Palo Alto Pickleball Club. We feel strongly that this more clearly represents who we are since we play in Palo Alto on the Mitchell Park courts and our membership now has nearly 150 members that either live or work in Palo Alto.

Today we invited all the club members to ratify our name change. It was approved unanimously with great enthusiasm! We are now officially, the Palo Alto Pickleball Club.

Sincerely,  
Susan McConnell  
Palo Alto Pickleball Club  
Board Secretary

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Mike Alexander <malemike@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 8:29 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** nighttime home delivery of gas  
**Attachments:** P1590763.JPG

Dear City Council,

I'd like to share my concerns about the latest development in home delivery -- gasoline, delivered to the user's tank at home, at night. On the surface it seems like a harmless convenience for those who are too busy to stop at the gas station. But after witnessing three deliveries on my block in the past couple of months, I'd like to suggest that the program probably needs tweaking. I've attached a photo of tonight's delivery, by a company called FillID.

1. While it can't compare with leaf blowers or planes on approach to SFO, the process is not silent. One delivery occurred after 10 pm when the block was otherwise dead quiet, and the unusual sounds drew me out of the house to investigate.
2. The process takes some time, during which the sidewalk is blocked by the truck and/or its hose, causing evening walkers to detour across the street.
3. The use of bright emergency flashers during the delivery also the disturbs the nighttime peace of the block.
4. Tonight, the driver had ear buds in, presumably listening to music, rendering him insensible to sounds that might indicate a problem.

It's bad enough that UPS and their ilk are roaming the neighborhoods at night, but on top of that general annoyance, this gas delivery service adds safety elements that should be addressed.

Sincere thanks for all you do.

Mike Alexander

3391 Saint Michael Dr.

650-815-6719

ps ... I wonder if the City could levy a special fee on this extraordinary service.



NEVER STOP FOR GAS AGAIN!

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** David Yoshida <hirodave40@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 29, 2018 3:58 PM  
**To:** Howard, Adam  
**Cc:** Council, City; Monica Williams  
**Subject:** Pickleball for Palo Alto

Adam,

I did not speak at the city council meeting last night but would like to weigh in. I was born at the Palo Alto Hospital in 1940. I have been a life time resident of the Bay Area. My office has been in Palo Alto since 1970 (48 years) and I am still working part time. I am a pilot and have a plane at the Palo Alto Airport. As you know the airport is undergoing a major upgrade. I have played tennis most of my adult life. Now I am a member of the Palo Alto Pickleball Club since last year. Once you start to play pickleball you will find that it is very infectious. Players are old and young big and small fat and thin and somehow playing pickleball equalizes the competition so that a small fat person can beat a big thin one. It is amazing to watch all types of players. That to me is the fun of pickleball. Please come out and join us.

Adam thank you for supporting pickleball and helping to pass a favorable rule change for pickleball. I look forward to four dedicated pickleball courts on tennis court 5.

David Yoshida, Ph.D.

Sent from my iPad

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Jamie Pearson <jrpearson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 9:50 AM  
**To:** ParkRec Commission; Howard, Adam; Council, City

Dear tireless and unselfish commissioners, Adam, and city council members:

Thank you again so much for taking steps to revise the Mitchell Park court policy to formally include pickleball -- it's an exciting development for Palo Alto.

More exciting, however, was the commission's interest in **the immediate conversion of court 5 from a single tennis court to four pickleball courts** concurrent with the upcoming court resurfacing project.

This makes so much sense, both practically and financially. We've met, solicited feedback from stakeholders, weighed our options, and debated for years. I don't think more discussion will give us more clarity. We know the facts -- now it's time to act.

Can we look forward to seeing the court 5 conversion on the commission's agenda next month? Is there anything I can personally do to ensure that this happens?

Warmest regards,  
Jamie Pearson

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 7:06 PM  
**To:** gkirby@redwoodcity.org; ibain@redwoodcity.org; paloaltofreepress@gmail.com; mdiaz@redwoodcity.org; Jonsen, Robert; dcbertini@menlopark.org; stevendlee@alumni.duke.edu; Tony Dixon; council@redwoodcity.org; Keene, James; wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com; myraw@smcba.org; apardini@cityofepa.org; michael.gennaco@oirgroup.com; jrosen@da.sccgov.org; Council, City; molly.o'neal@pdo.sccgov.org; chuckjagoda1@gmail.com; cromero@cityofepa.org; Binder, Andrew; stephanie@dslextreme.com; acisneros@capublicrecordslaw.com; Doug Fort; griffinam@sbcglobal.net; gerrygras@earthlink.net  
**Subject:** Prison strike

Here's what you need to know about the Nationwide Prison Strike going on right now.



Hi Aram –

Incarcerated people have had enough. Brutal treatment, deteriorating prison conditions, and incredibly long sentences have led to widespread hopelessness among the incarcerated population. **That's why – right now – there's a Nationwide Prison Strike going on coast to coast.**

**Get the full rundown of what this strike is all about and learn how we can all show our solidarity – it means so much to the incarcerated people leading the charge.**

The injustice of our criminal justice system is nothing new – you can trace it all the way back to 1865, when the **13th Amendment abolished slavery but carved out an exception for people convicted of criminal offenses**. Over 250 years later, strikers are calling for fair compensation for their hard labor each day – it's one of 10 demands that include improving prison conditions, properly funding rehabilitation, and addressing the racism that fuels mass incarceration.

Among all the strikers' demands, they're emphasizing the #Right2Vote. Currently, only Maine and Vermont give all incarcerated and formerly incarcerated people their voting rights. **People in jail, prison, or on parole should have a voice in our democratic society.** In fact, their voices are key to resolving the countless failures of our criminal justice system.

**Learn more about the remarkable act of civil disobedience sweeping through our nation.**  
**It's about time we listen to the people who are directly impacted by our unjust policies.**

Our country is stronger when we can *all* raise our voices to demand a better future. And in the historic Nationwide Prison Strike, we're seeing just that.

Thanks for listening,



**Udi Ofer**  
**Director of the ACLU Campaign for Smart Justice**

---

**DONATE NOW**



This email was sent to: [abjpd1@gmail.com](mailto:abjpd1@gmail.com)

[Unsubscribe](#)

Please note: If you forward or distribute, the links will open a page with your information filled in.

We respect your right to privacy – [view our policy](#).

This email was sent by:  
American Civil Liberties Union  
125 Broad Street, 18th Floor  
New York, NY 10004, USA

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Mike Turbow <emturbow@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 11:28 AM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Publication of city meeting notices and agendas need to be re-evaluated

Dear Council Member:

The City of Palo Alto's decision re: the publication of city meeting notices and agendas in the *Daily Post* is *Penny wise and pound foolish*. Palo Alto may save some money, but the notices and agendas will reach a much smaller audience in the *Daily Post* than when the notices were published in the *Palo Alto Weekly*. The *Daily Post* is, in essence, a real estate advertising brochure and not a journalistic newspaper. *The Palo Alto Weekly* is truly a local newspaper. It focuses on local issues and supports the local community as evidenced by its annual Holiday Fund. I think it would be foolish to save \$20,000 at the expense of drastically reducing the public's access to important information. I hope the Council will reject this thoughtless decision by the Palo Alto City Clerk.

