



TOWN OF FAIRFAX

STAFF REPORT

September 2, 2020

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Michele Gardner, Town Clerk

SUBJECT: Receive written report on Councilmembers' assignments, committees, and activities in August

RECOMMENDATION

Receive written report.

DISCUSSION

Each month, Councilmember provide a list of the meetings each attended in the preceding month on behalf of the Town, for inclusion in this report. Under the agenda section entitled "Council Reports and Comments" Councilmembers may choose to highlight one of those meetings. The following list includes activities since August 5, 2020.

Mayor Goddard

- August 12: Special Town Council Meeting to interview candidates for the Racial Equity Social Justice committee
- August 17: County organized Learning Session re/ re-naming of Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Attended as 1 of the Fairfax Town Council Reps to the re-naming committee.
- August 19: Special Town Council Meeting and meeting of the Finance Authority. Also discussed the allocation of funds to support a Fairfax Resident Renter assistance program.
- August 21: Post SFD Learning Session, de-brief & next steps
- August 23: 1st Session of a series of working sessions on values based exploration of our own implicit racism for Marin County elected officials. Organized by Kate Colin (San Rafael Vice - Mayor) and myself, in partnership with SURJ (Stand Up For Racial Justice)
- August 24: Presented to Whitehill Middle School 6th graders on their first day of a new class in their curriculum about Climate, Social Justice and youth advocacy.
- August 24: Meeting with Firewise/NRG leaders (Neighborhood Response Groups) to discuss the intersections and differences.
- August 24: Attended the Marin Coast Miwok webinar about the re-naming of Sir Francis Drake Blvd and Drake High School.
- August 27: Met with Jesse from downtown Streets Team to review the usage of the Mobile Shower pilot program.
- The average weekly participation has been 10 individuals and the program has provided 120 showers and connected 8 new individuals to County Services.
- August 27: Met with Lewis Jordan Director of the Marin Housing Authority to address questions regarding Golden Gate Village in Marin City.

- August 30: Attended and participated in a meeting of a new NRG which includes households between Laurel and Meadow Way on Cascade Drive. (my home is included in this section of road)
- August 30: Attended a community gathering in the Ballfield entitled “How Am I Racist?”

Vice Mayor Ackerman

- 8/6 Climate Action Plan update subcommittee
- 8/6 Plan for TC interview procedure
- 8/6 Golden Gate Village press conference
- 8/6 Firewise meeting
- 8/6 Sustainable Fairfax Community Chat
- 8/7 CAC Microgrid Subcommittee
- 8/10 Discuss TC interview procedure
- 8/11 MCE/TRC Installer network discussion
- 8/12 Town Council Special Meeting to interview RESJ applicants
- 8/13 Climate Action Plan update subcommittee
- 8/14 Firewise leaders call
- 8/17 Learning session on Sir Francis Drake history
- 8/17 Panelist on MICA presentation on wind power
- 8/18 Climate Action Committee regular meeting
- 8/19 CAC Microgrid Subcommittee
- 8/19 Town Council Special Meeting
- 8/21 CAC Microgrid Subcommittee
- 8/21 SFD post-learning-session planning
- 8/22 MCCMC Race, Values and Equity Cohort
- 8/23 Manor Hill Firewise small evacuation drill
- 8/24 Miwok Panel on SFD
- 8/25 Marin Coalition: Noah Griffin talk (Excellent!)
- 8/27 Corte Madera Creek Project scoping session
- 8/28 Climate Action Plan update subcommittee

Councilmember Reed

- 8/6 Firewise evacuation planning meeting
- 8/12 council
- 8/19 council
- 8/23 evacuation drill (Manor Hill Firewise)
- TAM canceled this month

Councilmember Coler

- Zoom call with Liz Darby Marin County Social Equity Coordinator to discuss proposed Fairfax rental assistance program RE: Fair Housing laws and other logistics (Aug 7)
- Distributed >300 cloth masks to Fairfax businesses with Mayor Goddard (July 3 & July 22 & Aug 14) – made/donated by Norma McFaddan North Bay artist, longtime friend Councilmember Coler (5/business) – Norma is continuing to make more masks for Fairfax to help businesses reopen safely (she’s currently evacuated due to the fires near Guerneville) –she’s also making masks for Marin City.
- Attended Special Council meeting to interview candidates for the RESJ Committee (August 12)
- Attended Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) Board Closed Session meeting re: Executive Officer search (August 13)

- Attended Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Board meeting – reviewed draft Ross Valley Municipal Service Review (MSR); Supplemental MSR for San Rafael; and Resident petition for annexation for sewer services in Novato (August 13)
- Attended Town Council Special Meeting RE: Pension Liability refinancing and finalizing terms of Rental Assistance Program (August 19)
- Attended Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) Board meeting (August 20) RE: draft agreements for specialized legal assistance (follow-up with MWPA Counsel re: changes to short-term agreement; ratifying calculation method for parcel tax for FY 20/21; updates on administrative and finance services by Southern Marin Fire; reviewed draft By-Laws. Report on FireSafe Marin activities pursuant to MWPA funding.
- Attended Coastal Miwok Zoom panel discussion on renaming SFD and other related matters (August 24)
- Participated in conference call with Town Manager and FOSC Vice Chair RE: Spring Lane access to Sky Ranch (August 25)
- Attended MWPA Closed Session RE: Executive Officer search (August 27)
- Attended Fairfax Age Friendly Task Force meeting (August 25))

Councilmember Hellman

- Aug 30: MCCMC / SURJ hosted workshop: Values Race and Equity
- Aug 28: Hosted / Led Coronavirus Task Force
- Aug 27: Attended Listening session for HS1327 name change
- Aug 25: Attended RVSD Board of Trustees Meeting
- Aug 25: Attended FireSafe Marin Webinar Evacuations & Warnings: How to Survive a Wildfire
- Aug 25: Attended Marin Coalition: Seize the Moment The Ongoing Fight for Social Equality
- Aug 24: Attended Marin Coast Miwok panel discussion re SFD Blvd name change
- Aug 19: Hosted / Led Fairfax Coronavirus Task Force
- Aug 19: Fairfax Special Town Council meeting
- Aug 18: Attended Parent Equity Team meeting
- Aug 17: Attended Drake Blvd “Learning” Session
- Aug 14: Attended MCCMC Economic Recovery task force
- Aug 14: Attended Climate Action Committee MCE sub-committee
- Aug 12: Special council meeting: Interviews for Racial Equity Social Justice Committee (RESJ)
- Aug 11: Attended Tam Union High School District Board meeting
- Aug 6: Attended Golden Gate Village press conference