



District 1 Leadership Group - Agenda

Saturday, Jan 12, 9AM West Valley Library

- Networking and Refreshments 08:45 – 09:00
- General Business 09:00 – 09:15
 - Agenda and Minutes
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Proposed changes to D1LG bylaws
 - Open board position
- District 1 Council Office Update 09:15 – 09:45
- Discussion Topics 09:45 – 10:45
 - D1 Decides 2019 kickoff and committee
 - San Jose Clean Energy
 - How to host a dumpster day
 - How to access D1LG funds
 - How to report homeless camps
- Neighborhood Announcements 10:45 – 11:00
- Adjourn 11:00

Future D1LG meeting dates for your calendar

(Second Saturday of odd numbered months)

- Saturday, Mar 9
- Saturday, May 11
- Saturday, Jul 13 (annual picnic, date may change)
- Saturday, Sep 14
- Saturday, Nov 9

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D1 Leadership Group Meeting Minutes - 12 Jan 2019

D1LG board members present: Ken Pyle, Ramona Snyder, Jerry Giles, Steve Ling

D1 Council office present: Councilmember Chappie Jones, David Gomez, Mason Fong, Rachel Davis, Cassidy Kohl

Presenters: Zachary Struyk - San Jose Clean Energy, Ed Rast - UNSCC, Randall Studstill - San Jose Public Library, Jim Carter - Neighborhood Commission

Members represented: BAHN, Blackford, Easterbrook, Eden(2), English Estates(2), Hamann Park(3), Lynhaven, Miller, Moreland West(2), Murdock, Neighborhood Commission, San Tomas Park(2), Stevens Creek, Strawberry Park, Strawberry Square, Urban Villages, Westgate Village, Winchester NAC, Winchester Orchard(2), Winchester Ranch (3)

Total attendance: 37

Meeting opened 9:10 AM

- Agenda (Ken)
 - Added to the agenda
 - Ed Rast – Electrification of CalTrain
 - Randall Studstill – Increasing community involvement at West Valley Branch Library
 - Jim Carter – Neighborhood Commission update on Emergency Services
- Minutes for last meeting (Ken)
 - Bob Levy motion to approve, Jerry Giles second
 - Unanimous approval
- Treasurer’s Report (Jerry)
 - \$1300.47 remaining after returning last year’s unused grant funds
 - \$4800 expected from new grant, MOU signed
- How to access D1LG funds for your organization?
 - Examples: dumpster day, driveway party
 - Send email to Jerry Giles, D1LG Treasurer, at jsgiles@pacbell.net
- How to host a dumpster day (Jerry)
 - Jerry provide printed procedure for organizing a dumpster day
 - **Action: Ken to post dumpster day procedure on D1LG website**
 - David Gomez reminded us that in SJ you can now request free pickup of up to 3 large trash items with no restriction on the frequency of these pickups. Contact your regular garbage pickup provider to request.
 - Q: Can we use D1LG funds for expenses to support Great America Litter Cleanup coming in March? Send email to Jerry and he will verify what can be expensed.
 - Q: Can we use D1LG funds for National Night Out expenses? Contact Jerry.
- Proposed changes to D1LG bylaws
 - After careful consideration, the D1LG Steering Committee has proposed an update to the D1LG bylaws. This update clarifies the expectations for Steering Committee member attendance at General Meetings and Steering Committee meetings. Steve read the changes verbally, and Ken will post them on the D1LG website. We will vote on these changes in the next D1LG General Meeting in March. Please take a few minutes to review prior to the next General Meeting.
 - **Action: Ken to post updated D1LG bylaws to the website**
- Open board position

