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SPECIAL JOINT CITY COUNCIL,
REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT,
REDWOOD CITY 2020,
SEQUOIA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT,
SAN MATEO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008
6:00 P.M.

*****REFRESHMENTS AND SIGN IN OCCURRED AT 5:30 P.M.*****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Maria Diaz Slocum, Chair, Redwood City 2020 Coordinating Council
2. **ROLL CALL** - City Clerk Vonderlinden

Council Members Present: Aguirre, Hartnett, Howard, Pierce, and Mayor Foust.

Council Members Absent: Bain

Staff present: City Manager Ingram, City Attorney Yamamoto, City Clerk Vonderlinden, Parks, Recreation, Community Services Director Centeno, Library Director Genesy, Library Division Manager Kramer, Library Services Supervisor Ashton, Deputy City Clerk Wong, Housing and Economic Development Manager Webb, Housing Coordinator Jones-Thomas.

Others Present: Housing and Human Concerns Chair Brosseau, Housing and Human Concerns Vice Chair Dickison, Housing and Human Concerns Commissioner Wright, Human Concerns Commissioner Manuel, Planning Commissioner and Representative to the Human Concerns Commission Borgens, and Library Board Vice President Barragan.

Cañada College Present: President Mohr.

County of San Mateo Human Services Agency Present: Director Beasley.

John W. Gardner Center Present: Professor of Education and Founding Director McLaughlin, Director Baker and Maria Fernandez.

Permanente Medical Group Present: Physician-in-Chief Doctor O'Donnell.

Redwood City 2020 Present: Executive Director Brown, Policy and Program Manager Fernandez, Director of School Community Partnerships Portasio, Director Romero.

Redwood City School District Present: Board Member MacAvoy, Board Member Paulson, Board Vice President Diaz-Slocum, Board President Masur, Superintendent Christensen, Deputy Superintendent Baker, Chief Business Officer Parungao, Superintendent of Curriculum McRae, and Administrative Assistant to Superintendent O'Leary.

San Mateo County Board of Supervisors Present: Supervisors Gibson and Gordon

San Mateo County Health Department Present: Director Silva and Director of Policy and Planning Mayer.

San Mateo County Human Services Agency Present: Director of Prevention and Early Intervention Services Torres.

Sequoia Healthcare District Present: Board of Director Kane and Interim Executive Director Mahadevan, Instructional Vice President Hansen, News and Communications Manager Smith, and Assistant to Superintendent Rick.

Sequoia Union High School District Present: Trustees Stewart, Rumley, and Martinez; Vice President of the Board Gibson, and Superintendent Christensen.

Council Members Absent: Bain

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –

4. Joint Study Session - City Council/Redwood City School District/Redwood City 2020/Sequoia High School District/San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

6:00 PM Call to order (Maria Diaz Slocum, Chair, RC 2020 Coordinating Council)

Ms. Slocum listed all the current members of the Redwood City 2020 organization.

Statement of Purpose of meeting (Patricia Brown, Executive Director, RC 2020)

To ensure that policy leaders of Redwood City 2020's Partner Organizations understand the role of Redwood City 2020 as a forum for working together to address complex issues of concern in this community and promote health and success for children, youth and families.

Ms. Brown shared with all present the goals for the meeting.

6:10 PM **Introductions/Review of planned agenda (Maria Diaz Slocum)**

6:20 PM **Brief overview of RC 2020 (Patricia Brown, Executive Director, RC 2020)**
Why and how RC 2020 was formed, current strategic plan priorities, structure, funding and evaluation.

Ms. Brown thanked all policy makers present for their commitment to this organization and its goals of partnering and collaboration. She proceeded to give an overview of the origins of this organization (presentation on file). She highlighted its current priorities and the direction of this organization.

6:30 PM **Updates from Programs**

Various beneficiary organizations shared real life situations and statistics that illustrated the value Redwood City 2020 brings to the community and the quality of life of youth (videos and presentations on file). Some of the presenters included Sandra Portasio, Maria Fernandez and Judy Romero.

Various members of the public thanked the presenters for the information. Some members of the public provided testimonials on the importance of assisting youth at risk.

Various Council Members asked questions regarding publicizing what is already being done through these collaborative efforts.

7:00 PM **Public comment - none**

7:15 PM **Policy leaders: questions, comments**

The various leaders discussed what was shared tonight and what has been accomplished to date. Mayor Foust shared her pride in these partnerships that snowball into benefits and services for the community at large. It was suggested that the business community be brought to the table to make them aware of these efforts and possibly entice them to contribute or participate.

Discussion ensued about ways to help students reach the next level of self-sufficiency. The importance of creating a "space for youth" in the community was discussed by the policy leaders and possibly finding third party funding sources to implement innovative ideas. Some Council Members appreciated the data presented and wanted the collection of such data to continue. Vice Mayor Howard asked that information be shared about the upcoming General Plan and how this information from tonight could be captured in that process.

The need to keep students involved and motivated was discussed. It was suggested that collaborations continue to arise between the various entities invested in this process. Supervisor Gibson finds it a rarity that all these bodies sit at the same table and are able to work together towards a common goal. Ms. Gibson is proud of the role that the County and the City play in providing services for those in need. This model, she opined, is a legacy left by all those at the table. Mayor Foust also shared her pride in all the various partnerships the City is involved with and she listed some of the key departments that play a role e.g. Police Department, Parks, Recreation and Community Services and City Manager's.


7:50 PM Consensus approval of RC 2020 priorities

There was consensus that the priorities and shared by Ms. Brown are the correct ones for this organization.

8:00 PM Thank you and close – Ms. Slocum thanked all those present for their commitment, investment of time and dedication to Redwood City 2020.

5. ADJOURNMENT – the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Silva Vonderlinden,
Certified Municipal Clerk

Submitted for approval at the City Council Meeting of February 23, 2009.