



## Report to the North Fair Oaks Community Council

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### HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE REPORTING PERIOD:

#### Dine and Dialogue

This summer, NFO Forward is hosting a summer dialogue series with the purpose of bringing the community to enjoy a casual dinner, learn about a featured topic and discuss with each other their hopes and ideas for the future of the community.

Our second dialogue took place on July 8 at the Fair Oaks Health Center and the discussion topic was Parks, Garden & Green Spaces. The event had great conversations and ideas that were shared with all 18 attendees.

The last dialogue for the summer will be held Wednesday August 12 on healthy habits at the Fair Oaks Health Center from 6pm-8pm. Space is limited so please RSVP for the upcoming dialogue by contacting Ellie Dallman at (650) 363-4084 or [edallaman@smcgov.org](mailto:edallaman@smcgov.org).

#### NFO Public Art Workgroup

The Public Art Workgroup will be rolling out a variety of projects this summer.

Project updates include:

- North Fair Oaks Entrance Signs
  - Installation is scheduled for completion by August 2015.
- Utility Box Mural Project
  - Middlefield and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave - complete
  - Middlefield and 8<sup>th</sup> Ave - complete
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Ave and Semicircular - is in progress; expected completion no later than Aug 5

#### Local Business Sustainability Plan

On July 1, 2015, 11 business owners and property owners along the Middlefield Road corridor met to review and comment on the results of the survey they completed earlier this year. The

results of the survey process identified the following priority issues of concern: parking, customer attraction, impact of the construction schedule, a need for timely communication and maintaining access to open businesses. Respondents were also interested in the following issues: increasing energy efficiency, better trash collection and façade or storefront improvements. Next steps include the development of a local business advisory workgroup that will continue to provide input as the Local Business Sustainability Plan is developed.

### **North Fair Oaks Zoning Changes – Phase 1**

In addition to the public hearing before the July 23, 2015 North Fair Oaks Community Council meeting, there will be another opportunity for public input on the proposed zoning changes along Middlefield Road between 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue before they are considered by the North Fair Oaks Community Council:

*Date:* Wednesday, August 5th, 2015

*Time:* 7:00pm – 8:30 pm

*Location:* Fair Oaks Community Center, 2600 Middlefield Road, Redwood City

The San Mateo County Planning and Building Department will give a presentation on the proposed zoning changes as well as the timeline for implementation. Attendees will have a chance to ask questions and comment on the changes. There will also be opportunities to get involved in future zoning changes within North Fair Oaks.

### **Reimagine Flood Park Update**

The San Mateo Parks Department has hosted two community meetings on the redesign of Flood Park (located on Bay Road in Menlo Park). There was a great turn out to both meetings, one hosted at Menlo Park's Community Center and the other one at the Fair Oaks Community Center. After obtaining input at the meetings and conducting an online survey to learn about everyone's priorities, the data collected is ready to be presented to the community.

The third community meeting will be held on Tuesday September 1 at the Fair Oaks Community Center from 7pm-9m. Simultaneous translation and childcare will be provided. Please join us and provide your input on the design alternatives.

### **Other Outreach Efforts and Events**

- NFO Forward continues to actively engage the North Fair Oaks Community. Several upcoming events includes:
  - North Fair Oaks Community Festival – Sunday, August 16, 2015
  - Park(ing) Day – Friday, September 18, 2015

For more information about North Fair Oaks Forward, please visit [www.nfoforward.org](http://www.nfoforward.org).