- Danielle Pirslin, D1LG Steering Committee Member At Large, has stepped down from her position. The D1LG Steering Committee would like to thank Danielle for her help over the past year.
- According to the D1LG bylaws, the Steering Committee may appoint a replacement for a vacated position. The floor was opened for nominations. Doris Livezey nominated herself. If you would like to nominate someone, please send an email to D1LeadershipGroup@gmail.com prior to the next Steering Committee meeting on Saturday, Feb 9.
- District 1 Council Office Update
 - The D1LG congratulated Chappie for his nominated as vice mayor of San Jose!
 - Update on D1 Decides 2019 (Rachel)
 - Rachel is completing the timeline for D1 Decides 2019
 - **Action: Steve to forward the D1 Decides 2019 details to the D1LG email list**
 - It is important for the community step up and drive the D1 Decides process!
 - Kickoff currently planned for evening of Jan 31 (learn how D1 Decides works, roles of Steering Committee and Budget Delegates)
 - The D1LG will select the Steering Committee and Budget Delegates
 - Budget Delegates will get training in February on how to take ideas submitted by the community and shape them into actionable plans for the appropriate city department
 - Rachel is working to streamline the implementation process so ideas that are selected by the voters will be implemented as quickly as possible.
 - Q: What is the amount this year? Again, \$200K
 - Q: How does this integrate into existing plans in each San Jose department? The ideas that are selected are funded by the \$200K, but they will still require city resources to implement. As mentioned above, Rachel has already started working with the various city departments to streamline the implementation processes.
 - Homeless (David)
 - We all are aware that homelessness is an issue
 - To report homeless encampment send email to the D1 office with the location.
 - Unfortunately, you can't use the MySanJose app to report homeless camps
 - Q: Is there a way to get NextDoor to forward reports about homeless camps to the D1 office? Unfortunately, not.
 - David has been working with CalTrain to allocate funds to cleaning up homeless encampments and the associate trash.
 - Q: Does D1 office get location of homeless camps from SJPD? Only for major camps.
 - Q: Do we track where people go when a homeless camp is closed down? Not today, but there is an effort planned for later this month to start periodically counting the number of homeless. **Action: Contact D1 Council Office if you are able to help with counting the homeless later this month.**
 - If the homeless camp is on city or state land you can contact: 408 975-1440 or homelessconcerns@sanjoseca.gov
 - If the homeless camp in on CalTrain land go to <https://csr.dot.ca.gov> and send a copy to the D1 Office.
 - Q: What about homeless camps on water district property? Contact D1 Office and they will follow up.

- Q: What about campers parked in the neighborhood? They can stay 72 hours, then you can call parking compliance. Again, please send a copy to the D1 Office.
- Q: Do we have designated areas for camper parking? Yes, plus there are several churches that provide parking for homeless. Contact Ken Pyle if for more info.
- Q: How are all these agencies working together? D1 Council Office ends up being the connecting point in many cases.
- Q: What is the objective? Remove the homeless or care for them? In San Jose, one of the main objectives is to find housing for them.
- Q; How many homeless in San Jose? We don't know exactly, maybe 5K-7K
- Call 911 if you believe there is a homeless person who is threatening life or property. When you call 911 ask for badge number, be clear about the location and why you believe it is a threatening situation, ask what priority you have been assigned. On cell phone you can call 408-277-8911 to get local 911.
- Chappie met with Caltrans recently. They added 16 people for cleanup, working on handling homeless camps on state property more quickly
- Q: What about vegetation fires? David is aware of 4 recently.
- Q: What about issue with trash trucks dropping debris on the highway? Please report to D1 Council Office if you witness this!
- D1 will eventually be asked to host homeless housing
- Should we have a conference to discuss how to help?
- Q: Is there a plan to register homeless? County does some, and non-profits, city housing dept
- Q: Isn't this really a county problem? Can we use the fairgrounds to house homeless? You can contact Susan Ellenberg to suggest his.
- Q: And are other cities in the county helping as much as SJ? We estimate around 5K of 7K homeless in the county are located in San Jose.
- **Action: David to provide a list of county organizations responsible for handling homeless**
- **Action: D1LG Steering Committee to invite non-profits handling homeless to future meetings. Maybe even invite some of the county services to speak?**
- Chappie noted that Mason in moving to a new role, and Cassidy has joined his team
- Chappie is seeking input on priorities for the next 4 years
 - More Innovation zones (Bob, Daphna, Ken)
 - Dave: Prevent developers from kicking out small businesses
 - Nancy: fixing public roads, Hamilton, San Tomas
 - Make sure new developments provide parking
 - Doris: Require new developments to install purple pipes for recycled water
 - Betty: Prevent traffic from flowing into neighborhoods
 - Barbara: Why do we allow development on streets already packed with cars?
 - Gary: vegetation along Prospect
 - Ed: Some cities require anyone digging up the street to leave it better
 - Bob: Better enforcement on city policies such as setbacks
 - Managing unruly traffic behavior
 - Preventing burglaries
- Library (Randall Studtill)
 - The library would like more interaction with the local community
 - Action: invite Randall to your neighborhood meetings (randall.studstill@sjlibrary.org)

