

San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
July 15, 2021

7:00 PM - Speaker - Denise Enea, Retired Woodside Fire Chief, “Home Hardening and Structural Survivability”

- Retired Fire Chief Enea presented to the group on how to make your house less vulnerable to wildfire.

7:30 PM - Call to Order

Adoption of July General Meeting agenda
Approval of June General Meeting minutes

- Motioned by Andrea Reyna, seconded by Jon Levinson, and the motion passes unanimously.

7:35 PM - Introductions

- Sandra Lang introduced her new alternate Reuben Holoher.

7:40 PM - Executive Board Reports

- Chair Maki reports the following updates:
 - She stated that we have a special meeting tonight. The first half hour of our meeting will be a regular business meeting followed by an hour and half team building session led by Anne Adams. This session will be open to elected members and eboard members only.
 - She stated that an FPPC complaint has been filed against the San Mateo County Democratic Party. Our attorney is working on a response. The E-Board and few other Party leaders have advised her and reviewed our actions. The response will be submitted next week. Until the matter is resolved, our attorney has advised her not to say much.
 - On Tuesday July 13th, CADEM offered their first JEDI training in a series of six sessions. She attended and found it useful. They provided

information about microaggressions - how to recognize them, how to deal with them, and how to respond to the actor. The next session will be on July 27th. Each session is different and they aren't going to be recorded. She recommends that others attend.

- She said the June budget is in the July 15th meeting folder and said Not much has happened since last month. She referred questions to Denton Murphy.
- She mentioned that CADEM is ramping up their NO RECALL activities. They are hosting a phone bank on July 26th. They are creating lawn signs and precinct walking materials.
 - April reports on what the Voter Registration Committee is doing:
 - 1. Get your free No on Recall yard and window signs and information cards to share with family, friends and neighbors. Our volunteer sign team will deliver them to your door. To order signs and info cards and set up delivery please email Nancy Calibjo at smcemsvr@gmail.com
 - 2. Reach out to your neighbors with information on why they should vote No on Recall. The committee will provide materials and a list of Democratic households in your neighborhood. We can provide a paper list or an electronic list that you can download on your phone. To get more info and sign up please email Nancy Calibjo at smcdemsvr@gmail.com
 - 3. Contact new and infrequent voters to make sure they receive their ballots and know how and when to return them so their No on Recall votes will count. These are easy calls and those we contact are extremely appreciative. The committee is focusing on LatinX communities within SMCo. We need English and Spanish speakers. You can make these calls from home at your convenience. For more information and to volunteer please email Nancy Calibjo at smcdemvr@gmail.com.
 - 4. Find eligible but as yet unregistered voters. This will involve door to door canvassing in neighborhoods identified as having large numbers of unregistered voters. They will be focussing on areas with a large percentage of LatinX residents. If eligible, we'll help folks register at the door on the Sec of State's website: <https://registertovote.ca.gov/> For more information and to volunteer please email Nancy Calibjo at smcdemsvr@gmail.com

- Rudy shared his work on the phone banks he is collaborating with 10 other groups to put on. These phone banks will be held on Wednesdays and Saturdays evenings.

7:45 PM - Membership Renewal and Club Rechartering Status

- Chair Maki advises that club members should have been contacted by Sarah Fields, Rudy Espinoza or Steven Booker for rechartering. Clubs must have rechartered by today's meeting to remain an active body.

7:50 PM - Eboard Member Requirements Bylaws Amendment

- Andrea Reyna, Co-Chair of the Bylaws Committee, shares a first reading of an amendment redefining which members could serve on the Central Committee's E-Board.

A. Election

Officers of the Committee shall be elected at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee in January following the certification of the Primary Election results. Only Elected Members (including any Members appointed to fill a vacancy as provided, in Article III, Section 6) and the Alternate Members of an Elected Members may serve, as officers of the Committee. For the avoidance of doubt, Ex-officio Members, Alternates of Ex-officio Members, and Associate Members shall not serve as officers of the Committee. Officers of the Committee shall serve until such time as they resign, are removed, cease to be an Elected Member or Alternate Member of an Elected Member, or their successor is elected. The outgoing Chair shall be responsible for calling the reorganization meeting and for holding the election of officers.

