Fremont Council Meeting Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7:00 p.m.

>> MAYOR MEI: GOOD EVENING.

WELCOME TO THE MARCH 1ST CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.

I'D LIKE TO INVITE COUNCILMEMBER SHAO TO LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO:

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: ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

MY ZOOM LOGGED ME OUT MOMENTARILY.

>> MAYOR MEI: YES, I CAN NOW.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: THANK YOU.

ARE YOU READY FOR THE ROLL CALL?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: OKAY.

SORRY ABOUT THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER COX, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, PRESENT.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, HERE.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG, HERE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN, PRESENT.

MAYOR MEI, HERE.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO SAY ON BEHALF OF OUR FREMONT CITY COUNCIL AND ALSO OUR STAFF AND COMMUNITY, I'D LIKE TO EXTEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO THE BOBBITT FAMILY.

AND WE ARE ALL SHOCKED AND HEARTBROKEN TO HEAR OF FREDDIE'S PASSING LAST WEEK, AND MANY OF US HAVE BEEN REFLECTING ON OUR MEMORIES OF FREDDIE OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS AND SHARING STORIES THAT WE WILL CHERISH FOR YEARS TO COME.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAPTAIN FRED BOBBITT'S 32 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE CITY OF FREMONT, I'D LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HIS HONOR TONIGHT.

SO WE'LL PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR CAPTAIN FRED BOBBITT

AND ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT FRY MEMORIAL IN TRACY FROM 5:00 TO 8:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH.

FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND THE COMMUNITY HE LOVED ARE INVITED TO COME TOGETHER AND SHARE SPECIAL STORIES AND MEMORIES AS WE SAY OUR FINAL GOODBYES.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE FOR CAPTAIN BOBBITT WILL TAKE PLACE AT 10:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH, AT HARBOR LIGHT CHURCH IN FREMONT.

GRAVESIDE SERVICE AND GATHERING (REPAST) ARE SCHEDULED FOR 1:00 P.M. IN TRACY. A WEBPAGE HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO HELP SHARE THESE DETAILS - PLEASE VISIT

HTTPS://FREMONTPOLICE.GOV/CAPTAINBOBBITT FOR MORE INFORMATION.

AS STATED ON TONIGHT'S SCHEDULED AGENDA, THE CITY IS HOSTING ITS FOURTH PUBLIC HEARING OF OUR 2021 REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

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

ANY BUSINESS THAT THE COUNCIL IS CONDUCTING AROUND THIS TIME WILL BE STOPPED AND, IF NOT FINISHED, WILL BE REOPENED AFTER THE CLOSING OF THE REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING.

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

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING IN THE ELECTRONIC MEETING WISHING TO SPEAK MAY DO SO DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, BY CLICKING ON THE "RAISE HAND" ICON, OR IF CALLING IN, BY DIALING "*9."

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

EMAILS SUBMITTED TO THE CITY CLERK ARE COMPILED, DISTRIBUTED TO THE 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 WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THIS MEETING WILL GO UNTIL 11:30 THIS EVENING IF NEEDED. 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 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 CITY MANAGER KARENA SHACKELFORD TO INTRODUCE STAFF AT THIS TIME.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR AND GOOD EVENING, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

IT'S NICE TO SEE EVERYONE.

I'M GETTING FEEDBACK HERE.

EXCUSE ME FOR A MOMENT.

OKAY.

FIRST LET ME MAKE A COUPLE OF ANNOUNCEMENTS, PLEASE.

PLEASE INDULGE ME.

I WANT TO MAKE THE COMMUNITY AWARE THAT AS OF LAST WEEK, WE RELEASED A COMMUNITY SURVEY ON THE PASEO PADRE PARKWAY, DRISCOLL TO WASHINGTON BOULEVARD STREET DESIGN.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR PUBLIC INPUT.

AS A FOLLOW-UP TO COUNCIL DIRECTION FROM SEPTEMBER OF LAST YEAR, PASEO PADRE PARKWAY HAS BEEN MODIFIED WITH NARROWER TRAFFIC LANES FOR SPEED MANAGEMENT, AND NEW BASIC BIKE LANES.

SO WE'RE LOOKING FOR INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY ON OTHER STREET DESIGN CHANGES THAT ADDRESS MULTIMODAL SAFETY, EFFICIENT TRAFFIC FLOW, AND COMMUNITY LIVABILITY.

SO NOTIFICATIONS ABOUT THE SURVEY HAVE BEEN MAILED TO RESIDENTS AND PROVIDED THROUGH THE FREMONT CONNECTION E-NEWSLETTER, AND FOR THOSE WHO DON'T RECEIVE THAT, YOU CAN VISIT OUR FREMONT.GOV WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION. THEN I'D ALSO WANT TO MAKE THE COMMUNITY AWARE THAT OUR COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS PARTNERED WITH BAY AREA COMMUNITY HEALTH AND OFFERING COVID-19 TESTING, VACCINATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH.

WE'VE DONE THAT AT CENTRAL PARK THROUGHOUT 2021, AND WE'VE SERVED THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

SO WE'RE CONTINUING THE PARTNERSHIP INTO 2022, AND SO FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU CAN VISIT OUR WEBSITE, AGAIN, FREMONT.GOV FOR THAT.

SO NOW, PLEASE, LET ME -- ALLOW ME TO HAVE THE HONOR OF INTRODUCING OUR NEW CITY ATTORNEY, MY COLLEAGUE, RAFAEL ALVARADO.

WELCOME, RAFAEL.

AND WE ALSO HAVE WITH US THIS EVENING OUR CITY CLERK, SUSAN GAUTHIER, AS WELL AS A VARIETY OF MEMBERS OF CITY STAFF WHO ARE HERE TONIGHT TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STAFF REPORTS OR ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

SO WITH THAT, I WILL TURN IT BACK TO YOU, MAYOR MEI.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

SO THE NEXT ITEM IS THE CONSENT CALENDAR, AND I WANTED TO LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT THESE ARE ITEMS THAT ARE NOT AGENDIZED THIS EVENING, AND THOSE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WILL STAND, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF ANYONE FROM OUR -- A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WANTS TO PULL A CONSENT ITEM, AND THE COMMENTS SHOULD BE PERTAINING TO THAT.

IF THERE IS SOME.

AND THEN THE OTHER ONE IS OUR OWN COUNCIL.

I SEE TWO HANDS RAISED.

CAN WE CHECK TO SEE IF THEY'RE PERTAINING TO THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS THIS EVENING?

>> MS. GAUTHIER: LEI, ARE YOU SPEAKING ON A CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM?

DO YOU WANT TO PULL SOMETHING FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

>> OH. I'M SORRY. I'M NOT.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: OKAY.

WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU.

>> SORRY, I'M THE SAME, FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: OKAY.

PLEASE LOWER THE HANDS IF YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON THE -- OR WANTING TO PULL FROM

THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

FANG?

ARE YOU WANTING TO PULL AN ITEM FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

- >> NO, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PUBLIC COMMUNICATION.
- >> MS. GAUTHIER: ALL RIGHT.

THEN PLEASE LOWER YOUR HAND UNTIL THAT TIME.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: CALL AND ANNOUNCE AT EACH SECTION.

SEEING NO HANDS RAISED --

- >> MS. GAUTHIER: COUNCILMEMBER COX AND VICE MAYOR HAVE THEIR HANDS RAISED.
- >> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

COULD YOU CALL ON COUNCILMEMBER COX, WHAT ITEM DID YOU WANT TO PULL OR COMMENT ON?

- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: 2B.
- >> MAYOR MEI: VICE MAYOR SALWAN?
- >> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: YES, MAYOR.

