



Montclair Neighborhood Council Community Meeting

Thursday 11/5/20

1. Meeting Attendees

Start Time: 17:30 End Time: 19:30

Steering Committee Attendance: 8 (Quorum Achieved).


Estimated total attendance: 37

STEERING COMMITTEE (SC) MEMBERS	Present
Chairperson - Macy Cornell	x
Vice Chairperson - Nicholas Vigilante	x
Treasurer - Jim Clardy	x
Secretary - Lenny Lesser	x
Community Rep. - David Liebman	x
Community Rep. - Neil Planchon	x
Community Rep. - Mary Henderson	X
Community Rep. - Tyrone Eugene	X
Community Rep. - Matthew Rowe	
Community Rep. - Josh Shaw	
Community Rep.- Joan Squires-Lind	x
Community Rep. - Denise Bostrom	x

Advisory/Special Guests/Volunteers Present:
OPD Neighborhood Services Coordinator - Angela Moore

Councilmember Thao's Office - Brandon Harami
OPD Officer Kristine Jurgens-Duenas
North Hills Community Association - Elizabeth Stage
Volunteer - Allison Silverstein
Briana Horton, OFD Emergency Planning Coordinator Jessica Feil, Manager, OFD Emergency Service Olga Crowe, Consultant, OFD Emergency Services Nick Luby, OFD Assistant Chief (Field Operations) Sheng Thao, Councilmember District 4 Doug Mosher, Program Manager, Oakland Community Preparedness and Response Program Mat Fogarty, Private Planner/Developer, Montclair Firehouse Renovation – Proposed Project

2. Welcome/Agenda Review
3. MNC Safety Team – Vice Chairperson Vigilante introduced Steering Committee Member Squires-Lind as the new MNC Safety Team Leader.
4. Cell Service Reliability During Power Outages – Ms. Squires-Lind announced that she and Team Member Silverstein developed a survey to measure reliability of cellular service in Montclair during the power outage from 10/25-27 and will distribute the survey to the community for completion via the Montclair Neighbors Groups.io and Nextdoor next week. Survey results will be used to encourage all cell providers to upgrade their cell towers with at least 72 hours of battery back-up power during future power outages.
 - 4.1. Action item: Joan to distribute survey on groups.io and nextdoor
5. Councilmember Sheng Thao – Ms. Thao and Mr. Harami of her office have worked hard to bring CORE back with a full staff and to support Neighborhood Councils. She authored a resolution making wildfire prevention a City priority, and participates on a City task force to coordinate wildfire prevention efforts.
6. CORE – Ms. Feil introduced Ms. Horton as the new CORE Coordinator. Ms. Horton stated that CORE will integrate with Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) – a program that trains volunteers in localized disaster preparedness and response skills. She stated that CORE/CERT training will start in early 2021, space will be limited in the beginning, and she provided contact information to sign up for training. She recommends signing up as soon as it is announced.
7. Zonehaven – Mr. Luby provided a presentation about Zonehaven - a cloud-based APP that brings together fire simulation, traffic analysis, real-time weather, and fuel



modeling to provide decision making support to help get people out of harm's way during a disaster. Alameda County and the City of Oakland will begin implementing Zonehaven in January 2021.

8. GENOAK Emergency Radio System – Mr. Mosher provided a presentation about GENOAK - a neighborhood radio communications network utilizing the General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS). During a disaster, GENOAK can allow neighborhood groups to communicate with each other and with emergency responders to report problems and coordinate assistance. Residents can purchase radios and obtain training through Mr. Mosher.
9. Old Montclair Firehouse Renovation – Mr. Fogarty discussed a proposal he is presenting to the City of Oakland to renovate the Old Firehouse into office spaces. Mr. Fogarty can be contacted for more information at mat.fogarty@gmail.com.
10. Open Forum - Two residents spoke during Open Forum. One resident noted that an elderly neighbor needed assistance. The resident was not sure how to help and what resources are available. NSC Moore asked the resident to e-mail the details and she will try to locate helpful resources. Another resident mentioned that the Oakland Police Commission is interviewing candidates for Police Chief and community feedback is essential in helping the Commission hire a Police Chief that will be responsive to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Lenny Lesser
Secretary