Thank you,

Myron Turbow  
1870 Hamilton Ave.  
Palo Alto, CA 94303  
Tel: (650) 327-0987

**Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Sue Dinwiddie <s.dinwiddie@me.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 2, 2018 7:20 AM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** RE: Weekly Notice Publications

Honorable Council Members:

We were distressed to learn that Council notices will no longer be published in the Palo Alto Weekly, but instead will be puio only in the Daily. It is difficult to understand how this decision helps democracy and transparency since every household receives the Weekly, while one has to make an effort and travel from home to find a Daily.

We truly hope you will revise this decision

Sincerely,

Sue and Ken Dinwiddie

Sent from my iPhone

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** E Nigenda <enigenda1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 4, 2018 12:15 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Sea level rise and basements  
**Attachments:** 2221 Louis Road.png; 2361 Louis Road.png; 2692 Ross Road.png; 2938 Ross Road.png

Dear City Council,

The latest Climate Change [report](#) from the State of California predicts “\$18 billion to replace buildings inundated by rising seas” among other severe impacts.

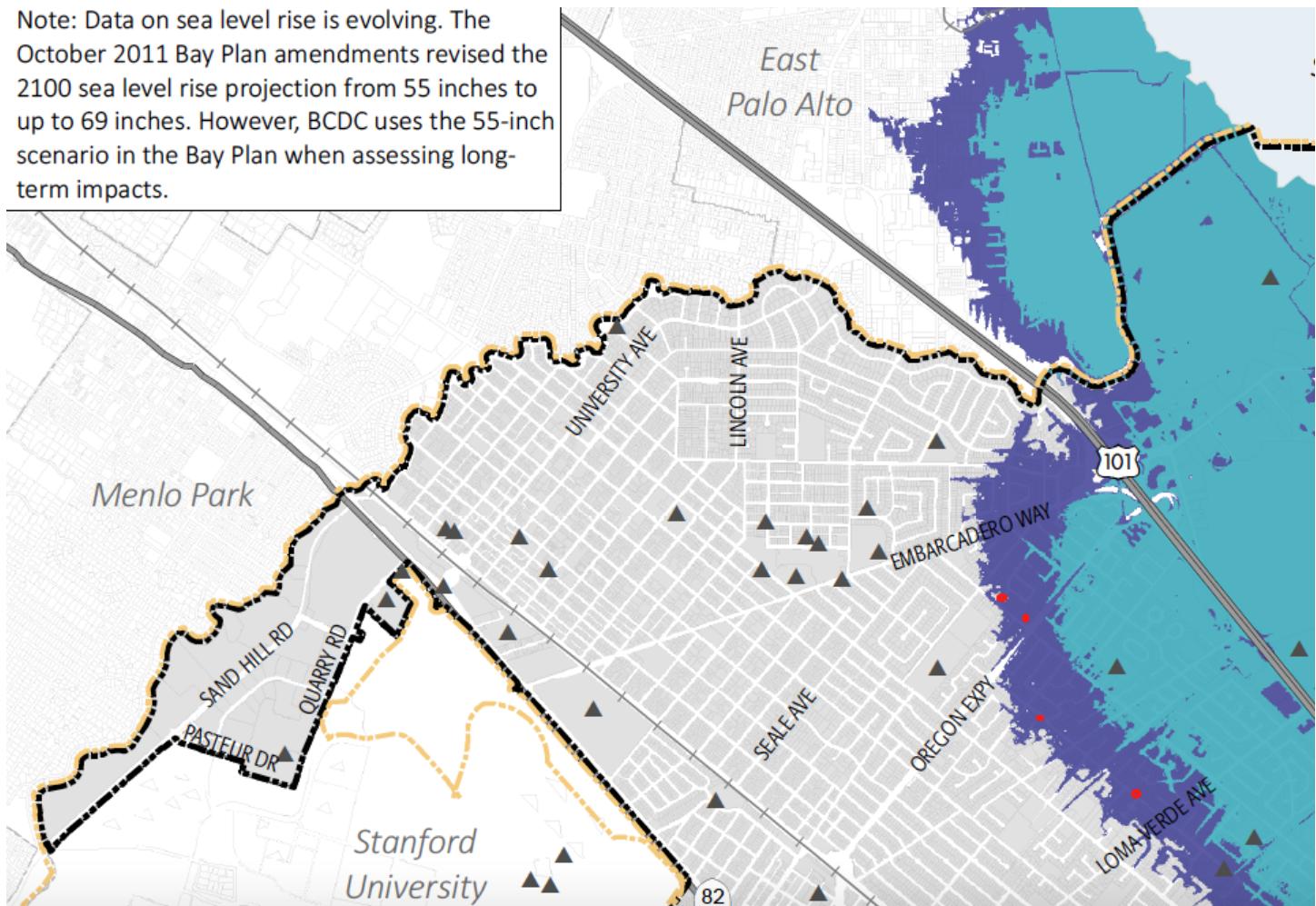
It will be expensive but I am more concerned with human life. The red dots on the Palo Alto map below show the locations of four proposed houses with 1 - 3 bedrooms in the basements. As you can see, they are all located in the "new" flood zone expected with sea level rise. In addition, very few cities have accounted for **groundwater level rise concurrent with sea level rise** but scientists tell us groundwater level rise doubles the amount of area that will be flooded.

Cities in [Florida](#) and [Texas](#) are revising their building codes to require houses be elevated to avoid flooding. The loss of human life is a very [real possibility](#). In order to protect human life, I respectfully request that the City look into and address this issue.

Thank you for your service to our community,  
Esther Nigenda, Ph. D.

**[Map S-6 from City's Comprehensive Plan, p. 140. Location of basements with planned bedrooms from City's Building Eye.](#)**

Note: Data on sea level rise is evolving. The October 2011 Bay Plan amendments revised the 2100 sea level rise projection from 55 inches to up to 69 inches. However, BCDC uses the 55-inch scenario in the Bay Plan when assessing long-term impacts.

