

Fremont City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 15, 2022
7:00 p.m.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: HI, COUNCILMEMBERS.

IT APPEARS WE'RE JUST WAITING ON COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO HAVE SEVERAL OF THE INTERPRETERS ON RIGHT NOW SO YOU MIGHT SEE -- IF YOU'RE IN GALLERY VIEW, YOU MIGHT SEE A LOT OF EXTRA FOLKS ON HERE, BUT PATTY BLACK FROM INTERNATIONAL CONTACT WILL BE GIVING US SOME INSTRUCTIONS AT 7:15, WHEN WE GO TO THE REDISTRICTING ITEM REGARDING CHANGING THE LANGUAGE AND CHANGING A SETTING ON OUR ZOOM.

HOPEFULLY ALL OF YOU HAVE SEEN THE EMAIL THAT I SENT OUT THIS AFTERNOON REGARDING THAT, BUT AGAIN, SHE'LL PROVIDE THOSE EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS AT 7:15. SO WHEN YOU'RE READY TO GO, MAYOR.

>> MAYOR MEI: SURE.

SEEING THAT WE'RE AT 7:00, WHY DON'T WE CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: OKAY, IF YOU GIVE ME JUST A MOMENT, AND WE'RE STILL WAITING FOR COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN.

OKAY, MAYOR.

YOU'RE LIVE.

>> MAYOR MEI: GOOD EVENING.

WELCOME TO THE FEBRUARY 15TH CITY COUNCIL MEETING, AND I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING OH ORDER.

AND I'D LIKE TO ASK COUNCILMEMBER JONES TO PLEASE LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES:

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

TO THE FLAG

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC
FOR WHICH IT STANDS

ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE,

WITH LIBERTY

AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

MS. GAUTHIER, COULD I ASK FOR A ROLL CALL, PLEASE?

THANK YOU.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: COUNCILMEMBER COX, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, PRESENT.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG, HERE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN, MAYOR MEI, HERE.

>> MAYOR MEI: AND AS STATED ON TONIGHT'S SCHEDULED AGENDA, THE CITY IS HOSTING OUR THIRD PUBLIC HEARING FOR OUR 2021 REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

IN FOLLOWING THE LAWS AROUND REDISTRICTING, THE PUBLIC HEARING MUST START AT 7:15 P.M.

ANY BUSINESS THE COUNCIL IS CONDUCTING AROUND THAT TIME WILL BE STOPPED AND IF NOT FINISHED WILL BE RE-OPENED AFTER THE CLOSING OF THE REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING.

ADDITIONALLY, CITY STAFF IS REVISING THE FREMONT CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE BY MOVING THE FOURTH PUBLIC HEARING FROM APRIL 5TH TO MARCH 1ST AT 7:15 P.M.

THIS TIMELINE FURTHER ENSURES THAT THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HAVE ADEQUATE TIME TO DELIBERATE, DISCUSS AND ADOPT A MAP PRIOR TO THE APRIL 17TH DEADLINE.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT REDISTRICTFREMONT.ORG FOR MORE DETAILS.

THERE ARE SEVERAL VACANCIES ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE ACCEPTS APPLICATIONS FOR ALL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

IF INTERESTED IN APPLYING, PLEASE GO TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE AT FREMONT.GOV.

OR PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 510-284-4060.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO PARTICIPATE THIS EVENING MAY DO SO VIA ZOOM DURING PUBLIC COMMENT BY CLICKING ON THE "RAISE HAND" ICON OR IF CALLING IN, BY DIALING STAR NINE.

I WILL MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT BEFORE EACH SECTION OF THE AGENDA.

EMAILS SUBMITTED TO THE CITY CLERK ARE COMPILED, DISTRIBUTED TO CITY COUNCIL AND STAFF AND PUBLISHED IN THE CITY'S AGENDA CENTER ON FREMONT.GOV, AND WILL BE PLACED ON FILE AND CONSIDERED PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD.

I'D LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT THIS MEETING WILL GO UNTIL 11:30 THIS EVENING IF NEEDED AND WE WILL ALLOW FOR 30 MINUTES OF GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS FOR ORAL COMMUNICATIONS AFTER THE INITIAL 30 MINUTES, WE WILL TAKE THE ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS AT THE END OF THE MEETING IF TIME REMAINS.

I WILL NOW TURN THE MEETING OVER TO OUR CITY MANAGER, KARENA SHACKELFORD, WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE STAFF AT THIS TIME.

WELCOME.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR, AND GOOD EVENING, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

IT'S SO NICE TO SEE YOU ALL THIS EVENING.

WITH US THIS EVENING IS OUR CITY CLERK, SUSAN GAUTHIER, AS WELL AS OTHER MEMBERS OF THE STAFF WHO ARE AVAILABLE THIS EVENING TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS OR PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT AGENDIZED ITEMS.

AND WE ALSO HAVE MY COLLEAGUE, DEBRA MARGOLIS, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY, AND I AM BOTH SADDENED FOR THE ORGANIZATION BUT HAPPY FOR HER THAT THIS WILL BE HER LAST CITY COUNCIL MEETING BEFORE SHE RETURNS TO RETIREMENT, SO I'D LIKE TO THANK HER FOR HER SERVICE TO US IN THIS INTERIM PERIOD AND CONGRATULATE HER ON BEING ABLE TO GET BACK ON WITH HER LIFE.

AS A RETIRED INDIVIDUAL.

SO WITH THAT, MADAME MAYOR, I TURN THE MEETING BACK OVER TO YOU.
THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND AS I STATED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, WE'LL BEGIN WITH ORAL COMMUNICATIONS SINCE WE HAVE NO OTHER CONSENT ITEMS THIS EVENING, AND I'M RECOMMENDING EACH SPEAKER IS ONE PER MINUTE BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO CLOSE AT 7:15, BY LAW, FOR OUR REDISTRICTING MEETING. SO ANY PERSON DESIRING TO SPEAK ON A MATTER WHICH IS NOT SCHEDULED THIS EVENING ON THE AGENDA MAY DO SO UNDER ORAL COMMUNICATIONS SECTION OF THE PUBLIC COMMENTS, PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED VIA EMAIL ARE PLACED ON FILE AND CONSIDERED PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC NOW WISHING TO SPEAK MAY DO SO BY PRESSING THIS RAISE HAND ICON OR BY PRESSING STAR NINE.

AND WE'LL BEGIN FIRST WITH SHARON.

WELCOME, SHARON.

>> EVENING.

THIS IS A DIRECT REQUEST TO THE CITY MANAGER TO ASK THE CITY MANAGER TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO REINSTATE THE NO PARKING ZONE IN THE LOADING ZONE ON RANCHO ARROYO PARKWAY.

THE CHANGES WERE MADE WITHOUT NOTICE AND WITHOUT SEEKING APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO OVERTURN THE EXISTING CITY COUNCIL RULINGS.

THIS HAS CREATED MORE HAZARDOUS AND RESTRICTED ACCESS ENTRY TO A GEOGRAPHICALLY RESTRICTED NEIGHBORHOOD.

THE DEFENSE OF THESE ACTIONS ARE FALSE, MISLEADING, AND FRANKLY ILLEGAL.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS SUPPLIED ACTUAL COUNTS DOCUMENTATION, ORDINANCES AND SAFETY.

AT THE VERY LEAST, PUT IT ON THE CALENDAR OR REVIEW THIS PORTION OF WHAT HAS BEEN DONE COMPLETELY OUT OF THE SCOPE OF THE PROJECT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS DAVID.

WELCOME.

>> HELLO, RESPECTED MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN AND WOMEN.

I JUST WANTED TODAY -- I WAS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE WAY EVERYTHING WAS RUSHED THROUGH FOR THE HOMEKEY PROJECT, AND I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED MORE TRANSPARENCY.

WE AS A PUBLIC ARE NOT NECESSARILY AGAINST HELPING HOMELESS FOLKS BUT THERE IS NO TRANSPARENCY, NOBODY KNOWS WHAT THE PROGRAM IS, EVERYBODY IS CONFUSED, THERE WAS NO DEBATE, IT WAS RUSHED THROUGH A FEW SHORT DAYS, LIKE FOUR DAYS, AND THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN LYING AROUND IN THE CITY RECORDS, IN HIND SIGHT WE -- SEE FOR MONTHS AND THIS IS KIND OF UNACCEPTABLE THAT THIS IS ALL BEING SWEEPED THROUGH UNDER THE RUG AND ALSO SAME THING HAPPENED WITH -- PARKING, IT JUST CAME

THROUGH BOOM, BOOM, BOOM, IT WAS JUST IMPLEMENTED AND THAT'S NOT THE RIGHT WAY TO DO IT.

SO I WOULD APPEAL TO HAVE A TOWN HALL MEETING --

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THE NEXT SPEAKER IS LEI.

>> HELLO, DEAR COUNCILMEMBERS.

I'M CALLING ALSO REGARDING THE HOMEKEY PROJECT.

I AGREE WITH THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER, THE WHOLE PROCESS HAS BEEN RUSHED INTO SOME ACTION WITHOUT THE -- SURROUNDING CITIZENS.

I WANTED TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT THE INCIDENT HAPPENED ON JANUARY 31ST, 2022, HOMELESS FELONY, ATTACKED ASIAN WOMAN IN HEAD WITH A BASEBALL BAT.

THESE HOMELESS PEOPLE LIVE ABOUT 5 FEET FROM THE INCIDENT HAPPENS IN -- HOUSING THAT IS HOMELESS HOUSING PROJECT.

I KNOW THAT THE CITY WAS PLANNING TO SEND OUT INFORMATION CARDS TO PEOPLE WITHIN 300 FEET BUT IT DIDN'T HAPPEN.

WHAT DID CITY SAY ABOUT THE 500 FEET?

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS JOE ROSE.

HELLO?

>> MS. GAUTHIER: MAYOR, WE CAN RE-START THE TIMER AND MOVE ON TO JENNIFER PARE.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY, THANK YOU.

JENNIFER?

>> GOOD EVENING.

I'M HERE.

JENNIFER PARE.

THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TONIGHT.

I ALSO WANT TO COMMENT ON THE HOMEKEY HOUSING PROJECT.

AND I'D LIKE TO ADD MY VOICE OF SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT.

I DO SO AS SOMEONE WHO HAS LIVED AND WORKED IN FREMONT FOR SOME 20 YEARS AND I SEE THE CRITICAL NEED FOR MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I'M ALSO HERE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF KIDANGO.

ONE OF OUR FIRST PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS IN FREMONT IS ON BROWN ROAD IN THE WARM SPRINGS DISTRICT.

IT'S SITUATED LITERALLY STEPS AWAY NEXT DOOR TO SUNRISE VILLAGE, SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS.

SINCE 1993, ALMOST 30 YEARS AGO, OUR PRESCHOOL HAS SERVED YOUNG CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES FULL DAY, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, WITH ALMOST NO INCIDENTS.

WE HAVE NEVER HAD A NEGATIVE EXPERIENCE WITH THE HOMELESS SHELTER.

OUR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND OUR STAFF HAVE NEVER FELT UNSAFE.

SO WITH --

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THE NEXT SPEAKER IS LISA DANZ.

>> HI.

MY NAME IS LISA DANZ, AND I LIVE IN FREMONT IN THE SUN -- NEIGHBORHOOD.

I WANT TO THANK THE CITY FOR PROVIDING FAQs ABOUT THE MOTEL 6 HOMEKEY PROJECT. IN CASE ANYBODY LISTENING IN TODAY HASN'T HAD A CHANCE TO READ ALL OF THEM YET, I'D LIKE TO READ A QUICK EXCERPT FROM QUESTION 22.

THAT SAYS, THE FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT ANALYZED DATA, AND THERE'S A LOT OF DETAIL ABOUT WHAT THEY FOUND WHICH I WON'T READ DUE TO THE TIME LIMIT, THEN IT CONTINUES, THE FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS TRANSITIONING THE CURRENT MOTEL TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING APARTMENTS AND BELIEVES THIS PROJECT WOULD HELP REDUCE CRIME AT THAT SPECIFIC LOCATION.

AND THAT'S THE QUOTE.

WITH THAT, I STRONGLY SUPPORT AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND I COMMEND THE CITY FOR TAKING ACTION TO BRING 156 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING UNITS TO FREMONT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO JOE ROSE.

IF THEY'RE ABLE TO SPEAK NOW.

JOE ROSE?

OKAY.

WE'LL GO TO NAVIN.

I'M LOOKING AT THE TIME.

I'M THINKING THIS WILL BE THE LAST SPEAKER PROBABLY BEFORE I HAVE TO TURN BACK TO THE REDISTRICTING HEARING.

>> HI, GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY.

THIS IS NAVIN HERE.

I VEHEMENTLY OPPOSE THE HOMEKEY PROJECT.

NOT NECESSARILY THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND FOR THE HOMELESS SHOULD NOT BE PROVIDED, BUT THE WAY THE PROCESS WAS RUSHED THROUGH AND FRANKLY WE JUST CAME TO KNOW A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO ABOUT THIS PROJECT.

SO MY FIRST POINT IS THE OPPOSITION OF THE LOCATION AND THE PROCESS, AND MY SECOND POINT IS, WE ALL SPEAK ON EVERY OCCASION DURING THESE REGULAR MEETINGS AND I DON'T KNOW IF THERE WAS ANY TOWN HALL MEETING.

WHAT IS BEING DONE TO ADDRESS OUR ISSUES, THIS IS A DIRECT QUESTION TO THE MAYOR, LILY MEI, WHAT IS BEING DONE TO ADDRESS OUR ISSUES, YOU BEING OUR MAYOR?

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THAT, BECAUSE THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US AS CITIZENS OF THIS COMMUNITY.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND AT THIS TIME, WE'RE GOING TO TURN IT BACK TO OUR REDISTRICTING BECAUSE I DO NOT THINK WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO BEGIN, AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A GENERAL COMMENT THAT ALL OF THESE HAVE BEEN AGENDIZED AND JUST LIKE THIS ITEM THIS EVENING FOR OUR REDISTRICTING, WE ASK THAT THE PUBLIC FOLLOW OUR AGENDA AND THAT'S WHAT HAS BEEN GIVEN AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THE FEEDBACK.

SO AT THIS TIME --

[RECORDING STOPPED]

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M GOING TO TRANSFER TO THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS, AND I'D LIKE TO INFORM THE PUBLIC THAT DUE TO REQUESTS WE WILL HAVE INTERPRETATION SERVICES THIS EVENING IN MANDARIN AND CANTONESE DURING OUR REDISTRICTING HEARING TONIGHT. PATTY BLACK, OF INTERNATIONAL CONTACT, WILL BE PROVIDING THE INTERPRETATION SERVICES AND WILL NOW PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL ATTENDEES ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH THE REDISTRICTING HEARING DUE TO THESE SERVICES PRIOR TO THE CONTENT OF THE REDISTRICTING MEETING.

THE INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE DISPLAYED NOW ON THE SCREEN IN THIS MEETING.

THE CITY'S MAIN WEBSITE, AND THE CITY'S REDISTRICTING WEBSITE.

I WILL NOW TURN IT OVER TO PATTY BLACK.

THANK YOU.

>> PATTY BLACK: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

I AM PATTY BLACK FROM INTERNATIONAL CONTACT, YOUR LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION HOST FOR TODAY.

TODAY WE HAVE MANDARIN AND CANTONESE-SPEAKING PARTICIPANTS WHO WILL BE LISTENING TO THE MEETING ON THEIR CORRESPONDING CHANNEL.

THE INTERPRETATION CHANNELS WILL BE CREATED IN A MOMENT.

NOW WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE INSTRUCTIONS TO OUR MANDARIN AND CANTONESE SPEAKERS.

CAN YOU PLEASE GIVE THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE SCREEN IN CANTONESE, PLEASE?

[SPEAKING CANTONESE]

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, YIK FAI.

DOROTHY, CAN YOU PLEASE GIVE THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT ARE IN MANDARIN?

[SPEAKING MANDARIN]

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, DOROTHY.

NOW, EVERYONE, PLEASE WAIT WHILE I CREATE THE INTERPRETATION CHANNELS.

VERY WELL.

THE INTERPRETATION CHANNELS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CREATED.

IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL ENGLISH SPEAKERS, INCLUDING PANELISTS AND PARTICIPANTS, TO GO TO THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU WILL NOT HEAR THE INTERPRETED COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS LATER ON IN THE MEETING IF YOU'RE NOT IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL AND YOU SPEAK ENGLISH.

FROM THE CHINESE PARTICIPANTS.

TO DO THIS, YOU JUST NEED TO GO TO THE WORLD ICON AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR SCREEN, AND THEN SELECT ENGLISH.

SO EVERYONE, ALL OF US TOGETHER, GO TO THE WORLD ICON AND GO TO ENGLISH.

AT THIS TIME ALSO, ONLY LANGUAGE PARTICIPANTS THAT HAVE THE APPLICATION UNDER DEVICES WILL BE ABLE TO USE THE INTERPRETATION CHANNELS.

WE ASK ALL OF OUR PANELISTS TO SPEAK SLOWLY, SINCE OUR INTERPRETERS NEED TO KEEP UP WITH YOU.

PLEASE TRY TO KEEP THIS IN MIND THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE MEETING.

THIS CONCLUDES THE MULTI-LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONS.

I WILL GIVE THE HOST BACK TO SUSAN.

YOU CAN TAKE THE SLIDE OFF, PLEASE.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND I THINK OUR MANAGEMENT ANALYST, AMANDA GALLO, WILL BE PROVIDING AN INTRODUCTION.

>> AND NOW THE RECORDERS AND THE INTERPRETERS CAN START INTERPRETING AND RECORDING.

>> GREAT.

GOOD EVENING, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, MADAME MAYOR, AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

WE ARE NOW ENGAGING IN OUR THIRD PUBLIC HEARING OF OUR REDISTRICTING PROCESS, SO REALLY ENCOURAGING AND THANK THE PUBLIC FOR THEIR INPUT THUS FAR IN THIS PROCESS, AS WELL AS ENCOURAGING CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT THROUGHOUT THE THIRD AND FOURTH PUBLIC HEARINGS AS WE APPROACH THE DEADLINE IN APRIL.

NOW I WANT TO INTRODUCE KRISTIN PARKS OF NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS CORPORATION WHO THE CITY HAS BEEN CONSULTING WITH AS OUR DEMOGRAPHIC CONSULTANT THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS, AND KRISTIN WILL BE LEADING THIS MEETING, PROVIDING A PRESENTATION FOR THE PUBLIC AND THE COUNCIL, AND THEN OPENING IT UP TO YOU ALL FOR DISCUSSION.

SO KRISTEN, TAKE IT AWAY.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, AMANDA.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

I AM GOING TO SHARE MY SCREEN HERE.

I DO HAVE A RELATIVELY BRIEF POWERPOINT PRESENTATION JUST TO REVIEW WHERE WE'VE BEEN IN THIS PROCESS, WHERE WE'RE GOING, AND WHAT NEW MAPS WE HAVE TO CONSIDER THIS EVENING.

SO AS THE MAYOR SAID, WE DO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING COMING UP AFTER THIS ONE TONIGHT ON APRIL 5TH, SO THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THE DRAFT MAPS, I'LL SHOW YOU THE WEBSITE WHERE YOU CAN DO THAT.

IT REDISTRICTFREMONT.ORG, AND IF YOU HAVE FEEDBACK ON THE DRAFT MAPS THAT ARE PRESENTED TONIGHT OR ANY OF THE OTHER MAPS, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU SEND THAT IN TO THE COUNCIL SO THEY CAN RECEIVE YOUR FEEDBACK.

THE DEADLINE IS APRIL 17TH SO WE ARE ON TRACK FOR THE CITY TO ADOPT A NEW DISTRICT MAP.

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL HAVE SEEN THIS SLIDE SEVERAL TIMES, BUT I DO LIKE TO REVIEW BECAUSE WHEN WE DISCUSS THE DRAFT MAPS THAT I'LL BE SHOWING YOU IN JUST A MOMENT, WE'LL BE REFERRING BACK TO THE LEGAL CRITERIA.

SO FIRST AND ALWAYS FOREMOST IS OUR FEDERAL LAW.

THE FIRST REQUIREMENT FOR DISTRICT MAPS UNDER FEDERAL LAW IS THAT EACH DISTRICT HAD EQUAL POPULATION.

WHAT THAT MEANS IS EQUAL POPULATION NOT DOWN TO THE VERY LAST PERSON BUT WITHIN A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 10% FROM THE LARGEST DISTRICT TO THE SMALLEST DISTRICT.

WE MUST ALSO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND ENSURE THAT DISTRICTS ARE NOT DILUTING THE VOTING POWER OF PROTECTED CLASSES OF VOTERS SO THAT WOULD INCLUDE ASIAN AMERICAN VOTERS, AFRICAN AMERICAN VOTERS, LATINOS, AND NATIVE AMERICAN VOTERS.

WHILE WE ARE LOOKING AT RACE AND ETHNICITY TO SOME EXTENT, WE CANNOT DRAW DISTRICTS BASED SOLELY ON THOSE FACTORS OR THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED RACIAL GERRYMANDERING, SO WE WANT TO AVOID THAT.

WE WILL BE LOOKING AT OTHER FACTORS AS WELL.

CALIFORNIA LAW IS THE NEXT BODY OF LEGAL REQUIREMENTS WE MUST FOLLOW.

CALIFORNIA LAW GIVES US FOUR RANK-ORDERED CRITERIA AND THEY ARE ORDERED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE, MEANING WE MUST CONSIDER NUMBER ONE FIRST, THEN NUMBER TWO, THREE, FOUR.