I'LL BE RECUSING ON 2E SINCE IT'S PART OF THE LARGER WARM SPRINGS PLAN TO BE CONSISTENT WITH PREVIOUS DECISIONS I'VE MADE.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

SO CAN WE GET A MOTION TO MOVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH THE EXCLUSION OF ITEM 2B, AND THEN NOTING THAT VICE MAYOR IS GOING TO RECUSE FROM 2E, AND I THINK WE MENTIONED WE CAN MAKE AN ADDITION IF THERE'S NO HANDS RAISED FOR ITEM -- I THINK IT WAS 5B, IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY?

- >> MS. GAUTHIER: YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO MOVED WITH THE NOTIFICATIONS THAT YOU JUST MADE. INCLUDING 5B.
- >> MS. GAUTHIER: I JUST WANT TO MAKE NOTE TO THE PUBLIC, 5B IS THE -- SORRY -- PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE ANNUAL INFLATIONARY INCREASE.

IF WE HAVE NO SPEAKERS ON ITEM 5B, THEN WE CAN ADD TO THE CONSENT CALENDARS.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M LOOKING.

I DON'T SEE ANY.

SO YES, WE CAN DO THAT.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: I SECOND.
- >> MAYOR MEI: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JONES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

WITH THE EXCLUSION, AGAIN, OF ITEM 2B AND THE ADDITION OF 5B.

ROLL CALL VOTE, PLEASE.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: COUNCILMEMBER COX, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG, AYE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN, AYE WITH RECUSAL ON 2E.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: SO NOTED.

MAYOR MEI, AYE.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO THE CONSENT CALENDAR PASSES WITH THE ADDITION OF ITEM 5B AND THE EXCLUSION OF ITEM 2B.

AND THE RECUSAL FOR VICE MAYOR ON 2E.

THANK YOU.

NEXT THIS EVENING WILL BE CEREMONIAL ITEMS, AND WE HAVE A LOT OF THINGS WE'RE FORTUNATE TODAY, I WAS HONORED TO LEARN THAT WE ARE FOUR OUT OF FIVE YEARS SO FAR THE HAPPIEST CITY IN THE UNITED STATES AND THIS IS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY, IS THAT WE CELEBRATE THE INCREDIBLE LEGACY THAT WE HAVE.

THE FIRST WILL BE A RESOLUTION THIS EVENING FOR THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTRY CLUB OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WOMEN'S CLUB.

AND I'D LIKE TO READ THAT, AND I UNDERSTAND JOINING US THIS EVENING WILL BE MICHI YEE.

I'M LOOKING TO SEE IF SHE'S ONLINE.

>> I AM.

>> MAYOR MEI: OH, HI! LOOKING STYLISH AS EVER.

I WOULD LIKE TO JUST READ THAT AND JUST SHARE.

WHEREAS, THE COUNTRY CLUB OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WOMEN'S CLUB CELEBRATES ITS 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF BEING ESTABLISHED IN THE CITY OF FREMONT FORMERLY

KNOWN AS WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP; AND WHEREAS, SINCE 1896, THIS ORGANIZATION PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN SUPPORTING

THE WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE THAT LEAD TO WINIFRED BENDEL, WRITING ON WHY FREMONTON WHY FREMONT SHOULD BE AN INCORPORATED CITY AND EVENTUALLY BECOMING THE FIRST WOMAN TO BE ELECTED TO FREMONT CITY COUNCIL FROM 1956 TO 1958; AND

WHEREAS, THE COUNTRY CLUB OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WOMEN'S CLUB WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MANY ENDEAVORS INCLUDING WASHINGTON HOSPITAL

AND CITY OF FREMONT; AND

WHEREAS, THIS CLUB IMPROVED EDUCATION BY PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIPS, ESTABLISH COUNTY LIBRARIES, FORMED PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION, AND PASSED THE BOND MEASURE

TO ESTABLISH WASHINGTON UNION HIGH SCHOOL IN FREMONT.

NOW, THEREFORE, FREMONT CITY COUNCIL HONORS AND RECOGNIZES THEIR TRAILBLAZING ACHIEVEMENTS AND FOR THEIR COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR OVER 125 YEARS TO THE CITY OF FREMONT DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.AND I UNDERSTAND ACCEPTING THE RESOLUTION THIS EVENING WILL BE MICHI YEE.

SO I DON'T KNOW IF WE NEED TO QUICKLY -- I KNOW WE JUST HIT 7:15, I THINK.

MISS CITY CLERK, OR IF ANYONE WANTS TO CLARIFY WITH ME.

>> YOU CAN FINISH THE CURRENT ITEM.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

SO MICHI?

>> OH.

WELL, I DIDN'T REALIZE I WAS SUPPOSED TO PREPARE A SHORT, SHORT NOTE, BUT I GATHERED TOGETHER A FEW NOTES WHICH I THINK ARE VERY IMPORTANT, AND I THINK A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE, PARTICULARLY TO THOSE EARLY PIONEER WOMEN WHOSE NAMES GRACE THE STREETS OF WHAT IS NOW FREMONT WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WAS HERE LONG BEFORE FREMONT, 1956.

SOME OF THE NAMES YOU SEE ON THE STREETS ARE ALLEN SHINN, PATTERSON, BENDEL, WILLIAMSON, LILA, WIPPEL, WHO WAS APPARENTLY SOME REALTOR IN MOUNTAIN VIEW RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING THE NAVY YARD UP THERE.

BUT SHE WAS VERY -- A VERY INFORMED REALTOR IN THOSE DAYS FOR A WOMAN. I WANT TO SAY THAT THOSE WOMEN, THE EARLY PIONEER WOMEN, THEY WERE KIND OF LIKE KEPT DOWN BY MANY OF THE MEN WHO TOOK CREDIT FOR A LOT OF THINGS THAT HAPPENED AROUND.

TOOK THE WOMEN, WORKING WITH TERESA COX, I WANT TO THANK HER AND SHOW MY APPRECIATION FOR THE TIME THAT SHE TOOK TO GET THIS ON THE AGENDA BACK IN DECEMBER AND TO WORK WITH HER REGARDING THE WORDING.

I WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE DID NOT TAKE CREDIT FOR ANYTHING THAT WAS NOT CORRECT.

AND THE WASHINGTON HOSPITAL BOOK, WHICH IS VERY BIG, IT EVEN MENTIONS THE COUNTRY CLUB OF WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, WHICH I WAS GLAD TO NOTE THAT IT WAS A RECORD THAT THEY ACKNOWLEDGE THE PART THAT THEY PLAYED IN HELPING TO GET THE PANEL OF DOCTORS THAT THEN BUILT THE HOSPITAL.

ONE OF THE IMPORTANT THINGS THAT I RECOGNIZE, THEY TRIED TO HAVE A BOND TO REFURBISH THE OLD HIGH SCHOOL, BUT THE WOMEN DID NOT SUPPORT THAT, AND IN TIME THEY GOT THE NEW WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BUILT ON FREMONT BOULEVARD, WHICH IT STANDS TODAY.

ONE OF THE IMPORTANT PARTS, I THINK MIGHT HAVE BEEN OVERLOOKED, WAS THAT IN 1914, THIS LITTLE GROUP OF WOMEN MANAGED TO GET TOGETHER \$3,000 TO BUILD A CLUBHOUSE ON PARISH AVENUE IN FREMONT.

IN THOSE DAYS, WHAT CLUBS CAN BUILD A CLUBHOUSE?

I SEE NOTHING LIKE THAT HAPPENING TODAY FOR WOMEN THAT COULD HAVE THAT KIND OF AN AMBITION TO BUILD A CLUBHOUSE.

UNFORTUNATELY, NOT BEING ABLE TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE, IT WAS SOLD OFF IN 1993.

THE RENT PAID OFF OR THE MORTGAGE PAID OFF IN 1998 FOR AT LEAST, I THINK, 90,000 -- THE TOTAL SUM WAS \$100,000.