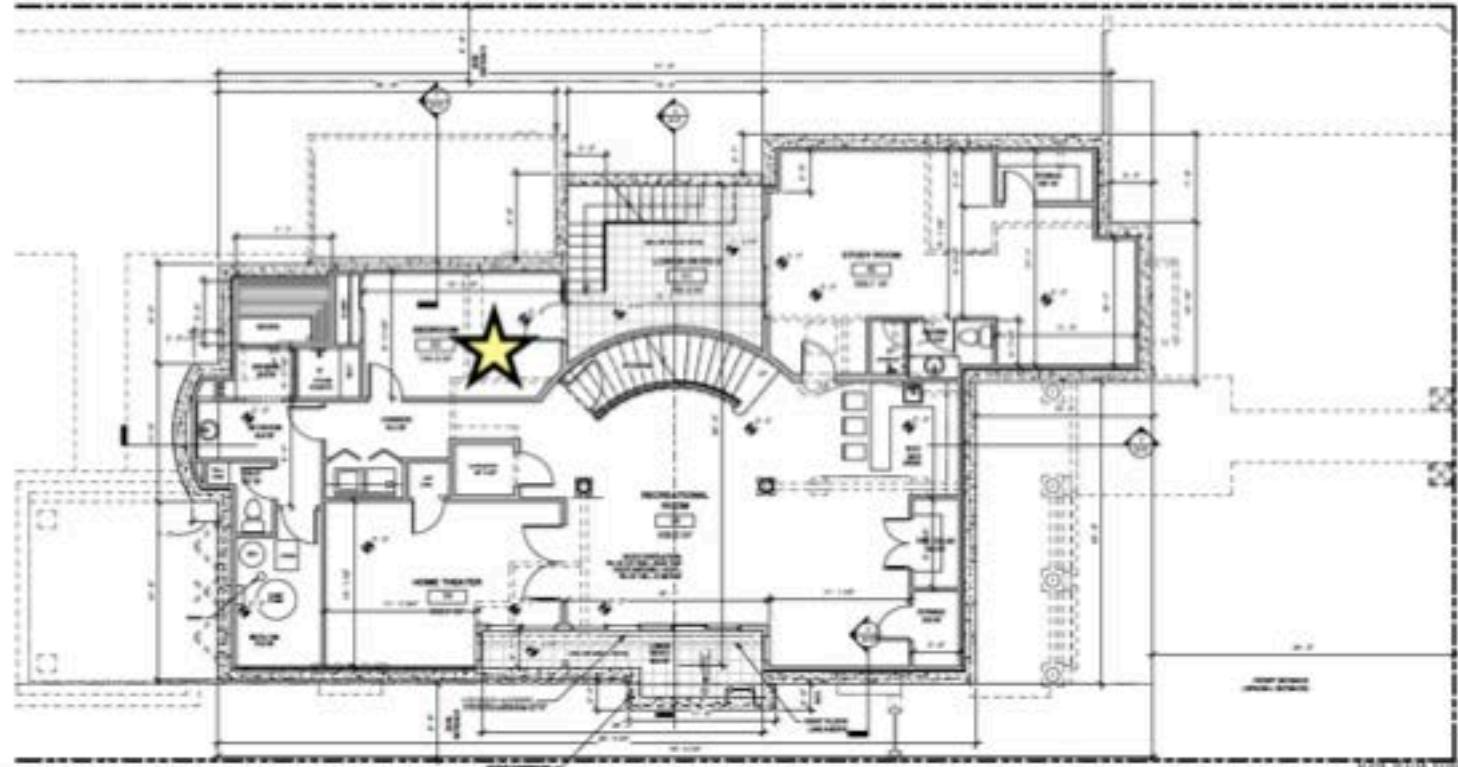




2221 Louis

Basement Plan  
NEW RESIDENCE  
NO: William & Jodi Tard  
Architectural & Planning  
D.L. Architectural  
14'-0" x 30'-0"

