



## MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Thursday, October 21th, 2021 (7:00 PM – 9:00 PM)

**LOCATION:** Zoom Meeting 41 Attendees

### BOARD ATTENDEES:

De Anna Mirzadegan – President

Mitchell Ehrlich- Vice President

Kathleen Almoslino – Vice President

Lisa Morse – Secretary

Maren Sederquist- Board Member

Pierluigi Oliverio - Board Member

Brian Yi – Board Member

Jose Salcido- Board Member

Mary Raffanti- Board Member

### SPEAKERS AND STAFF:

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### Quorum Exists

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## INTRODUCTIONS

### FIRST SPEAKER: Susan Ellenberg - D4 Supervisor

- Litter: Responsibility of the City, except for the unincorporated areas of Burbank and Cambrian

# WILLOW GLEN

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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- **Illegal dumping/graffiti:** To prevent hazardous waste from entering our local waterways, open space and neighborhoods, residents can drop off hazardous waste that flammable, toxic, corrosive, or reactive by making an appointment online at [www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org) or by calling 408-299-7300.
- In case you aren't already signed up, consider adding your email to our newsletter list for monthly updates, county news and volunteer opportunities: [Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors : Sign Up to Stay in Touch](#)
- **San Pedro Street Transitional House** - 81 studio units, currently housing 42 individuals  
8 million dollars in private funding, also support by federal and state funds,  
Leases signed, portion of income paid towards rent, formerly unhoused, county program, 24-month lease, 20 staff members for medical/mental health services,  
Currently 2 incident reports (for more information contact Vivian from Adobe <https://www.abodeservices.org/parkmoor-hub>  
For the Zoom link and additional information please visit their dedicated website [Willow Glen Studios on Pedro Street by the County of Santa Clara and Sobrato Philanthropies - Office of Supportive Housing - County of Santa Clara](#)

Question to Ellenberg: Why is the facility at approx. 50% capacity. Question directed to Adobe Services:  
Vivian Wan: [vwan@abodeservices.org](mailto:vwan@abodeservices.org)

This housing is transitional, people are constantly coming and going.

Question regarding the annual budget: Vivian from Adobe answered in chat.

Pedro Annual Operating Budget of ~ \$3.4M

9.7 Services Staff and Expenses (~\$1m)

6 Property Management Staff (~\$450k)

5 Maintenance Staff (~\$350k)

Security Contract (~\$450k)

Landscaping, Maintenance and Repair (~\$250k)

Lease / Utilities (~\$800k)

Office Expenses/ Fees (~\$100k)

- **HUB – Parkmoor cross street Meridian/280:** Permanent supportive housing and transitional housing for foster youth, (1510-1540 Parkmoor)  
81 (proposed) units of different sizes; including 3 bedrooms, a mixed of affordable, transitional and permanent supportive housing  
For more information about the HUB, visit: [Parkmoor Hub — Abode Services](#)

To learn more about Measure A affordable Housing, visit:

[2016 Measure A Housing Bond Progress - Office of Supportive Housing - County of Santa Clara](#)

<https://osh.sccgov.org/housing-community-development/2016-measure-affordable-housing-bond/2016-measure-housing-bond>

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5dc7476c0941b54dd5f9e7f9/t/6161bf6cf082ac2c50abfeb9/1633795948490/Parkmoor+%28HUB%29+Project+Summary+-+10.8.21.pdf>

- **Heading Home: D4 neighborhood, 1000 housing vouchers**

Many landlords do not want to accept vouchers. It is very difficult for unhoused who have vouchers to find housing that will accept them.

Ellenberg encouraged landlord to register with county to accept vouchers. There are incentives to landlords.

<https://www.scchousingauthority.org/financial-incentives-to-property-owners-who-re-rent-an-eligible-unit-to-another-section-8-tenant/>

To learn more about Heading Home visit:

[https://www.scchousingauthority.org/assets/1/6/Heading\\_Home\\_Press\\_Release\\_10.4.21.pdf](https://www.scchousingauthority.org/assets/1/6/Heading_Home_Press_Release_10.4.21.pdf)

- **Ellenberg experience meeting unhoused mothers**

Met mothers in different situations afraid to seek help or medical treatment in fear that their newborn/children will be taken away.