WHICH IS NOTHING BY TODAY'S STANDARDS I REALIZE.

BUT MAYBE HAD THEY KEPT IT ANOTHER 30 YEARS, IT MIGHT HAVE GARNERED A LOT MORE INCOME.

TODAY WE PROBABLY HAVE LESS THAN 60,000 STILL IN THE BANK.

SINCE THAT TIME, 20 YEARS, 30 YEARS, THEY'VE BEEN VERY FRUGAL IN HOW THEY SPENT THEIR MONEY, OF COURSE.

WE WENT TO ST. JAMES CHURCH AND USED THAT FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS, AND THEN

BECAUSE I HAPPEN TO BE ON THE BOARD OF THE SHINN HOUSE, WE WERE ABLE TO USE THE SHINN ARCHIVE ROOM, WHICH WE CONTINUE TO USE TODAY.

ONE OF THE REASONS HOW THIS RESOLUTION CAME ABOUT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A MURAL WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT TO THE CITY OF FREMONT DONE BY NANCY PRATT FOR THE YEAR OF THE WOMAN.

WE FIGURED WINIFRED, ONE OF OUR MORPHERS AND SHAKERS IN THE EARLY DAYS WAS A TRIBUTE TO THE POWER OF WOMEN TO OVERCOME -- OVERCOME A LOT OF THINGS.

AND I'D LIKE TO APPRECIATE TERESA COX FOR WORKING WITH ME ON THAT AND TAKING IT ALL THE WAY FROM DECEMBER UNTIL TODAY, MARCH 1ST.

WE HAVE MADE HER AN HONORARY MEMBER OF OUR CLUB, SOMEBODY THAT I KNEW MENTIONED THAT WHY DON'T I INVITE A TERESA TO BE A MEMBER, AND I SAID WHY NOT, IT NEVER OCCURRED TO ME, SO WE ARE DOING JUST THAT.

THE OTHER THING I WANT TO MENTION, LIKE I SAY, WE BUILT THE CLUBHOUSE IN 1914, AND WE DEDICATED A PLAQUE IN 2018 WITH A FEW DIGNITARIES OF THE CITY THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO BE THERE.

JUST SO CURRENT STATUS NOW, BECAUSE OF COVID, WHEN WE MIGHT HAVE 25, 30 PEOPLE AT OUR MEETINGS, WE'RE DOWN TO ABOUT 13.

COVID HAS NOT IMPROVED ANY KIND OF PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS, MANY ORGANIZATIONS, EVEN CHURCHES, HAVE GONE DOWN QUITE A BIT IN NUMBER, ALL TO COVID, AND THE FEAR OF DEATH AND DYING.

AS I LOOK AROUND TODAY, I SEE MANY GREAT PEOPLE WEATHERING THE STORM, AND THOSE THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO MAINTAIN DISTANCE OR COVER THEIR FACE WHERE THEY SHOULD BE, MANY PEOPLE ARE IGNORANT, MANY PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE THE FACILITIES THAT MANY OF US TODAY ENJOY, HEALTH AND HYGIENE.

AND INFORMATION.

AND THAT'S PART OF THE REASONS WHY SO MANY PEOPLE HAVE GONE UNDER.

AND I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR LISTENING TO OUR STORY, AND LIKE I SAID, THIS IS A TREASURE.

THIS IS A TREASURE, A GROUP OF WOMEN THAT HAVE GONE FAR BEYOND WHAT OUR COMMON WOMEN TODAY ARE ABLE TO DO.

WOMEN TODAY ARE NOT DOING THAT ACCEPT IN BUSINESSES, THEY'VE GONE VERY, VERY FAR.

HOW MANY WOMEN ON CITY COUNCIL NOW?

FOUR OR FIVE, AS COMPARED TO ONE 70 YEARS AGO.

SO I APPLAUD THE CITY OF FREMONT IN GOING FORWARD, AND OF COURSE HAVING OUR ASIAN MAYOR, LILY MEI, WE'RE ALL VERY PROUD OF THE DIVERSITY THAT THE CITY OF FREMONT HAS COME TO BE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU.

AGAIN.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU, MICHI, FOR COMING THIS EVENING, AND THANK YOUR FELLOW SISTERS --

>> OH, I WANT TO SHOW YOU SOMETHING.

LET ME SHOW YOU.

IN HONOR OF ANGELINA REYES, WHO'S ONE OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HEADS UP THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS HAS ACCESS TO THESE SORTS OF THINGS, AND ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO, SHE SAYS, WHY DON'T WE HAVE A BANNER, SOMETHING LIKE THIS?

I SAYS, WHY NOT?

SO WE SOLD 12 OF THEM, NOT KNOWING HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD ATTEND AND BUY, BUT THEY HAD HOPED TO ATTEND IN PERSON, AND WE'RE PROUD OF THE ORGANIZATION THAT THEY NOW BELONG TO.

THANK YOU AGAIN.

THIS IS US.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

SO THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS EVENING, MICHI.

I HOPE TO GATHER AGAIN WITH YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

I WAS HAVING A HARD TIME GETTING ON FOR A MINUTE, BUT SUZANNE, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

SO NOW WE WILL RETURN TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED ITEM THAT WE HAVE TO ATTEND AT 7:15.

I APOLOGIZE WE'RE RUNNING A LITTLE BIT LATE AND THAT IS OUR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS.

AND SO WE WILL BEGIN WITH THAT, AND SO THIS IS THE CITY OF FREMONT REDISTRICTING PROCESS PUBLIC HEARING AND I'D LIKE TO CALL TO BE OPEN, AND INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2.50.1.30 AND 2.10.110 OF FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE REDRAWING OF ELECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, AND MAKING CONFORMING CHANGES DUE TO HAVING A SEVEN-MEMBER CITY COUNCIL.

AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR MANAGEMENT ANALYST THIS EVENING, AMANDA GALLO. >> THANK YOU, MAYOR MEI.

AS MENTIONED, THIS IS OUR FOURTH REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING THAT THE CITY IS HOSTING IN THIS PROCESS.

IF YOU'VE BEEN FOLLOWING ALONG, THE CITY HAS BEEN REALLY EXTENDING ITS OUTREACH TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SHARE THEIR INPUT, SUBMIT DRAFT MAPS, REALLY BEING ENGAGED IN THIS PROCESS, SO I WANT TO THANK ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED THUS FAR AND HAVE HELPED THE CITY COUNCIL TO GET TO THIS POINT. AS FROM THE THIRD PUBLIC HEARING TO NOW, WE WILL BE REVIEWING TWO REVISED MAPS PROPOSED BY OUR CONSULTANT, NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS CORPORATION, AND THEN HAVE SOME PRESENTATION BY OUR CITY ATTORNEY ABOUT THE ORDINANCE ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT.

SO WITH THAT, WE'LL TURN IT OVER TO KRISTEN PARKS, WHO WILL GIVE US A PRESENTATION ABOUT TONIGHT'S MAPS FOR REVIEW.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, AMANDA.

SO AS I SHARE MY SCREEN, I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NOT ONLY DID WE HAVE TWO REVISED MAPS FROM THE CONSULTANT THAT I HAVE PREPARED AND WILL BE

SHOWING YOU, WE DID ALSO RECEIVE A HANDSFUL OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC MAPS, AND I WILL SHOW YOU WHERE THOSE ARE AND WE CAN LOOK AT THEM A LITTLE MORE CLOSELY AS THE COUNCIL DESIRES.

SO HERE WE ARE NEARING THE END OF THIS PROCESS.

OF COURSE FOR REDISTRICTING, THE LEGAL DEADLINE FOR THE COUNCIL TO ADOPT A NEW MAP IS APRIL 17TH, AND THAT IS TO GIVE THE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS PLENTY OF TIME TO BE READY FOR THE NOVEMBER 8TH ELECTION AS WE ARE IN AN ELECTION YEAR NOW.