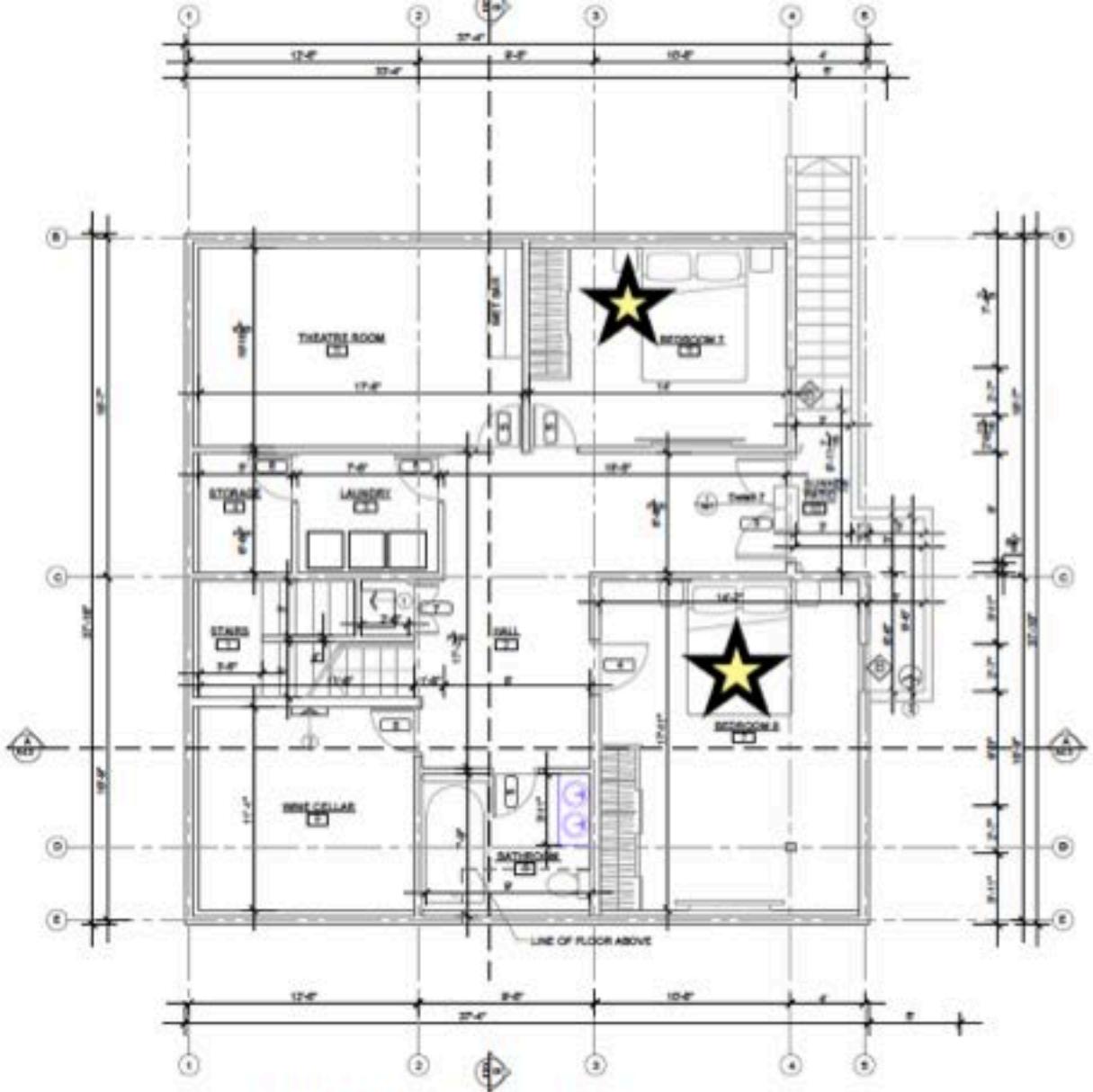
SK-21



OWNER: DR. VIRENDRA WAD  
CUSTOM HOUSE  
2361 LOUIS ROAD  
PALO ALTO, CA

2361 LOUIS ROAD  
PALO ALTO, CA  
BALDWIN  
BALDWIN

2361 Louis Road



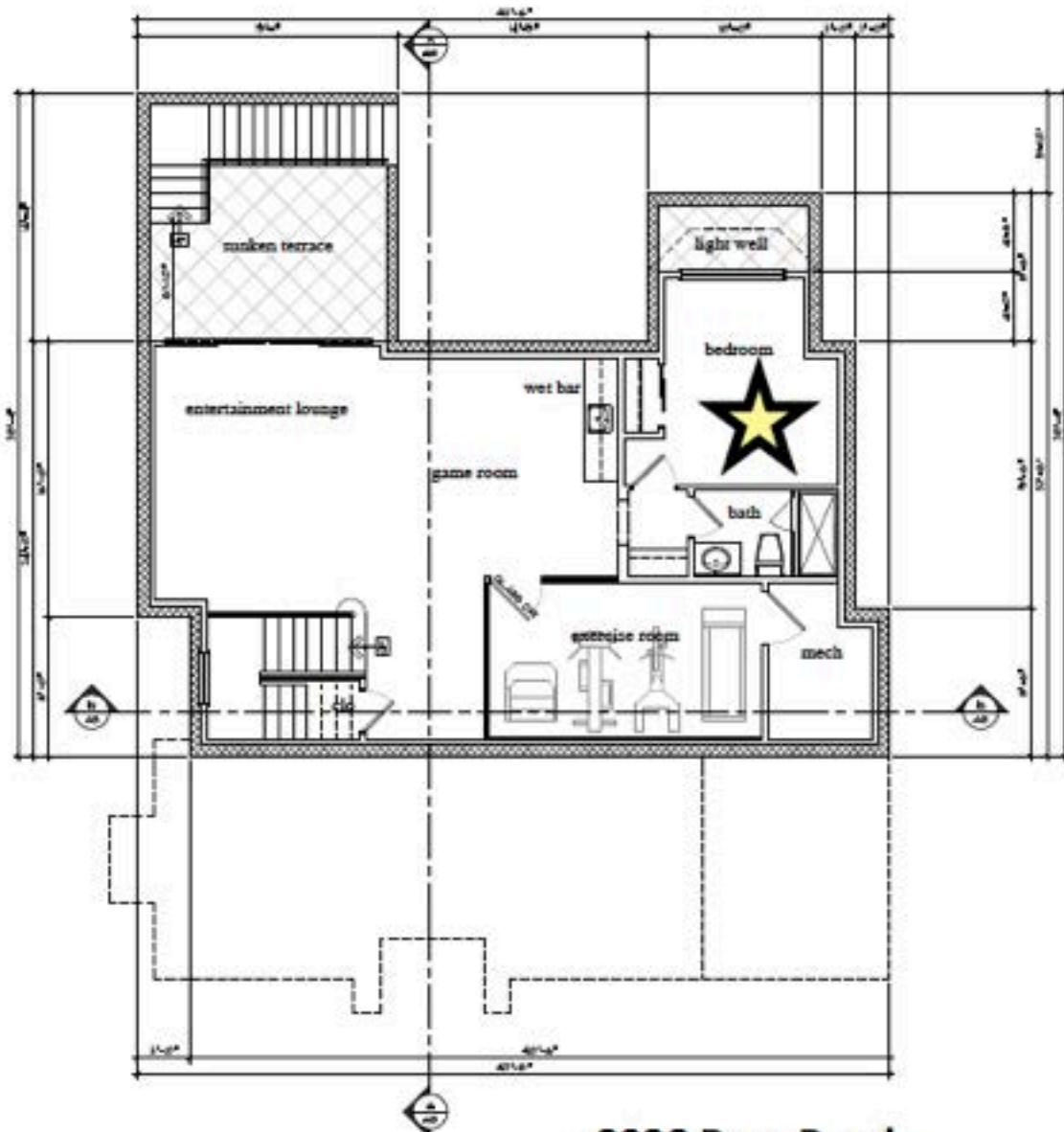
2692 Ross Road

1 BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN - HOUSE  
A3.1 SCALE 1/4 - 1-0

THIS DRAWING IS THE PROPERTY OF STOTLER DESIGN GROUP.  
IT IS TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PROJECT IDENTIFIED  
HEREIN AND IS NOT TO BE COPIED OR USED FOR ANY OTHER  
PURPOSE WITHOUT THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF STOTLER DESIGN  
GROUP.

Rooms	Dimensions	Rooms	Dimensions
entertainment lounge	20'0" x 12'0"	game room	12'0" x 12'0"
sunken terrace	12'0" x 12'0"	wet bar	4'0" x 8'0"
		bath	7'0" x 7'0"
		exercise room	10'0" x 10'0"
		mech	10'0" x 10'0"

Basement Floor Plan	Teng Residence	2938 Ross Road	Palo Alto, California 94303



**2938 Ross Road**

**Basement Level Floor Plan**

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Jeff Hoel <jeff\_hoel@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 2, 2018 4:16 PM  
**To:** UAC  
**Cc:** Hoel, Jeff (external); Council, City; CAC-TACC  
**Subject:** smart meters -- a continuation

Commissioners,

Your 09-05-18 agenda

<https://cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/66594>

has an item (IX.2) about smart meters.

This item is a continuation of the smart meter discussion of 05-02-18.

Here's the 09-05-18 staff report (23 pages).

<https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/66550>

It consists of:

- \* Just an announcement that this is a continuation from 05-02-18 (2 pages)
- \* Attachment A -- the 05-02-18 staff report, less its attachments (17 pages)
- \* Attachment B -- the 05-02-18 sense minutes for this item (4 pages)

For those who want to recall the details of the 05-02-18 discussion, please refer to the 05-02-18 staff report with its attachments (103 pages)

<https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/64784>

and to my previous comments.

<https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?t=62465.62&BlobID=65229>

- \* pre-meeting comments (pages 2-19)
- \* TRANSCRIPT & COMMENTS (pages 27-50)

Actually, I'm pretty disappointed that the 09-05-18 staff report makes no attempt whatsoever to address the many issues that surfaced during the 05-02-18 discussion.

Below the "####" line, I list some of the outstanding issues.

Thanks.

Jeff

---

-----  
Jeff Hoel  
731 Colorado Avenue  
Palo Alto, CA 94303  
-----

#####

ISSUES:

\* Whether the NPV for the smart meter project is about zero or minus \$7 million (over 18 years) apparently depends on whether you get to count the money saved when consumers conserve, and on whether personnel synergies result. I think that when consumers conserve, the money saved should go to them, not to the smart meter project. It's not clear how much conservation can be attributed to smart meters. If the NPV is minus \$7 million, is the project still a good idea? On 11-01-17, Commissioner Trumbull didn't think so.