THE FIRST IS SIMPLY THAT DISTRICTS ARE GEOGRAPHICALLY CONTIGUOUS.

WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT EACH DISTRICT SHOULD BE ONE COMPLETE PIECE WITH NO DISCONNECTED AREAS.

SECOND, WE WANT TO MINIMIZE THE DIVISION OF NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.

ONE WAY TO THINK ABOUT WHAT A DISTRICT IS, IT IS A COLLECTION OR GROUPING OF NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES.

AND WHAT OUR GOAL IS IS TO DETERMINE WHICH NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES SHOULD BE GROUPED TOGETHER IN WHICH DISTRICTS.

THIRD, STATE LAW SAYS WE SHOULD CREATE EASILY IDENTIFIABLE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN OUR DISTRICTS.

SO THIS IS WHY WE MAY DRAW BOUNDARY LINES ALONG MAJOR ROADS, WATERWAYS OR OTHER FEATURES, AND FINALLY THE LAST CRITERION UNDER STATE LAW IS THAT DISTRICTS SHOULD BE COMPACT.

SO THIS IS SOMETHING I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT TONIGHT, BECAUSE IT CAN BE DIFFICULT TO DRAW DISTRICTS THAT ARE COMPACT.

AND OFTEN WHEN WE LOOK AT THE SHAPE OF DISTRICTS, IF THEY ARE SNAKING AROUND AND THEY'RE AVOIDING TAKING IN A CERTAIN AREA SO THEY CAN GO FARTHER AWAY AND TAKE IN A MORE DISTANT AREA, WE WOULD SAY THAT DISTRICT IS NOT COMPACT.

SO WHILE IT IS LAST IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE, WE DO STILL WANT TO KEEP IT IN MIND WHEN WE ARE LOOKING AT THE DRAFT MAPS.

SO THOSE ARE THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

WE CAN CERTAINLY PURSUE OTHER GOALS, BUT FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE MAPS THAT ARE BEING PRIORITIZED FOR ADOPTION BY THE COUNCIL MEET THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

SO HERE IS THE CURRENT DISTRICT MAP.

THIS IS OUR BASELINE.

THIS MAP WAS ADOPTED IN 2017, WENT INTO EFFECT IN 2018, AND THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CITY OF FREMONT HAD DISTRICTS.

SO THESE DISTRICTS WERE DRAWN USING 2010 CENSUS POPULATION NUMBERS.
SO NOW THAT THE 2020 CENSUS HAS CONCLUDED, WE NEED TO REVISIT THESE BOUNDARIES
FIRST AND FOREMOST TO ENSURE THAT EQUAL POPULATION REQUIREMENT OF THE FEDERAL
LAW IS MET.

SO THAT IS WHY WE'RE HERE ON THIS PROCESS, AND AS YOU'LL SEE, WHEN WE LOOK AT
THOSE EXISTING DISTRICTS AND WE LOOK AT THEIR POPULATION IN 2020, WE DO SEE THAT
THE TOTAL DEVIATION IS ABOVE 10%, WHICH IS CONSIDERED NOT LEGALLY PERMISSIBLE.
THAT MAXIMUM DEVIATION UNDER FEDERAL LAW, COURTS HAVE DEEMED TO BE 10%.

SO WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT THE DRAFT MAPS THIS EVENING, WE ARE GOING TO BE
LOOKING FOR MAPS THAT BRING THAT TOTAL POPULATION DEVIATION UNDER 10%.
WHAT THAT MEANS, IF ANY OF YOU HAVE SAT DOWN TO DRAW A SIX-DISTRICT MAP FOR
FREMONT, WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT IF YOU TAKE THE TOTAL 2020 POPULATION OF THE
CITY AND YOU DIVIDE IT BY 6, THE NUMBER OF DISTRICTS, WE'RE LOOKING FOR EACH
DISTRICT TO HAVE APPROXIMATELY 38,441 PEOPLE.

SO THERE'S THE MAP.

I'M NOT GOING TO GO OVER THIS BUT IT'S JUST HERE FOR REFERENCE, SO THAT WE CAN BE
TOTALLY TRANSPARENT AS TO WHAT OUR NUMBERS ARE.

AND THE STAFF REPORT THIS EVENING ALSO MENTIONED THE SURVEY THAT CITY STAFF
CONDUCTED.

WE'VE ALSO BEEN COLLECTING PUBLIC TESTIMONY DURING THESE HEARINGS AND VIA EMAIL
AND OTHER WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE.

THIS IS JUST A SAMPLE OF SOME OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS OR THE COMMUNITIES THAT
HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS NOT JUST EXISTING IN FREMONT, BUT NEIGHBORHOODS THAT
SHOULD NOT BE DIVIDED INTO MULTIPLE CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

SO WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES THAT WANT TO BE KEPT WHOLE
WITHIN ONE CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT.

SO WE WILL REFER TO SOME OF THESE WHEN WE LOOK AT THE MAPS AS WELL.

SO, MAPS.

IT'S ACTUALLY -- IT SHOULD BE 14 MAPS NOW, BECAUSE WE HAD ONE MORE THAT WE INDED
UP ADDING SINCE I BELIEVE THE STAFF REPORT WAS WRITTEN.

AND WHAT THAT IS IS 11 MAPS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THREE MAPS THAT MY FIRM,
NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS, HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE CITY.

NOW THE VERY FIRST THING THAT WE DO WITH ALL OF THE MAPS THAT ARE RECEIVED IS WE
LOOK TO SEE IF THEY'RE COMPLETE, DID EVERY PART OF THE CITY GET ASSIGNED TO A
DISTRICT?

DID EVERY BLOCK GET ASSIGNED?

AND IF THAT'S NOT THE CASE, THEN THE MAP IS INCOMPLETE.

THE SECOND THING THAT WE LOOK AT IS, ARE THE DISTRICTS CONTIGUOUS?

SO ALL OF THESE MAPS HERE ARE CONTIGUOUS.

SO THAT WASN'T AN ISSUE.

THEN WE LOOK AT POPULATION EQUALITY, MEETING THAT FEDERAL EQUAL POPULATION
RULE.

AND WE LOOK TO SEE IF THE TOTAL DEVIATION IS WITHIN THAT ZERO TO 10% RANGE THAT'S LEGALLY PERMISSIBLE.

SO WHEN YOU SEE THE MAPS HERE ON THE SLIDE LABELED NOT POPULATION-BALANCED, IT HAS A TOTAL DEVIATION GREATER THAN 10%, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY WOULD LIKELY BE DEEMED NON-LEGALLY COMPLIANT OR ILLEGAL.

SO THAT'S WHAT THOSE INDICATIONS ARE, AND THE YELLOW HIGHLIGHTED MAPS HERE ARE THE NEW ONES THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN PUBLICLY PRESENTED AT A PUBLIC HEARING. SO THOSE ARE THE ONES I'M GOING TO LOOK AT A LITTLE MORE CLOSELY THIS EVENING, BUT ALL OF THE MAPS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE BOTH IN A PDF FORM IF THEY ARE A COMPLETE BALANCED MAP AND ON THE INTERACTIVE REVIEW MAP.

SO IF YOU WANT TO FOLLOW ALONG, DEFINITELY GO TO THE WEBSITE SO YOU CAN PULL THESE MAPS UP IF YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN COMPUTER.

THE OTHER THING I WANT TO MENTION IS YOU'LL ALSO SEE FOR PUBLIC MAP 80170 AND NDC MINIMAL CHANGE, THAT I'VE NOTED THAT THOSE MAPS DIVIDE COIS.

WHAT THAT MEANS IS COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.

SO WHEN WE PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED THOSE MAPS, WE RECEIVED FEEDBACK FROM COUNCIL AND THE PUBLIC THAT THOSE MAPS WERE DIVIDING COMMUNITIES THAT DID NOT WANT TO BE DIVIDED.

SO I'M JUST NOTING THAT THERE.

IT DOESN'T MEAN THE MAPS NECESSARILY HAVE LEGAL VIOLATIONS BUT IT IS A RED FLAG AND IT MAY NOT BE -- THOSE MAPS MAY NOT BE IDENTIFIED AS THE PRIORITY MAPS MOVING FORWARD, BUT IF THEY ARE, I WOULD CERTAINLY FLAG THOSE CONCERNS.

SO OF THE NEW MAPS, THERE ARE TWO MAPS THAT DON'T MEET THAT BASIC CRITERIA, AND I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT WHY, BECAUSE IT'S A LOT OF -- IT'S REALLY DIFFICULT TO DRAW A MAP.

ANY OF YOU WHO HAVE SAT DOWN TO DO THIS, IT'S NOT JUST A 15-MINUTE ACTIVITY. IT CAN BE QUITE COMPLICATED.

SO PUBLIC MAP 85560, IF YOU LOOK AT IT, IT LOOKS LIKE A VERY GOOD MAP.

AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE WEBSITE, IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S COMPLETE AND BALANCED.

HOWEVER, THIS MAP WAS CREATED BEFORE THE ONLINE MAPPING TOOL UPDATED WITH OUR OFFICIAL DATA FROM THE FEDERAL CENSUS AND THE CALIFORNIA ADJUSTMENT.

SO AFTER TAKING THIS MAP AND RUNNING IT THROUGH THE OFFICIAL CENSUS DATA, IT COMES OUT WITH A GREATER THAN 10% TOTAL DEVIATION.

SO IT'S IMPORTANT, I THINK, FOR THE COUNCIL TO LOOK TO SEE THE THEMES AND THE IDEAS AND TO SEE WHERE THE LINES HAVE BEEN DRAWN.

BUT JUST TO BE AWARE THAT THAT MAP AS DRAWN DOESN'T MEET THE EQUAL POPULATION REQUIREMENT.

THEN THE OTHER MAP ON THIS SLIDE, PUBLIC MAP 97723, IT'S NOT POPULATION BALANCED, BUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE, AND I DON'T KNOW IF ANYONE NOTICED THIS YET, IT ONLY DRAWS FIVE DISTRICTS.

WE DON'T KNOW IF THAT WAS THE INTENT OF THE PERSON WHO DREW THE MAP OR NOT. SOMETIMES THERE ARE MAPS WE RECEIVE THAT HAVE A DIFFERENT NUMBER OF DISTRICTS, THAN THE NUMBER OF DISTRICTS THAT THE CITY CURRENTLY HAS.

SO THAT MAP IS, TO SOME EXTENT, INCOMPLETE BECAUSE IT ALSO HAD 102 PEOPLE UNASSIGNED, BUT IT CAN'T BE BALANCED BECAUSE IT DOES NOT DRAW SIX DISTRICTS, IT HAS ONE DISTRICT THAT IS -- EVEN WITH FIVE DISTRICTS, IT'S NOT BALANCED, RIGHT? AND I DO SEE A HAND RAISED.

DID YOU WANT TO JUMP IN REAL QUICK?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YES.

I NOTICED THAT WHEN YOU'RE ON THE MAP PAGE, I DON'T ANYWHERE SEE THE NUMBER OF THE MAP ON THAT PAGE, AND SO I KEEP GOING BACK AND FORTH TRYING TO REMEMBER WHICH IS WHICH.

IS THERE ANYWHERE ON THE PAGE THAT INDICATES WHICH NUMBER IT IS?

>> THERE SHOULD BE.

SO IF YOU GO TO REDISTRICTFREMONT.ORG, DRAFT MAPS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: IF YOU CLICK ON ONE OF THE MAPS, CAN YOU JUST SHOW ME WHERE THE NUMBER IS ON THE MAP.

>> IF YOU CLICK THIS FIRST ONE, THE ONLY PLACE YOU CAN SEE THE MAP NUMBER IS ACTUALLY IN THE URL.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: GOT IT.

>> AND THE URL IS IDENTICAL FOR ALL OF THESE MAPS.

THE ONLY THING THAT'S DIFFERENT IS THE MAP NUMBER.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: GOT IT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> IN THE PDF, IT LISTS IT, BUT THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION.

I ALSO WANT TO LET EVERYONE KNOW, IF YOU SCROLL ALL THE WAY TO THE BOTTOM, THERE IS NOW THIS INTERACTIVE MAP WHERE YOU CAN KEEP THE EXISTING DISTRICT OUTLINES AND YOU CAN TURN ON AND OFF THE PUBLIC MAPS TO COMPARE THEM WITH THE CURRENT DISTRICTS, AND YOU CAN LOOK AT SOME OTHER DEMOGRAPHIC DATA AS WELL.

SO THIS IS A GREAT RESOURCE WHEN WE'RE TRYING TO COMPARE DIFFERENT DRAFT MAPS. ALL RIGHT.

NOW TO GET INTO THE MAPS THAT ARE COMPLETE AND BALANCED, THAT ARE NEW SINCE THE LAST TIME THAT I WAS BEFORE YOU, WE HAVE PUBLIC MAP 85901.

THIS MAP HAS A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 7.05%.

AND YOU CAN SEE THAT THIS MAP REALLY DOESN'T MAKE ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES.

IF YOU LOOK AT THE BLACK DOTTED LINE, IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY -- TO DISTRICT 1.

THE DOTTED LINE IS THE CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARY, AND THEN OF COURSE THE SHADED AREAS ARE THE PROPOSED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

ONE OF THE THINGS WE TALKED ABOUT AT THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING WAS THE WAY THE CURRENT DISTRICT MAP, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THIS SORT OF JAGGED LINE HERE, BETWEEN 2 AND 3, HOW IT DIVIDES THE GLENMOOR COMMUNITY.

SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE LOOK AT WHEN WE LOOK AT THESE MAPS IS, IS THE PROPOSAL UNIFYING THAT NEIGHBORHOOD?

AND IS IT DIVIDING ANY OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS?

SO THAT'S ONE THING TO LOOK AT.

AND AS I MOVE TO THE NEXT MAP, I'LL ALSO POINT OUT THAT WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION, WE DO SEE IN MOST OF THESE MAPS, IF NOT I BELIEVE

ALL OF THEM, WE DO SEE THAT THREE OUT OF THE SIX DISTRICTS DO HAVE A MAJORITY ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER OF CITIZENS OF VOTING AGE.

SO THAT'S WORTH POINTING OUT.

PUBLIC MAP 91064 HAS A SLIGHTLY LOWER DEVIATION, 6.43%, AND AGAIN, YOU CAN SEE THIS MAP UNIFIES GLENMOOR TO A BETTER EXTENT THAN THE CURRENT MAP AND MAKES, AGAIN, VERY LITTLE CHANGES TO THE CURRENT DISTRICT 1 AND THE CURRENT DISTRICT 5. THERE IS A CHUNK OF 5 THAT HAS BEEN ADDED INTO DISTRICT 6.

THERE IS SOME OF DISTRICT 6 THAT HAS BEEN ADDED INTO DISTRICT 4, AND IN GENERAL, THIS MAP AND THE PREVIOUS MAP, BUT MORE SO THIS MAP, 91064, IS REALLY SORT OF MINIMAL CHANGES TO THE CURRENT MAP.

95649, THIS MAP HAS A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 7.81%, AND AGAIN, THIS MAP UNIFIES GLENMOOR BUT YOU'LL NOTICE WHAT'S DIFFERENT ABOUT THIS ONE THAN THE TWO OTHERS IS THAT THIS MAP ASSIGNS THE GLENMOOR AREA TO DISTRICT 2 AS OPPOSED TO DISTRICT 3.

AND THIS MAP ATTEMPTS TO DEAL WITH THE UNDERPOPULATION OF DISTRICT 1 BY EXTENDING IT INTO WHAT IS CURRENTLY DISTRICT 2, SO THAT'S WHY YOU SEE SOME OF THAT SORT OF RED/PINK AREA THERE.

BECAUSE THE CURRENT DISTRICT 1 IS UNDERPOPULATED.

SO THEY'RE TRYING TO BALANCE THAT THERE.

WE DO HAVE A SORT OF -- IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY AT DISTRICT 3, THERE IS A WEIRD LITTLE FOOT OR TAIL POKING INTO DISTRICT 6.

I'M NOT SURE IF THERE'S A SPECIFIC REASON FOR THAT OR NOT.

BUT THIS DISTRICT 6 IS IN SOME WAYS NOT COMPACT BECAUSE YOU SEE IT REALLY CIRCLING AROUND INTO THAT MISSION AREA.

DISTRICT 5 IS RELATIVELY THE SAME AND UNCHANGED.

BUT WE DEFINITELY SEE WHAT IS CURRENTLY DISTRICT 4 BEING BROKEN UP UNDER THIS PROPOSAL.

AND WHILE I'M JUST TRYING TO GET YOU THE BROAD STROKES HERE, I WILL TAKE QUESTIONS AND I CAN PULL UP THAT INTERACTIVE MAP AT THE END SO THAT WE CAN ZOOM IN TO HELP ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE COUNCIL MAY HAVE.

SO NDC DRAFTED MAPS ALSO TRYING TO UNIFY GLENMOOR BUT ALSO TO SOME EXTENT MAKE MINIMAL CHANGES TO BALANCE THE POPULATION.

SO THE PURPLE MAP, AND AGAIN, THESE ARE RANDOM NAMES, WE'RE GIVING THE MAPS, HAVE A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 8.14%.

AND YOU CAN SEE THAT IT PRETTY CLOSELY ALIGNS WITH THE CURRENT DISTRICT, YOU DO SEE DISTRICT 5 HERE, THERE'S A CHUNK OF DISTRICT 6 THAT HAS BECOME DISTRICT 5 BETWEEN RAILROAD TRACKS AND 680 THERE.

YOU DO SEE A LITTLE BIT OF CURRENT DISTRICT 4 THAT IS GETTING ADDED INTO 3 AND SOME OF CURRENT DISTRICT 2 THAT'S ALSO GETTING ADDED INTO 3, AND AGAIN, STRAIGHTENING THAT JAGGED LINE IN BETWEEN.

KEEPING DISTRICT 1 UNCHANGED.

THE NDC GREEN MAP HAS A SLIGHTLY LOWER DEVIATION OF 6.7%.

AGAIN DISTRICT 1 IS UNCHANGED.

IT IS GOING TO BE THE LEAST POPULATED DISTRICT.

REALLY THE ONLY WAY TO INCREASE THE POPULATION OF DISTRICT 1 IS TO PUSH IT INTO DISTRICT 2.

THE PURPLE AND THE GREEN MAP INSTEAD JUST KEEP DISTRICT 1 AS IS.

THIS ONE, YOU'LL SEE INCORPORATES GLENMOOR INTO DISTRICT 3 INSTEAD OF DISTRICT 2, SO THAT IS ONE OF THE QUESTIONS TO THINK ABOUT, IS WHERE DOES THIS NEIGHBORHOOD MAKE THE MOST SENSE.

AND AGAIN, THIS ONE PRESERVES DISTRICT 5 AS WELL INTACT, AND THERE'S SOME CHANGES ON THE BORDERS OF DISTRICT 4 WITH SOME OF CURRENT DISTRICT 3 POKING UP ALMOST LIKE A FISHTAIL INTO 4 THERE, AND A LITTLE BIT OF DISTRICT 2 AS WELL.

THAT IS IN ORDER TO GET OUR POPULATION BALANCED HERE BUT ALSO MAKING MINIMAL CHANGES, YOU CAN ALSO SEE THERE IS JUST THE SMALL PART OF DISTRICT 6 THAT HAS BEEN INCORPORATED FOLLOWING, AGAIN, RAILROAD TRACKS AS A BOUNDARY BETWEEN 6 AND 4. SO I CAN GO OVER TO THE WEBSITE NOW.

HERE'S THE EMAIL FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT ALREADY WANT TO GIVE FEEDBACK ON THESE MAPS, AND THEN I'M HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR LISTENING.

I KNOW THAT WAS A LONG PRESENTATION, I WAS TRYING TO GO NOT TOO FAST FOR OUR INTERPRETERS.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I SEE A HAND RAISED BY --

>> EXCUSE ME, MADAME MAYOR, BEFORE WE GO TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR OTHER QUESTIONS, I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, AGAIN, THAT OUR REDISTRICTING SCHEDULE HAS BEEN UPDATED WHERE REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING NUMBER 4 IS MARCH 1ST.

I THINK KRISTEN MIGHT HAVE HAD IT LISTED AS APRIL 15TH.

>> OH, I'M SO SORRY.

>> IT'S OKAY.

REITERATING THAT THAT SCHEDULE HAS BEEN UPDATED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE, BOTH THE CITY'S MAIN WEBSITE AND REDISTRICTING WEBSITE.

SO JUST HIGHLIGHTING THAT FOR THE PUBLIC, AND THE CITY WILL BE PUTTING OUT OUTREACH WITH THE MARCH 1ST DATE. ONE MORE HIGHLIGHT I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THAT DEBRA MARGOLIS AND TRISHA ORTIZ ARE ALSO ON TONIGHT'S ZOOM OR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE ANY LEGAL COUNCIL THAT THE CITY OR CITY COUNCIL MAY NEED.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I NOTED THAT TOO WHEN I WAS LOOKING AT IT.

SO THANK YOU.

I SEE COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN HAS HER HAND RAISED, BECAUSE AT THIS TIME, WE'LL GO TO THE COUNCILMEMBERS FOR CLARIFYING QUESTIONS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: THANK YOU I'M FEELING REALLY SAD FOR CENTERVILLE, OUR MAIN STREET RIGHT NOW, BECAUSE I'M NOT SEEING A LOT OF MAPS THAT DON'T DIVIDE IT INTO TWO HALVES.

