

El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council

**3769 B San Pablo Dam Road, ES, 94803 - Meetings 2nd Wednesday of the Month
7:00 P.M. El Sobrante Library 4191 Appian Way, El Sobrante**

Chair, Barbara Pendergrass, Vice Chair, Tom Owens, Secretary, Tess O'Riva, Treasurer, James Hermann, Members: Sharon Thygesen, George Cleveland, 1 vacant position

Year End Report for 2011

Activities

Speakers Presenting Reports Monthly

- Lt. Jon Moreland Bay Station Commander – crime report; Lt. Andre Charles retired, replaced by Lt. Jon Moreland. In the past year and a half we have had as Bay Station Commander, Lt. Bradley replaced by Lt. Williams, replaced by Lt. Charles replaced by Lt. Moreland
- Officer Eric Brewer, California Highway Patrol- speeding on San Pablo Dam Road
- Michelle Blackwell, representative East Bay Municipal Utility District-projects in El Sobrante
- Contra Costa County Fire Battalion Chief, Lon Goetsch
- Terrance Cheung, Chief of Staff, Supervisor John Gioia-monthly report
- Eleanor Loynd, Chair of the El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee-Planning Projects in the El Sobrante Valley; includes valley projects in the City of Richmond and unincorporated El Sobrante

Other Speakers and Topics

- Joe Losoda Code Enforcement officer
- Charles Ramsey, West Contra Costa Unified School District Board speaking on the District's Parcel Tax, Marilynne Mellander speaking in opposition of Parcel tax
- Catherine Kutsuris, Director Conservation and Development, speaking on Applications that are approved without coming to the ESMAC or El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee, and procedure for setting up a Design Review Committee or Ordinance for some of these items. Council decided not to set up a review and design subcommittee
- CCC Public Work's recommended improvements for San Pablo Dam Road using 1b funds
- CCC Public Work's recommended improvements for San Pablo Dam Road Transportation grant application
- Citizens for a Greener El Sobrante" Sharon Korotkin
- Patrick Roche, Senior Planner, CCC Conservation and Development Department, on 1) a summary on the approval of the El Sobrante General Plan Amendment, 2) Development of the future downtown El Sobrante P-1 Zoning Program, 3) The formation of an El Sobrante Planning Unit Development (P1) Planning Committee for the Downtown El Sobrante Commercial Core Area (requesting the MAC's participation), and 4) share the upcoming years meeting dates.

- Jenny Robbins, MSW, Director Youth Continuum of Services, CCC Public Health Homeless Program, Arthur Castillo, MPA, Director, Adult Continuum of Services, CCC Health Services Public Health
- Leah Atwood MESA, Multinational Exchange Sustainable Agriculture and Gavin Raders of Planting Justice, speaking of their interest in the 10 acres formerly owned by Sidah Afshar
- Other speakers not named here

Major Accomplishments

- Conducted Election of Officers
- Attended Monthly Code Enforcement meetings with Supervisor Gioia's Office and Code Enforcement Representative, Joe Losada
- Council manned a booth at the El Sobrante Stroll and passed out information on Council meetings, also coordinated CPR instruction by the County Fire District for the Stroll
- Supervisor John Gioia and the El Sobrante Municipal Advisory Council held an El Sobrante Cleanup Day filling one dumpster with metal, one with green items and 2 large dumpsters with trash.
- Participating in the P1, (Planned District) meetings held once a month and visiting sites for information
- Two members participate in the El Sobrante Valley Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee on a monthly basis
- Through law enforcement attendance able to identify problem areas and citizens problems
- Addressing the homeless problem in El Sobrante with county staff
- Member joined the County in the program "If you were a thief"
- Two members involved with a Community Center for El Sobrante

Attendance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Barbara Pendergrass	^		^	^	^	^		^	^	^	^	^
Tom Owens		^	^	^	^	^		^	^	^	^	^
James Hermann			^	^	^	^		^		^	^	^
Tess O'Riva	^	^	^	^	^			^	^	^	^	^
Roxanne Cruz	^		^									
George Cleveland	^	^	^	^	^	^			^	^	^	^
Sharon Thygesen	^	^	^		^	^		^	^	^		^
Summary Monthly	5/7	4/7	7/7	5/7	6/7	5/7	0/6	5/6	5/6	6/6	5/6	6/6

attending /appointed (July meeting cancelled)

December meeting was changed to a Public P1 Meeting Update

Resignations: Mike Daley effective end of December 2010, Roxanne Cruz 07-06-11

New members: Tess O'Riva, Sharon Thygesen, George Cleveland, appointed 01-01-2011

Goals for 2012

- Develop ways to increase attendance at Council meetings
- Develop brochure for ESMAC
- Hold the annual El Sobrante Cleanup Day with additional dumpsters
- Participate in the annual El Sobrante Stroll for awareness of the ESMAC and it's activities
- Continue to address the homeless issue in El Sobrante, and the affect on merchants and the creek

- Continue with the P1 (Planned District) committee to develop Zoning guide lines
- Continue to address Disaster Preparedness
- Explore Grants and revitalize San Pablo Dam Road and Appian Way
- Redo the ESMAC Bylaws
- Set up CPR classes with the County Health Department to assist in El Sobrante becoming a healthy community
- R9 Committee Meetings
- Crime Prevention Sub Committee to assist in setting up a Crime Prevention Community meeting with the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce, Boys and Girls Club and May Valley Neighborhood Council. Meeting to include the City of Richmond residents residing in the El Sobrante Valley and El Sobrante residents. Speakers from all Police, Sheriff and Fire District Staff that support the El Sobrante Valley
- Fill ESMAC Board Vacancy