\* The 05-02-18 report assumes that smart meters will be connected to the central office by a wireless network, but it doesn't provide an analysis of how much bandwidth will be needed. We know that other utilities have implemented AMI systems that seem to work. We don't know -- or at least I don't know -- whether there's enough bandwidth to sample as frequently as we want to, or use the kinds of protocols that assure security, etc.

\* There was some discussion of what happens when the electric power goes out, but it wasn't supported by factual evidence in the report. I now have the impression that an electric smart meter doesn't have a back-up battery, but only a capacitor, that can keep the meter working for only a very short time -- only long enough for a "last gasp" message. That won't support Commissioner Ballantine's vision of an AMI network that continues over time to tell you what's wrong.

\* The report didn't discuss any of the specifics of the wireless network. I now have the impression that one of the options being considered by staff is to outsource this network to one of the commercial wireless providers (like AT&T or Verizon). Note that this puts the reliability of the network outside of the City's control. When Council approved Verizon's last batch of small cell wireless nodes (05-21-18), it didn't require battery back-up, because it would have made the nodes uglier. Even where the incumbent providers have battery back-up, I have the impression that it's for only about 20 minutes. Is that long enough? (The City's RFP #152569 for a citywide fiber-to-the-premises master plan (07-03-14) <https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/42930>

asked bidders to consider schemes for remaining operational for seven days without grid power. I'm not saying that was the right number, but it's longer than 20 minutes.)

\* If the City's AMI system were to outsource the wireless network to a commercial provider, what would it cost, what would the reliability be, etc.? Verizon recently throttled the wireless service of California firefighters.

<https://arstechnica.com/tech-policy/2018/08/verizon-throttled-fire-departments-unlimited-data-during-calif-wildfire/>

\* Water meters and gas meters would be powered by a built-in battery and not by grid power. And when the battery runs out, you have to replace the whole radio. So how long does the battery last? It depends on how much the radio is doing. So, it might be asked to transmit information only, say, twice per day. The report doesn't say anything about what the options are. During the discussion, staff said the meter had the ability to tell the network when the battery was low, so the utility could replace the unit before it failed in the field. And that's good. But not documented.

\* There was some discussion about the need for an opt-out option for people who don't want their homes to have smart meters. But the report didn't provide any specific ideas. It says we can figure this out later. How about figuring it out now?

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** Letha DiLauro <lmldilauro@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 2, 2018 10:11 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** train crossing Charleston and Meadow

Dear City Council,

I want the train or tunnel. I do not like it on a wall. The wall will make the train louder, it is an ugly choice for Palo Alto and we do not deserve a better than an eyesore. We will live with the decision for the next 100 years. Do what is right.

We have enough noise with airplane traffic and the train. We do not need any additional noise pollution. I have lived here for 47 years and am losing my hearing. Do you think the train could have anything to do with it? Before my husband's passing in 2016 he was also losing his hearing.

Why are we still studying the train on the wall? Put the money into a decision. Has anyone brought up the concern over suicide prevention?

Thank you for reading my email.

Letha DiLauro  
4131 Park Blvd.  
Palo Alto, CA 94306

650-493-4278

## **Carnahan, David**

---

**From:** AmyMChristel <amymchristel@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 29, 2018 1:23 PM  
**To:** Council, City  
**Subject:** Transfer of City Notices and Agendas to lower circulation paper

Dear Council Members,

The recent move to save \$20K per year (and decrease public awareness of City Notices and Agendas) by awarding the ciy contract to the *Daily* as opposed to the *PA Weekly* is wrong. The *Weekly* is relied upon by Palo Altans because it is delivered to homes and has solidly reported on the issues of this community for decades. The *Daily Post* is barely a rag.

What a short sighted move by the City Clerk! Please reverse this decision. If the \$20K needs to be saved, cut funding from "so-called" bike blvd "improvements". The rational Midotwn residents would never have supported the Ross Rd changes if given proper notice of the extent and cost!

Thanks,  
Amy Christel  
Midtown

Sent from my iPhone

## Carnahan, David

---

**From:** Tony Ciampi <T.Ciampi@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 9:57 PM  
**To:** Keene, James; City Mgr; Ng, Judy; Binder, Andrew; michael.gennaco@oirgroup.com; Council, City; Stump, Molly; Shikada, Ed  
**Cc:** kamala\_harris@harris.senate.gov; Nathan\_Barankin@harris.senate.gov; Marguerite\_Biagi@harris.senate.gov; Clint\_Odom@harris.senate.gov; Lily\_Adams@harris.senate.gov; dustin.brandenburg@mail.house.gov; katie.weiss@mail.house.gov; liz.argo@mail.house.gov; Anthony.Ratekin@mail.house.gov; Julian.Plank@mail.house.gov; kelsey.smith@mail.house.gov; christopher.livingston@mail.house.gov; alexandra.gourdikian@mail.house.gov; Philip\_Maxson@mcconnell.senate.gov; asoltani@aclunc.org; btucker@aclunc.org; organizing@aclunc.org; aschlosser@aclunc.org; mrisher@aclunc.org; info@sanjosenaacp.org; naacpsfbr@att.net; actso@naacpnet.org; hollywoodbureau@naacpnet.org; info@lccr.com; info@anamericaninjustice.com; bharat\_ramamurti@warren.senate.gov; elizabeth\_warren@warren.senate.gov; Dan\_Geldon@warren.senate.gov; Stephanie\_Akpa@warren.senate.gov; blanca.jimenez@mail.house.gov; rykia.dorsey@mail.house.gov; Natasha\_Hickman@burr.senate.gov; scheduling49@mail.house.gov; Phil\_Maxson@mcconnell.senate.gov; Natasha\_Hickman@burr.senate.gov  
**Subject:** Will you provide an answer regarding Ofc. Conde's actions? - if so when?  
**Attachments:** ipa 1.PNG; ipa 2.PNG; ipa 3.PNG; 2017 Interim Report ID# 9064 Independent Police Auditor Info Report.pdf; Letter to Mr. Ciampi 08.30.18.pdf; doj 1.png

James Keene  
Palo Alto City Manager

Mr. Keene,

Attached is the Interim 2017 Independent Police Auditor's, IPA, report. Beginning on page 5 of this report is:

### ***III. Internal Affairs Cases***

*Case # 1: Illegal Search and Excessive Force*

#### *Factual Overview*

The PAPD's Internal Investigation and the IPA did not require statements from the two juveniles to conclude that the officer violated department policy and the laws and Constitutions by conducting an illegal search from an illegal detainment as detailed in the report. The PAPD Internal investigator and the IPA relied on the MAV recording and statements made by the officer; which you have regarding my case.