AND OF COURSE AT OUR MEETING LAST WEEK, WEES ALSO DID SOMETHING I THINK IS REALLY BAD FOR THAT STREET.

BUT IT'S ONE OF THE FEW STREETS IN OUR CITY THAT HAS A POTENTIAL TO BE A WALKABLE MAIN STREET AND A COMMUNITY.

UNLIKE MOWRY, WHICH IS SO WIDE AND SUCH A HIGHLY TRAFFICKED STREET WHERE IT MAKES SENSE TO DIVIDE INTO TWO SEPARATE AREAS, CENTERVILLE IS A MAIN STREET COMMUNITY WITH BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS ON BOTH SIDES.

SO WE HAD MENTIONED THAT THAT WAS IMPORTANT TO US BEFORE, AND SO I'M REALLY SURPRISED TO SEE THAT THAT WASN'T RESPECTED IN THESE MAPS.

SO I'M JUST CURIOUS WHY THAT MIGHT BE.

AND THERE WERE SOME PUBLICLY SUBMITTED MAPS, WHICH I CAN GIVE YOU THE ONES THAT LOOKED LIKE THEY DID RESPECT THAT, BUT IN TERMS OF THE CONSULTANT-SUBMITTED MAPS, I DON'T SEE ANY OF THEM THAT TOOK THAT TO HEART.

>> WHICH ARE THE PUBLIC MAPS THAT YOU THINK DO A BETTER JOB OF CENTERVILLE? AND I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, CONSULTANT MAPS ARE NOT NECESSARILY BETTER MAPS.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC KNOW THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND THE COMMUNITIES BETTER. AND WHAT I'M HERE AS YOUR CONSULTANT THAT I CAN DO IS HELP MAKE ANY REVISIONS TO PUBLIC MAPS TOO, TO GET THOSE IN ANY WAY TO THE IDEAL POINT.

SO YOU'RE NOT HURTING MY FEELINGS, DON'T WORRY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: OKAY.

SO THE ONES I SAW -- AND I WAS HAVING A LITTLE TROUBLE BECAUSE I COULDN'T -- EVERY TIME I LOOKED, I COULDN'T SEE WHICH NUMBER IT WAS, BUT I'M PRETTY SURE THE ONES THAT LOOKED LIKE THEY REALLY DID A DECENT JOB, AND OF COURSE I WAS ONLY LOOKING AT THAT PART OF THE MAP SO I'M NOT SURE IF OTHER PARTS MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN AS GOOD, BUT 80170, 86345, AND 95649 LOOKED LIKE THEY ALL DID A PRETTY GOOD JOB OF TREATING CENTERVILLE AND GLENMOOR ALSO AS COMMUNITIES THAT NEED TO BE KEPT TOGETHER.

>> EXCELLENT.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

CLARIFYING QUESTIONS?

COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

I AGREE WITH COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN.

THERE WAS THAT CONVERSATION THAT WE HAD ABOUT CENTERVILLE AND INCORPORATING ALL THE BUSINESSES INTO ONE DISTRICT.

I, TOO, AM KIND OF IN FAVOR -- WELL, I WAS IN FAVOR OF TWO, BUT I CAN'T FIND WHAT HAPPENED TO THE NDC MINIMAL CHANGE MAP.

WAS THAT SOMETHING THAT WASN'T PRESENTED?

>> SORRY, I WAS MUTED.

SO THAT WAS PRESENTED -- I BELIEVE THAT WAS PRESENTED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING. SO WHAT I WAS DOING WAS PRESENTING WHAT WAS NEW THIS EVENING.

BUT IF YOU WANT, I CAN GO AHEAD AND PULL THAT UP ON THE SCREEN OR IF YOU JUST HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT IT, I'M HAPPY TO TRY TO ANSWER IT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: WELL, I WAS JUST CURIOUS IF THAT'S STILL ONE OF THE OPTIONS, IF IT WAS INCLUDED IN THE VIABLE MAPS.

>> YES, INDEED.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: IT IS?

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: WHY DON'T YOU PULL IT UP SO EVERYONE CAN SEE IT. I WAS ASKING KRISTEN TO PULL IT UP SO EVERYONE CAN SEE IT.

>> GIVE ME JUST --

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I'M SORRY, I THINK THAT ADDRESSED WHAT COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN WAS JUST REFERENCING AS WELL.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: ACTUALLY IT REALLY DOESN'T, AND TO ME THAT'S THE WORST MAP OF ALL BECAUSE IT DOESN'T GET RID OF THAT STRANGE JAGGED LINE, AND IT CONTINUES TO DIVIDE FREMONT BOULEVARD INTO TWO SEPARATE DISTRICT ON EITHER SIDE.

SO I'M NOT -- YOU MIGHT BE THINKING OF A DIFFERENT ONE, BUT THAT ONE DOES NOT RESOLVE IT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: YEAH, AGAIN, MINE, LIKE YOURS, THEY DON'T SHOW WHICH MAP I'M LOOKING AT, BUT I THOUGHT THAT THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP, IF I GO BACK AND RELOAD IT, DID TAKE INTO ACCOUNT MOWRY AND THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT DOESN'T HAVE STREET NAMES ATTACHED TO IT.

>> I KNOW!

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OH, NO, IT DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT MOWRY, WHICH I AGREE SHOULD BE INCORPORATED.

BUT IT DOES TAKE INTO ACCOUNT, IT LOOKS LIKE, BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD, PARTICULARLY THROUGH THE CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT.

AGAIN, IT'S KIND OF HARD TO TELL BECAUSE THERE ARE NO STREET NAMES ATTACHED.

SO I'M JUST GOING BY LANDMARKS.

>> SO I HAVE IT UP ON THE SCREEN HERE.

I THINK WHEN WE PRESENTED THIS PREVIOUSLY, THE MAIN CONCERN WAS THAT IT SAID THAT IT DIDN'T FIX THE JAGGED EDGE, AND ALSO THERE WAS FEEDBACK THAT THE ADDITION TO DISTRICT 1 WAS NOT LOGICAL, AND THAT IS BECAUSE DISTRICT 1, AGAIN, IS VERY UNDER POPULATED CURRENTLY.

BUT IF YOU GO BACK TO THAT PREVIOUS POWERPOINT, FOR SOME REASON THIS ISN'T ON THE INTERACTIVE MAP SO I'LL HAVE TO MAKE SURE THIS GETS BACK ON THE INTERACTIVE MAP OR JUST TURNED BACK ON, BUT THE PREVIOUS POWERPOINT DOES HAVE SOME ZOOM-IN WITH STREET NAMES, BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, IT DOESN'T HAVE STREET NAMES AND IT SHOULD.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: IF YOU LOOK AT THE LEFT-MOST PART OF THE GREEN, THAT LITTLE BULGE STICKING OUT, THAT HAS ONE SIDE IN GREEN AND THE OTHER SIDE IS IN BLUE, AND THAT'S FREMONT BOULEVARD, I'M PRETTY SURE.

SO IT DOES HAVE -- FREMONT BOULEVARD HAS BLUE ON ONE SIDE, GREEN ON THE OTHER.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YEAH, THE ONE THAT'S UP ON THE SCREEN RIGHT NOW.

>> THAT LITTLE BULGE THAT GOES THE LARGEST TO THE LEFT?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: THAT DIVIDES FREMONT INTO TWO SIDES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THE BULGE FROM DISTRICT 3, CORRECT, IS WHAT YOU'RE REFERENCING?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: THE BULGE -- IF YOU GO UP -- PUT YOUR CURSOR UP A LITTLE BIT, THAT BULGE THAT GOES FARTHEST TO THE LEFT.

YEAH.

THAT BULGE DIVIDE FREMONT BOULEVARD INTO TWO SIDE THAT ARE IN TWO DIFFERENT DISTRICTS.

THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF FREMONT IS BLUE AND THE NORTHERN SIDE IS GREEN.

WHICH I BELIEVE IS -- IT'S THE WAY IT IS NOW, IT'S EXACTLY THE WAY IT IS NOW.

WHICH IS THE THING THAT WE'RE TRYING TO FIX.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: AGAIN, I KNOW WE WANT TO FIX THE LINE ON MOWRY, AND I CAN DISCUSS WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM SOME OF THE RESIDENTS A LITTLE BIT LATER ON AFTER QUESTIONS ARE ALL DONE, BUT -- OKAY.

OF ALL THE MAPS ON HERE, THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT DIDN'T HAVE STREET NAMES ATTACHED TO IT SO IT WAS A LITTLE MORE DIFFICULT TO DECIPHER.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I THINK THAT'S ALL THE CLARIFYING QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME.

I'M ALSO GOING TO NOW OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK MAY DO SO BY CLICKING ON THE RAISE HAND ICON OR BY -- IF YOU'RE CALLING IN, BY DIALING STAR NINE.

THIS INCLUDES THOSE WHO ARE TUNED IN VIA ZOOM TO THE MANDARIN OR CANTONESE LANGUAGE CHANNELS WHO WISH TO COMMENT ON THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

OKAY.

WE'LL BEGIN WITH KELLY ABREU.

WELCOME.

>> YEAH, I'D LIKE TO POINT TO SOME OF THE STREET NAMES ON THE MAPS, SO I'LL START WITH THE GREEN MAP, WHICH IS MY FAVORITE MAP, BY THE WAY.

THERE IS SOMETHING CALLED JARVIS AVENUE.

I DID A VERY CAREFUL STUDY OF JARVIS AVENUE ON GOOGLE MAPS AND I DETERMINED, BASED ON A SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION HERE IN GOOGLE, THAT JARVIS AVENUE IS NOT IN FREMONT.

IT'S ENTIRELY WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWARK.

SO THAT'S PROBABLY AN INCORRECT STREET NAME.

NOW WHY IS THE GREEN MAP SO GOOD?

WELL, YOU KNOW, IT KEEPS DISTRICT 3 FAIRLY COMPACT, DISTRICT 2 FAIRLY COMPACT, IT FIXES THE JAGGED LINE, IT KEEPS DISTRICT 6 PRETTY WELL TOGETHER.

AS OPPOSED TO THE PURPLE MAP, WHICH TAKES DISTRICT 3 AND SNAKES IT ALL AROUND AND COMBINES QUARRY LAKES WITH SOMEWHERE DOWN AROUND STEVENSON AND 880.

SO THAT'S A LITTLE BIT STRANGE.

THE GREEN MAP LOOKS PERFECTLY FINE.

WE AT LEAST GET RID OF THOSE JAGGED LINES THAT SEPARATE DISTRICT 2 AND 3.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS KATHY KIMBERLIN.

WELCOME.

>> GOOD EVENING.

KATHY KIMBERLIN HERE.

I AM A GLENMOOR RESIDENT, AND ALSO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CENTERVILLE BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

I WILL PUT A DISCLAIMER, I DO NOT THINK THIS REDISTRICTING EVOLVES AROUND ME, REVOLVES AROUND MY NEIGHBORHOOD.

HOWEVER, I DO HAPPEN TO REPRESENT TWO VERY PROMINENT AREAS THAT REALLY WOULD BENEFIT TO STAY CONNECTED.

CENTERVILLE STAYING CONNECTED AND STAYING WHOLE WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT, AS WELL AS GLENMOOR.

GLENMOOR IS ALREADY SPLIT UP WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTING, AND I'D LIKE TO SEE THINGS A LITTLE SMOOTHER FOR THE COMMUNITY.

HOWEVER, THAT AFFECTS OUR NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS, WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH THEM, WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH THAT.

I DON'T WANT TO SHORTCHANGE ANYONE ELSE, BUT OF COURSE MY INTEREST TONIGHT WOULD REALLY BE TO POINT OUT GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE CONNECTIVITY.

AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THE NEXT SPEAKER IS JOHN HINDS.

WELCOME.

>> HELLO, EVERYONE.

FIRST I WANT TO SAY IT WAS A VERY INFORMATIVE, VERY HELPFUL PRESENTATION.

BUT AS WE HEARD IT, IT'S HARD NOT TO NOTICE HOW MUCH WORK IT TOOK TO PREPARE THAT AND HOW MUCH WORK IT TAKING THE COUNCIL AND OTHERS TO REVIEW IT AND ACT ON IT.

SO I HAVE TO ASK, WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME THE CITY ATTORNEY WAS ASKED TO GIVE AN OPINION ON HOW MUCH TIME WOULD HAVE TO ELAPSE OR WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD HAVE TO CHANGE BEFORE WE COULD JUST GO BACK TO AT-LARGE COUNCIL ELECTIONS? ASIDE FROM ALL THE EXTRA COMPLEXITY IN THIS, THE MAIN EFFECT OF IT IS TO DILUTE THE VOTES OF EVERYONE IN FREMONT BECAUSE EACH OF US DIRECTLY AFFECTS ONLY ONE OUT OF THE SIX COUNCIL SEATS.

I KNOW THIS WASN'T DONE FOR THE SAKE OF BENEFITS, BUT THERE DON'T APPEAR TO BE MANY BENEFITS.

SO I DO HOPE YOU'LL LOOK INTO HOW SOON WE COULD END THIS AND GO BACK TO AT-LARGE.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I'M LOOKING THROUGH THE PUBLIC, AND I SEE NO OTHER HANDS BEING RAISED.

AT THIS TIME, I WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THEN BRING IT BACK TO THE COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL.

I SEE COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.

I GUESS MY HAND IS STILL UP FROM LAST TIME BUT I'LL MAKE SOME COMMENTS.

REGARDING THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP, I DO UNDERSTAND THE CONCERNS THERE.

ONE THING THAT IT LOOKS LIKE IS IF STRAIGHTENING OUT THE LINE, I'M WONDERING IF YOU EXTENDED THAT ALL THE WAY DOWN TO PASEO PADRE, IT TAKES CARE OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN 2 AND 3 THERE, BUT IT ALSO INCORPORATES BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD INTO THE SAME DISTRICT.

SO THAT WOULD BE A PLUS.

PLUS I'VE HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS, AND I KNOW IT DOESN'T MATTER POPULATION-WISE, BUT A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS IN THE GLENMOOR NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTEREST TO HAVE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL INCLUDE IN THAT DISTRICT. SO AGAIN, ALL OF THAT EXTENDING THAT LINE EAST ON MOWRY TO PASEO PADRE AND THEN NORTH, I THINK WOULD PROBABLY CORRECT THAT.

EVERYTHING ELSE, AGAIN, WITH THE EXCEPTION, AND I BELIEVE THE CONSULTANT MENTIONED THIS, THERE'S THAT NON-CONTIGUOUS PORTION OF DISTRICT 1 THAT GOES INTO THE QUARRY LAKES ISHERWOOD AREA.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT WOULD DO TO SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE THE POPULATION, BUT IT REALLY KIND OF AN OUTLIAR, SO I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WE'D WANT TO GO FORWARD WITH EITHER.

BUT THOSE ARE BASICALLY ALL THE COMMENTS I HAVE ON THOSE -- ON DIRECTION FOR THIS PARTICULAR MAP.

IT SEEMS TO BE PRETTY WELL BALANCED, AND IT DOES STRAIGHTEN OUT WHAT WE'VE DISCUSSED IN OUR DECEMBER 7TH MEETING, I BELIEVE IT WAS, AND ALSO ADDRESSES FREMONT BOULEVARD IF I'M READING THE MAP CORRECTLY.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND I'D LIKE TO TURN IT TO COUNCILMEMBER SHAO FOR COMMENTS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

I WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO MAP FROM PUBLIC, NUMBER 91064, WHERE THE BIGGEST CHANGE WOULD BE TO PUT NILES INTO DISTRICT 2.

NILES, AS MUCH AS I REALLY APPRECIATE THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH THE LONGEST HISTORY IN FREMONT, FROM THE SCHOOL ATTENDING POINT OF VIEW, IT DOES GO TO THE WASHINGTON AREA, AND ON THE OTHER HAND -- SO IN THIS CASE, WHEN NILES IS PUT INTO DISTRICT 2, IT CERTAINLY WOULD MAKE SENSE FOR THE PARENTS AND THE STUDENTS WHO WOULD GO TO THE SAME ATTENDING AREA, AS FOR THE MISSION SAN JOSÉ NEIGHBORHOOD, I SEE PART OF THE GOMES AREA IS RIGHT NOW BACK TO DISTRICT 4, AND THAT CERTAINLY IS A CORRECTION FROM THE PAST WHERE PART OF MISSION SAN JOSÉ WAS INTO DISTRICT 6.

IN TERMS OF POPULATION BALANCE, IT IS PROBABLY THE MOST WELL BALANCED, AND IT IS COMPACT IN TERMS OF EACH DISTRICT AND IT CONSERVES THE COMPLETENESS OF THE COMMUNITY OF INTEREST.

SO I JUST WANT TO SHOW MY SUPPORT TO THIS MAP.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I'M CHECKING TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COMMENTS.

WE WILL BE HAVING ANOTHER HEARING AS MENTIONED IN THE CORRECTED SCHEDULE AS MARCH 1ST, WE'VE CORRECTED THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER COX.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES.

THANK YOU SO MUCH TO DNC FOR THE PRESENTATION.

I'M LOOKING AT ONE OF THE MAPS, THIS WAS THE GREEN MAP, AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT TOOK THE STREET IN DISTRICT 6 ALL THE WAY FROM AUTOMALL PARKWAY ALL THE WAY TO 680, WHICH WOULD ENCOMPASS SOME OF THE MISSION SAN JOSÉ AREA, AND DISTRICT 6 IS PREDOMINANTLY IRVINGTON, AND THIS PART OF COVERING THAT PART PLUS IS THAT INCLUDING THE RAILROADS ON THAT SIDE?

>> ARE WE TALKING ABOUT GREEN?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THE GREEN MAP.

GREEN MAP, DISTRICT 6, AND WHEN YOU TAKE ALL THE WAY TO THE FREEWAY, YOU'RE ALSO INCLUDING --

>> THAT'S CORRECT, YEAH, THE RAILROAD AREA.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

WHICH IS NOT REALLY INHIBITED AT ALL, IN SOME PARTS OF THAT, BUT IT DOES OVERLAP IN SOME OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

THAT WOULD BE THAT CUTOUT PAST DRISCOLL RIGHT THERE, DRISCOLL AND -- I GUESS THAT WOULD BE -- ANOTHER MAP I SAW IT WAS WASHINGTON BOULEVARD, WHICH IS MORE ON THE MISSION SIDE.

>> AND ARE YOU SAYING THAT THIS AREA, ADDING IT INTO 4, DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO YOU?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: NOT REALLY.

>> OKAY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: NOT ENTIRELY.

JUST TRYING TO KEEP THE ONE DISTRICT TOGETHER.

AND I KNOW WE ALL LOVE EACH OTHER IN THE DIFFERENT DISTRICT -- MISSION AND IRVINGTON, BUT I KNOW THAT PART OF THE IRVINGTON HISTORY AND MAKING SURE THAT STILL MAINTAINS ITS PRESENCE AND ITS HISTORY THERE, AND NOT TO BE KIND OF COMINGLED.

WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE?

I WAS LOOKING AT -- I THINK I WAS LOOKING AT YOUR PURPLE MAP.

YEAH, ON THE PURPLE MAP, YOU HAVE IT THAT DISTRICT 6, I GUESS, MOVES UP A LITTLE BIT MORE INTO DISTRICT 4.

>> YEAH, IT RETURNS IT BACK TO WHERE THE CURRENT LINE IS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

SO THIS THE CURRENT LINE WITH THE DRISCOLL AND I'M NOT SURE WHAT THAT OTHER STREET IS.

IS THAT STILL DRISCOLL GOING DOWN TO AUTOMALL?

>> IT'S OSGOOD -- WELL, IT'S REALLY THE RAILROAD TRACKS, I GUESS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

>> IS WHAT THAT LINE IS FOLLOWING BETWEEN 6 AND 5.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

YEAH, THAT WOULD BE KIND OF SIMILAR TO WHAT WE HAVE RIGHT NOW, IN THE CURRENT MAP, CORRECT.

>> RIGHT.

AND KEEPING IN MIND THAT CURRENTLY DISTRICT 6 IS THE MOST OVERPOPULATED DISTRICT, SO WHEN WE'RE THINKING OF WHICH PART OF IT YOU MAY WANT TO SHIFT WITH OTHER DISTRICTS, IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO THINK WHAT IS LOGICAL THERE AND NOT DIVIDING IRVINGTON.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: RIGHT.

I WANT TO KEEP IRVINGTON WHOLE, AND WE'LL TALK SOME MORE.

I'M STILL LOOKING AT A COUPLE OTHER MAPS AND KIND OF COMPARING RIGHT NOW.

>> GOOD.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

SEEING NONE, OH, NEVER MIND.

I NOW SEE COUNCILMEMBER KENG HAS RAISED HER HAND.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: YES, THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION.

I THINK THAT WE DEFINITELY WANT TO KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER, SO WE CAN CORRECT SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WENT THROUGH DURING THE FIRST REDISTRICTING, AND THEN I'M MOST FAVORING THE NDC GREEN MAP.

I THINK IT KIND OF KEEPS THE -- I THINK KIND OF LIKE THE SQUARE SIZES, IT KEEPS THE NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER FOR THE MOST PART.

SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT I THINK WOULD BE BEST SUITING FOR NOT MAKING TOO MUCH CHANGES TO THE CURRENT -- FROM THE CURRENT DISTRICTS.

AND ALSO KEEPING THE POPULATION OF EACH DISTRICT PRETTY CLOSE.

