

MEETING MINUTES

MILPITAS COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room Wednesday, August 3, 2016

- I. **Call to Order & Roll Call** Chair Mohsin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
Present: Chair Mohsin, Vice Chair Leon, Commissioners Manassau, Rosario, Sharma, Truong

Commissioner Batilo arrived at 7:26 and was not present for roll call

Alternate Commissioners Present: Lee, Bell, Chen, Gandhi

Absent: Bilbao, Kathapurkar
- II. **Seating of Alternates** – Lee, Bell, Chen
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Chair Mohsin led the Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. **Approval of Agenda** – Tim Wong requested that New Business Item A, Neighborhood Beautification Awards, be first on the agenda. Commissioner Rosario motioned, and Vice Chair Leon seconded, for approval of the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. **Approval of Minutes – Minutes of June 1, 2016** – Commissioner Sharma motioned, and Commissioner Lee seconded, for approval of the meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **Public Forum** – No speakers
- VII. **Announcements** – Staff Liaison Tim Wong announced that the CAC’s annual presentation to City Council has been moved to September 20, and the new Director of Planning and Neighborhood Services, Brad Misner, will be present at the next meeting. Mr. Wong said the CAC will be active in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan, which is being updated and is due in May, and he will provide more information at the October meeting.
- VIII. **Liaison Report** – Vice Mayor Montano
Vice Mayor Montano said it is necessary to raise water rates because they were raised by the city’s two service providers, SCVWD and Hetch Hetchy. Proponents wished to place a tiered billing system on the ballot and City Council voted 3-2 not to approve the ballot measure.
- IX. **Commissioners Round Table** – Commissioners discussed upcoming events including a Pakistani Independence Day flag raising ceremony at city hall on August 14 at 7:00 PM.

Chair Mohsin expressed concern for trees planted with Our City Forest on Ranch Drive. He said the trees are alive on one side of the street but the area is full of weeds, and on the other side of the street 18 trees are dead due to the lack of irrigation.
- XI. **New Business Item A. Neighborhood Beautification Awards – Moved to first on the agenda**

Mr. Wong introduced Planning and Neighborhood Services staff member Kamille Singh, this year’s coordinator for the awards. Ms. Singh said this is the first time the program was

advertised on Facebook, it was cost effective and eight nominations were received. She asked the subcommittee members to consider August 18 or 29 for a site tour of the nominees.

X. Unfinished Business

A. Town Hall Meeting

Mr. Wong reserved space in the Library for the town hall meeting on October 1 from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Vice Chair Leon said the school district will not be participating in the event and a decision should be made whether or not to keep the topic of Education.

Commissioner Lee feels it is odd to have a Town Hall meeting focused on Education without the school district backing it. The purpose was to talk about the schools and the programs they have and if there is no representation from them then the topic may not make sense.

Commissioner Bell said Education is important and they should keep it as the theme.

The commission voted 6-4 not to keep Education as the theme.

There was discussion around the purpose of the meeting and possible topics, including development, transportation and safety prevention. The commissioners agreed that safety prevention would be a good theme with the involvement of the Milpitas Police and Fire Departments.

Commissioner Batilo motioned, and Commissioner Rosario seconded, to approve Public Safety as the theme for the Town Hall meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

B. National Night Out

Chair Mohsin encouraged commissioners to participate in events, and said block party information was published in the Milpitas Post and on the city's website.

XI. New Business

A. Neighborhood Beautification Awards

Item heard first on the agenda

Review Subcommittee Member Assignments and Update as Needed

Make a Difference Day:	Batilo, Mohsin, Lee, Sharma (A)
National Night Out:	Mohsin, Manassau, Truong, Chen (A)
NBO Awards:	Chen, Manassau, Rosario, Leon (A)
Spring Cleanup Day:	Sharma, Manassau, Bell, Batilo (A)
Town Hall Meeting:	Bell, Gandhi, Leon, Sharma (A)
Tree Planting:	Kathapurkar, Bilbao, Rosario, Mohsin (A)

XII. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM to the next meeting of September 7, 2016.