- Q: Issue with paying small library fees via credit card or in person
- San Jose Clean Energy (Zach)
 - New department (2 years old)
 - Set up to help the city meet their climate action goals
 - Focus is on finding better sources. PGE still does delivery.
 - Other parts of county use Silicon Valley CE
 - City started researching green energy sources in 2010 because residents asked for it
 - SJCE was formed in 2016
 - See presentation for list benefits of clean energy
 - **Action: Ken to post slides on D1LG website**
 - Q: If everyone going after clean energy won't prices rise? Goal is to get long-term contracts
 - Everyone will be automatically enrolled (except homes with solar)
 - Optional to sign up for TotalGreen (100% green energy), around \$5-\$10 / month
 - Compare to PGE 33% renewable
 - Q: Can we go back to PG&E. Yes, free for first year.
 - Why is this cheaper than PG&E? PG&E is not motivated to provide lowest cost.
 - Existing rooftop solar homes will be added later due to higher complexity and higher cost
 - But even solar can do Total Green now if desired
 - City loaned SJCE \$10M to get started and the plan to pay it back
 - Q: Is there a community advisory commission? Yes, monthly meetings
 - Q: How can this save \$ (renewable power is cheap, SJCE is not for profit)
 - Q: Will electric vehicles rates continue? Yes, same rates
 - Q: When will solar customers be added? 2020
 - Q: Who provides maintenance? PGE, should get the same service
 - Q: How is SJCE relationship with PG&E? OK, but SJCE does reduce PG&E income somewhat
 - Q: What about risk of PG&E going under? No comment
 - Q: Will SJCE encourage rooftop solar? Yes, they are aligned with city goals for solar
 - Rates for low-income customers will continue
 - Q: Who will monitor SJCE? City Council and SJ advisory commission
 - Your bill will still come from PG&E
 - Q: Do you plan to do renewable energy education in schools? Yes
 - Q: Are you looking at using batteries to manage peak loads? Yes, looking
 - Chappie: Many good programs, but need to build reserves before starting too many ideas
- Light Tower Group (Daphne)
 - Light Tower Group plans to build an iconic structure for San Jose
 - Plan to choose a location and then hold a design competition
 - May not actually be a light tower
- Neighborhood Commission (Gary)
 - Invited Jim Carter, emergency services representative
 - Working with Fire, Police, city, county
 - Approving an Emergency Operations plan
 - Also approving a new CERT program
 - D1 Cert training to start summer of 2019 (TBD)
 - Go to San Jose Office of Emergency Services for more details

- Electrification of CalTrain (Ed Rast, UNSCC)
 - Expected to be operational Spring 2022
 - Differential high speed rail
 - 3 track blended SF to SJ, high-speed rail to Gilroy (if/when HSR gets that far)
 - Working to fund crossings now
 - Q: Will grade separation requirements for HSR be a limitation in SJ? Don't know
 - On a separate topic, Ed is looking for ideas on training session for the next UNSCC conference
 - **Action: Send UNSCC training ideas to Ed (ViceChair@unsc.org)**
- Neighborhood Announcements
 - We did not have time ☹

Meeting adjourned 11:10 AM