SO I THINK YOU WANT TO ADD LIKE A LITTLE SLIVER OF DISTRICT 2 TO DISTRICT 1, JUST TO MAKE UP A LITTLE BIT OF POPULATION, IT KIND OF DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

SO THAT'S MY COMMENT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

>> JUST TO REMIND THE WHOLE COUNCIL THAT IDEALLY, WE CAN WALK AWAY FROM THIS EVENING WITH A LIST OF MAPS THAT ARE PERHAPS CURRENTLY YOUR PREFERRED MAPS AND IF THERE'S ANY CHANGES THAT YOU THINK NEED TO BE MADE TO THOSE, PLEASE DIRECT ME TO DO SO.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

>> MS. BRIGGS: I'M SORRY, MADAME MAYOR, WE ARE AS THE STAFF REPORT INDICATES ASKING THAT YOU AS A COUNCIL GIVE DIRECTION ON POTENTIALLY ONE TO THREE MAPS, SO NARROWING DOWN THE NUMBER THAT WE'RE REVIEWING AND POTENTIALLY MODIFYING.

>> MAYOR MEI: WELL, I'VE HEARD SO FAR SOME OF THE FEEDBACK FOR N DC GREEN.

I ALSO WANTED TO NOTE THAT I SAW ONE OF THE PRIORITY THAT HAVE COME UP THAT PARENTS ASK ME ABOUT OFTENTIMES, IS THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS, MUCH LIKE KEEPING -- BECAUSE THAT HAS BEEN OF INTEREST FOR A LOT OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

SO I KNOW THAT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I WOULD DEFINITELY HIGHLIGHT, JUST BECAUSE OF THE BOUNDARIES THAT HAVE BEEN REALLY JUSTED BE AND IT'S BEEN VERY CONFUSING, I THINK, FOR SOME OF THE PARENTS, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE WENT TO REDISTRICTING AT FIRST, THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT MANY PEOPLE HAD SHARED WITH ME IN PARTICULAR. BECAUSE THERE WAS A LOT OF CONFUSION ON THAT.

SO THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING -- THAT'S JUST BECAUSE SO MANY PEOPLE WOULD DEFINITELY CONSIDER THEM COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, I THINK YOUR HAND IS RAISED.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: I'M SORRY, BUT THE CURRENT -- WE CANNOT ACCEPT NDC GREEN THE WAY IT IS BECAUSE IT DOES DIVIDE UP CENTERVILLE.

I JUST -- I HOPE WE CAN ALL AGREE THAT THAT'S NOT THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

IF IT COULD BE CHANGED SO THAT IT DOESN'T DO THAT ANYMORE, THEN I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE GREEN MAP, BUT THE WAY IT CURRENTLY IS, I CANNOT SUPPORT IT.

AND I HOPE MY FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS WILL AGREE THAT IT NOT ACCEPTABLE TO DIVIDE CENTERVILLE THAT WAY.

>> DO YOU HAVE ANY SPECIFIC CHANGE THAT YOU WOULD SUGGEST?

>> SORRY TO INTERRUPT.

THIS IS AMANDA.

ARE YOU ABLE TO PULL THE MAPS UP?

>> MAYOR MEI: THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO ASK TOO.

>> OH, YEAH.

I'M LOOKING AT THEM.

LET ME SHARE MY SCREEN.

>> THANK YOU.

>> OF COURSE.

>> SO WE ARE LOOKING AT THE BLUE LINES OR THE CURRENT DISTRICT OUTLINES AND WE ARE LOOKING AT THE GREEN MAP RIGHT NOW.

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>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: AS YOU CAN SEE RIGHT NOW, FREMONT BOULEVARD IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SEPARATE DISTRICTS.

>> YEP, RIGHT HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: SO IF THAT COULD BE MODIFIED, THEN I THINK IT WOULD BE FINE.

>> OKAY.

THAT'S VERY HELPFUL.

>> MAYOR MEI: COULD YOU ZOOM OUT A LITTLE BIT MORE ON THAT?

BECAUSE I THINK FOR ME, AGAIN, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, I'M A LITTLE CONCERNED ABOUT IS SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS BECAUSE THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WAS COMMENTED ON VERY EARLY ON WHEN WE FIRST WENT TO REDISTRICTING.

>> I WOULD CAUTION AROUND THAT SIMPLY BECAUSE WHAT -- IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMIND THE PUBLIC THAT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE ARE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION DISTRICTS.

AND THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ZONES ARE SOMETHING THAT IS NOT AN ELECTION DISTRICT.

THEY MAY BE, LIKE YOU SAY, A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST, RIGHT, PEOPLE THAT DEFINITELY IDENTIFY WITH THAT.

SO I THINK IF THERE IS -- BUT USUALLY THOSE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS, THERE'S INTEREST FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD, BECAUSE THE SCHOOL BOARD IS WHAT GOVERNS THOSE SCHOOLS AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY THAT THAT'S NOT THE CITY COUNCIL.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO I WAS GOING TO ASK THAT QUESTION TOO, AS WE KNOW RIGHT NOW, I THINK DUE TO THE TIMING OF THE CENSUS ORIGINALLY, WE HAVE CERTAINLY HAD A LOT MORE GROWTH IN DISTRICT 5, AND AS WE SEE DIFFERENT PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS COMING THROUGH.

IS THAT SOMETHING -- OBVIOUSLY WE CAN ONLY TAKE IT OFF OF THE SNAPSHOT AT THAT MOMENT, WHICH IS 2020.

WHEN WE DID THE CENSUS.

BUT I GUESS WE'D HAVE TO WAIT 10 MORE YEARS FOR THEM TO LOOK AT THE NEXT CHANGE.

>> WELL, WHAT I WOULD RECOMMEND IS IF YOU EXPECT DISTRICT 5 TO CONTINUE TO GROW, YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO ADOPT A MAP THAT THAT'S SIGNIFICANTLY OVERPOPULATED ALREADY.

YOU MAY BE MORE COMFORTABLE HAVING A NEGATIVE POPULATION DEVIATION FOR 5, ANTICIPATING THAT FUTURE GROWTH.

BUT AGAIN, THAT'S SOMETHING I WOULD ONLY CONSIDER AFTER YOU'RE CONFIDENT THAT ALL THE OTHER LEGAL CRITERIA HAVE BEEN MET.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I ALSO SEE COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

SO AGAIN, I'M LOOKING AT THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP, AND I THINK THAT IF MOWRY WAS STRAIGHTENED DOWN AND TAKEN EAST OF PASEO PADRE, IT WOULD ELIMINATE THAT ISSUE. IT DOES INCORPORATE BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD.

FOR THE BUSINESS DISTRICT.

IF IT WAS A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE TO THE POPULATION DISTRICT 3 COULD BE ADJUSTED A LITTLE BIT NORTH ALONG PASEO AND EAST UP TO MAYBE THORNTON, IF THAT WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO BALANCE THE NUMBERS, BUT I THINK THE IMPORTANT PART IS STRAIGHTENING THE LINE ON MOWRY AND INCORPORATING BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD INTO ONE DISTRICT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, IS YOUR HAND STILL RAISED FROM BEFORE?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YES, IT IS.

I'M SORRY.

I JUST WAS THINKING THAT IF WE REALLY WANT TO KEEP CENTERVILLE TOGETHER, PUTTING A DIVIDING LINE AT CENTRAL, THAT REALLY DOES CUT THE DISTRICT IN HALF.

SO IF IT COULD POSSIBLY GO DOWN TO THORNTON, THAT WOULD MAKE IT MORE CONSISTENT WITH KEEPING THE ENTIRE THING TOGETHER.

SO RIGHT NOW ON THE GREEN MAP, THERE'S THE DIVIDING LINE ON CENTRAL.

AND IF IT COULD GO DOWN TO THORNTON, AND STILL INCORPORATE BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD ALL WAY DOWN TO THORNTON, I THINK THAT WOULD BE A BETTER LINE.

AND THEN ON THE WEST SIDE OR SORRY THE EAST SIDE, MOVING IT FROM STEVENSON TO MOWRY IS A POSSIBILITY.

I KNOW COUNCILMEMBER JONES KEEPS MENTIONING MOWRY, NOT TOTAL LEISURE WHAT HE'S REFERRING TO WHEN HE'S TALKING ABOUT MOWRY, BUT RIGHT NOW THE LINE IS ON STEVENSON.

>> MAYOR MEI: CAN WE PULL UP THAT MAP?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: ACTUALLY THE LINE DIVIDING 2 AND 3 IS ALONG MOWRY, AND THE GLEN MANOR, GLENMOOR, THAT'S THE DIVIDING LINE I'M TALKING ABOUT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: CURRENTLY?

>> CURRENTLY IT DIVIDES GLEN MANOR AND GLENMOOR.

SO IF YOU WERE TO EXTEND THAT LINE EAST ON MOWRY, IT WOULD TAKE INTO DISTRICT 2 THEN GLEN MANOR AS WELL AS GLENMOOR, BUT IT ALSO INCORPORATES BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD.

ON THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: I'M CONFUSED NOW.

I'M SORRY.

>> SO I HAVE THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP ADDED TO THE INTERACTIVE MAP FOR ANYONE WHO'S ON THEIR COMPUTER.

JUST HIT REFRESH AND YOU'LL NOW BE ABLE TO SEE THIS MINIMAL CHANGE MAP.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: WHAT DIVIDING LINE ON MOWRY ARE YOU REFERRING TO? I'M SORRY, I'M NOT SEEING THAT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO CAN YOU DO THE OVERLAY ON THE DISTRICT OUTLINES CURRENTLY?

>> YEAH, SO THEY'RE BLUE RIGHT NOW.

I DON'T KNOW HOW WELL YOU CAN SEE THEM, BUT THEY ARE THIS BLUE LINE HERE.

SO THE MINIMAL CHANGE, RIGHT, IS THE SAME AS -- YOU CAN SEE THE DIFFERENCE, FOR INSTANCE, THE DIFFERENCE IS IN MINIMAL CHANGE, DISTRICT 3 IS COMING PAST THE CURRENT LINE HERE AT STEVENSON.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY, I'M TALKING ABOUT THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF DISTRICT 3.

SO IT STARTS FROM THE WEST, IT GOES FROM 880 DOWN MOWRY.

I'M TRYING TO MOVE YOUR MAP BUT I CAN'T DO THAT.

IT GOES FROM THE WEST -- FROM 880 DOWN MOWRY, AND THEN IT CUTS IN, I BELIEVE, AT BLACOW AND THEN TURNS EAST, SO THERE WAS THAT CONCERN OF INCORPORATING THE AREA BASICALLY AT THE CORNER OF MOWRY AND FREMONT, EXTENDING THE BORDER TO THAT CORNER, AND IT STRAIGHTENS OUT FREMONT BOULEVARD AND MOWRY AVENUE BOTH.

>> I SEE.

HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: CORRECT.

>> OKAY.

>> I CAN CERTAINLY LOOK AT THAT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: AND THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP ALSO INCORPORATES BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD IN THE BUSINESS DISTRICT.

BUT I THOUGHT THE MAIN CONCERN WAS THE CHANGE, TAKING IT DOWN TO FREMONT AND MOWRY, BUT THE MINIMAL CHANGE MAP ACTUALLY EXTENDS IT, I BELIEVE, TO PASEO PADRE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: WHY DO YOU SAY THAT IT KEEPS ALL OF CENTERVILLE TOGETHER?

I'M SO CONFUSED WHY YOU WOULD BE SAYING THAT, BECAUSE THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: WHAT PART DOES IT EXCLUDE?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: SEE HOW FREMONT BOULEVARD IS -- THERE'S A PART OF IT WHERE ONE SIDE OF THE STREET IS GREEN AND ONE SIDE OF THE STREET IS BLUE?

>> RIGHT HERE WHERE IT SAYS CENTERVILLE DISTRICT.

THE WORD ITSELF IS ACTUALLY SPLIT.

CAN YOU SEE THAT?

THERE WE GO.

THAT LEVEL OF ZOOM, THE WORD ITSELF IS ACTUALLY SPLIT.

SO THIS IS THE AREA.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO AGAIN, ONLINE, THIS PARTICULAR MAP DOES NOT HAVE STREET NAMES.

>> YEAH, I KNOW.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO IT'S A LITTLE BIT DIFFICULT TO FOLLOW.

>> YEAH, PULL IT UP ON THE INTERACTIVE MAP, WHICH IS ALSO ON THAT DRAFT MAP WEBSITE, IF YOU WANT TO.

OTHERWISE FEEL FREE TO DIRECT ME TO MOVE THE MAP ON THE SCREEN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO CURRENTLY, IF YOU COULD MOVE IT NORTH A LITTLE BIT TOWARDS THORNTON?

SO BLUE IS DISTRICT 2 IN THIS MAP, CORRECT?

>> CORRECT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO THE CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT RUNS FROM FREMONT BOULEVARD, FROM THORNTON TO CENTRAL.

SO THE ONLY THING THIS LEAVES OUT OF IT IS HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH.

BUT BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD ARE INCORPORATED INTO THE BUSINESS DISTRICT IN THIS MAP.

IS THAT CORRECT?

>> I HAD A COMMENT ABOUT THAT.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: I THINK CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT IS USUALLY DEFINED BETWEEN CENTRAL AND THORNTON.

THAT'S KIND OF THE -- AND I THINK THE PLANNERS CAN MAKE A COMMENT ON THAT.

>> DOES STAFF HAVE BOUNDARIES FOR THE BUSINESS DISTRICT AVAILABLE?

AND I'LL JUST POINT OUT AGAIN --

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: AS SOMEONE WHO LIVES IN THAT AREA, I CAN SAY MY IMPRESSION OF WHAT IS CENTERVILLE GOES FARTHER, GOES BEYOND CENTRAL.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'D LIKE TO ASK STAFF, WHAT DO WE CONSIDER WHEN IT COMES TO OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT?

BECAUSE I KNOW WE HAVEN'T DEFINED A LITTLE BIT THERE.

>> MS. BRIGGS: I WOULD ADD IT'S PROBABLY DEFINED IN SOME WAY IN OUR PLANNING DOCUMENTS, AND WE CAN SHARE THAT WITH THE COUNCIL FROM A BUSINESS DISTRICT STANDPOINT, WE DON'T HAVE A PRECISE DEFINITION.

YOU KNOW, IT IS WHERE THERE ARE BUSINESSES THAT COALESCE OR WHERE THERE'S DEVELOPMENT PLANNED OVER TIME.

SO REALLY, YOU KNOW, WOULD BE INTERESTED IN COUNCIL'S INPUT ON WHAT THEY CONSIDER TO BE THAT COMMUNITY OF INTEREST, ACTUALLY THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: AND THE COMMUNITY OF INTEREST IS NOT JUST WHERE THERE'S A LOT OF BUSINESSES.

IF YOU GO ALONG FREMONT BOULEVARD ON THAT STRETCH, THERE'S A LOT OF ACTIVITY THAT I DON'T THINK SHOULD BE DIVIDED.

SO THERE'S DIFFERENT APARTMENT BUILDINGS, THERE'S CHURCHES.

I JUST DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE DIVIDED, EVEN IF IT'S NOT -- EVEN IF SOME PEOPLE DON'T CONSIDER THAT THE CORE OF THE BUSINESS DISTRICT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THE OTHER OPTION WOULD BE TO EXTEND MOWRY DOWN TO PASEO PADRE AND GO NORTH.

AND THAT WOULD INCORPORATE ALL OF THAT.

WHERE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT CENTERVILLE JUNIOR HIGH AND SOME OF THE APARTMENT COMPLEXES, THE PENTAGON AND SOME OF THE OTHERS THERE.

IT WOULD ALSO ENCOMPASS WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, WHICH IS THE PREFERENCE OF SOME OF THE GLENMOOR RESIDENTS, OR A NUMBER OF THE GLENMOOR RESIDENTS.

>> SO WHAT WE'RE DISCUSSING IS ADDING ALL OF THIS TO DISTRICT 2, IS THAT CORRECT?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: YEAH, TAKING THE LINE FROM BASICALLY MOWRY AND 880 AND GOING DIRECTLY EAST, WITH COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN'S SUGGESTION THAT FREMONT BOULEVARD'S BUSINESS DISTRICT COMES FURTHER SOUTH THAN SOME OF THE REST OF US WOULD DISAGREE WITH, BUT IF YOU TAKE MOWRY DIRECTLY EAST TO PASEO PADRE AND WENT NORTH FROM THERE, IT WOULD ENCOMPASS BOTH OF THOSE DISTRICTS, IT WOULD INCLUDE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL WHICH I KNOW IS NOT PART OF THE EQUATION AS FAR AS HAVING TO INCLUDE THE ATTENDANCE AREAS, BUT IT HAS BEEN AN EXPRESSED DESIRE OF A LOT OF THE GLENMOOR RESIDENTS.

THAT WOULD KIND OF TAKE THAT INTO -- EVERYTHING INTO ACCOUNT THAT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP SO FAR.

BUT THE MAIN PART IS IT KEEPS THE BUSINESS DISTRICT TOGETHER AND STRAIGHTENS EVERYTHING OUT TO A LITTLE MORE -- I GUESS A REASONABLE EASIER TO READ MAP.

>> YEAH, SO THAT WOULD BE MORE SIMILAR THEN TO NDC PURPLE.

BUT WHAT I WOULD SAY IS, IF WE ARE GOING TO BE ADDING TO DISTRICT 2, POPULATION WISE, IS THERE ANY OTHER AREA OF DISTRICT 2 THAT COULD PERHAPS BE OF THE CURRENT BOUNDARIES, RIGHT?

AND IF WE WANT TO JUST LOOK AT THE CURRENT DISTRICT, THAT COULD BE ADDED EITHER TO DISTRICT 1, DISTRICT 3, DISTRICT 4 HERE, SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE AN OVERPOPULATED DISTRICT 2.

IF YOU LOOK AT THE CURRENT, IT'S SLIGHTLY OVERPOPULATED, SO IF WE ADD MORE TO IT, WHAT WE WANT TO DO TO BALANCE IT RIGHT IS WE'LL WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT JUST ADDING TO A CURRENTLY OVERPOPULATED.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO PREFERABLY 1 OR 4, CORRECT?

>> RIGHT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: WHAT ABOUT 80170?

I MEAN, THAT SEEMS TO DO A PRETTY GOOD JOB OF IT.

>> MS. BRIGGS: I WAS ALSO GOING TO LET THE COUNCIL KNOW THAT OUR PLANNING MANAGER, JOEL PULLEN, CAN SHARE FOR CONSIDERATION WHAT THE PLANNING DOCUMENTS -- HOW THE CENTERVILLE DISTRICT IS DEFINED.

I BELIEVE JOEL IS ON THE MEETING.

>> PLANNER PULLEN: IF THE COUNCIL WANTS A LITTLE MORE INFORMATION, I CAN GIVE A COUPLE WAYS TO LOOK AT IT.

THERE ARE A LOT OF WAYS TO LOOK AT OUR COUNT CENTERS IN OUR PLANS.

OUR COMMUNITY PLAN AREA FOR CENTERVILLE INCLUDES THE AREA FREMONT BOULEVARD BETWEEN WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL ON ONE SIDE, COUNTRY DRIVE, AND DECOTO, AND THEN MORE PRECISELY THE TOWN CENTER PEDESTRIAN ZONING AND GENERAL PLAN AREAS EXTEND FROM A PROPERTY NORTH OF CENTRAL UP TO JUST SHORT OF ALDER.

SO THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER JONES, IS YOUR HAND STILL RAISED FROM BEFORE OR IS THAT --

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I DON'T KNOW WHY IT'S NOT GOING DOWN.

SORRY, MADAME MAYOR.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

I WAS GOING TO MAKE ONE OTHER COMMENT THEN.

I KNOW THAT WHILE ATTENDANCE AREA IS NOT A PRIORITY, I ALSO NOTICED THAT WE'D IDEALLY HAVE ATTENDANCE AREAS SPLIT INTO TWO, NOT THREE.

THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO MENTION WHEN I LOOKED AT THIS, AND I THINK THAT'S WHY WE DON'T WANT THEM SPLIT INTO THREE DISTRICTS FROM ONE ATTENDANCE AREA.

THAT GETS MORE COMPLICATED.

SO IF YOU COULD ZOOM OUT A LITTLE BIT.

BUT I THINK WE'RE GIVING SOME GENERAL DIRECTION, AND PERHAPS THAT WHAT WE CAN GO FROM THAT DIRECTION.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

THIS IS VERY HELPFUL.

IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS WHO WANT TO IDENTIFY OF THE SET OF MAPS WHICH ONES ARE THEIR PREFERRED, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL IN HELPING US SEE WHAT'S IN COMMON AND HOW WE MIGHT NARROW IT DOWN A LITTLE BIT MOVING FORWARD.

AND I CAN CERTAINLY ATTEMPT TO BRING BACK A REVISED VERSION.

I'M HEARING FROM THE COUNCIL, THERE'S SOME THAT LIKE NDC GREEN, BUT WHAT WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT WAS IN MY MIND MORE OF CHANGES TO PURPLE, BUT I GUESS IT COULD BE CHANGES TO GREEN IN TERMS OF ADDING A LITTLE BIT MORE OF CENTERVILLE HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: IS THERE A REASON WE CAN'T LOOK AT 80170 --

>> WELL, HERE IT IS ON HERE.

FOR SOME REASON, AGAIN, IT'S NOT SHOWING ON THERE BUT I CAN FIX THAT.

BUT THIS ONE WE LOOKED AT AT THE LAST MEETING, IF YOU RECALL.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: THIS ONE LOOKS GOOD TO ME.