SO THIS IS THE FOURTH PUBLIC HEARING.

THE GOAL, IF POSSIBLE, IS FOR THE COUNCIL TO SELECT A PREFERRED MAP THAT CAN BE BROUGHT BACK AND INTRODUCED AND HOPEFULLY THAT ADOPTION WILL HAPPEN BEFORE THE DEADLINE, AND I'M CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL.

SO A QUICK REVIEW OF THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

WE DO HAVE FEDERAL LAW AND STATE LAW.

WE REFER BACK TO THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

THE FIRST ONE THAT WE LOOK AT FOR EVERY MAP DRAWN IS EQUAL POPULATION, AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR TOTAL POPULATION DEVIATION TO BE LESS THAN 10%, AND THAT DEVIATION CALCULATED AS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LARGEST POPULATION DISTRICT AND THE SMALLEST POPULATION DISTRICT.

WE ALSO COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND WE DO NOT DRAW DISTRICTS WHERE RACE IS THE PREDOMINANT OR SOLE FACTOR IN THE DRAWING OF BOUNDARIES.

UNDER STATE LAW, WE HAVE FOUR RANK ORDERED CRITERIA THAT MUST BE CONSIDERED FOR DISTRICTS, AND THEY ARE ORDERED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE.

SO FIRST IS GEE GRAPHIC CONTIGUITY.

SECOND IS MINIMIZE DIVISION OF NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. THIS IS WHERE MOST DISCUSSION OCCURS IN MOST CITIES.

THIRD IS TO CREATE EASILY IDENTIFIABLE BOUNDARIES, AND FOURTH IS TO MAINTAIN COMPACTNESS.

SO CONSIDERING THE SHAPE OF THE DISTRICT AS NOT BEING A SHAPE THAT IS GOING TO BE BYPASSING ONE AREA JUST TO INCLUDE ANOTHER, UNLESS THERE IS A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST OR NEIGHBORHOOD REASON TO DO SO.

THOSE ARE OUR LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE EXISTING DISTRICTS' POPULATION, ACCORDING TO THE 2020 CENSUS, AND THE 2020 CENSUS COUNT IS WHAT WE ARE REQUIRED TO USE TO REDISTRICT THE CITY, YOU SEE THAT THERE IS AN IMBALANCE ACROSS THE SIX DISTRICTS THAT VIOLATES THAT FEDERAL EQUAL POPULATION RULE, BECAUSE THE TOTAL DEVIATION IS OVER 10%. JUST AT 10.62%.

SO WHAT THAT ALERTS US TO DO IS TO BRING THE EXISTING DISTRICT INTO COMPLIANCE, AND THEN ALSO REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA FAIR MAPS ACT BECAUSE THAT IS A NEW LAW THAT IS IN PLACE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THIS REDISTRICTING CYCLE. THE OTHER THING THAT I'VE NOTED HERE IS IT CAN BE A LITTLE HARD TO SEE ON THIS SCREEN, BUT WHEN WE'RE THINKING ABOUT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, YOU CAN SEE THAT WE LOOK AT CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION, AND CURRENTLY, THE CURRENT DISTRICTS,

THERE ARE THREE MAJORITY ASIAN-AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER DISTRICTS.

SO THOSE ARE DISTRICTS 1, 4 AND 5.

SO ONE THING TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN LOOKING AT PROPOSED CHANGES IS TO TRY TO PRESERVE THAT MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICTS IN 1, 4 AND 5.

SO THIS IS THE POPULATION BALANCE MAP.

KEEPING IN MIND WHEN WE USE THE TERM POPULATION BALANCE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A MAP THAT HAS A LEGALLY PERMISSIBLE TOTAL DEVIATION OF UNDER 10%.

SO HERE IS THE CURRENT DISTRICT MAP, AND YOU CAN SEE THE COUNCILMEMBERS THAT REPRESENT EACH DISTRICT.

AGAIN, THIS MAP WAS ADOPTED RELATIVELY RECENTLY.

HOWEVER, THE CENSUS IS ONLY DONE EVERY 10 YEARS, AND SO THIS CURRENT MAP REPRESENTS CALCULATIONS THAT WERE MADE USING CENSUS DATA FROM 2010.

SO THIS IS WHY IN 2020, WE ARE REVISITING THESE BOUNDARY LINES, AND IT GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF DISCUSSION AND FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN DISTRICTS 2 AND DISTRICT 3 AND THE DIVISION OF CENTERVILLE AND GLENMOOR.

SO THOSE ARE SOME THINGS THAT WE'LL BE TALKING MORE ABOUT.

AND OF COURSE THIS IS JUST A SHORTLIST OF SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT WE HAVE HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT BE DIVIDED BY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES.

AND SO HERE WE ARE WITH THE MAPS.

SO WE HAVE RECEIVED -- AND IT'S MORE THAN 11 NOW -- PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS. IT'S ACTUALLY 15.

WE HAVE A TOTAL OF 18 MAPS.

NOT ALL OF THESE MAPS ARE LEGALLY COMPLIANT, SO IN RED YOU'LL SEE WHAT SOME OF THE RED FLAGS ARE WITH CERTAIN MAPS, SO OF COURSE WE ARE GOING TO BE FOCUSING ON MAPS THAT MEET THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA.

BASED ON OUR LAST PUBLIC HEARING, COUNCIL REQUESTED REVISION TO TWO MAPS, PUBLIC 91064 AND NDC GREEN.

I WORKED WITH STAFF TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THESE TWO MAPS, AND I WILL BE GOING OVER THOSE A LITTLE MORE CLOSELY, AND THEN YOU'LL SEE THAT THERE ARE FIVE NEW PUBLIC MAPS.

TWO OF THEM ARE NOT LEGALLY COMPLIANT, BUT THE REMAINING THREE, 115088 AND 115099, I BELIEVE BOTH OF THOSE WERE SUBMITTED BY BETTER NORTH FREMONT, AND THEN THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL MAP.

SO THERE ARE THREE THAT WE CAN LOOK AT ON THE INTERACTIVE MAP FOR COMPARISON AND FOR EXPLORATION.

SO STARTING WITH THE REVISIONS THAT WERE REQUESTED, SO ONE OF THE PUBLIC MAPS SUBMITTED, YOU'LL SEE HERE, PUBLIC MAP 91064, AND THE BLACK DASHED LINES REPRESENT THE CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS ADOPTED IN 2017.

AND THE SHADED AREAS INDICATE THE PROPOSED NEW DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FROM THE AUTHOR OF THIS PUBLIC MAP.

NOW THIS WAS DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL, THERE WERE TWO AREAS HIGHLIGHTED AND REQUESTED TO BE REVISED.

THE FIRST WAS THE AREA OF CENTERVILLE, AND THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT BRINGING

THE DISTRICT 3 BOUNDARY OVER ALL THE WAY TO THORNTON AND CLEANING UP THAT SO THAT CENTERVILLE WOULD NOT BE DIVIDED.

AND THEN OF COURSE THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT TAKING THIS BAY FRONT AREA THAT IS IN THIS PROPOSED MAP BEING GIVEN TO THE PINK DISTRICT, DISTRICT 1, AND GIVING IT BACK TO DISTRICT 5, WHERE IT CURRENTLY IS.

THERE ARE VERY, VERY FEW PEOPLE RESIDING IN THAT AREA, SO THAT IS A VERY EASY CHANGE TO MAKE, BUT I DID WANT TO POINT IT OUT.

SO HERE IS THE REVISION THAT WE ENDED UP ON, AND THIS REVISION IS POPULATION-BALANCED, AND I ALSO INDICATED WHICH DISTRICTS WOULD BE UP FOR ELECTION IN WHICH YEARS AS FOLKS ARE LOOKING AT THIS MAP HERE.