### **III. Internal Affairs Cases**

#### **Case # 1: Illegal Search and Excessive Force**

##### *Factual Overview*

The officer came across two other juveniles he knew to be the friends of the subject. The officer detained and searched the juveniles and during the detention, one of the juveniles started video recording the officer with a cell phone. The officer said he was blinded by the light of the phone and attempted to grab the phone. A struggle ensued during which the officer took the juvenile to the ground and handcuffed him. A search of the juveniles was conducted but no weapons were found. The officer released both juveniles without obtaining identification and without notifying their parents.

Shortly after the incident, the officer contacted his supervisor and advised him of the encounter. The supervisor reviewed the Mobile Activated Video (MAV) video from the incident and reported his concerns up the chain of command. After that initial review, the matter was assigned to an outside investigator for investigation.

The investigator found that the officer lacked legal authority to detain, search, or handcuff either of the two juveniles or to search the backpack. The investigator further found that the improper detention led to a physical struggle with one of the juveniles. The investigator found that the force, handcuffing, and search was unreasonable, unlawful and excessive and in violation of PAPD policy.

##### *Outcome and Analysis*

Furthermore I have already provided you and Officer Binder a statement regarding the incident with Officer Christopher Conde. To imply that I am not providing you with the information you need to hold Ofc. Conde accountable is misleading at best and a bogus ploy to deflect accountability from you and your subordinates. As the City Manager the buck stops with you according to the City Charter and Code.

**QUESTION:** Is officer Christopher Conde the same officer who violated department policy, the Constitution and the rights of the two juveniles in the report attached; the officer who also used excessive force on the two teens?

It has been over three weeks since the incident with Ofc. Conde. When can you and or Officer Binder inform me that you have either concluded that Ofc. Conde did nothing wrong or that he violated department policy and the Constitutions?

I just want an official answer one way or the other so that I know how to write up my claim. I requested an answer in one of the three public records requests but you did not provide one. Can you give me a date as to when I can expect an official answer since I have not received one?

On another issue Mr. Keene I have been informed that **your officers are requesting that certain citizens, (homeless looking), sign a yellow piece of paper and give a thumb print so that other officers will know who these particular citizens are.** If this is true and given that your officers are not requesting this information from all citizens but only a specific group of citizens one could conclude that such actions are Unconstitutional. What do you think?

*"Instead of going after one person, we go after the whole gang," said Lt. Bob Jonsen*

<https://www.dailynews.com/2009/02/09/letters-target-gangs/>



## Letters target gangs – Daily News

[www.dailynews.com](http://www.dailynews.com)

LANCASTER – Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies last week knocked on the doors of 23 members of a gang tied to a multiple shooting at a party in December. Deputies were hand-delivering a ...

<https://www.scpr.org/news/2013/06/28/37967/doj-deputies-at-la-county-sheriff-s-stations-in-la/>



## DOJ: Deputies at LA County sheriff's stations in Lancaster ...

[www.scpr.org](http://www.scpr.org)

Crime & Justice DOJ: Deputies at LA County sheriff's stations in Lancaster, Palmdale discriminated (Update) Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca.

[https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2013/06/28/antelope\\_findings\\_6-28-13.pdf](https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2013/06/28/antelope_findings_6-28-13.pdf)

## u.s. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division

[www.justice.gov](http://www.justice.gov)

-3 an African-American female candidate's campaign sign was spray-painted, "vote white." In 1997, three white youths allegedly murdered a black man in Palmdale so that one of the youths

Thank you.

Tony Ciampi

P.O. Box 1681

Palo Alto, CA 94302

650-444-0316



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

CITY OF  
**PALO**  
**ALTO** 250 Hamilton Avenue, 7th Floor  
Palo Alto, CA 94301  
650.329.2392

August 30, 2018

Mr. Ciampi,

Thank you for contacting the City of Palo Alto with your concerns about your recent interaction with the Police Department. It is my understanding that you filed a Public Records Act Request (PRA) about that incident on August 11, 2018 and the Police Department responded to all the questions contained therein on August 21st. That response included notification that in-car video of your contact with the officer was recorded.

Police Captain Andrew Binder sent you an email on August 13, 2018 offering to discuss the incident and your concerns but never received a response. Captain Binder ([Andrew.Binder@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:Andrew.Binder@cityofpaloalto.org)) or another Police Manager are still available to meet and you are welcome to schedule that meeting at your convenience. If you have additional questions about the response to the PRA, please direct those to Records Manager Lisa Scheff ([Lisa.Scheff@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:Lisa.Scheff@cityofpaloalto.org)).

Thank you,



James Keene  
City Manager

CC: Police Chief Robert Jonsen  
Police Captain Andrew Binder  
Police Records Manager Lisa Scheff



[CityOfPaloAlto.org](http://CityOfPaloAlto.org)

Printed with soy-based inks on 100% recycled paper processed without chlorine.



U.S. Department of Justice  
Civil Rights Division

Assistant Attorney General  
950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW - RFK  
Washington, DC 20530

JUN 28 2013

VIA ELECTRONIC AND U.S. MAIL.

Sheriff Leroy D. Baca  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department  
4700 Ramona Boulevard  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

RE: Investigation of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Stations in Antelope Valley

Dear Sheriff Baca:

The Civil Rights Division has concluded its investigation of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD) regarding allegations of unconstitutional conduct by deputies at two stations located in the Antelope Valley cities of Lancaster and Palmdale, California.

LASD pledged complete cooperation throughout the investigation, and began taking immediate steps to proactively fix the deficiencies identified in the investigation. Since the conclusion of the investigation, LASD has additionally memorialized its commitment to implement further reform efforts by entering into a Statement of Intent, which broadly outlines remedies that will be negotiated in a final Settlement Agreement.

We found that LASD's Antelope Valley stations have engaged in a pattern or practice of discriminatory and otherwise unlawful searches and seizures, including the use of unreasonable force, in violation of the Fourth Amendment, the Fourteenth Amendment, and Title VI. We found also that deputies assigned to these stations have engaged in a pattern or practice of discrimination against African Americans in violation of the Fair Housing Act.

The LASD policies we reviewed were, for the most part, consistent with constitutional policing. However, our investigation showed that these policies are not consistently followed, and that some types of policy violations are routinely tolerated. This tolerance for misconduct occurs in part because the accountability measures LASD has in place are not effectively implemented in the Antelope Valley. We found that LASD must do more to ensure that deputies adhere to policies, and that supervisors and commanders provide appropriate redirection, guidance, and accountability when errant conduct occurs.

### **III. Internal Affairs Cases**

#### **Case # 1: Illegal Search and Excessive Force**

##### *Factual Overview*

This matter stemmed from a use of force that originated when an officer responded to a family disturbance call in which a juvenile had been involved in a physical altercation with his older brother. By the time the officer responded, the juvenile's mother had found more than a hundred rounds of ammunition in a backpack belonging to him. The officer took information from the mother and brother and began looking for the juvenile.