I'D LOVE TO HEAR IF OTHERS HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT IT.

>> ACCORDING TO MY NOTE, THERE WAS CONCERN ABOUT ON THE COUNCIL ABOUT DIVIDING THIS MISSION SAN JOSÉ DISTRICT, THIS SORT OF NON-COMPACT CANDLE FLAME.

>> MAYOR MEI: THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE BECAUSE THAT SPLITS IT INTO THREE THEN RIGHT THERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THREE SECTIONS, YEAH.

>> MAYOR MEI: BECAUSE WHILE I KNOW THAT SCHOOL DISTRICT ISN'T A PREDOMINANT DECISION-MAKING FACTOR, I THINK HAVING THREE WOULD NOT BE EASY FOR ANY ATTENDANCE AREA.

ESPECIALLY BECAUSE IT'S A VERY UNUSUAL -- LIKE AGAIN, THE COMPACTNESS.

>> THIS IS AN INTERESTING MAP, THOUGH, BECAUSE YOU CAN SEE WHAT IT DOES, AND THESE DISTRICTS AREN'T NUMBERED, OF COURSE, BUT IT'S REALLY -- IT'S LEAVING DISTRICT 1, BUT IT'S TAKING WHAT'S CURRENTLY DISTRICT 2 AND INCORPORATING IT WITH NILES TO THE NORTH, AND I KNOW THERE WAS ANOTHER MAP WE TALKED ABOUT TONIGHT THAT DID SOMETHING SIMILAR TO THIS, AND I AM HEARING FROM COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN THAT WHAT MIGHT BE THIS DISTRICT 3 HERE LOOKS GOOD.

SO TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN TAKE WHAT WE LIKE ABOUT THIS MAP AND TRY TO INCORPORATE IT INTO A MORE VIABLE MAP IS SOMETHING I'M HAPPY TO LOOK INTO FOR YOU.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: I'M GOING TO VOICE THAT DISTRICT 6, AS YOU HAD -- IT'S NOT GOING TO SOLVE THE SOLUTION FOR IRVINGTON BEING ONE WHOLE COMMUNITY OF INTEREST.

>> MAYOR MEI: THAT'S ALSO ANOTHER -- IT'S GOING TO BE HARD TO -- IT DIVIDES IN THE MIDDLE RIGHT THERE SO IT DOESN'T --

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: I THINK THERE COULD BE SOME OTHER MAPS WE COULD LOOK AT. 85739 MAYBE.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN, I SEE YOUR HAND IS RAISED. OR VICE MAYOR.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: YES.

AND I WILL CHIME IN TOO THAT THAT MAP, I THINK COMBINES MISSION SAN JOSÉ WITH IRVINGTON, SO KIND OF -- IT'S NOT REALLY COMPACT.

BUT I WAS THINKING THAT MAYBE WE BRING BACK 3, ONE WAS THE ONE COUNCILMEMBER JONES MENTIONED WITH MINIMAL CHANGE WITH STRAIGHTENING OUT THE LINES IN MOWRY AND PASEO, AND WE TRY TO KEEP THE CENTRAL -- CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT CORE INTACT.

SECOND WOULD BE TO LOOK AT THE GREEN MAP.

AND THIRD WOULD BE SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT, WHICH COUNCILMEMBER SHAO MENTIONED, JUST TO KEEP IT EXCITING.

SO THOSE WERE KIND OF THE THREE THAT I WOULD LIKE IN THAT DIRECTION TO MOVE FORWARD.

>> THAT MAP I MENTIONED FROM COUNCILMEMBER SHOE WAS PUBLIC 91064?

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THAT'S CORRECT.

>> MAYOR MEI: IT KEEPS THE CENTERVILLE CONCERN, I KNOW THAT WAS MENTIONED.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: I WOULD STILL LIKE DISTRICT 5 TO HAVE SOME OF THOSE WET LANDS.

>> THAT'S AN EASY FIX LUCKILY BECAUSE THERE'S NOT -- THERE'S ECOSYSTEM MORE SO THAN RESIDENTIAL.

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> THIS IS 91064.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: MY ONLY COMMENT ABOUT THAT IS DIVIDING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS, IF THAT IS A VIABLE CONCERN. BECAUSE IT WOULD DIVIDE PART OF WASHINGTON AND PART OF AMERICAN.

>> ARE THERE OTHER COMMENTS ON THIS MAP?

>> MAYOR MEI: I WAS GOING TO ASK IF IT HELPED WITH DECREASING THE POPULATION IN DISTRICT 1, AS 1 OF THE THINGS THAT WERE CITED EARLIER.

>> IF ANYONE HAS SUGGESTIONS FOR THAT. IF NOT, WE CAN KEEP IT AS IS, JUST KEEPING IN MIND THAT THAT LIMITS THE AMOUNT OF DEVIATION WE CAN HAVE IN OUR OTHER DISTRICTS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THIS IS 91064?

>> 91064, YEAH.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: BELOW WHERE DISTRICT 6 IS, WHERE YOU HAVE THE YELLOW LINE, THE GOLD LINE THERE, SO YOU'RE CUTTING OUT THAT AREA OF STREETS THAT WOULD BE 880. AND THAT WOULD GO INTO DISTRICT 5.

>> THIS MAP IS EXTENDING THE DISTRICT 6 BOUNDARY OVER 880. THE OTHER THING I SHOULD POINT OUT, IF YOU ARE LOOKING AT THIS BASE MAP, SOMETIMES IT'S ALSO HELPFUL TO LOOK AT THE SATELLITE VIEW. YOU CLICK BASE MAP, IMAGERY, YOU CAN THEN ALSO SEE THE SATELLITE VIEW, WHICH CAN OFTEN BE VERY HELPFUL IN DELINEATING DIFFERENT AREAS.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER COX, IS YOUR HAND STILL RAISED OR IS THAT FROM BEFORE?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: NO, I HAD RAISED IT AND WAS JUST COMMENTING ON THIS ONE FOR 91640.

>> MAYOR MEI: 91064, MM-HMM.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YEAH. BECAUSE NORMALLY WE HAD JUST HAD IT UP TO 880 THERE, SO BEYOND THAT, THAT'S ACTUALLY HOLMES, BUT IS THAT WHERE THE WETLANDS START? I CAN'T TELL. I'M TRYING TO BLOW IT UP ON MY COMPUTER, AND THEN I'M LOOKING AT YOURS AND MINE IS KIND OF FADED WHEN I'M LOOKING AT --

>> OH, YEAH, NO, NOT -- I DON'T THINK -- IT'S NOT QUITE YET. IF YOU LOOK AT THE SATELLITE IMAGERY, THERE'S STILL SOME OF 5 THAT'S ORANGE HERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: GOT IT.

SO IT WOULD GO TO WHERE THE ORANGE ENDS THERE.

>> EXACTLY.

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>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THAT WOULD BE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF PACIFIC COMMONS. COULD YOU PULL UP THE DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY FOR THAT ONE?

I CAN'T LOCATE THE ONE I HAVE.

>> SURE.

>> SO THIS ONE HAS A TOTAL DEVIATION, THIS MAP, 91064, AGAIN, IT'S NOT CHANGING THAT DISTRICT 1.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: VICE MAYOR SALWAN, I SEE YOUR HAND IS NOW RAISED.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: I GUESS BASED ON THE COMMENTS, IT SOUNDS LIKE DISTRICT 1, 5 AND 6 ARE PRETTY MUCH SET.

IT'S THE OTHER THREE WE NEED TO TWEAK.

AND SO IT SOUNDS LIKE THAT'S WHERE MOST OF THE DEBATE IS.

SO I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A WAY TO TRY TO ENCOMPASS THOSE COMMENTS AND TRY TO ADDRESS THAT WITH A COUPLE MORE DRAFTS TO SEE HOW WE CAN TWEAK THE DIFFERENT VERSIONS?

>> MAYOR MEI: I THINK THAT'S WHY WE ALSO MOVED OUR NEXT HEARING FROM APRIL TO MARCH, TO GIVE US SOME MORE TIME.

>> YEAH, AND THESE ARE HEAVILY POPULATED AREAS, SO ANY SMALL CHANGE IN THE BOUNDARY LINES COULD BE A LARGE CHANGE IN TERMS OF NUMBERS IN THESE AREAS HERE.

>> MAYOR MEI: I SEE OUR COUNSEL DEBRA MARGOLIS RAISED HER HAND.

>> I JUST WANTED TO COMMENT THAT WE'RE HOPING YOU CAN MAKE A DECISION ON THE MAP AT THE NEXT HEARING ON MARCH 1ST BECAUSE WE ACTUALLY HAVE TO DO AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AND IT REQUIRES A SECOND READING AND TIME FOR TO BECOME EFFECTIVE, SO THAT WAS THE MAIN REASON FOR MOVING UP THE SCHEDULE.

SO THE MORE YOU CAN NARROW IN NOW AND GIVE CLEAR DIRECTION TO OUR CONSULTANT FOR BRINGING BACK A MAP THAT YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO SELECT, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

>> MAYOR MEI: I AM SUPPORTIVE OF THE IDEA OF THE THREE THAT WE'VE TALKED ABOUT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT I THINK VICE MAYOR SALWAN HAD BROUGHT UP AND ALSO THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS, IF WE COULD DRAW THE CHANGES OFF OF THOSE THREE MAPS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: CAN YOU PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE THREE MAPS, SO WE'RE CLEAR?

>> MAYOR MEI: SURE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN, I THINK YOU WERE THE ONE WHO BROUGHT THEM.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: I THINK THIS IS -- WHAT'S THE NUMBER HERE?

>> MAYOR MEI: 91064.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: OH, THE ONE WE'RE LOOKING AT RIGHT NOW.

MY ONLY SUGGESTION WAS IF WE CAN MOVE THE BOUNDARY TO CENTRAL OR A LITTLE MORE SOUTH ON THIS ONE.

I DON'T KNOW IF IT POSSIBLE.

AND THIS WAS THE -- COUNCILMEMBER JONES MENTIONED THE MINIMAL CHANGE, MAKING CHANGE TO THE LINE ON MOWRY SO THERE'S NOT A JAGGED LINE AND GOING ALL THE WAY TO PASEO PADRE.

RIGHT, COUNCILMEMBER JONES?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: CORRECT.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: OKAY.

AND THEN THE THIRD WAS THE GREENER --

>> MAYOR MEI: I THINK YOU MENTIONED GREEN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: WE MENTIONED GREEN.

>> MAYOR MEI: -- I HAD THAT DOWN HERE.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: THIS ONE WAS PRETTY MINIMAL CHANGE ALSO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

I'D LIKE TO ADD IN THE PURPLE MAP AS WELL.

>> SO WITH GREEN AND PURPLE, I AM GOING TO REVIEW THE CENTERVILLE AREA FOR SURE. WITH THE MINIMAL CHANGE, I WILL SEE TO WHAT EXTENT WE CAN STRAIGHTEN OUT THIS BOUNDARY LINE HERE TOWARDS MOWRY, KEEPING IN MIND THAT THERE'S A LOT OF POPULATION AND DISTRICT 2 IS ALREADY OVER POPULATION, AND THEN WHEN WE LOOKED AT GREEN, I DO BELIEVE, COUNCILMEMBER COX, YOU WANTED TO GET BACK THIS AREA? IS THAT CORRECT?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: I'M SORRY, FOR THE GREEN?

I THINK IT WAS THIS ONE.

>> IT WAS THAT AREA UP TO DRISCOLL, FROM -- BETWEEN PASEO PADRE TO DRISCOLL THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THE DISTRICT, THAT WAS MOVED IN THIS MAP.

>> MAYOR MEI: I THINK IT FALLS INTO THE MISSION ATTENDANCE, AREA, THOUGH, AND IT'S NOT THAT BIG A CHANGE.

BECAUSE 6 IS OVERPOPULATED, THAT MIGHT BE AN OPTION, IF IT OFFSETS IT.

BECAUSE I DON'T THINK 4 CAN MOVE ANY FURTHER, UNLESS IT MOVED INTO THE OTHER DISTRICTS.

>> MAYOR MEI: VICE MAYOR SALWAN, DID YOU RAISE YOUR HAND?

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: NO.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: NO, I'M GOOD.

SO THAT'S MY DIRECTION.

I DON'T KNOW IF WE WANT TO MAKE A MOTION OR GET MORE FEEDBACK.

>> MAYOR MEI: FOUR, I KNOW IT'S NOT THE IDEAL THREE WE WANTED TO GET TO BUT WE HAVE THREE MAPS?

I THINK YOU MENTIONED THREE AND THEN COUNCILMEMBER COX MENTIONED PURPLE, BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS HAD ANY FEEDBACK ON THOSE THREE OR IF THEY WANTED TO -- BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO THREE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: WITH REGARD TO THE MAP ON THE SCREEN, INDEED THAT LITTLE AREA THAT USED TO BE IN DISTRICT 6, ALMOST LIKE A TRIANGLE AREA, THAT IS PART OF THE GOMES AREA, AND GOES TO MISSION SAN JOSÉ.

AND AS FOR THE FINAL CHOICES, I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THREE, THOSE THREE PROPOSED BY COUNCILMEMBER -- OR VICE MAYOR SALWAN IN THIS CASE.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

I'M WAITING TO HEAR FROM THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO GET TO THREE, IS OUR GOAL, SO WE CAN HAVE -- OF COURSE OUR CONSULTANTS WILL ALSO COME BACK AND GIVE US SOME OTHER FEEDBACK IN TERMS OF MODIFICATIONS FROM NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS.

>> YES, ABSOLUTELY.

I DON'T NECESSARILY NEED A MOTION IN ORDER TO TAKE YOUR DIRECTION.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

>> SO I WILL CERTAINLY COME BACK TO YOU, AND I WILL CONNECT WITH STAFF AS WELL TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NOTHING THAT I'M MISSING.

>> MAYOR MEI: SURE.

COUNCILMEMBER COX, YOUR HAND IS RAISED AGAIN OR JUST FROM BEFORE?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OH, I GUESS I DIDN'T LOWER IT.

THERE WAS ACTUALLY ONE MAP THAT IF YOU COULD PULL UP 85739.

THAT REALLY MAKES IT JAGGED.

NEVER MIND.

IT LOOKS DIFFERENT ON YOUR COMPUTER THAN MINE.

IT LOOKS A LOT --

>> KEEP IN MIND, WE'RE JUST LOOKING AT THE COLOR.

THE JAGGED LINES HERE ARE THE CURRENT DISTRICTS.

JUST FOR COMPARISON SAKE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: GOT IT.

>> SO IF I TURN OFF THE CURRENT DISTRICTS, THEN YOU CAN REALLY SEE WHERE THOSE LINES ARE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

I'M NOT INTERESTED IN THE 85739 THEN.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

I THINK WE'VE GIVEN DIRECTION AND THAT HOPEFULLY WILL HELP US GET TO THE TOP THREE AND BE ABLE TO MAKE A SELECTION.

THE EARLIER YOU GET THEM OUT TO THE PUBLIC AND US ALLOW US BETTER FEEDBACK. AND FINAL DECISION-MAKING.

SO THANK YOU.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

AND THE ONLY THING -- THE ONLY WARNING I WILL GIVE YOU IS THAT SOME OF THESE CHANGES MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF POPULATION BALANCE.

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> SO WE'LL DO OUR BEST.

BUT WE MAY NOT SEE EVERYTHING.

>> MAYOR MEI: REAL QUICKLY, I'M DOING A TIME CHECK.

I KNOW WE HAVE A STENO CAPTIONER AND IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO GIVE THEM A BREAK AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

I SEE OUR ATTORNEY COUNSEL DEBRA MARGOLIS, YOU RAISED YOUR HAND?

>> JUST FOR POINT OF CLARIFICATION, I THINK WHAT I'M HEARING IS YOU'VE NARROWED DOWN TO FOUR MAPS.

BUT KRISTEN IS GOING TO TAKE YOUR COMMENTS AND INCORPORATE THEM AND THAT MAY END UP WITH THREE?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

I THINK WE HAD THREE.

>> I HAVE NDC GREEN, NDC MINIMAL CHANGE, AND PUBLIC 91064.

AND THEN TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, YOU KNOW, TWEAKING ANY OF THOSE MAPS.

MS. MARGOLIS OKAY, AND THERE'S CONSENSUS FROM THE COUNCIL ON THOSE THREE?

>> MAYOR MEI: WELL, AT LEAST I THINK INCORPORATING THE CONCERNS THAT WE'VE HEARD.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, DID YOU RAISE YOUR HAND AGAIN?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YEAH, I MEAN, I JUST -- I CAN'T SAY -- IT'S SO HARD TO SAY IF THERE'S CONSENSUS BECAUSE WE JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO LOOK LIKE. BUT I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN KRISTEN AND HER TEAM THAT SHE HEARD US AND SHE WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHAT WE SAID.

SO -- I MAY NOT NECESSARILY SAY THERE WAS CONSENSUS ON ANY OF THE MAPS EXACTLY.

MS. MARGOLIS UNDERSTOOD.

MY POINT WAS WE'RE KIND OF DOWN TO THREE THAT WE'RE GOING TO WORK WITH AT THIS POINT IN TIME, NOT THAT ANYONE IS AGREEING TO ANY OF THEM YET.

>> MAYOR MEI: NO.

YES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: I ALSO ADDED PURPLE MAP AS A POSSIBILITY IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS THAT WE MAY HAVE TO FALL OUT AND YOU MAY NEED A BACKUP.

DEPENDING ON IF -- THE CHANGES OF THE CENTERVILLE AREA, DEPENDING ON THAT.

>> MAYOR MEI: HAVE I HEARD ANY SUPPORT OF BASING OFF OF PURPLE FROM THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS?

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: WE CAN ALWAYS BRING IT BACK IF SOMETHING DOESN'T WORK.

>> YES.

I THINK DEBRA HAS SHARED HER CONCERNS, THE TIMING BECAUSE OF THIS SECOND READING, BUT I THINK WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO MODIFY OFF OF THOSE THREE.

WAS THERE SOMETHING IN PARTICULAR IN PURPLE THAT WAS OF INTEREST, COUNCILMEMBER COX?

BECAUSE I'M NOT HEARING FROM THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: WELL, IT'S KEEPING IN THE LINES OF IRVINGTON, KEEPING IT WHOLE.

AND NOT COMING -- WITH OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST.

>> MAYOR MEI: I THINK WE'RE GOING TO TRY FOR AS MANY OF THE ATTENDANCE AREAS TO KEEP THEM, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THAT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE IN THAT IS THE MOST POPULATED DISTRICT.

THAT'S THE ONLY THING IS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO ALLOCATE THE POPULATION.

SO I'D HAVE FAITH ALSO IN KRISTEN IN TERMS OF TRYING TO PUT THIS TOGETHER WITH ALL OF US.

BUT --

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OF COURSE.

YES, WE'LL ENTRUST KRISTEN IN COMING BACK WITH WORKING OUT HER MAGIC, WORKING OUT HER NUMBERS AND ANALYSIS.

>> IT'S NOT EASY STUFF.

IF ANY OF YOU HAVE SAT DOWN AND TRIED, ALL WE CAN DO IS COMMEND ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF PUBLIC, BY THE WAY, WHO WERE ABLE TO SUBMIT POPULATION BALANCED MAPS, THAT IS SUCH A POSITIVE REFLECTION ON THE OUTREACH THAT YOUR STAFF HAS CONDUCTED, AND THE RESIDENTS OF FREMONT FOR THEIR ENGAGEMENT.

>> MAYOR MEI: WE DEFINITELY HAVE SOME VERY ENGAGED COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

SO SPEAKING OF WHICH, I WANTED TO BE RESPECTIVE OF THE STENOCAPTIONER.

WE DO NEED TO TAKE A BREAK.

USUALLY AN HOUR AND A HALF INTO IT, SO USUALLY AT 8:30 AND WE ARE RUNNING LATE SO WE NEED TO TAKE A 10-MINUTE BREAK TO ALLOW OUR STENOCAPTIONER A BREAK AND WE'LL RESUME THEN WITH ITEM --

>> MS. GAUTHIER: MAYOR, IF WE'RE FINISHED WITH THIS ITEM, WE NEED TO CLOSE THE -- WELL, YOU'VE ALREADY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING, PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, BUT WE NEED TO RELEASE THE INTERPRETERS ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM, SO I JUST WANT TO VERIFY THAT WE ARE -- THAT WE CAN DO THAT AND WE'LL LET PATTY BACK IN TO DO WHAT SHE NEEDS TO DO WHEN WE GO TO BREAK.

>> MAYOR MEI: GREAT.

THANK YOU.

I THINK THAT'S GOOD TIMING AND SHIFT CHANGE.

WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A 10-MINUTE BREAK AND ALLOW PATTY CHANGE THAT AND COUNCILMEMBERS ON THE 10-MINUTE BREAK, IF YOU COULD MUTE YOUR MIC AND ALSO TURN OFF YOUR VIDEO, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

THANK YOU.

SEE YOU IN 10 MINUTES.

[RECESS.]

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M GOING TO START CALLING PEOPLE TO COME BACK.

I KNOW IT TAKES A FEW MINUTES SOMETIMES.

WELCOME BACK COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN I THINK AND THEN ALL THE COUNCIL. AND WE'LL WAIT FOR OUR CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY AND SPEAKERS.

>> AND HANS LARSEN IS THE PRESENTER FOR THE NEXT ONE.

OKAY, THERE'S MR. LARSEN.

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT ITEM WILL BE B, SABERCAT.

JEANNE SUYEISHI, WAYLAND LI AND JODI KITTLESON WILL BE AVAILABLE.