I'LL NOTE THAT THERE'S A LOT OF POPULATION IN THE AREAS SOUTH OF FREMONT BOULEVARD, SO IT VERY CHALLENGING TO DRAW THESE LINES WITHOUT DIVIDING SOME COMMUNITY.

SO THERE'S NOT EVER GOING TO BE THAT HOLY GRAIL MAP THAT DOESN'T DIVIDE ANY COMMUNITY.

SO SOMETIMES WE ARE TRADING OFF THE UNIFICATION OF ONE COMMUNITY FOR DIVIDING ANOTHER, AND SO THIS IS WHY COUNCIL HAS DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO MAKE, AND THAT IS WHY THEY'RE ELECTED TO MAKE THESE DECISIONS, BECAUSE EVERY DECISION INVOLVES SOME KIND OF TRADEOFF.

WE CAN LOOK MORE CLOSELY AT THIS MAP, OF COURSE, BUT IT DOES UNIFY GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE INTO DISTRICT 3.

THAT IS ACHIEVED, AND YOU DO SEE THERE IS AN AREA BETWEEN MOWRY AND STEVENSON BOULEVARD WHERE THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN DISTRICT 3 AND 4 IS NOT NECESSARILY INTUITIVE, BUT WE DID THE BEST THAT WE COULD TO BALANCE THE POPULATION BETWEEN THE TWO DISTRICTS.

SO THAT'S ONE THING I WANT TO FLAG HERE.

THE OTHER CHANGE THAT WAS I THINK PART OF THE ORIGINAL 91064 IS TAKING THAT PORTION OF DISTRICT 6 AT THE TOP OF IT, YOU CAN SEE ADDING IT INTO DISTRICT 4 BECAUSE IT IS PART OF THE GOMES NEIGHBORHOOD.

SO WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND SHOW YOU THE OTHER MAPS THAT WE MADE REVISIONS TO, AND THEN WE CAN SWITCH TO THE INTERACTIVE MAP AND ANSWER QUESTIONS.

SO NDC GREEN IS ONE OF THE MAPS THAT YOUR CONSULTANT TEAM PREPARED.

AGAIN, THE BLACK DASHED LINES ARE THE EXISTING 2017 DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND THE SHADED AREAS ARE WHAT WAS PROPOSED BY THE GREEN MAP.

AGAIN, THAT SAME AREA OF CENTERVILLE AND GLENMOOR WAS REQUESTED TO BE REVISED WITH THE SAME GOAL OF UNIFYING CENTERVILLE AND PARTICULARLY INCLUDING THE COMMERCIAL AREA ON BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD ALL THE WAY OVER TO MOWRY.

AND OF COURSE RIGHT NOW, IN THE GREEN MAP THAT YOU SEE ON THE SCREEN, THAT LINE BETWEEN DISTRICT 2 AND 3 GOES ALONG CENTRAL AVENUE, AND SO THE REQUEST WAS MADE TO REVISE THAT AND PUSH THAT BOUNDARY TO THORNTON.

SO YOU'LL SEE THAT THAT IS WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE REVISED GREEN MAP HERE, THAT WE HAVE UNIFIED GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE.

HOWEVER, UNLIKE 91064, THIS MAP UNIFIES GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE INTO WHAT IS DISTRICT 2.

SO THAT COULD BE A LITTLE BIT CONFUSING FOR SOME FOLKS, BUT I THINK IT'S VERY NICE THAT THE COUNCIL HAS DIFFERENT OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM, SO THAT IS WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS MAP.

AGAIN, THE SAME LITTLE PIECE OF DISTRICT 6 IS BEING GIVEN TO DISTRICT 4, AND THOSE ARE THE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES HERE.

AND AGAIN, WITH THIS MAP, WE WERE ABLE TO GET MORE STRAIGHT LINES AND MORE INTUITIVE BOUNDARIES IN TERMS OF THE BORDERS FOR DISTRICT 2.

SO WE CAN LOOK AT ALL OF THIS A LITTLE MORE ZOOMED IN ON THE INTERACTIVE REVIEW MAP.

AND FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, THIS IS ON THE REDISTRICTING WEBSITE, AND IT IS UNDER THE DRAFT MAPS PAGE.

AND IT ALLOWS TO YOU TURN OFF AND ON THE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND THE PROPOSED MAPS.

SO WE DO HAVE A NUMBER OF THE PUBLIC MAPS ON HERE.

I KNOW SOME OF THE NONCOMPLIANT PUBLIC MAPS ARE NOT AVAILABLE ON THE INTERACTIVE REVIEW MAP.

WE ARE FOCUSING ON THOSE THAT MEET BASIC CRITERIA.

SO WITH THAT, I WILL STOP SHARING.

I WILL HAND IT OVER TO AMANDA TO LET US KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT.

>> THANK YOU, KRISTEN.

BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD, THE OTHER RECOMMENDATION ON THE STAFF REPORT TONIGHT IS THE ORDINANCE THAT IS BEFORE YOU, AND WE WILL HAVE A QUICK PRESENTATION FROM OUR CITY ATTORNEY, RAFAEL ALVARADO, ON THAT.

SO I'M JUST GOING TO SHARE FOR HIM AND HE WILL BE ABLE TO --

>> WONDERFUL.

THANK YOU. AMANDA.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL.

IN ADDITION TO SELECTION OF A MAP, THE STAFF RECOMMENDS INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT THIS EVENING.

THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONTEMPLATES TWO AMENDMENTS TO THE FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE.

THE FIRST IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ISSUE OF MAPS AND DISTRICTS.

IT PROPOSES TO AMEND SECTION 2.05.130 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

CURRENTLY, THAT PROVISION PROVIDES THAT THE CITY COUNCIL VOTING DISTRICTS ARE DESCRIBED IN THE FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE IN TEXT, IN LANGUAGE.

THAT'S HOW THE BOUNDARIES ARE DEFINED.

AND THE PROPOSAL IS TO REMOVE THIS LANGUAGE FROM THE FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE AND AUTHORIZE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES TO BE ESTABLISHED VIA A MAP ADOPTED BY COUNCIL BY RESOLUTION.

AND OF COURSE THAT'S THE PROCESS THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING THIS EVENING.

THAT WOULD TAKE PLACE AT A FUTURE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ONCE THE CITY COUNCIL LANDS ON A MAP.

THE SECOND PROPOSED AMENDMENT IS TO SECTION 2.10.110.

AND THIS IS CLEAN-UP LANGUAGE THAT STAFF IS PROPOSING.

THERE'S OUTDATED LANGUAGE IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE THAT REFLECTS THE NUMBER OF VOTES REQUIRED TO TAKE ACTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL, BY A FIVE-MEMBER CITY COUNCIL, AND AS WE ALL KNOW, THIS NOW IS A SEVEN-MEMBER COUNCIL, AND STAFF IS RECOMMENDING AMENDING THIS LANGUAGE TO REFLECT THAT THE CURRENT COMPOSITION IS NOW A SEVEN-MEMBER CITY COUNCIL.

THIS NEXT SLIDE JUST SUMMARIZES THE FULL RECOMMENDATION THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE STAFF REPORT THIS EVENING, AND THAT IS THAT THE COUNCIL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE MAPS, THIS IS THE FOURTH PUBLIC HEARING.

AND TO IDENTIFY AND SELECT THE FINAL COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP.

IN ADDITION, AS I JUST MENTIONED, STAFF RECOMMENDS THE INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THOSE TWO CODE SECTIONS FROM THE FREMONT MUNICIPAL CODE, AND ACCORDING TO ANY ORDINANCE ADOPTION TO ALSO DIRECT THE CITY CLERK TO POST AND PUBLISH BASE THE SUMMARY OF THE ORDINANCE ACCORDING TO LAW. SO THAT CONCLUDES MY SECTION OF THE REPORT, COUNCIL.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND AT THIS TIME, I'LL TURN IT BACK TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY CLARIFYING QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU.

