

D6NLG Agenda

San José District 6 Neighborhood Leaders Group (D6NLG) meeting was Monday **March 7th**, 2022, 7 PM
notes in green by L.Ames, 3/28/22

>> **meeting was recorded** for use by D6NLG members: [video](#) and [chat notes](#)

Meeting Agenda:

- Welcome and Introductory Remarks – Larry Ames, chair
- Attendee Introductions – Name / Organization / Title
 - Larry Ames, D6NLG Chair (and P&R Cmsnr, D3)
 - Art Maurice, Cory (and P&R Cmsnr, D6)
 - Jim Carter, SJ N’hds Cmsn, D6 & Chair
 - Dana Harris, Alameda Bus. Dist
 - Ed Saum, SHPNA
 - Susan Price-Jang, Rose Glen
 - Helen Chapman; Dir at Open Space Authority
 - Mary Anne Groen, CoS to CM Dev Davis, D6
 - Harvey Darnell, NWGNA, DANG, SAAG, Gen Plan Update task force
 - Kathy Sutherland, Delmas Park & DANG
 - Bert Weaver, Delmas Park
 - Steve Kline, staff to Co. Sup. Susan Ellenberg, Co.Dist.4
 - Jean Dresden, SJ Parks Advocates
 - Sarah Springer, Delmas Park & DANG
- Agenda Changes/additions?
 - [Note: the planned discussion of Guadalupe Gardens was already given: see [presentation](#)¹ to City Council at their 2/8/22 meeting.]
- Corrections to [minutes](#)² from last month? **no changes**
 - agendas, minutes, and position papers are archived on <http://calsj.org/D6/>
- Elected Officials / Staff Updates
 - Supervisor Ellenberg – Steve Kline
 - * map of redistricted Co. Dist. 4: [link](#)³;
 - * Korean Assoc senior nutrition moving 4/4/22 → Sherman Oaks to Bascom Cntr;
 - * there’s a shortage of childcare workers
 - Councilmember Davis – Maryanne Groen
 - * 280/Fruitdale cleanup!
 - * State: CalCourt to help folks w/ mental health care issues?
 - * budget document → next week;
 - * Guadalupe Gardens & Columbus Park now in D6: city planning improvements;
 - * Rose White & Blue parade a Go this year; could use more volunteers;
 - * there will be a downtown fireworks display this year; + Almaden Lake
[please open all gates at end of display to avoid trampling danger.]

¹ <https://sanjose.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=10511484&GUID=5AB34C05-249A-4516-9D72-96C596659CF6>

² <http://calsj.org/D6/D6NLG%20Agenda,%20Feb%202022%20w%20notes.pdf>

³ <https://www.dropbox.com/s/f7t6c60qs38d1iz/District%204.pdf?dl=0>

- * Electrification for new bldgs.; not a mandate for all to upgrade
 - Board and Commission Updates
 - Neighborhood Commission – Jim Carter
 - * NC budget ltr submitted
 - * NC getting presentation on Code Enforcement
 - * Reimagining Public Safety: will send reco's to Mayor end of March
 - * CERT program restarting. Will stash supply caches across city.
 - Parks & Rec Commission – Art Maurice (D6); Larry Ames (D3)
 - * Active SJ: community impact report showing how Parks & Rec budget was spent
 - * info on SJ Family Camp (near Yosemite)
 - All Districts Leadership Group – Larry Ames / Bill Rankin -- no report
 - Advocacy and Community Group updates
 - Save Our Trails -- Bill Rankin -- no report
 - SJ Park Advocates -- Jean Dresden
 - [D6NLG letter](#)⁴ on park fees was well received.
 - other park issues
 - * High Speed Rail EIR now out. Will take one more bldg. near Arena; only evaluates gnd-level design rather than SJ's elevated plans.
 - * Park Maintenance Conditions [Report](#)⁵ is out..
 - * outreach on Arena Green's "Breeze of Innovation". \$150M project (plus added cost to maintain or remove at end-of-life): big decisions. D6NLG could write letter to PRNS et al. asking questions for outreach team.
 - update on Park Trust Fund, PDO/PIO, nexus, etc.
 - * per State: fees shall be calc'd by sq.ft rather than per unit; city shall come up w/ template, must be done by end of 2022
 - * value of land determined by real-estate zones (MLS): hurts low-cost areas as gives less money for development & cap. improvements; question on credits for private amenities; reaffirm support for fees on commercial devlpmnt
 - >> we should brief individual council offices on park fee issues.
 - * amenity mapping now underway; don't count school-grounds
 - >> we should make comments to NSE (N'hd Services & Education Cmte); comes before NSE in April. Speak at session April 14th, 1:30 + copy of our letter.
- Sylvia Arenas, Chair
Magdalena Carrasco, Vice Chair
Maya Esparza, Member
David Cohen, Member
Sergio Jimenez, Member
- * Greater Gardner/DANG area getting \$1M from Google.
 - * Mayor's Budget Message posted; includes discussion of tree canopy
- Continued from last month:
 - D6NLG Finances, and closure on the grant from UNSCC -- Bill Rankin

⁴ <http://calsj.org/D6/D6NLG%20-%20Park%20Trust%20Fund.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showdocument?id=81436&t=637784607507062509>

receipts received and forwarded; unapproved expenditures have been covered; account balanced and we're now clear with UNSCC on the grant. Done!

- New Items:
 - Should the D6NLG have a 'real' web presence? *deferred*
 - Should D6NLG consider hosting a candidates' forum? For Mayor? For Sheriff? For what?
 - * other groups are already having mayoral forums; let us not do that.
 - * Do we want to do a sheriff's forum? (Sheriff's Dept. is responsible for helping w/ mental health issues.) Susan offers to help; Helen too & has contact info. (And, as Sheriff is County, Helen is not precluded from helping..) Mid to late April? Terry Christensen? Get questions from pre-registered participants?
 - * Make chart-set of issues in D6 for mayor candidates? -- no interest
 - Roundtable discussion of issues local to individual communities *deferred*
- Additional topics? Announcements? Final thoughts?

Discover that Council discussion of Mayor's Budget Message is 3/15 → there *is* time for D6 letter. Motion & consensus; Susan, Jean and Helen offer to help; Guad Gardens; park maint & dealing w/ homeless & mental issues; sideshows; tree canopy; park maintenance budget for trees; sustainability

[Letter](#)⁶ sent 3/11/22
- Adjourn until next meeting: Mon., April 4th

⁶ <http://calsj.org/D6/D6NLG%20-%20Mayor's%20budget%20message,%20Mar%20'22.pdf>