>> HANS LARSEN: THANK YOU, MAYOR MEI, I'LL BEGIN BY SHARING MY SCREEN.

LET ME CONFIRM THAT THAT'S VISIBLE TO YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> HANS LARSEN: GOOD EVENING, MAYOR MEI AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. THE TOPIC IS THE SABERCAT TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT AND TONIGHT STAFF IS RECOMMENDING YOUR APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT AND ITS ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE.

THIS WILL BE CONDUCTED AS PART OF A PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CEQA.

WE'RE ALSO RECOMMENDING SOME FUNDING ACTIONS THAT ARE INTENDED TO ENHANCE AND EXPAND UPON THIS PROJECT WHICH WOULD BE PART OF THE FUTURE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE ACTIONS.

I'M GOING TO START WITH A BRIEF OVERVIEW PRESENTATION.

AND FOCUS IN ON THE IMAGE ON THE SLIDE HERE.

WHICH IS THE MAP OF THE EXISTING SABERCAT HISTORICAL PARK.

THE TRAIL WITHIN THE PARK IS ABOUT TWO MILES LONG AND I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT A FEW KEY FEATURES THAT ARE RELEVANT TO TONIGHT'S DISCUSSION.

IF YOU CAN SEE MY CURSOR HERE THIS IS AT THE EASTERN END OF THE TRAIL WHICH ENDS AT PINE STREET AND ONE OF OUR GOALS IS TO ACTUALLY EXTEND THIS TRAIL FURTHER TO THE EAST TO CONNECT WITH THE MISSION SAN JOSE BUSINESS DISTRICT, OHLONE COLLEGE AND EVENTUALLY TO THE TRAIL HEAD LEADING TO MISSION PEAK.

WITHIN THE PARK, AS I MENTIONED THERE'S A TWO MILE LONG TRAIL.

AND WE ARE RECOMMENDING, AS AN ENHANCEMENT TO THE OVERALL PROJECT, TO UPGRADE THE TRAIL TO ACCOMMODATE IMPROVEMENTS TO MAKE IT SAFER, MORE ACCOMMODATING FOR ALL USERS, BUT IMPORTANTLY, TO ACCOMMODATE WHAT'S PROPOSED TO BE MORE USE OF THE TRAIL BY BUILDING OTHER CONNECTIONS.

ON THE WESTERN EDGE IS BELL QUARRY.

THERE IS NOT A TRAIL THAT GOES THERE NOW BUT WE WOULD PROPOSE TO EXTEND TO THIS AREA.

THIS IS THE SITE OF A VERY SIGNIFICANT DISCOVERY OF ICE AGE FOSSILS.

AND THE PROJECT PLANS TO CELEBRATE THIS REALLY SPECIAL AND UNIQUE PART OF FREMONT'S HISTORY INCLUDING A POTENTIAL MUSEUM FOR THE FOSSILS.

AND THEN, THE LAST PIECE WHICH IS REALLY THE MAIN FOCUS OF THE ITEM TONIGHT, IS THE PROPOSED WESTERN EXTENSION OF THE TRAIL OVER THE 680 FREEWAY AND CONNECTING INTO THE IRVINGTON COMMUNITY.

SO THE PROPOSED PROJECT FOR WHICH WE PREPARED AN ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR IS DEPICTED ON THIS MAP.

AND SO IT INCLUDES A WESTERN EXTENSION THROUGH PARK OVER 680, ACROSS A PROPERTY THAT'S OWNED BY CALTRANS TO OSGOOD ROAD AND THEN EXTENDING IN THE BLACOW CORRIDOR OVER THE BART AND U.P. TRACKS AND INTO THE IRVINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD.

THE PROJECT ALSO INCLUDES WHAT WE CALL A NORTHERN TRAIL SHOWN IN PINK WHICH EXTENDS TO THE NORTH, NORTHWEST, THAT WOULD TIE ALONG THE EDGE OF THE HILLSIDE, CONNECT WITH THE FUTURE IRVINGTON BART STATION HERE.

WITHIN THE PROJECT WOULD BE AN INTERPRETIVE PLAZA WHICH CELEBRATES THE FOSSILS, AND IN A SEPARATE PROJECT WE ARE PLANNING FOR A POSSIBLE FOSSIL MUSEUM.

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT SORT OF THE PLANNING CONTEXT.

AS YOU'VE HEARD IN OTHER PRESENTATIONS, THE FREMONT COMMUNITY REALLY LOVES ITS TRAILS AND WE HEARD THAT THROUGH A STATISTICALLY VALID SURVEY THAT WAS CONDUCTED AS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN, ACTUALLY EXPANDING THE PARKS AND TRAILS IN FREMONT WAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITIES.

THE SABERCAT TRAIL IS INCLUDED IN OTHER DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE TRAIL STRATEGY PLAN THE GENERAL PLAN AND THE BIKE MASTER PLAN AND THIS IS A REALLY EXCITING TIME TO BE BUILDING TRAILS BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING THAT'S AVAILABLE AT THE REGIONAL, STATE, AND NOW THE FEDERAL LEVEL.

AND WE'RE HAPPY TO REPORT THAT THE SABERCAT TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS A HIGH PRIORITY OR THE REGIONAL FUNDING.

GOING BACK A LITTLE BIT A FEW YEARS AGO, WE BEGAN LOOKING SERIOUSLY AT THE PROJECT TO EXTEND THE TRAIL, PARTICULARLY OVER THE 680 FREEWAY.

SO WE COMPLETED A SCOPING REPORT TO IDENTIFY WHAT THAT MIGHT COST AND ENTAIL.

AND THEN WE WERE PLEASED TO RECEIVE A \$5.7 MILLION GRANT FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THANK TO LARGE PART BY THE EFFORT OF STATE SENATOR BOB WIECKOWSKI. THAT IS ENOUGH TO DO PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE AND IF THE PROJECT IS APPROVED WILL ALLOW US TO MOVE INTO FINAL DESIGN AND THEN IT ALSO INCLUDES RESOURCES TO DO PLANNING FOR A FOSSIL MUSEUM.

SO WITH THIS GRANT FUNDING, WE HIRED THE CONSULTING FIRM OF T. Y. LIN INTERNATIONAL, TO HIP US DO ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE AND FINAL DESIGN IF THE PROJECT IS APPROVED.

WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO NOW IS INTRODUCE YOU TO JODI KITTLESON FROM T.Y. LIN AND SHE'LL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THAT WORK EFFORT.

>> THANK YOU HANS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

WELL, WE'VE HAD SOME HURDLES BUT EVEN THOUGH WE'VE HAD THIS PANDEMIC WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO HAVE A VERY ROBUST COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY PROCESS. WE HELD THREE COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND WE STARTED OFF WITH A COMMUNITY SURVEY AND THAT WAY WE COULD COLLECT A BROAD RANGE OF INPUT SO THAT COULD FORM THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT AS WELL AS GIVE US INSIGHTS ABOUT ANY SORT OF ENVIRONMENTAL OR NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS.

AND THEN WE CAME BACK TO THE PUBLIC TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HEARD FROM THEM AND HOW WE'RE INTEGRATING THAT INTO THE PUBLIC -- EXCUSE ME INTO THE PROJECT, AND THEN WE CAME BACK AGAIN WITH THE FURTHER REFINEMENT.

SO REALLY THIS IS NOT A NEW PROJECT TO YOUR COMMUNITY.

IN FACT EVERY ONE OF THESE MEETINGS AND THE FACT SHEETS FOR THE PROJECT ARE ALWAYS HAVE BEEN POSTED ON THE WEB, EVERY TIME WE'VE HEARD A LOT OF RESPONSES -- EXCUSE ME COMMENTS WE'VE TAKEN THE TIME TO DEVELOP THE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS THERE AND FEBRUARY 10TH WAS THE END OF THE 30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD THAT STARTED ON JANUARY 10TH.

AND SO WE'RE HERE TODAY BECAUSE THAT PERIOD IS CLOSED AND I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ON THE NEXT SLIDE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSES.

LIKE I SAID WE'VE BEEN VERY PROACTIVE WITH THE PUBLIC, WE'VE BEEN WORK HAND IN HAND WITH THE ENGINEERS AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS TOGETHER SO THAT WE COULD AVOID MOST ALL IMPACTS.

IN FACT WE ARE DEVELOPING, WE HAVE DEVELOPED AND YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU THE INITIAL STUDY AND DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.

I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT THE MITIGATION MEASURES WE'VE DEVELOPED TO REDUCE THESE IMPACTS TO LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT ARE THERE TO PROACTIVELY MINIMIZE AND CONTINUE TO UNDERSTAND THAT IF WE DO FIND THINGS WE KNOW WHAT THE PROTOCOLS ARE TO FURTHER MINIMIZE ANY IMPACTS ON THAT.

SO THE MITIGATION MEASURES ARE QUITE LIGHT, IF YOU WILL, BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF FREMONT STANDARD REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE ALREADY BASICALLY BUSINESS AS USUAL. WE MAKE SURE TO PREVENT AIR QUALITY, BIOLOGICAL IMPACTS, CULTURAL RESOURCES. SO BASICALLY THIS PROJECT DOESN'T HAVE A BIG SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

SO THE LAST SLIDE, BASICALLY, SHOWS THAT SINCE WE'VE DONE ALL THIS OUTREACH I TAKE IT TO BE A SIGN OF SUCCESS THAT WE DID NOT RECEIVE A LOT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS, EVEN THOUGH WE DID EXTENSIVE NOTIFICATIONS THROUGH POST CARDS, E-MAILS, NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCEMENTS.

AND SO WE ONLY ACTUALLY RECEIVED FIVE COMMENTS.

THREE OF THOSE BEING AGENCY MEMBERS.

BART, ALAMEDA COUNTY, BOTH WERE VERY CONCERNED, NOT VERY CONCERNED. THEY WERE ACTUALLY PROACTIVELY MAKING SURE WE WERE AWARE OF THEIR FACILITIES AND HOW THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE INTEGRATED INTO THE FINAL DESIGNS SECTIONS.

AND THEN THE SAN FRANCISCO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD.

THEIR ONLY ISSUE IS THAT THERE IS A MITIGATION SITE EAST OF I-680 THAT WE GONE TO GREAT PAINS TO AVOID BUT A SMALL CONSTRUCTION IMPACT MAY OCCUR.

IT'S A TEMPORARY IMPACT AND WE HAVE IN THERE ADEQUATE MEASURES THAT DID INDEED SATISFY THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD.

SO WE HAVE THEIR AGREEMENT AS WELL.

AND MR. TONG EXPRESSED A LITTLE OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT WHEREAS NATALIA EXPRESSED CONCERN, ALIGNMENT TO GO OUT OF THE NATIVE TREES, STAY OUT OF THE RIPARIAN AREAS AND WE DEFINITELY HAVE KEPT WILDLIFE AS PART OF OUR VISION.

SO THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC OUTREACH PIECE.

>> HANS LARSEN: THANK YOU JODI.

I WANT TO TOUCH ON THE ASPECTS OF THE PLANNING THAT'S BEEN DONE AS A COMPLEMENT TO THE PROJECT.

AND THAT IS SO THE GRANT THAT WE RECEIVED HAS FUNDS TO DO WORK ON PLANNING AND FOSSIL MUSEUM.

AND THIS AREA HAS AN ABSOLUTELY JUST EXTRAORDINARY AMOUNT OF HISTORY.

AND WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE MATH SCIENCE NUCLEUS, WE HAVE DEVELOPED SOME CONCEPTS FOR THE MUSEUM.

AND WANTED TO SHARE THAT WITH YOU ALL.

INCLUDES A 40,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING AND 90 PARKING SPACES.

AND IF THIS GETS DEVELOPED IT WOULD BE A PARTNERSHIP WITH MULTIPLE AGENCIES INCLUDING U.C. BERKELEY, THERE'S INTEREST ALSO AT THE STATE AND POTENTIALLY NATIONAL LEVEL.

SO THIS IS A VIEW OF THE PROPOSAL FOR THE MUSEUM, LOCATED ON THE CALTRANS PROPERTY, SO IT WOULD OVERLOOK 680 AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE FUTURE OR THE SITE WHERE THE FOSSILS WERE ACTUALLY ORIGINALLY UNCOVERED FROM.

AGAIN, THIS IS NOT PART OF THE TRAIL OR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE TONIGHT BUT IT IS PART OF A PARALLEL PLANNING EFFORT THAT WE'RE ENGAGED IN.

AND SO THE BRIDGE, THOUGH, IS PART OF THE EFFORT.

AND THE BRIDGE HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO REALLY CELEBRATE SORT OF THE FOSSIL CONTEXT OF THE AREA.

AND SO IF SOMEBODY'S ALONG THE TRAIL YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO WALK THROUGH THIS EXPERIENCE AND SORT OF SVELTE LIKE YOU WERE GOING THROUGH A FOSSIL STRUCTURE. THIS CONCEPT IS SOMETHING THAT WAS DEVELOPED THROUGH THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROCESS.

AND THE COMMUNITY IS VERY INTERESTED IN HAVING SOMETHING THAT REALLY REFLECTED THE CONTEXT OF THE AREA.

WANTED TO ALSO TOUCH UPON ONE OF THE KEY ISSUES THAT WAS RAISED ABOUT THE SUITABILITY OF THE EXISTING TRAIL.

AND IT'S RECOGNIZED THAT THE EXISTING TRAIL IS NARROW IN, PARTS.

WE'RE OPENING IT UP TO ACCESS TO MORE PARTS OF THE FREMONT COMMUNITY.

THERE IS A NEED TO UPGRADE IT AND ALSO MANAGE IT IN A WAY THAT CAN BE USED BY ALL USERS SO PEOPLE BIKING AND WALKING.

AND SO THERE IS A PLAN TO WIDEN THIS.

AND PART OF OUR ACTION TONIGHT IS TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH PLANNING UPGRADES TO THE EXISTING TRAIL.

AS I MENTIONED AT THE ONSET WE WOULD LIKE TO ALSO EXPAND THE TRAIL TO THE EAST AND THE WEST TO PROVIDE MORE CONNECTIVITY OF THE TRAIL.

AND WE THINK THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO CAPTURE GRANT FUNDS, PARTICULARLY IF THE PROJECT HAS A CONNECTION ALL THE WAY FROM CENTRAL PARK THROUGH IRVINGTON, TO OHLONE COLLEGE, AND THE MISSION PEAK TRAILS.

AND SO JUST A FINAL SLIDE IS JUST A RECAP OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS.

AND SO THE ACTION HERE TONIGHT IS, FIRST, TO CONVENE A PUBLIC HEARING AS PART OF THE APPROVAL PROCESS, TO APPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES ADOPTING A DRAFT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, AND A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM.

AND I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT WE HAVE ISSUED A GREEN SHEET ON THIS PROJECT THAT INCLUDES THE UPDATED PLANS THAT REFLECT THE MOST RECENT COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED DURING THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS.

SO YOU WOULD BE APPROVING THE EXHIBITS THAT ARE PART OF THE GREEN SHEET.

AND THEN THE SUPPLEMENTAL ACTION IS TO APPROVE FUNDING THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO DO ENHANCEMENTS AND EXPANSIONS OF THE TRAIL BEYOND THE PROJECT THAT'S THE SUBJECT OF ACTION HERE TONIGHT.

AND SO IF THAT IS APPROVED, WHAT STAFF WILL DO IS WE'LL CONTINUE PLANNING FOR FOSSIL MUSEUM, WE'LL PREPARE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE TRAIL PROJECT, INCLUDING THE BRIDGE OVER 680 WHICH IS FUNDED BY THE GRANT, AND THEN ALSO WE WILL SEEK CONSTRUCTION FUNDING, HOPEFULLY FINGERS CROSSED THAT MONEYS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL, WE'LL BE ABLE TO ATTRACT TO WHAT WE THINK IS A WONDERFUL PROJECTION.

THAT IS THE END OF OUR PRESENTATION.

HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

I'LL JUST CLOSE IT, THE STAFF THAT ARE AVAILABLE PROBABLY MYSELF AND JODI WILL HANDLE THEM AND WE DO HAVE OTHER STAFF AVAILABLE AS NEEDED.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AT THIS TIME I'LL FIRST TURN IT TO COUNCILMEMBERS FOR CLARIFYING QUESTIONS.

OKAY.

>> CAN WE TAKE THE SCREEN SHARE DOWN PLEASE?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES, PLEASE.

THANK YOU.

OKAY AND THEN I SEE NONE AT THIS MOMENT.

I'M GOING TO TURN IT -- AND OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.

AND SO THOSE WHO ARE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM UNDER PUBLIC HEARING IF YOU COULD EITHER PRESS THE RAISE HAND ICON OR IF YOU COULD PRESS STAR 9 IF YOU ARE DIALING IN.

I SEE COUPLE SPEAKERS.

WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE CALLER WITH THE PHONE NUMBER ENDING IN 365.

WELCOME.

>> HI, THIS IS ALICE CAVETTE.

WE ARE TOTALLY AGAINST THE BRIDGE TO SABERCAT TRAIL.

IT IS A TIME WHEN AGING INFRASTRUCTURE AND MASS TRANSIT NEED OUR TAX DOLLARS.

I STRONGLY FEEL FREMONT SHOULD NOT USE FUNDS TO BUILD A RECREATIONAL BRIDGE OVER 680, ESPECIALLY AT A SPOT SO CLOSE TO AN EARTHQUAKE FAULT.

JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE CAN AFFORD SOME DOESN'T MEAN THEY SHOULD BUY IT.

IT IS PROBABLY FUTILE TO SPEAK UP AGAIN NOW THAT FREMONT HAS USED STATE GRANT TO FUND THE STUDIES.

WE DO SUPPORT THE FOSSIL MUSEUM BUT LET'S FIND ANOTHER WAY TO FUND IT.

STOP THIS BRIDGE PROJECT NOW.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU ALICE.

NEXT SPEAKER IS JANE.

WELCOME.

>> HI, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.

SO I AM WONDERING, HOW DOES THE PROJECT ADDRESS FUTURE MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY CONCERNS NEAR THE TRAIL PROJECT AREAS.

WE ALL KNOW THAT WHEN YOU CONNECT A TRAIL NEXT TO A BART STATION, IT'S LIKELY GOING TO BRING DOWN MORE TRANSIENTS WHO RELY ON TRAILS TO REACH THE NEIGHBORHOODS.

SO HOW ARE YOU GOING TO ADDRESS THE COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUE AROUND THAT? CITY OF SAN JOSE HAS SOME SORT OF A TRAIL SAFETY PLAN TO ADDRESS THE COMMUNITY'S CONCERNS.

BASED ON THE COUNCILMEMBERS REQUEST.

SO IS THE CITY OF FREMONT ALSO GOING TO HAVE A TRAIL SAFETY PLAN TO GO ALONG WITH THIS TO MAINTAIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY AND THE CLEANLINESS OF THE AREA AND TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS NEXT TO THE CREEKS.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER, WILLIAM ARUGI.

WELCOME.

>> YES, THANK YOU, WILLIAM ARUGI MISSION PEAK CONSERVANCY.

JUST WANTED TO SAY WE'RE FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS PROJECT.

THE BRIDGE WILL WHEN COMPLETED PROVIDE CONNECTIVITY TO THE BART STATION, ALLOW COMMUTERS FROM THE MISSION NEIGHBORHOOD TO ACCESSING BART WITHOUT A CAR WHICH IS FANTASTIC.

WE WOULD ASK THAT MORE PARKING BE AVAILABLE, SPECIFICALLY ON THE MISSION HILLS SIDE OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN ORDER TO PROVIDE LESS CONFLICT WITH THE NEIGHBORS. BUT THIS WOULD BE A BEAUTIFUL TRAIL HEAD AND IT WILL BE A FANTASTIC EXTENSION TO AN EXISTING TRAIL THAT I FREQUENTLY USE.

SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND THE NEXT SPEAKER IS KATHERINE RUBY.

WELCOME.

>> HI, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE ACTUALLY HEARD ABOUT THIS PROJECT.

BUT FROM WHAT I CAN SEE IT LOOKS LIKE A FANTASTIC IDEA.

I DON'T SEE ANY FORESEEABLE PROBLEMS WITH IT AT THIS TIME.

AND I THINK THE BRIDGE LOOKS REALLY COOL.

I AM ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THE FOSSIL MUSEUM AND WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE, IF THERE IS AN INTEREST IN THIS, NATIVE AND OR INDIGENOUS INTEREST OR SPACE IN THAT FOSSIL MUSEUM FOR ANYTHING RELEVANT TO THEM AS WELL.

I THINK IT JUST SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT IDEA.

I AM CONCERNED THAT PEOPLE STILL FIND THAT HOMELESSNESS IS AN ISSUE AROUND SUCH THINGS.

AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT WE'RE WORKING ON THIS.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THE NEXT SPEAKER IS FLAVIO.

>> HELLO, THIS IS FLAVIO PRIMON.

I JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT.

IT'S FINE TO SEE THE TRAILS GETTING INTERCONNECTED.

THE TRAIL CONNECTED TO CENTRAL PARK, CONNECTED TO TRANSIT SO ALL IN ALL I'M VERY EXCITED WITH THIS IDEA AND FULLY SUPPORT IT, THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND THE NEXT SPEAKER IS ANDREAS CADAVANEK.

>> THANK YOU, ANDREAS CADAVANEK WITH BIKE FREMONT.