SORRY, I COULDN'T FIND THE BUTTON.

KRISTEN, I GUESS MY ONLY QUESTION IS, AND I THINK I MENTIONED THIS AT OUR LAST HEARING, ONE OF THE REQUESTS OF THE GLENMOOR RESIDENTS, IN KEEPING THAT NEIGHBORHOOD TOGETHER, IS THE INCLUSION OF WASHINGTON HIGH, WHICH WOULD OBVIOUSLY NOT CHANGE THE POPULATION DENSITY, NOBODY LIVES THERE, HOPEFULLY, SO IS THAT SOMETHING THAT'S EASILY DONE OR --

>> SO RIGHT NOW, IN -- LET ME SHARE MY SCREEN SO I CAN SHOW YOU.

SO YOU CAN SEE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL.

YOU CAN SEE CURRENTLY THAT IT IS IN DISTRICT 3.

AND THEN WITH THE REVISED 91064 MAP, IT IS WITH THE CENTERVILLE IN DISTRICT 3.

IN THE NDC GREEN MAP, IT'S IN DISTRICT 3 BUT IT'S NOT WITH GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE

SO THE NDC GREEN MAP IS NOT ACCOMPLISHING THAT, ALTHOUGH THE OTHER 91064 IS.

SO ONE OF THEM ACCOMPLISHES THAT AND NOT THE OTHER.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO I GUESS THE QUESTION WOULD BE, IN THE EVENT THAT WE LANDED ON THE NDC GREEN MAP, HOW MUCH OF AN ISSUE WOULD IT BE TO DRAW A LINE AROUND THE SCHOOL TO INCLUDE IT WITH THAT MAP?

- >> IT SHOULDN'T BE MUCH OF AN ISSUE TO PULL THAT IN.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.
- >> IT SHOULDN'T THROW IT OUT OF BALANCE, NO.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS, CLARIFYING QUESTIONS? OKAY.

SEEING NONE, DO WE HAVE CLARIFYING QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS RIGHT NOW FROM --LET'S OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS.

MS. GAUTHIER. ARE YOU SEEING ANY?

I DON'T SEE ANY PUBLIC HANDS.

>> MS. GAUTHIER: I DO NOT SEE ANY HANDS RAISED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING, NO.

SO YOU CAN CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M GOING TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THEN RETURN IT BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR COMMENTS ON PREFERENCE OF MAPS.

I THINK WE NEED TO MAKE THAT DECISION THIS EVENING.

SO I'LL TURN IT BACK TO THE COUNCIL.

I SEE FIRST, COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, YOU HAVE YOUR HAND RAISED. PLEASE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

I WOULD LIKE TO JUST EXPRESS A FEW CONCERNS ABOUT THE REVISED GREEN MAP.

SIMPLY BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT THE MAP, IT BASICALLY GOES AROUND BASICALLY THE CENTER OF THE CITY, AND IT COVERS AT LEAST THREE ATTENDING AREAS.

NAMELY, MISSION SAN JOSÉ HIGH, WASHINGTON, AS WELL AS THE AMERICAN HIGH.

SO THAT CERTAINLY IS NOT SOMETHING THAT YOU SEE IN OTHER DISTRICTS.

THE SECOND CONCERN I HAVE IS THAT THAT WOULD ALSO CHANGE THE REPRESENTATION OF CURRENT CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, FOR EXAMPLE, COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN WILL BE THEN MOVED TO A DIFFERENT DISTRICT FROM THE ONE THAT SHE IS REPRESENTING NOW. THAT BASICALLY FORMS TWO OF MY CONCERNS FOR THE TIME BEING.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT I SEE COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN'S HAND RAISED.

WELCOME.

>> THANK YOU.

I THINK BOTH OF THE MAPS ARE VERY GOOD IN A LOT OF WAYS, AT LEAST FROM THE PART OF THE CITY THAT I'M MORE FAMILIAR WITH.

I DO PREFER THE 91604 BECAUSE IT IS LESS OF A CHANGE.

IT KEEPS ME IN THE SAME DISTRICT.

I THINK IT'S NOT AS DRAMATIC A CHANGE.

BUT AGAIN, I THINK BOTH ARE PRETTY GOOD.

I DEFINITELY PREFER 91604.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT I HAVE COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

SO I GUESS I'LL BE THE FIRST TO SAY MY PREFERENCE WOULD BE THE REVISED GREEN MAP. I THINK IT ACCOMPLISHES A LOT OF THE THINGS THAT WE DISCUSSED AT THE LAST MEETING, AND THAT IS IT KEEPS THE GLENMOOR AND GLEN MANOR NEIGHBORHOOD TOGETHER, IT INCORPORATES ALL OF THE CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT ON BOTH SIDES OF FREMONT BOULEVARD, INCLUDING OUR AFGHAN COMMUNITY, BUSINESSES THAT ARE LOCATING IN THAT AREA.

IT DOES TAKE AWAY A LITTLE BIT FROM THE AMERICAN ATTENDANCE AREA.

I'M NOT SURE WHERE MISSION SAN JOSÉ ATTENDANCE AREA IS ON THIS MAP, BUT IT DOES TAKE A LITTLE BIT AWAY FROM THE AMERICAN ATTENDANCE AREA, BUT IT ALSO TO ME SEEMS TO BE THE MORE -- OR I SHOULD SAY THE LEAST AMOUNT OF CHANGE.

I REMEMBER WHEN WE STARTED THIS PROCESS, QUESTIONS ABOUT WHOSE DISTRICT AM I LIVING IN, WHO AM I LOOKING AT, WHO DO I WORK WITH, THAT KIND OF THING, I THINK THIS CREATES A MINIMAL CHANGE TO THAT, AND IT'S GOT THE VERY CLEAN LINES.

THE CONCERN I HAVE WITH 91 -- I HOPE IT'S 104 OR WHATEVER THE NUMBER IS, IS THE FACT

THE CONCERN I HAVE WITH 91 -- I HOPE IT'S 104 OR WHATEVER THE NUMBER IS, IS THE FACT IT TAKES A LOT OF CENTERVILLE AND ALSO INCORPORATES ALL OF NILES, WHICH IS REALLY NOT FOLLOWING THE CONTIGUOUS PART OF THE STATE RECOMMENDATION THAT WE FOLLOW FOR DISTRICTING.

SO AGAIN IN MY MIND, GREEN ACCOMPLISHES ALL OF THE GOALS THAT WE SET OUT TO WITH KEEPING THE NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER, KEEPING THE BUSINESS DISTRICT TOGETHER AND UNIFYING THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE.

IT ALSO CLEANS UP THAT LINE AT THE CORNER OF FREMONT AND MOWRY, AND YES, IT DOES MOVE COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN TO A DIFFERENT DISTRICT, BUT ONLY BY ABOUT TWO BLOCKS.

SO THAT WOULD BE MY PREFERENCE IN GOING FORWARD. THANK YOU.

- >> MAYOR MEI: NEXT, COUNCILMEMBER KENG.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

SO I DO AGREE WITH COUNCILMEMBER JONES WITH THE GREEN MAP REVISED WITH THE CHANGE FROM THE CURRENT DISTRICTS.

