

Gutierrez, Jeannette

From: Molly Clancy
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 2:05 PM
To: City Council; , City Clerk; Matichak, Lisa; Abe-Koga, Margaret; Kamei, Ellen; Showalter, Pat; Hicks, Alison; Lieber, Sally; Ramirez, Lucas
Cc: contact@mvmha.com
Subject: Please prioritize a Mobile Home Ordinance as soon as possible

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Dear City Council Members,

A sincere thank you to Councilmembers Hicks, Lieber, and Showalter for their fervorous support of the Mobile Home community as evidenced by last week's city council meeting. I also very much appreciate the support and time Councilmember Ramirez has put in to listen to the concerns facing Mobile Home Park residents.

Councilmembers Abe-Koga and Kamei have stated support for implementing an ordinance for Mobile Home residents as well, as has Congresswoman Eshoo. **I urge you to please prioritize creating a Mobile Home Ordinance as soon as possible - we can not wait any longer.**

We expected to be included under CSFRA and every day that goes on without protections results in more anxiety and displacement of our vulnerable community. The good news is staff has already done a lot of work on this issue so there is a spring board to jump off. Please help us. Mountain view must prioritize finishing Mobile Home rent protections as quickly as staff is able to.

Sincerely,
Molly Clancy
Resident of Moorpark Mobile Homes

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From:
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 3:23 PM
To: City Council; , City Clerk; Matichak, Lisa; Abe-Koga, Margaret; Kamei, Ellen; Showalter, Pat; Hicks, Alison; Lieber, Sally; Ramirez, Lucas
Subject: Item 7.1: Mountain View Mobile Home Ordinance 3/16/21

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Mountain View Mobile Home Ordinance:

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Hi:

I am a senior, disabled resident who has lived in the MV area for the last 35 years.

I have rented from my current landlord for the last 20 years.

My current landlord owns the 2 largest mobile home parks in MV. About 2/3rds of the residents in these parks OWN their homes. The other 1/3rd, like me, RENT.

But we are all RENTERS, and we need PROTECTIONS.

Over the last 20 years, my rent has gone up about 400%. This year my Social Security check went up \$22.30. Clearly, this is not sustainable.

I and others in our community fear displacement.

On January 28th of this year (2021) my landlord sent a letter to the 2/3rds of folks who OWN their homes offering to implement the park's own version of rent control. The letter was not sent to RENTERS.

The letter stipulated that the landlord's offer was in order to "keep the park open". The landlord went on to say "provided rent control is not implemented by the City ... or any other entity ... the park owner will not close the park."

Many residents of our parks, after seeing this letter, are understandably afraid of displacement due to rising rents and possible closure and/or repurposing of our parks.

The City Council's #1 goal this year should be to prevent displacement of the residents of Mountain View's 6 mobile home parks by:

- 1) controlling rent increases for owners and renters in-line with a realistic Cost Of Living Adjustment (COLA), using the annual Social Security COLA increase as a proxy;
- 2) providing immediate displacement protections to all residents;
- 3) preventing park closures and/or rezoning; and
- 4) imposing an emergency displacement and park closure moratorium while protections are enacted.

People are terrified of displacement and losing their homes and the City Council needs to act urgently to prevent this from happening.

A specific ordinance addressing these issues is urgently needed.

Thank you so much.

Sahara Mobile Village Resident

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From: Shari Wiemann-Emling <
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 4:20 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Please add Quality of Life!

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I do understand your list of priorities for Mountain View, but I consider it a grave mistake to remove "Quality of Life" from this prime list. The residents of Mountain View have endured a great deal over the past years: the year long pandemic isolation, the increase in crime, the massive increase in street-dwellers, the children not in classes, thus harming their educations, seeing many of our favorite local stores and restaurants close, etc. We have sacrificed a great deal, and to remove Quality of Life is a very depressing and dangerous move - and reflects a goal of mediocrity. PLEASE reconsider and add this to the list of what is important to Mountain View. One thing that could be removed is the last one on your list - as we have ALWAYS had hiring the best as a goal. That is standard and will always be standard.

Thank you for your consideration of this vital goal to a happy life.

Shari Emling
Mountain View homeowner



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March 16, 2021

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Re: 3.1 Public Safety Advisory Board Applicant Interviews

Dear Mayor Kamei and City Council members:

The Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning (MVCSP) appreciates the opportunity to respond to your process for interviewing applicants for the new Public Safety Advisory Board (PSAB).