WE'RE PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THE CITY IS ACTUALLY LOOKING AT EXTENDING THIS ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION TRAIL ALL THE WAY TO MISSION SAN JOSE AREA AND TO OHLONE COLLEGE AND WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THE DESIGNS AND GIVING INPUT TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL TRAIL PROJECT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DINA DESPONDE.

THANK YOU.

>> HI, THIS IS A VERY EXCITING PROJECT.

LIKE I BELIEVE I'VE BEEN ON THE TRAIL A FEW TIMES AND THE CELL PHONE SIGNAL DOESN'T WORK THERE AND THAT TO ME IS A LITTLE BIT OF A SAFETY CONCERN SO I'M NOT SURE THAT'S BEING ACCOUNTED FOR.

AS PART OF THIS PROGRAM AND ALSO LOOKING AT HOW THIS HAS -- THERE ARE A LOT OF RANDOM REPORTS OF HOMELESS ISSUES ON TRAILS AND PEOPLE UNSETTLED THERE. AND ESPECIALLY MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE AROUND THOSE AREAS.

SO JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S A PROPER SAFETY PROTOCOLS PUT IN PLACE AND SURE THERE WILL BE SOMETHING WHEN YOU BUILD THIS PEOPLE ARE SCARED TO GO THERE SO APPRECIATE THAT CONSIDERATION.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I BELIEVE THAT IS THE LAST SPEAKER PUBLIC HEARING AND I'D LIKE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AT THIS TIME.

AND BRING IT BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR COMMENTS.

I JUST WANTED TO ALSO NOTE REAL QUICKLY THAT WE HAVE HAD SOME VISITORS AND WE WERE ABLE TO GIVE A TOUR WITH SENATOR WIECKOWSKI.

AND ALSO, I KNOW I HAVE TO THANK COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN WHERE WE HAD TO WALK THE DIFFERENT DISTRICTS, THAT WAS THE AREA THAT HE PICKED TO WALK.

IT WAS A GREAT WAY FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER HAD A CHANCE TO EXPERIENCE THE TRAIL TO BE ABLE TO WALK AND SEE THE BEAUTY THAT'S THERE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR.

I HEARD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THIS TRAIL PROJECT.

I HAVE WALKED THE TRAILS MYSELF AND I ALSO UNDERSTOOD THE PAST WHERE THERE WAS SOME ENCAMPMENT ISSUES.

BUT RIGHT NOW, THAT ISSUE IS NO LONGER THERE.

AND I BELIEVE THAT BY WINDING THE TRAILS AND CONNECTING THE TRAILS MORE TRAFFIC WOULD TYPICALLY MAKE THE ENCAMPMENT ISSUE LESS SERIOUS.

BOUGHT TYPICALLY, UNHOUSED POPULATIONS TEND TO CAMP OUTSIDE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

HAVING SAID THAT, I STILL BELIEVE IT IS WORTH OUR WHILE IN OUR PLANNING PERIOD TO GET THE FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT INVOLVED, TO IN GENERAL LOOK AT THE SITUATION IN ALL THE CITY TRAILS.

NOT ONLY LIMITED TO THIS PENDING PROJECT SO THAT WE CAN HAVE SOME IDEA AND ALSO SOME INFORMATION TO SHARE WITH THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY BY COMPLETING THOSE TRAIL PROJECTS.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I SEE ALSO VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN: YES, I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT SABERCAT IS ONE OF THE BEST KEPT SECRETS OF FREMONT.

SO HOPEFULLY IT WON'T BE A BIG SECRET AFTER WE GET THIS PROJECT GOING.

SO YEAH, I THINK, YOU KNOW, SAFETY IS'S IMPORTANT AND I HOPE STAFF WILL TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AND SEE HOW WE CAN TRY TO MAKE IT SAFE FOR EVERYONE. BESIDES THAT I'M READY TO MAKE A MOTION TO SUPPORT THIS. AT THE RIGHT MOMENT.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE.

I ALSO WANTED TO MENTION I WANTED TO THANK SECRETARY WADE CROWFOOT FOR COMING OUT ON THE TOUR.

I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION.

IS THE 5.6 MILLION THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT?

WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST AGAIN?

>> HANS LARSEN: SO THE -- SO COUNCILMEMBER KENG, SO THAT THE GRANT COVERS SORT OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE AND THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT TO GET IT TO A POINT WHERE IT'S SHOVEL-READY FOR CONSTRUCTION.

THE -- ALL OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE PROJECT THAT ARE DESCRIBED, SO THE BRIDGE OVER 680, A NEW BRIDGE OVER THE BART TRACKS, AND THE RAILROAD TRACKS TO GET INTO THE CENTERVILLE COMMUNITY.

AND THEN THE NORTH TRAIL.

ALL OF THAT COMBINED SORT OF THE FULL COST IS ROUGHLY \$75 MILLION.

THAT INCLUDES THE PLANNING AND DESIGN WORK.

SO THERE ARE THREE DISTINCT ELEMENTS TO IT.

IT'S POSSIBLE TO PHASE PORTIONS OF IT TO WORK WITH AVAILABILITY OF MONEY.

BUT JUST A QUICK ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, THE OVERALL PACKAGE IS APPROXIMATELY \$75 MILLION.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: AND HOW MUCH OF THAT HAVE WE ALLOCATED, HAVE WE RECEIVED FUNDING FOR OR --

>> HANS LARSEN: SO THE FUNDING COVERS THE DESIGN WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$6 MILLION.

SO THE REMAINDER IS SORT OF A LITTLE LESS THAN \$70 MILLION, WOULD BE THE FUNDS THAT WOULD BE NEEDED TO SECURE CONSTRUCTION.

I KNOW THAT IS A BIG NUMBER.

CERTAINLY IT'S VERY COSTLY TO GET OVER A FREEWAY, AS WELL AS THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND SO THAT'S A BIG COMPONENT OF THOSE COSTS.

BUT THE GOOD THING IS WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF MONEY AT BOTH THE STATE AND PARTICULARLY THE FEDERAL LEVELS, THIS IS A PROJECT THAT'S WITHIN REACH, AND THERE IS VERY MUCH AN ORIENTATION TO CONNECT COMMUNITIES, TO BUILD MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION, BUILD RECREATION FACILITIES.

AND SO WE THINK THAT THIS PROJECT WILL BE VERY COMPETITIVE FOR GRANTS FROM OTHER SOURCES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: I SEE.

SO WE HAVE THE FUNDING FOR THE DESIGN PROCESS BUT WE HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED FUNDING FOR THE BUILDING ITSELF?

>> HANS LARSEN: THAT'S CORRECT.

AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET FUNDING THROUGH STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES WILL BE COMING UP SHORTLY OVER THE NEXT YEAR, AND I THINK HAVING, IF YOU APPROVE THIS TONIGHT, HAVING ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE REALLY GETS US TO A POINT OF HIGH STATE OF READINESS WHICH WE THINK WILL ALLOW US TO BE VERY COMPETITIVE FOR FUTURE FUNDING ALLOCATIONS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: I SEE, OKAY, YEAH, I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE MUSEUM. I THINK IT'S -- WE WERE PART OF THE TOUR WHEN SENATOR WIECKOWSKI WAS HERE, WITH SOME OF THE STATE AGENCY FOLKS.

SO I THINK, YOU KNOW, FREMONT DOES NEED MORE OF THESE RECREATIONAL YOU KNOW LIKE KIND OF DESTINATIONS, WE DON'T JUST HAVE MISSION PEAK, PROBABLY ONE OF THE FEW ATTRACTIONS BESIDES THE NILES DOWNTOWN AND COUPLE OTHER SPOTS.

SO YEAH, VERY EXCITING.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, I SAW YOU TRYING TO RAISE YOUR HAND.

BECAUSE I HAVE SOME OTHER COMMENTS IF YOU ARE --

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: NO.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY, I SAW YOUR HANDS ON THE SCREEN.

COUNCILMEMBER COX, DO YOU HAVE COMMENTS?

I HAVE SOME OTHER COMMENTS TO MAKE BEFORE WE MAKE THE VOTE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES.

I THINK THIS IS A WONDERFUL PROJECT.

AND THANK YOU HANS AND TEAM FOR PULLING THIS TOGETHER AND PRESENTING IT TONIGHT.

EXCITED ABOUT BRIDGING OUR DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES TOGETHER FOR FUN, RELAXATION, LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN FREMONT HERE.

ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE IS CLEAR, IS THAT I SAW THAT THERE'S A MITIGATION AND MONITORING REPORT PROGRAM.

IS THAT \$200,000 PART OF WHAT'S GOING TO BE USED FOR THAT AS WELL? FOR DOING THAT?

OR IS THIS JUST INITIAL DESIGN AND THEN THERE'S OTHER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS MONITORING?

I WASN'T CLEAR ON THE PART OF WHAT WE'RE APPROVING TONIGHT FOR THE DOLLAR AMOUNT AND WHAT IT FULLY ENTAILS THERE.

>> HANS LARSEN: YES, SO LET ME JUST YEAH CLARIFY.

SO THE ACTIONS TONIGHT ARE APPROVAL OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT WHICH INCLUDES THE MITIGATION AND MONITORING PLAN.

AND SO IF THE PROJECT IS FUNDED FOR CONSTRUCTION, THEN WE WOULD IMPLEMENT THE ELEMENTS OF THE MITIGATION PLAN.

SO ANY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DOING THAT WOULD BE PART OF THE FUTURE CONSTRUCTION BUDGET.

THE \$200,000 THAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT YOU ALLOCATE TONIGHT ARE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH PLANNING TO ENHANCE THE PROPOSED PROJECT.

AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE CREATING THE EXISTING TRAIL AND THEN BEGINNING WORK TO EXPAND THE PROJECT IN ONE DIRECTION TOWARDS OHLONE COLLEGE AND IN THE WESTERN DIRECTION TOWARDS A CONNECTION WITH THE TRAIL AT CENTRAL PARK.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY, THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY THAT OVER THE YEARS I KNOW WORKING WITH DR. BLUKIRK AND HER EFFORTS IN TERMINATES OF THE FOSSILS, WE'VE ALSO TRIED IN THE PAST TO CREATE RESOURCE LIKE THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OR MUSEUM FOR CHILDREN AND I THINK THIS WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT WAY TO SHOWCASE OUR OWN LEGACY AND HERITAGE AS WELL AS CONNECTING PEOPLE NOW MORE THAN EVER.

I NOW LOOKING AT THE SURVEYS WHETHER IT'S OUR MASTER PLAN OR TRAIL PLANS, I ALSO WANTED TO CLARIFY HANS, I THINK THE GRANT THAT WE RECEIVED IT WAS NOT JUST GENERAL FUNDS BUT IT WAS SPECIFIC TO THIS PROJECT, IF I'M NOT CORRECT.

I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT FOR THE PUBLIC.

>> HANS LARSEN: YES, THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE TO PLAN AND PREPARE THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE AS WELL AS FUTURE DESIGN IS ALL COMING FROM A STATE GRANT.

>> MAYOR MEI: RIGHT SO SEPARATE.

IT'S NOT SOMETHING WE COULD ALLOCATE ELSEWHERE.

>> HANS LARSEN: THAT'S CORRECT.

THE FUNDING WAS SPECIFICALLY TARGETED TOWARDS THIS FIRST PURPOSE AND I THINK OF NOTE THE GRANT IS FROM THE CALIFORNIA NATURAL RESOURCES AGENCY.

SO MANY TIMES PLANS LIKE THIS ARE PART OF A MOBILITY NETWORK BUT THIS GRANT THAT WE HAVE REALLY RECOGNIZES JUST THE FASCINATING NATURAL HISTORY AND THE FOSSIL HISTORY OF THE AREA.

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

OKAY.

COUNCILMEMBER COX YOU HAVE YOUR HAND STILL UP.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OH SOME LET ME PUT IT DOWN.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER KENG DO YOU HAVE ANOTHER CLARIFYING QUESTION?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: YES, I'M WONDERING CAN YOU IDENTIFY WHAT'S THE COST OF THE 680 BRIDGE THAT CONNECTS THE TWO SIDES?

BECAUSE I AM A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED ABOUT THE COST, YOU KNOW WE'RE SPENDING \$5 MILLION, \$6 MILLION ON DESIGNING AND WE DON'T HAVE THE REST OF THE MONEY IDENTIFIED YET.

AND SO --

>> HANS LARSEN: LET'S SEE, I DON'T HAVE THE SORT OF EXACT NUMBERS OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD BUT I THINK THE BRIDGE OVER 680 IS I WOULD SAY ORDER OF MAGNITUDE AROUND \$40 MILLION.

AND THAT INCLUDES ALL OF THE TRAILS AND THE CONNECTING PIECES OF IT.

AND THEN THE BRIDGE OVER THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND BART TRACKS IS PROBABLY IN THE ORDER OF \$20 MILLION.

AND THEN THE NORTH TRAIL EXTENSION OF THE BART STATION IS IN THE ORDER OF PROBABLY FIVE TO \$10 MILLION.

SO SOME ROUGH FIGURES THERE.

BUT CLEARLY YEAH, THE MOST EXPENSIVE PIECE IS BEING ABLE TO GET ACROSS, I THINK WE'VE GOT SIX LANES OF TRAFFIC OVER THE FREEWAY.

AND SO THOSE ARE QUITE EXPENSIVE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: THANK YOU.

SO, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO KIND OF HAVE A MORE COMPREHENSIVE LIKE ENHANCEMENT OF OUR CITY.

I KNOW THAT IF WE'RE SPENDING -- IF WE'RE PLANNING TO SPEND LIKE \$75 MILLION, ON THIS ITEM, YOU KNOW, DO WE HAVE SOME LONG TERM PLANNING ON IMPROVEMENTS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS FOR THE NORTH SIDE OF TOWN?

YOU KNOW, BECAUSE IT'S STILL QUITE A WAYS FOR THE PEOPLE IN NORTH FREMONT TO GET TO SOUTH SIDE, SOUTH FREMONT.

AND I THINK IF WE'RE SPENDING THIS KIND OF MONEY ONE SIDE OF TOWN I THINK IT WOULD BE ONLY FAIR TO CONSIDER SPENDING A FRACTION OF THIS MONEY THAT BENEFITS NORTH FREMONT RESIDENTS.

>> HANS LARSEN: IF I COULD JUST CLARIFY.

I THINK OUR INTENT IS TO TRY TO CAPTURE MONEY FROM STATE, FEDERAL OR REGIONAL SOURCES, THAT'S GEARED TOWARDS TRAILS AND TRANSPORTATION.

AND SO I THINK THE -- WE'RE NOT ENVISIONING OR EXPECTING THAT A PROJECT OF THIS AMOUNT WOULD COME PURELY FROM CITY REVENUES.

THERE PROBABLY IS A SMALL MATCHING AMOUNT THAT WE WOULD NEED TO PROVIDE THAT WOULD COME FROM OUR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS.

BUT YEAH, THIS WOULD NOT BE -- CERTAINLY WOULD NOT BE SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO AFFORD OR WOULD COME OUT OF THE CITY GENERAL FUND, THAT COULD COMPETE WITH OTHER NEEDS THAT WE HAVE ACROSS THE CITY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: YEAH, YEAH, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT, AS A CITY WE DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY TO BUILD SOMETHING LIKE THIS BUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT I'M SAYING IS IF WE ARE, YOU KNOW, HAVING ENHANCEMENTS AND PROGRAMS FOR THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN, DO WE HAVE OTHER JUST KIND OF A SIDE QUESTION, DO WE HAVE OTHER PROGRAMS THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT ON THE NORTH SIDE.

>> MAYOR MEI: WELL I THINK TOMORROW AND IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS WE'RE UPDATING OUR MASTER PLAN.

OUR PARKS AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN.

AND HOPEFULLY WILL BE ABLE TO ADDRESS WITH THAT INCORPORATED MORE OF THE OVERVIEW OF THE ATLAS AND HOW WE COULD HAVE EQUITY AND WE DID A STUDY OF ALL THE PARKS AND RESOURCES AND DETAILED SURVEYS AND HOPEFULLY PEOPLE WILL TUNE IN FOR THAT AS WE LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT RESOURCES.

THIS ONE I AGREE THAT I DEFINITELY WOULD BE -- PART OF IT IS JUST SETTING THE FOUNDATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT RESOURCE TO STUDY THAT.

AND THEN IN THIS MOMENT RIGHT NOW WHERE THERE IS TRANSFORMATIONAL FUNDING THAT'S BEING GIVEN TO SOME OF THESE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF SECRETARY CROWFOOT, WE'RE VERY HAPPY THAT HE COULD COME AND SEE FIRSTHAND IT'S DIFFERENT THAN A PROPOSAL, TO SECURE OUTSIDE FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO MARRY TOGETHER TO MAKE THAT FUNDING MATCH.

BUT ABSOLUTELY WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT AND AS WE TALKED ABOUT REDISTRICTING IN OTHER AREAS, HOPEFULLY PEOPLE WILL JOIN US, IT'S A TEASER HOPEFULLY TO JOIN US FOR THE MASTER PLAN DISCUSSION WHICH WILL BE COMING UP.

>> HANS LARSEN: MAYOR MEI, IF I COULD ADD IN TERMS OF OTHER INVESTMENTS WE'RE LOOKING AT, PARTICULARLY TRYING TO LEVERAGE MONEYS AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL.

AS PART OF THE TRAIL MASTER PLAN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL REMOVED IN SEPTEMBER, THERE ARE MANY SORT OF BIG TRAIL PROJECTS THAT WE'RE SEEKING TO ADVANCE. AND ONE SIGNIFICANT PROJECT THAT IS IN THE NORTH FREMONT AREA IS THE DUMBARTON TO QUARRY LAKES TRAIL, WHICH IS A NEW TRAIL CORRIDOR THAT WOULD GO FROM THE DUMBARTON BRIDGE BY THE DUMBARTON QUARRY CAMPGROUNDS, COYOTE HILLS, CONNECT WITH THE FACEBOOK DEVELOPMENT, ARDENWOOD PARK AND QUARRY LAKES PARKWAY.

THIS IS ANOTHER MAJOR PROJECT THAT WE ARE ACTIVELY DEVELOPING AND IN PARALLEL WOULD BE WORKING TO TRY TO GET FUNDING FROM REALLY AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF INVESTMENT THAT'S COMING IN AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL.

THE OTHER BIG PROJECT IS EXTENDING UPON THE RECENT OPENING OF THE WARM SPRINGS WEST ACCESS BRIDGE.

SO WE BRIDGED OVER THE RAILROAD TRACKS THERE.

WE'LL BE ABLE TO CONNECT TO THE TESLA FACTORY AREA, AND MANY OTHER SYSTEMS, SO THAT'S A THIRD BIG PROJECT WHICH IS PART OF THE EAST BAY GREEN WAY CORRIDOR.

SO DUMBARTON QUARRY LAKES IN THE NORTH, SABERCAT, CENTRAL PARK IN CENTRAL FREMONT AND THEN SOUTHERN FREMONT, THE EAST BAY GREEN WAY CONNECTION IN THE INNOVATION DISTRICT OR KIND OF WHAT WE'RE CHARACTERIZING AS THE BIG THREE TRAIL SYSTEMS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO ADVANCE IN THE COMING YEARS.

SO I THINK THERE'S EXCITING NEWS ALL ACROSS FREMONT IN THE TERMS OF EXPANDING OUR TRAIL NETWORK.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: GREAT, THANKS SO MUCH FOR FILLING THAT IN. AND ALSO JUST ONE LAST QUESTION.

WHEN YOU SAID WE HAVE A SMALL, THE CITY WOULD HAVE A SMALL MARCHING FUNDING, HOW MUCH EXACTLY, DO YOU KNOW YET?

>> HANS LARSEN: I WOULD SAY TYPICALLY IN ORDER TO -- I MEAN WE COULD PROBABLY USE AS AN EXAMPLE THE RECENTLY OPENED WEST ACCESS BRIDGE WAS A \$41 MILLION PROJECT. SO THE CITY CONTRIBUTED 11, AND THEN WE WERE ABLE TO GET A \$30 MILLION GRANT FROM ALAMEDA CTC.

WE THINK WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL MONEYS ALSO, THAT THE AMOUNT OF MATCH THAT WE MAY NEED TO DO IS PROBABLY SMALLER THAN WHAT WE'VE HAD TO DO IN THE PAST.

AND THAT WE'RE LARGELY LOOKING AT FUNDS THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO US THROUGH OUR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AND OUR EFFORTS TO BUILD A GOOD BIKE NETWORK, PROBABLY BE THE MAIN SOURCE OF FUNDING THAT WE WOULD BE LOOKING AT TO PROVIDE THE MATCH.

AND WE DO HAVE WITHIN OUR TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL PROGRAM SET ASIDE MATCHING MONIES IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO ATTRACT AND COMPETE FOR THESE LARGE REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: RIGHT, THANKS SO MUCH DIRECTOR.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I ALSO WAS GOING TO MENTION I THINK THIS YEAR WE'RE ALSO GOING TO BE DOING CLOSING DOWN AGAIN NILES CANYON TRAIL TO HAVE THE ROLL AND STROLL IS COMING UP, SO THAT WOULD BE A GREAT WAY TO BE ABLE TO HIGHLIGHT.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN: WITH ALL THOSE COMMENTS I THINK I'M READY TO MAKE THE MOTION.

AND MAYBE THROW IN A COMMENT THAT I THINK THAT MR. LARSEN WAS MENTIONING, A LOT OF THESE STUDIES THEY PREP US FOR NOR FUNDING.