I THINK THE GOAL WITH THE PURPOSE OF NOT TRYING TO CHANGE TOO MUCH OF THE CURRENT DISTRICT SO THAT PEOPLE WERE ALREADY NOT SURE WHAT DISTRICTS THEY WERE IN AND WITH THE COUNCILMEMBER ELECTION ONLY BEING EVERY FOUR YEARS, PEOPLE ARE STILL KIND OF FIGURE OUT WHAT DISTRICT THEY'RE IN AND WHEN THEY WILL HAVE IT MENTIONED IN THEIR DISTRICT, SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE AFGHAN COMMUNITY, THE BUSINESS DISTRICT TOGETHER ALONG FREMONT BOULEVARD, SO I THINK THAT GREEN MAP REVISE IS PROBABLY THE BETTER ONE OF THE TWO. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, DID YOU HAVE MORE COMMENTS NOW? THANK YOU.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YEAH, I'M JUST CONFUSED WHY -- I JUST AM CONFUSED BY COUNCILMEMBER JONES AND KENG'S COMMENTS, BECAUSE BOTH OF THESE MAPS KEEP CENTERVILLE TOGETHER AND KEEP GLENMOOR TOGETHER.

ABSOLUTELY, I MEAN, THAT WAS THE REALLY IMPORTANT PRIORITY OF MINE AND THEY BOTH DO THAT.

I DON'T SEE ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO IN THAT REGARD, AND TO SAY THAT THE GREEN ONE IS A LESS DRAMATIC CHANGE JUST DOES SEEM STRANGE TO ME BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE THAT ONE IS THE MORE DRAMATIC CHANGE.

SO I JUST WANTED TO MAYBE GET SOME CLARIFICATION THAT THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF KEEPING GLENMOOR AND CENTERVILLE TOGETHER.

I THINK THE QUESTION IS WHICH ONE IS THE MORE DRAMATIC CHANGE FOR PEOPLE THAT

LIVE IN THAT AREA.

AND I FEEL LIKE THE GREEN ONE IS THE MORE DRAMATIC CHANGE.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: COUNCILMEMBER JONES' HAND IS UP, MAYBE HE HAS A RESPONSE TO THAT.

>> MAYOR MEI: SURE.

I'M TRYING TO SEE THAT -- COUNCILMEMBER JONES, DID YOU HAVE -- I CAN SEE COUNCILMEMBER COX ALSO HAS HER HAND RAISED, BUT COUNCILMEMBER JONES, DID YOU WANT TO CLARIFY ON THAT ONE, SPECIFICALLY TO THE QUESTION?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I THINK IT ACCOMPLISHES MORE, AND I RESPECTFULLY DISAGREE WITH COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN ABOUT THE DRAMATIC CHANGE.

YOU KNOW, THE NUMBER MAP INCLUDES ALL OF NILES, WHICH IS REALLY NOT CONTIGUOUS TO ANY PART OF CENTERVILLE OR ANYTHING ELSE.

IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE A DISTANCE AWAY, BUT IT ACCOMPLISHES THE BUSINESS DISTRICT UNITY AND THE AFGHAN COMMUNITY INCLUSION AND ALSO STRAIGHTENS OUT THE LINE ON MOWRY AVENUE AND KEEPS ALL OF THE GLENMOOR NEIGHBORHOOD TOGETHER. AND AGAIN, I'M REALLY KIND OF PASSING ALONG WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT, AS WELL AS THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY. AND I THINK THAT ACCOMPLISHES IT.

IT REALLY -- THE DRAMATIC CHANGE IN MY MIND WOULD BE THE FACT THAT THE BOUNDARY ACTUALLY USED TO GO TO PASEO PADRE ON THE EASTERN END AND BETWEEN FREMONT AND PASEO NOW IS IN DISTRICT 4, AND I CAN ONLY ASSUME THAT'S BECAUSE OF THE ADDITIONAL POPULATION PICKED UP AT THE CORNER OF FREMONT AND MOWRY, AND DOWN THAT LANE, AS WELL AS PART OF PARKMONT.

SO THERE ARE SOME MINIMAL CHANGES BUT ALL IN ALL, I THINK KEEPING THINGS SIMPLE, PEOPLE ARE USED TO -- AS COUNCILMEMBER KENG SAID, IT TOOK PEOPLE A WHILE TO GET USED TO THE IDEA OF WHAT DISTRICT AM I IN, WHO IS IT I'M SUPPOSED TO CONTACT, EVEN THOUGH WE ALL REPRESENT EVERY PART OF THE CITY, WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR A PARTICULAR DISTRICT AND I THINK KEEPING THAT SIMPLE GOING FORWARD IS PROBABLY THE BEST AVENUE.

AGAIN, SEPARATING THE CITY, SEPARATING NILES FROM ITS CONTIGUOUS NEIGHBORS AND ALONG MISSION BOULEVARD, AND DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION RATED IT INTO CENTERVILLE, IT JUST SEEMS LIKE A BIT AFTER STRETCH AND IT DOESN'T FOLLOW WITH A CONTIGUOUS BOUNDARY RECOMMENDATION OR ORDINANCE PUT FORTH BY THE STATE. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: SURE. COUNCILMEMBER COX. COUNCILMEMBER COX?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: SORRY ABOUT THAT.

I WANTED TO THANK THE STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND LISTENING AND REVISING, AND I WANTED TO CLARIFY, WHEN I'M LOOKING AT THE REVISED MAP OF 91064, I SEE -- IS BRUCE STREET IN OR OUT IN THE DISTRICT VERSUS YOU NOTED ON THE GREEN MAP THAT THERE'S AN OLIVE AVENUE, SO I'M NOT SURE.

- >> CAN YOU REPEAT THAT QUESTION BECAUSE I KNOW YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE PDF MAPS.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: RIGHT.

- >> I'M TRYING TO LABEL THE STREETS TO SOME EXTENT.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: CORRECT.
- >> ARE YOU ON 91064?
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES.

I SEE THERE'S THE PUBLIC MAP, THAT IT HAS IT LISTED FIRST, WHEN IT WAS PROPOSED BACK IN FEBRUARY, AND THEN NOW, WITH THE REVISED 91064, THEY'RE SHOWING AN OLIVE AVENUE.

SO I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND.

>> THAT'S RIGHT HERE.

IF THAT MAKES SENSE.

SO WASHINGTON BOULEVARD BECOMES -- GOES DOWN HERE, RIGHT?

SO IT SORT OF THIS, AND THEN, YOU KNOW, IT REALLY PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN LABELED WASHINGTON BOULEVARD AND NOT OLIVE AVE.

SO YES, THAT'S A GOOD CATCH.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

SO IT'S OLIVE BOULEVARD -- I MEAN IT'S WASHINGTON BOULEVARD THAT SHOULD BE LISTED --

>> THAT SHOULD BE LABELED RIGHT THERE.

YEAH.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

I WAS GETTING CONFUSED.

I'M LIKE, OLIVE -- IT DIDN'T RING A BELL, BUT NOW I KNOW WHY.

- >> GOOD CATCH.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THANK YOU.
- >> THIS BOUNDARY RIGHT HERE THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: GOT IT.

CAN YOU MAKE IT JUST A LITTLE BIT BIGGER?

OKAY.

GOT IT.

OKAY.

AND THEN I WAS LOOKING AT THE GREEN MAP.

AND IF YOU CAN JUST SHOW THE BOUNDARIES RIGHT AROUND THERE.

JUST TRYING TO KEEP IRVINGTON TOGETHER AS WE --

>> I'LL ZOOM OUT A LITTLE BIT HERE.

ALL RIGHT.

SO THIS IS THE GREEN MAP.

AND THEN I'LL SWITCH BACK TO 91064.

SO IT'S REALLY THE SAME BOUNDARIES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

>> SO FOR DISTRICT 6, BOTH OF THESE MAPS ARE REALLY PROPOSING IN THE EXACT SAME -- AND WHEN YOU SEE WHATEVER, IT'S SOMETIMES JUST THE HIGHWAY, THAT'S NOT AN ACTUAL BOUNDARY CHANGE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: GOT IT.

>> SO BOTH OF THOSE ARE DOING SAME CUT OF THIS AREA HERE.

THIS GOMES AREA.

>> OKAY.

I SEE.