The officer came across two other juveniles he knew to be the friends of the subject. The officer detained and searched the juveniles and during the detention, one of the juveniles started video recording the officer with a cell phone. The officer said he was blinded by the light of the phone and attempted to grab the phone. A struggle ensued during which the officer took the juvenile to the ground and handcuffed him. A search of the juveniles was conducted but no weapons were found. The officer released both juveniles without obtaining identification and without notifying their parents.

Shortly after the incident, the officer contacted his supervisor and advised him of the encounter.

Shortly after the incident, the officer contacted his supervisor and advised him of the encounter. The supervisor reviewed the Mobile Activated Video (MAV) video from the incident and reported his concerns up the chain of command. After that initial review, the matter was assigned to an outside investigator for investigation.

The investigator found that the officer lacked legal authority to detain, search, or handcuff either of the two juveniles or to search the backpack. The investigator further found that the improper detention led to a physical struggle with one of the juveniles. The investigator found that the force, handcuffing, and search was unreasonable, unlawful and excessive and in violation of PAPD policy.

#### *Outcome and Analysis*

The investigation in this matter as to the concerns about the search and use of force was timely, thorough, and objective. The assessment of video evidence, other communications, and interviews was appropriate and the subsequent summary and analysis was cogent and detailed. The conclusion that the officer's actions violated policy was supported by the factual record.

While the most concerning activity involved the illegal detention and excessive force, and was addressed appropriately, there were other potential performance lapses that were discussed in the investigation but not singled out in the analysis. For example, the report noted that despite the search of the two juveniles and use of force against one of them, the officer did not request or obtain any identification of them. PAPD's standard protocols are that in a matter of this nature, an officer would obtain identification of the juveniles, which was not done.

The officer also failed to complete a report of the initial response to the mother's residence until over a month after the incident. PAPD policy requires the completion of timely reports. The delay in this case could also have formed the basis for further disciplinary action.

Finally, one of the backup officers did not activate his MAV video when he responded to the incident. PAPD policy instructs officers to activate the video when responding to such a call.

incident. PAPD policy instructs officers to activate the video when responding to such a call. Nonetheless, this issue was not discussed during the investigator's analysis.

It is important that any and all potential violations of policy be addressed – not necessarily as a basis for a stronger consequence, but to ensure that accountability and correction for future

reference are occurring. Here, our understanding from the Department is that the additional above-noted shortcomings were indeed identified and addressed, although we received no documentation to corroborate this. Moreover, to the degree these other issues were addressed, they were done so in the larger context of the remediation and consequence, rather than isolated as "stand-alone" issues. This approach is clearly better than nothing, and accomplishes some of the same goals. But we continue to espouse the clearest possible delineations, especially for purposes of future reference and accountability.

*Recommendation: When investigating an incident, all potential violations of policy should be identified, discussed, and resolved.*

There was an additional performance issue that was also not addressed in the investigative report. When the officer made the initial call to the mother's residence, her English proficiency was limited, so the officer had the older brother translate. The older brother, however, was a participant in the family disturbance.



# CITY OF PALO ALTO OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

Please Contact the Clerk's Office  
to View Additional Pages,  
Attachments, or Images Related

April 2, 2018

The Honorable City Council  
Palo Alto, California

## Independent Police Auditor's Report First Report-2017

Attached you will find the Independent Police Auditor's Report First Report-2017.

### ATTACHMENTS:

- Palo Alto Police Department Report Final Part One 2017 (PDF)

Department Head: Beth Minor, City Clerk

# Wells Fargo Stories

An online journal of working together.

**Finance  
COUNCIL MEETING  
9/4/2014**

Placed Before Meeting  
 Received at Meeting



## Environment

### Wells Fargo commits \$200 billion toward sustainable financing

The company's pledge is designed to promote the shift to a low-carbon economy. More than \$100 billion will go toward financing clean technology and renewable energy projects.

Wells Fargo will provide \$200 billion in financing through 2030 to businesses and projects that support the transition to a low-carbon economy, CEO Tim Sloan announced Thursday during his keynote address at a CEO Investor Forum in San Francisco.

APRIL 19, 2018

**Jessica Pacek**

More than 50 percent of the financing will be focused on companies and projects that directly support the transition to a low-carbon economy, including clean technologies, renewable energy, green bonds, and alternative transportation.

The remainder of the financing will support companies and projects focused on sustainable agriculture, recycling, conservation, and other environmentally beneficial activities.

Wells Fargo is also committing to sector-leading transparency: providing clear communications on [wellsfargo.com](http://wellsfargo.com) about the types of transactions that account for the \$200 billion commitment, disclosing the carbon intensity of its portfolio, and providing robust progress and impact reporting. Additionally, Wells Fargo plans to be more visible in the sustainable financing space, engaging with sector peers and other organizations interested in advancing a common approach to responsible, sustainable finance.

## Supporting Environmental Sustainability

Wells Fargo is committed to promoting environmental sustainability. Through our products and services, operations, and philanthropy, Wells Fargo is funding the shift to a low-carbon economy. [Read more >>](#)

"Wells Fargo is committed to taking a leadership role in supporting the transition to a low-carbon economy and promoting environmental sustainability through our products and services, operations and culture, and philanthropy," Sloan said. "With this commitment, we are combining a strong financial goal with enhanced transparency and disclosure practices that we believe will lead to sector-wide progress on responsible, sustainable finance."

## Our commitment

# \$200 billion by 2030

Financing the shift to a low-carbon economy.

clean technology

green bonds

green building

renewable energy

alternative transportation

## A history of support

The announcement is another step in Wells Fargo's ongoing commitment to clean energy and renewable energy financing. In 2015, five years early, Wells Fargo met its goal to provide \$30 billion in loans and investments to support a "greener economy" by 2020. In 2016, projects owned in whole or in part by Wells Fargo produced more than 9 percent of all wind and solar photovoltaic energy generated in the U.S., and in 2017, the company invested \$12 billion in sustainable businesses.

Wells Fargo is also a financial services leader in sustainability within its properties. In 2017, the bank began meeting 100 percent of its global electricity needs with renewable energy. It also met its 2020 carbon-reduction goal of 45 percent from a 2008 baseline and made significant progress toward other sustainability goals focused on water and energy efficiency, waste reduction, and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, or LEED, certification.

The company also creates opportunities for innovators to develop ideas that promote sustainability. Wells Fargo's award-winning Innovation Incubator — a \$30 million program funded by the Wells Fargo Foundation and co-administered by the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory — speeds the path to market for promising clean technologies and entrepreneurs focused on energy efficiency and sustainability. A

signature piece of the program is the opportunity for certain technologies to beta test at certain Wells Fargo locations on their way to the commercial marketplace.

**As the largest lender to the traditional energy sector, Wells Fargo works closely with its power-generation and fossil-fuel customers in their own transitions to low-carbon activities and operations.**

"We take an ecosystem approach to supporting clean technology," said Mary Wenzel, head of Sustainability and Environmental Affairs at Wells Fargo. "We work to advance new technologies by providing financing and other services, testing and adopting new technologies within our footprint, and providing philanthropic support to leading accelerators, incubators, and universities focused on clean technology development and entrepreneurship."