IF WE DO THE INITIAL WORK WE'RE MUCH MORE COMPETITIVE WHEN THESE STATE GRANTS AND FEDERAL GRANTS COME UP SO FOR SHOVEL READY WE'RE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO GET THE FUNDING WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO LEVERAGE THE STATE, COUNTY AND FEDERAL FUNDING.

WE SHOULD DO IT IN ALL PARTS OF FREMONT AND I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: I SECOND.

>> MAYOR MEI: SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

I'M HAVING HARD TO SEE BECAUSE I'M LOOKING AT MY PARTICIPANT LIST.

MOTION BY VICE MAYOR SALWAN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

ROLL CALL VOTE PLEASE.

>> THE CLERK: COUNCILMEMBER COX, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG, AYE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

AYE.

MAYOR MEI.

AYE.

>> MAYOR MEI: MOST PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

THAT'S WONDERFUL.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG YOU HAVE YOUR HAND RAISED, DO YOU HAVE ANOTHER COMMENT?

OKAY.

NEXT, I DON'T SEE ANY COUNCIL REFERRALS.

WE ALSO STILL HAVE SPEAKERS I THINK, IT LOOKS LIKE BECAUSE WE HAD TO STOP OUR PUBLIC COMMENTS EARLIER.

BECAUSE OF THE HEARING FOR THE REDISTRICTING.

AND I WAS GOING TO CHECK TO MAKE SURE.

>> CORRECT.

RIGHT.

>> MAYOR MEI: TWO PEOPLE.

>> YES, HOWEVER WE JUST NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT CALLING ON PEOPLE WHO HAD ALREADY SPOKEN EARLIER THIS EVENING.

>> MAYOR MEI: YOU CAN'T REPEAT AGAIN UNDER PUBLIC COMMENTS.

>> CORRECT.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO I SEE MARIE HUGHES.

WELCOME.

>> MARIE.

>> NOBODY GAVE ME AN UNMUTE.

MY NAME IS MARIE HUGHES, I'M A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF FREMONT, I LIVE IN NILES.

I WANT TO EXPRESS, THE SHANGRI LA PROGRAM, THEY ANSWERED MANY, MANY QUESTIONS AND GAVE A COMPLETE PLAN FOR HOW THEY'RE GOING TO TURN MOTEL 6 INTO 156 PERMANENT HOUSING UNITS.

WE ALL KNOW THAT FREMONT IS BEHIND IN OUR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACCORDING TO OUR MASTER PLAN AND HAVING THE STATE GIVE US \$40 MILLION TO DO THIS IS JUST A WONDERFUL GIFT.

AND I REALLY HOPE TO HEAR THAT WE GOT THE GRANT IN MARCH.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MAYOR MEI: THEN I WAS GOING TO JUST CHECK TO SEE WHO HAS ALREADY SPOKEN.

I THINK KATHERINE, I APOLOGIZE, I THINK I MAY HAVE CALLED YOU EARLIER -- DID YOU SPOKE --

>> KATHERINE RUBY SPOKE UNDER 5A.

I DON'T HAVE HER LISTED FOR 4A.

>> MAYOR MEI: KATHERINE WELCOME.

>> THANK YOU, IS THIS OPEN COMMENTS FOR ANYTHING SUCH AS PROJECT HOMEKEY?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> GREAT.

I JUST WANT TO REITERATE MY SUPPORT FOR PROJECT HOMEKEY AND REMIND EVERYONE THAT THIS IS CONSIDERED PERMANENT HOUSING.

AND WITH SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, AND I JUST AM FAILING TO UNDERSTAND WHY PEOPLE ARE OBJECTING TO THIS IDEA OF PERMANENT HOUSING WITH SUPPORTIVE SERVICES.

IT DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS.

AND THEN THEY COMPLAIN THAT OTHER PROJECTS WILL ATTRACT HOMELESS PEOPLE TO SET UP ENCAMPMENTS.

AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, HOW YOU CAN JUSTIFY BOTH OF THOSE THOUGHTS.

AND I JUST WANT TO KEEP SAYING, YOU KNOW, FREMONT'S ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

AGENCY, SAFE PARKING, PROJECT HOMEKEY ALL OF THESE ARE POSITIVE THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO HELP WITH THE HOMELESS SITUATION.

THANK YOU FOR BEING ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I SEE JANE BUT DID YOU SPEAK EARLIER?

I APOLOGIZE.

>> I SPOKE ON THE TRAIL.

SO I WANT TO SPEAK UNDER GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS.

470 OF THE 806 HOMELESS PEOPLE IN THE CITY WERE ARRESTED FOR NOT DRUG OR PETTY THEFTS BECAUSE THOSE ARE NORMALIZED AS EQUAL, BEING THE SO-CALLED BAD ACTORS, HOW DO YOU ENSURE THAT ONCE HOUSED THEY WILL NO LONGER COMMIT CRIMES.

WE WELCOME THE WORKING POOR WITHOUT CRIMINAL HISTORY.

NOT THE 77% WITH CRIMINAL HISTORY.

ANTAGONIZING YOUR OWN CONSTITUENTS CLAIMING THAT WE ARE DANGEROUS TO THE HOMELESS.

WE HOPE YOU CAN BE FAIR AND SEE THE TRUTH AND TRUST THE CITY'S OWN DATA, IF YOU SPREAD MISINFORMATION THEN PROVE THAT THE CITY'S DATA IS WRONG.

PROVIDE EXAMPLES THAT A NORMAL CITY RESIDENT IS ATTACKING THE HOMELESS PEOPLE.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS CL.

>> HI, I KNOW THAT THE HOMEKEY INTENTION IS GOOD BUT MY TAKE IS IT'S NOT NECESSARILY THE RIGHT WAY IF THERE IS NO GUARDRAIL.

AFTER GOING THROUGH THE FAQ, WOULD YOU CONSIDER SEVERELY MENTALLY ILL, ADDICTS WITH CRITICAL HISTORY BE QUALIFIED?

BECAUSE I'M DEMANDING A PUBLIC DEBATE TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE.

I GOT TO BE REAL, MAN.

ON JANUARY 11TH, 2022, THERE WAS AN ABRUPT VIOLENT ENTRY INTO A PRIVATE AREA WITH RISK OF HARM TO MINORS AND ELDERS.

THIS TERRORIZED THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY, THE POLICE WEREN'T HELPFUL AT ALL, THEY LEFT US SITTING DUCK, THEY DID NOT PROCEED AND EXTRACT THE HOMELESS.

NOW WE ALSO HAVE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET AND WE HAVE THEFTS FROM THEM.

OKAY?

SO HOW CAN YOU ENSURE THE PEOPLE IN THE LOWER 15% ARE SAFE?

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT SPEAKER IS LUSAN.

>> HI, I THINK THE CITY SHOULD CONSIDER ALL THE CONCERNS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

IF I'M PARENT, I DON'T LIKE MY CASE TO GO TO THE KINDERGARTEN NEXT TO OUR HOMELESS SHELTER OR HOMELESS HOUSING.

I THINK THOSE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

AND IT'S NOT A GOOD IDEA TO BUILD A HOMELESS HOUSING NEAR THE -- SO MANY KIDS AND SO MANY SENIORS NEIGHBORHOOD.

IF YOU BUILD I THINK YOU SHOULD CONSIDER THOSE VOICE AND PUT SOME DISTANCE AND BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL THE PEOPLE.

MAYBE SOME INDUSTRIAL AREA OR A FEW MILES AWAY, MAYBE ALL THE PEOPLE CAN BE ACCEPTABLE.

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT SPEAKER IS HAYES SHARE.

>> GOOD EVENING EVERYONE, MY NAME IS HAYES SHARE, I'M A FATHER OF TWO AND I SUPPORT THE HOMEKEY PROJECT.

I SUPPORT THE CITY OF FREMONT OF TAKING THIS INITIATIVE TO ACTUALLY HOUSE OUR NEIGHBORS.

ONE STATISTIC THAT I WILL DRIVE HOME TONIGHT IS THAT ONCE YOU GIVE AN UNHOUSED PERSON A HOME THEY NOR LONGER HOMELESS.

THIS IS AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT NOT A HOMELESS SHELTER.
IF YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF 911 CALLS TO THE MOTEL 6 YOU WILL SEE THAT THEY OUT-
NUMBER THE CALLS TO THE HNC, TO SUNRISE VILLAGE OR A NUMBER OF THE UNHOUSED
SERVICES IN FREMONT BY FAR.

CONVERTING THIS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING WILL MAKE IT SAFER IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS DINA.

>> HELLO, I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT THE PEOPLE HERE ARE NOT NECESSARILY AGAINST
HOMELESS PROJECT BUT THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT PSYCHIATRICALY ILL PEOPLE BEING
HOUSED HERE.

I THINK THERE IS LACK OF TRANSPARENCY AND THE INFORMATION STUCK SOMEWHERE DEEP
INSIDE, SOMEBODY AND SOME PRESENTATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE WHICH PEOPLE AT
LARGE ARE NOT AVAILABLE AND I THINK THAT'S THE KEY ISSUE HERE LACK OF TRANSPARENCY
AND COMMUNICATION TO THE PUBLIC TO TELL WHAT IT IS.

AND IT IS VERY EASY JUST FOR THE TOWN HALL AND GET IT DONE WITH AND COMMUNICATE
TO PEOPLE RATHER THAN JUST TRY TO SWEEP THIS UNDER THE RUG AND QUICKLY IN FOUR
DAYS.

SO NOBODY'S ARGUING AGAINST BENEFITS.

PEOPLE ARE JUST ARGUING AGAINST TRANSPARENCY, LACK OF TRANSPARENCY.

I HOPE THAT MESSAGE IS CLEAR AND WE DO SOMETHING TO COMMUNICATE IT OUT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT SPEAKER IS JAMES.

HAVE YOU SPOKEN?

WELCOME.

I KNOW SELL OF THEM ARE GOING TO BE REPEATS.

JAMES HAVE YOU SPOKEN ALREADY ON ORAL COMMUNICATION?

>> JAMES HAS NOT.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY, WELCOME.

>> HELLO CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> HELLO SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE A REBUTTAL ON TWO ARGUMENTS.

FIRST ONE IS I'M THINKING OF OUR FATHER IN FREMONT SAYING THAT THE HOMEKEY
PROJECT SOLVING THE HOMELESS PROBLEM, I WOULD DOUBT ON THAT.

WE HAVE THE HOMELESS ON THE ORDER OF TENS OF THOUSANDS IN OUR CITY, METRO
AREA.

BUT HOMEKEY CAN ONLY SATISFY 100 OF THEM.

I THINK WE HAVE ABSORBED MORE HOMELESS COME TO THIS AREA AND PROBABLY MADE
THE WHOLE ENVIRONMENT EVEN WORSE.

ANOTHER ONE IS ACTUALLY FROM SORRY JUST ONE MOMENT, AN ARGUMENT AT THE
BEGINNING OF THE MEETING FROM SUNRISE KIDENGO.

I THINK IT'S REALITY WRONG TO JUST ASK ONE PARTY TO REPRESENT --

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER.

MOTEL 6 IS THE FIRST HOMELESS MOTEL WE WILL GET.

BUT I WON'T SUPPORT IT UNTIL THE CITY CAN GUARANTEE ITS LONG DISTANCE SAFETY, ESPECIALLY THE SENIORS AND KIDS BECAUSE IT'S SO CLOSE TO SENIOR HOUSING, DAYCARE, SCHOOLS AND AFTER SCHOOLS.

AND THE CITY HAS LATER SHOWED THAT 77% OF THE FREMONT HOMELESS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED OR THE CRIMES.

AND THIS PROJECT DOESN'T INCLUDE THESE PEOPLE, NOT AS IT EXCLUDES SUBSTANCE ABUSERS AND MANY VICTIMS OF CRIME DON'T GET POLICE RESPONSE BECAUSE THE POLICE FORCE IS SIMPLY OVERWHELMED.

INVITE MORE HOMELESS IN THIS AREA MULTIPLE STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT AN INCREASE IN CRIME RATE IN COMMUNITIES AROUND HOMELESS HOUSING SO HOW WILL YOU DEAL WITH THIS DYNAMIC, THAT IS MY MAJOR QUESTION, THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT SPEAKER IS BLAIR BEEKMAN.

>> HI, THANK YOU.

BLAIR BEEKMAN HERE.

THANK YOU FOR EXTENDING PUBLIC COMMENT, THIS INTERESTING PUBLIC MEETING FOR THIS WEEK.

I JUST WANTED TO BE ABILITY TO QUICKLY OFFER A REMINDER OF THE IMPORTANCE OF WHAT OPEN PUBLIC POLICIES AND ACCOUNTABILITY CAN OFFER THE COMMUNITY WITH SURVEILLANCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

AND DATA COLLECTION PRACTICES.

I THINK IT OFFERS AN INTERESTING HOPEFUL FUTURE THAT EVERYONE CAN BE CONSIDERING AS PART OF GOOD PRACTICES FOR THE FUTURE OF A COMMUNITY.

AND WITH HOMEKEY ISSUES THAT HOMEKEY IS JUST ONE PART OF SEVERAL GOOD PLANS THAT A LOCAL CITY GOVERNMENT CAN PRACTICE WITH THEIR HOMELESS ISSUES THAT GOOD LUCK HOW TO BUDGET OUR MONEY FOR THESE GOOD PRACTICES, THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THAT'S THE LAST OF OUR PUBLIC SPEAKERS THIS EVENING.

AND BRING IT BACK TO ORAL REPORTS ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS THAT ARE RELATED TO THE COUNCIL RULES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: SORRY I JUST NEED TO MAKE A COMMENT ON SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WERE SAID AND ALSO AN E-MAIL THAT WE RECEIVED.

IN A DEMOCRACY IT IS SO IMPORTANT AS WE KNOW TO NOT SPREAD MISINFORMATION.

AND THERE IS ONE PIECE OF INFORMATION THAT JANE TALKED ABOUT AND ALSO SENT AN E-MAILED ABOUT AND IT SOUNDS VERY INCORRECT TO ME.

BUT I WAS JUST HOPING MAYBE SOMEONE FROM OUR HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT COULD CORRECT THIS INFORMATION.

SO JANE SAYS THAT 77% OF THE HOMELESS POPULATION IN FREMONT HAS BEEN ARRESTED. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE CRIME RATE AMONG HOMELESS PEOPLE IS THE SAME IF NOT LESS THAN PEOPLE WITH HOMES.

SO IN -- I FEEL IT'S SO, SO IMPORTANT NOT TO LET THAT INFORMATION STAND, ASSUMING THAT IT IS NOT CORRECT.

SO IS THERE SOMEONE HERE FROM HUMAN SERVICES THAT MIGHT HAVE THE CORRECT INFORMATION?

>> MAYOR MEI: I --

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: EXCUSE ME, MADAM MAYOR.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER JONES WERE YOU GOING TO ANSWER THIS FROM YOUR LIFE EXPERIENCE?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I DIDN'T WANT TO GO THERE BECAUSE IT'S NOT AN AGENDIZED ITEM.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: WE DO HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO CORRECT PUBLIC MISINFORMATION.

I THINK IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE CLARIFY THAT IT IS ABSOLUTELY NOT THE CASE THAT 77% OF HOMELESS PEOPLE IN FREMONT ARE CRIMINALS.

AND IF THERE'S NO ONE ON HERE NOW THAT CAN REAFFIRM THAT, I CAN -- I AM CERTAIN THAT THAT IS NOT CORRECT.

I DON'T HAVE ALL THE DATA WITH ME BUT I KNOW THAT THAT IS NOT CORRECT.

SO WE HOPEFULLY WILL FIND A WAY TO SHARE THE CORRECT INFORMATION ON THAT.

>> MAYOR MEI: I WILL REFERENCE QUICKLY.

IT IS JUST THAT OUR FAQs AND CHIEF WASHINGTON DID PULL UP SOME OF THE STATISTICS AND WHILE I CAN'T SAY FOR ALL BUT I KNOW WHEN WE DID THE STUDY OF THREE OF THE HOMELESS SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, IN THIS CASE THIS IS PERMANENT HOUSING, NOT HOMELESS NAVIGATION CENTER, AGAIN TO CLARIFY, SHOWED THAT THE CRIME RATES WERE DRAMATICALLY DIFFERENT AND ACTUALLY THE MOTEL 6 HAD CURRENTLY MUCH HIGHER RATE.

SO I WOULD JUST ASK PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, WE DID NOTICE THE MEETINGS, WE DID HAVE PEOPLE COME AND SPEAK.

WE DID HAVE A PRESENTATION WHICH YOU CAN VIEW ON COUNCIL RECORDING.

AND THEN ALSO I KNOW THAT I HAVE TO THANK OUR STAFF FOR PUTTING OUT THE DETAILED FAQs.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR.

I JUST WANTED TO REPORT THAT LAST WEEK, WE HAD THE MASTER MEETING AT ALAMEDA COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY AND I'M GLAD TO REPORT THAT RIGHT NOW, THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE CITY OF FREMONT GOVERNMENT ON EIGHT DIFFERENT PROJECTS IN ORDER TO FULLY USE THE ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY VOUCHERS COMING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO HELP HOUSE MORE PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE POTENTIALLY HOMELESS IN FREMONT.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I ALSO WAS GOING TO NOTE THAT WE HAVE OUR UPCOMING POINT IN TIME COUNT FOR HOMELESSNESS POINT IN TIME COUNT THAT WE ARE DOING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COUNTY.

AND SO I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO JUST LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT THAT IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP OUT.

AND THEN ALSO I KNOW THAT OUR HUMAN SERVICES HAVE ALSO MENTION THEY'D THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH TO VOLUNTEER FOR CLEANUP COMING UP SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE.

IF YOU WARRANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CITY PLEASE DO SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTERS AND INFORMATION.

THAT IS AN EXCELLENT WAY WHETHER IT'S OUR HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE CITY IN GENERAL, OR IN TERMS OF SENIOR AND AGE WELL CENTERS.

THEY ALL HAVE NEWS LETTERS THAT YOU CAN SIGN UP AND THOSE WILL BE THEN SENT TO YOU IN YOUR E-MAIL OR IT'S AVAILABLE ONLINE.

SO I WOULD JUST HIGHLY RECOMMEND PEOPLE TO LOOK AT THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER COX.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES, THANK YOU.

THIS COMING WEEKEND I WILL BE JOINING ASSEMBLY MEMBER ALEX LEE AND THE NAACP TO CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH AND RECOGNIZE OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

AND AS SOME OF YOU MAY REMEMBER JEAN FRICKLAND SHE'S GOING TO BE ONE OF THIS YEAR'S HONOREES SO IT WILL BE VERY EXCITING AND IT'S GOING TO BE ON SAT FEBRUARY THE 19TH AT 3:00 AND WE'RE HAVING IT IN A PARK IN MILPITAS.

ANOTHER PART IS THAT THIS MONTH, BLACK HISTORY MONTH IS ALSO ABOUT BLACK HEALTH AND WELLNESS.

AND SO I WILL BE ONE OF THE SPEAKERS TO TALK ABOUT THE HEALTH CARE DISPARITY AND WHAT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS MEANT FOR SMALL MINORITY BUSINESSES, AS WELL AS HOW DIFFERENT COUNTIES AND GOVERNMENTS ARE DEALING WITH OUR HEALTH AND OUR WELLNESS IN THE COMMUNITY.

AND SO HOPING TO BE ABLE TO CLOSE THE GAP THERE.

AND SO THIS IS PUT ON BY THE HISTORICAL BLACK SOCIETY OF THE BAY AREA.

AND ALSO, THAT I'VE BEEN NOMINATED AND WILL BE ONE OF THE HONOREES FOR THIS YEAR'S WORLD SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND THIS IS BY THE SHRIT KASLA ORGANIZATION THAT IS ABOUT UNITING NATIONS FOR PEACE KEEPING.

SO THAT IS GOING TO BE A FULL MONTH COMING UP.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: DO I HAVE ANY OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS?

I ALSO WANTED TO NOTE THAT WE ARE WORKING ON OUR BROADBAND MASTER PLAN AND I THINK THAT THERE'S A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES RIGHT NOW IN THIS MOMENT AND I WANTED TO THANK, I KNOW THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON SOME OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOTH EDUCATION AND OUTREACH.

SO WITH THAT SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS I WILL SEE YOU ALL SOON AND I ASK THAT YOU ALL STAY HEALTHY AND THAT WE ARE ABLE TO SEE EACH OTHER SOON AND WE CAN HOPEFULLY GET OUTDOORS I THINK YOU KNOW AT LAST YEAR'S WALK AS WE MENTIONED HOPEFULLY WILL BE SOMETHING WE CAN CONTINUE AS WE WALK IN OUR COMMUNITY HISTORY.

I WANTED TO MENTION MISSION SAN JOSE IS CELEBRATING ITS 225TH ANNIVERSARY AND THEY ARE HOLDING DIFFERENT EVENTS SUCH AS THE HISTORY OF THE OLIVE HYDE MUSEUM

AND THEY ARE DOING CONCERTS AND A WONDERING WAY TO CELEBRATE AND RECOGNIZE OUR NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE WHICH IS ALSO VERY CRITICAL IN TERMS OF UNDERSTANDING HOW WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO USE THEIR LAND BUT ALSO SOME OF THE LEGACY WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO INCLUDE IN TERMS OF RECOGNITION OF THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS.

AND I KNOW ANDY GALVAN WAS ONE OF THE SPEAKERS ON THAT.

THANKS TO STAFF AND ALL FOR THEIR PRESENTATION AND MOST OF ALL THANKS TO THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR PARTICIPATING.

HAVE A GOOD EVENING.

[MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:00 P.M.]