We have reviewed the agenda item materials, and we have the following comments we would like to share with you.

- Police department reform is being hotly discussed and considered across our country, as you know. The writing is clearly on the wall with concerns generated from broad sectors of our population. Accordingly, appointees should be willing to at least question the status quo around police operations in our city, so Mountain View is best equipped to do its part in the larger effort nationwide.
- PSAB appointments should emphasize those who represent marginalized communities; for example, people of color, immigrants, unstably housed (currently and formerly), people with mental and physical disabilities, and victims of domestic violence. Applicants who are not in a marginalized group should be asked how they would understand and integrate the interests of marginalized groups. We also feel candidates should be asked how they will represent the needs of visitors and workers in the city.
- PSAB candidates should be asked how they will shape the PSAB's success. How will they define and measure the success of the group?
- The application form asks the question "What do you believe are the most important law enforcement matters facing Mountain View and why?". We think candidates should be asked about public safety issues more broadly, and what they know about best practices in police reform and community interactions from other departments. We request that you cover this broader angle during the interviews. For

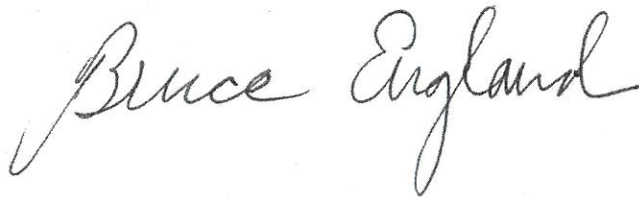
example, "Do you think mental health and school-related matters should be handled by agencies other than MVPD and why?"

- We believe it is important that appointees demonstrate a solid understanding of:
 - the importance of keeping an open mind when considering and evaluating police reform from other municipalities; much can be learned from others' experiences in informing Mountain View's policies
 - the need to listen, and understand and integrate input from the entire gamut of stakeholders that represent our community, and to do so in a thoughtful and responsible manner that incorporates diversity and equity
 - not drawing conclusions prematurely; rather listen and learn first before developing recommendations

We look forward to the important work this new board will be addressing in the near future on behalf of us all!

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce England". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Bruce" and "England" being capitalized and prominent.

Bruce England
for the Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning

cc:

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Kimbria McCarthy, City Manager
Heather Glaser, City Clerk

About Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning

The Mountain View Coalition for Sustainable Planning is a local volunteer-based organization dedicated to making Mountain View as beautiful, economically healthy, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian accessible, and affordable as possible. MVCSP member interest and expertise covers areas such as housing, transportation, the environment, the economy, and beyond!

For more information, see <http://www.mvcsp.org>.

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From: David Lewis <
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 4:31 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Comments on draft priorities

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To the City Council,

Below are some of my comments on your draft strategic priorities

Comments on Draft Strategic Priorities-Study Session-3/16/21

1. You can't have 'access' to parks and other key amenities unless you have parks and key amenities, especially with those who may not have ready automobile access—how would they get to Rancho San Antonio for hiking?
2. Here's the term 'livable'—is this what is meant by integrating 'quality of life' into the other priorities, or does livable just really mean survivable?
3. Where is the priority on dealing with the last mile problem, or on affordable mass transit, and our neighborhoods are already quite safe, one of the safest in the U.S.
4. Minimizing the City's greenhouse gas emissions is noble, but it doesn't make us more sustainable or more resilient to climate change. Businesses adapting more sustainable practices is noble, but does it make the businesses more sustainable. And those drafting these priorities missed some elephants in the room. What's going to happen when MV has higher average temperatures, more dramatic temperature swings, more violent weather and more frequent violent weather, and, finally, a lot less water, with a MV rapidly growing in population and demands for water and sewer—are we going to be sustainable when there's not nearly enough water?
5. This sounds good unless either MV decides to subsidize small businesses, or the landlords (and their wealthy investors) suddenly become charitable.
6. This sounds like staff wanted an explicit priority of the City to be recruiting and retaining top-notch staff, which translates into paying top dollar for the 'best' staff—a scheme, which if implemented by all the surrounding communities will result in a rapid escalation of staff salaries—everyone will want the 'best' city manager, the 'best' city attorney, the 'best' director of Public Works, etc. This is a classic problem. An alternate scheme is to make MV a really pleasant place to work, and a place where employees can find a great place to live as well.
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David Lewis, Chair, OMVNA

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Carol and David Lewis