7:55 PM - SB9 and SB10 Resolutions

- Nicole Fernandez read and moved resolutions to support SB9 and SB10. Andrea Reyna called the question, and the motion is seconded by Rudy Espinoza. With 21 ayes, 3 nays, and 3 abstentions in support, the resolutions pass.

San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee Resolution in Support of the California HOME Act (Housing Opportunity & More Efficiency), S.B. 9

WHEREAS the County of San Mateo, with one of the highest costs of living in the US and in the State of California, is in a severe and prolonged housing and affordability

crisis, with an estimated 1.8 million new homes needed by 2025 in order to meet demand, yet on average only 80,000 new homes are built per year; and

WHEREAS the housing and affordability crisis continues to be a major source of stress on San Mateo County and California’s fiscal health, social welfare, medical, and public safety systems, and places an unnecessary burden on our most vulnerable populations, while disproportionately harming low-income families, putting them at greater risk for housing instability and homelessness; and

WHEREAS the most effective way to address these issues is to provide more homes, that are affordable to low- and moderate-income families; and

WHEREAS housing is a human right and the need for housing stability provides the basis for educational health, and economic outcomes; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee supports the California HOME Act (Housing Opportunity & More Efficiency), S.B. 9, calling upon the Governor and the California Legislature to rectify California’s housing crisis, expand opportunities for existing homeowners to build equity, create new homeownership opportunities for those locked out of the market, allow for lot splits, and the legalization of duplexes; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to Assemblymember Marc Berman, Assemblymember Kevin Mullin, State Senator Josh Becker, State Senator Scott Wiener, and Assemblymember Phil Ting.

**San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee
Resolution in Support of Local Control for Increased Housing
Density, S.B 10**

WHEREAS the housing and affordability crisis is a major source of stress on San Mateo County and California’s fiscal health, social welfare, medical, and public safety systems; and places an unnecessary burden on our most vulnerable populations, while disproportionately harming the low-income families, putting them at greater risk for housing instability and homelessness; and

WHEREAS the ongoing climate emergency is exacerbated by the lack of affordable and moderate income homes close to jobs, creating urban sprawl, increasing vehicle miles traveled, while increasing traffic and accidents; and

WHEREAS housing is a human right and the need for housing stability provides the basis for educational, health, and economic outcomes; and

WHEREAS Senate Bill 10 will support helped local governments that choose to restore “missing middle” or “gentle density” options to their mix, enabling cities to zone for

naturally affordable homes, while improving the quality of life by reducing traffic and commute times and creating communities that can sustain walkable services; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee supports S.B. 10, calling upon the Governor and the California Legislature to rectify California's housing crisis, by helping local governments to zone up to 10 homes on qualifying sites through local discretion; making it faster, less expensive, and less risky for a city to undertake a community process to increase density in our neighborhoods; and creating a path to address the housing shortage through the traditional development pattern of incremental density built by many hands; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to Assemblymember Marc Berman, Assemblymember Kevin Mullin, State Senator Josh Becker, State Senator Scott Wiener, and Assemblymember Phil Ting.

8:05 PM - Standing Committee Reports, Regional Director and Legislative Reports, Club Reports Please send reports to Recording Secretary Elmer Martinez at elmermartinez17@yahoo.com. Please provide information about meetings to calendar@smcdems.org.

- Bridget O'Farrell announced the speakers for the August meeting--Rudy Espinoza, Deepa Sharma (Chair of CADEM API Caucus), and Tiffany Woods (Co-Chair of the CADEM LGBTQ Caucus) will be presenting on anti-recall outreach efforts.

CLOSED SESSION for Elected Members and E-Board Members:

8:10 PM - "What will it take to make the quality of difference you are here to make?" with Anne Adams - Individual, Cultural, Organizational Transformation (ICOT); <https://integrality.co/>

- Chair Maki announced that the remainder of the meeting was a team building session for elected members. Other attendees left the Zoom session.

9:42 PM Adjournment

From August 6 – August 9 San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee members voted electronically with a vote of 25-0-0 with 5 members not voting to support this question:

“Do you support spending \$13,500 to send ~32,000 mailers to San Mateo County households with two or more registered Democrats encouraging them to vote NO on the Recall?”