Question from WGNA President: Are any of the county Measure A projects dedicated to unhoused mothers or families.

Answer: No, the county provides vouchers.

- **Feedback, Questions, Comments from membership**

Board Member Kathleen Almoslino spoke emotionally of her experience with the trash, unsanitary conditions and unhoused at Willow Glen Way.

Frustration regarding the encampments and trash that only occurs in San Jose; the other Santa Clara County cities do not have this issue.

Thirty-four affordable housing projects: 24 are in San Jose and only 3 are in Santa Clara City, why?

Richard Scott Chat Comment: Citizens of Willow Glen often suggest using the Fair Grounds as an area to develop emergency housing for the unhoused. Ideal would be a Community First Austin kind of community. What is your position on using this area for the unhoused?

People are now on the street. Why can't county land be used for sanctioned encampments?

Only a little over 1% of the citizens of Santa Clara County use the fairgrounds

The support of the board of supervisors is needed

Many comments regarding frustration with the trash and encampments in San Jose

- **Susan Ellenberg's addressed COUNTY LAND being used**

She supports Cindy Chavez and Maya Esparza position that District 7 is overcrowded, already intensely used, need more green/open space in such a densely populated area, should be spread out thru out the county

- **RHNA**

Where does San Jose stack up against its RHNA expectations? Are we above or below?

The state has added both carrots and sticks to RHNA, there is funding attached to whether cities meet their RHNA allocations.

San Jose RHNA

<https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/70774/637526903301470000>

- **Susan invited membership to an event in D4 Neighborhood**

October 31st 11-2pm Wilson High School, Santa Clara

Free flu shots, family fun; food here, music, puppet show

Sock donations to the Bill Wilson House are appreciated and needed

## SECOND SPEAKER: Dev Davis - District 6 Councilperson

- **Redistricting Boundaries**

Commission meets every Thursday- all welcome to attend as residents being affected will not be notified. Next meeting 10/28/2021

Latest maps show breaking up WG to district 6, 7 and 9

[Redistricting 2020 | City of San Jose](#)

Encourages residents to email Commission to voice their opinions

City Clerk [Toni.Taber@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Toni.Taber@sanjoseca.gov) and [redistricting@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:redistricting@sanjoseca.gov)

- **Unhoused/Sweeps/FAA**

Only sweeping in unsafe areas; airport, near water

City is doing sweeps in phases, towing RVs

Law requires housing to be offered prior to sweeps

FAA requires that the Airport / Spring St area be cleaned up and the encampments removed.

When areas are cleaned, re-encampment often occurs. To mitigate possible re-encampments in the area, Airport proposed to pay for a tall chain link fence, patrol the area 4x a day. They would use 1.1 million from their budget, All council voted No with the exception of Dev Davis.

Council voted they would pay for cement barriers using General Fund monies. The cement barriers (same ones used for Parklets) are knee high and will be placed four feet apart. They wanted to see how this would work.

- **SB 9 and SB 10**

Opportunity Housing is more radical than SB9/SB10

Ballot initiative coming to take planning control from State and bring back to city/county.

**WGNA PRESENTATION: De Anna Mirzadegan – WGNA President**

- **WGNA Beautification Projects**

WGNA is a membership driven organization. We currently have 197 members. We use our membership dues for beautification projects thru out Willow Glen.

**The Clock Tower at the Republic on the corner or Willow/Lincoln**

Any size donations welcome; those who donate \$1000 or more will have their name displayed on a plaque on the Republic building

Cost is approximately \$11,000. Republic donated installation and lifetime maintenance costs

Council member Davis donated \$1,000+ from her city budget

**Art Boxes**

Three boxes additional boxes currently funded, we go thru city of San Jose using artists from a pre-approved San Jose list to complete boxes

Cost approx. \$1000 depending on size

**MEETING ADJOURNED**