M Wells Fargo & Company Credit x Mel

Secure <https://www.moodys.com/credit-ratings/Wells-Fargo-Company-credit-rati>

About Moody's | Careers | Regulatory Affairs | Terms of Use | Contact Us

Find ratings, research, analysts and more

Welcome Melanie Liu | Profile

Research & Ratings | Products & Solutions | News & Events | My Portfolios | My Alerts | My Events | Log Out

## Moody's

### Wells Fargo & Company

Ticker: WFC Moody's Org ID: 560000 LEI: PBLD0EJDB5FWOLXP3B76 Market Segment: Financial Institutions  
Industry: U.S. BANK HOLDING CO. Domicile: UNITED STATES

**ANALYST**  
Analyst: Allen Tischler

**LONG TERM DEBT**  
Rating: A2, Not on Watch  
Type: Senior Unsecured - Fgn Curr  
Outlook: Negative  
Date: 06 Feb 2018

**SHORT TERM DEBT**  
Rating: P-1, Not on Watch  
Type: Commercial Paper - Dom Curr  
Date: 06 Feb 2018

**OTHER DEBTS ON WATCH?**  
No

**INTERACTIVE SCORECARD**  
Create scenarios and peer benchmarks

Research	Ratings	Family Tree	Market Signals																																																		
<a href="#">Rating Class Detail</a>	<a href="#">Debt List</a>	<a href="#">Issuer Outlook</a>	<a href="#">Scorecard</a> <a href="#">Export [CSV]</a> Results: 16																																																		
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class ▲</th> <th>Rating</th> <th>Indicator</th> <th>Rating Action</th> <th>Date</th> <th>Outlook</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>LT Issuer Rating</td> <td>A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td>Negative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Senior Unsecured (Foreign)</td> <td>A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td>Negative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Senior Unsecured (Domestic)</td> <td>A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td>Negative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Senior Unsec. Shelf (Domestic)</td> <td>(P)A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Senior Unsecured MTN (Foreign)</td> <td>(P)A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Senior Unsecured MTN (Domestic)</td> <td>(P)A2</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Subordinate (Foreign)</td> <td>A3</td> <td></td> <td>RATING AFFIRMATION</td> <td>06 Feb 2018</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>						Class ▲	Rating	Indicator	Rating Action	Date	Outlook	LT Issuer Rating	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative	Senior Unsecured (Foreign)	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative	Senior Unsecured (Domestic)	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative	Senior Unsec. Shelf (Domestic)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018		Senior Unsecured MTN (Foreign)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018		Senior Unsecured MTN (Domestic)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018		Subordinate (Foreign)	A3		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	
Class ▲	Rating	Indicator	Rating Action	Date	Outlook																																																
LT Issuer Rating	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative																																																
Senior Unsecured (Foreign)	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative																																																
Senior Unsecured (Domestic)	A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018	Negative																																																
Senior Unsec. Shelf (Domestic)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018																																																	
Senior Unsecured MTN (Foreign)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018																																																	
Senior Unsecured MTN (Domestic)	(P)A2		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018																																																	
Subordinate (Foreign)	A3		RATING AFFIRMATION	06 Feb 2018																																																	

**Rating Class History: LT Issuer Rating**

[Export](#) Results: 18

Date	Currency	Rating	Rating Action
06 Feb 2018		A2	RATING AFFIRMATION
24 May 2017		A2	RATING AFFIRMATION
11 Mar 2016		A2	RATING AFFIRMATION

21AUG2018

Good morning Liz,

Good seeing you at last night's Palo Alto City Council meeting.

During the Nobu Restaurant project discussion, several references had been made to the existing Epiphany Hotel building.

When the question about the tile was being discussed, I was thinking the Council was referring to the existing tile depicting the large tree mural on the exterior wall on the Epiphany Hotel building, which is not listed as a City of Palo Alto Historic Resource.

After last night's meeting while walking home past the Epiphany Hotel building, I then realized the Council was referencing the other adjacent building next to the Nobu Restaurant project. That adjacent building, which housed the former Bijou Theater, is listed as a Category Three City of Palo Alto Historic Resource. The existing terra cotta tile on that building is identified as part of the important historic fabric of that Resource that warrants protection from damage during the course of construction of the Nobu Restaurant project.

Please feel free to give me a call if you have any questions.

Best, Martin



MARTIN BERNSTEIN ARCHITECT  
Palo Alto San Francisco  
650.387.1000

RECEIVED  
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

2018 AUG 21 PM 3:12



18 AUG 21 PM 3:08  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE  
CITY OF PALO ALTO, CA

CITY OF PALO ALTO, CA  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

18 AUG 27 PM 1:45

940 Los Robles Avenue

Palo Alto California 94306

21 August 2018



2018 AUG 27 PM 1:47

RECEIVED  
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

The Honorable Liz Kniss, Mayor of Palo Alto  
250 Hamilton Avenue  
Palo Alto California 94301

Dear Ms Kniss,

This is a follow-on to my earlier letter, dated 01 May, regarding the concrete cap on top of the sewer lateral at 940 Los Robles Avenue.

In that letter I noted that sometime in the 2000s the City of Palo Alto had placed concrete caps on top of sewer laterals along Barron Creek, that during the past winter the concrete cap in front of 940 Los Robles Avenue had cracked, and that the lateral therefore appeared to be in need of repair, and I asked if you would route this information to the appropriate City department for action.

Sometime over the summer the crack has become slightly displaced, with one side now slightly higher than the other, and a portion of the concrete cap has broken off on the downstream edge of the cap. The cap itself is not fully in contact with the ground beneath it; in places it is more like a bridge, with spaces below that allow water to run freely under it. Rather than protecting the sewer lateral, the cap will force water downward onto the soil covering the lateral.

I believe the cap is the main cause of the erosion affecting the creek bed and the creek bank at the site. The cap creates a waterfall causing vigorous scouring of the ground and banks below it. The Los Robles Avenue bank is already severely undereaten. The concrete cap on the next lateral downstream shows the same kind of decay and erosion.

Could you please bring this additional information to the attention of the appropriate City department for repairs and remediation?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randolph G Scarborough".  
Randolph G Scarborough

CITY OF PALO ALTO, CA  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

18 AUG 31 AM 9:37

1537 Dana Ave  
Palo Alto Ca 94303

City Council Members:

The process awarding the Legal Notices also to the Daily Post suggests an intent by the City Administration to reduce visibility of the Council's actions - Bad Move!

The criteria used is stupid. How can a comparison of the Daily Post corner box distribution with the home delivery of the Weekly favor the Daily Post in providing information to the Palo Alto citizens.

Moreover the \$20,000 savings purported to justify this decision is a pittance and not meaningful when weighed against the right of citizens to be informed.

City Council, reverse the Clerk's decision, award the contract to the entity that satisfies the purpose of having Legal Notices -- information readily available to the City's residents.

Thanks, Lucille Mates