BECAUSE THAT ONE HAS A LITTLE BIT MORE -- A LITTLE BIT OF MISSION INCLUDED AS PART OF THE IRVINGTON DISTRICT 6.

OKAY.

>> HERE'S BRUCE THAT YOU WERE ASKING ABOUT, RIGHT, TOO.

THAT STAYS IN 6.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: OKAY.

GOT IT.

I JUST WANTED TO DOUBLE-CHECK AS I WAS TRYING TO TRACE THE MAP THERE.

I LOVE HOW YOU'VE BEEN ABLE TO MAGNIFY IT A LOT BETTER THAN WHAT I CAN DO ON OUR HOME COMPUTERS HERE.

THAT'S BEEN VERY HELPFUL.

THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION THERE.

I APPRECIATE IT.

>> YOU'RE VERY WELCOME.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT I ALSO HAVE COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, YOUR HAND IS RAISED?

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

ONE MORE THING I WANT TO ADD IS THAT WHEN I LOOK AT THE MAP OF REVISED GREEN MAP, ACTUALLY DISTRICT 4 IS THE ONLY DISTRICT THAT BORDERS WITH EVERYONE, AND IF YOU LOOK AT IT, IT BORDERS WITH DISTRICT 1, ON DECOTO, IT BORDERS WITH DISTRICT 2 ON FREMONT, BORDERS WITH DISTRICT 3 ON PERALTA, AND MISSION, AND THEN DISTRICT 6, WASHINGTON AND FREMONT BOULEVARD, AND THEN OF COURSE BORDERS WITH DISTRICT 5 AT 680.

SO IT IS THE DISTRICT THAT BASICALLY PRESENTS -- REPRESENTS EVERYONE OR NO ONE, AND BASICALLY WOULD JUST GO FROM ONE END OF THE CITY TO THE OTHER, AND IT INCLUDES, AS I SAID MULTIPLE ATTENDING AREAS OR NEIGHBORHOODS, AND CERTAINLY IT IS NOT COMPLYING WITH THE RULE OR PRINCIPLE OF BEING COMPACT.

SO COMPACTNESS IS BEING -- IS IN QUESTION IN MY OPINION.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO I WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT TOO.

I THINK THAT I'VE DEFINITELY HEARD THE COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS, AND WE'VE DEFINITELY HEARD COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, TRYING TO PRESERVE THE GLENMOOR AREA, AT THIS MOMENT, 91064, I REMEMBER SEEING THE GREEN SHEET FOR THAT, BUT BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AS NOTED BY COUNCILMEMBER JONES TO HAVE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL.

AND THE NILES AREA AS IT'S CURRENTLY DRAWN DOES GO WITH CENTERVILLE IN TERMS OF THE ATTENDANCE AREA AND THAT LEADS TO THAT COMPACTNESS AND PULLS IT INTO THE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL AREA.

AND THEN ALSO I THINK THAT WHEN IT LOOKS AT SOME OF THE POPULATION, I THINK IT GIVES SOME MORE COMPACTNESS IN TERMS OF THE LINES BEING MORE -- I THINK THEN IT LIMITS IT ONLY TO FOUR BORDERS RATHER THAN THREE, BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, RATHER THAN ALL FIVE, RIGHT NOW THE WAY IT IS ON THE REVISED GREEN MAP, IT SEEMS TO BORDER EVERY ONE OF THE OTHER DISTRICTS.

SO I THINK THAT THAT IS A PERSONAL PREFERENCE, LOOKING AT THAT, SO IT TRIES TO KEEP THE ATTENDANCE AREA SOMEWHAT TOGETHER, BECAUSE I THINK THAT THAT HAS BEEN A QUESTION AT TIMES, BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN THAT BOUNDARY USUALLY OF MOWRY WHERE PEOPLE THEN GO INTO THE WASHINGTON HIGH ATTENDANCE AREA. AND WANTING TO KEEP THAT, FROM MY OPINION, TOGETHER RATHER THAN DIVIDED BECAUSE THAT IS A NATURAL LINE THAT PARENTS AND OTHER PEOPLE HAVE COMMENTED ON TO ME.

SO I ALSO WANTED TO JUST NOTE, ONE OF THE COMMENTS THAT WE MADE EARLIER, AND I'D BE CURIOUS IF THE DEMOGRAPHER COULD COMMENT ON THAT, IS THAT WITH DISTRICT, BECAUSE RIGHT NOW WHEN WE DID OUR CENSUS, IT DIDN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO ENCAPSULATE ALL THE NEW RESIDENTS BECAUSE THEY HADN'T MOVED IN AND HADN'T COMPLETED THE CENSUS, SO HOPEFULLY DISTRICT 5 IS GIVEN MORE OF AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH, BECAUSE WE KNOW IT WON'T ARE FOR ANOTHER 10 YEARS, SO MAKING SURE THAT WE TAKE THAT INTO CONSIDERATION TOO.

>> YOU CAN SEE ON 91064, AND I BELIEVE IT'S EXACTLY THE SAME ON THE GREEN MAP, THAT THE DEVIATION FOR DISTRICT 5 IS NEGATIVE, MEANING THAT THIS DISTRICT IS ABOUT 500 PEOPLE UNDERPOPULATED.

THAT'S NOT A LOT, BUT IT'S MUCH BETTER THAN HAVING IT, FOR INSTANCE, BE, YOU KNOW, WITH THOUSAND PEOPLE OVERPOPULATED.

BECAUSE IF YOU DO EXPECT A LOT OF GROWTH IN THAT DISTRICT, YOU WILL BE BETTER POSITIONED FOR LESS CHANGES IN 10 YEARS IF YOU DO KEEP THIS DISTRICT ON THE UNDERPOPULATED SIDE RATHER THAN THE OVERALL POPULATED SIDE.

>> MAYOR MEI: THAT'S WHAT I JUST WANTED TO NOTE.

I REMEMBER SEEING THAT BULL THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT WE'VE NOTED BEFORE. COUNCILMEMBER JONES, DID YOU HAVE YOUR HAND RAISED? AND I HAVEN'T SEEN VICE MAYOR.

I'M LOOKING.

TO SEE IF HE THAT'S ANY COMMENTS.

>> THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

THE ONLY COMMENT I HAVE REGARDING THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS, I PERSONALLY DON'T THINK THERE'S REALLY A WAY TO DO IT FOLLOWING THE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS, BUT MY COMMENT ABOUT 91064, IF THAT'S THE CORRECT NUMBER, WOULD BE THAT, YES, NILES DOES ATTEND WASHINGTON HIGH, HOWEVER, 91064 REMOVES ALL OF GLENMOOR, WHICH HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN THE -- ATTENDANCE AREA AS WELL. JUST WANTED TO POINT THAT OUT.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: I GUESS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A TRADEOFF NO MATTER WHICH WAY WE LOOK AT IT.

LET'S SEE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED.

HOW DOES IT REMOVE GLENMOOR FROM WASHINGTON HIGH 91604? I DON'T SEE THAT.

>> MAYOR MEI: IT'S IN 2 OR 3, RIGHT, EITHER WAY, SO --

>> GLENMOOR AND -- ARE NOT IN THE SAME DISTRICT IN -- TAKES IN PART OF WASHINGTON,

NILES GOES TO WASHINGTON, BUT THERE'S A SECTION RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THOSE TWO NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ATTEND AMERICA.

SO I MEAN, BOTH OF THEM KIND OF ACCOMPLISH THE SAME THING WITH KEEPING THE NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER.

AGAIN, THE GOALS AND WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM SOME OF THE RESIDENTS IS KEEP THE LINES CLEAN, KEEP IT SIMPLE, AND THIS IS A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE FOR THE NORTH END OF TOWN. SO I'M JUST KIND PASSING ALONG WHAT I'VE HEARD FROM MY RESIDENTS. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I'LL SEE IF THERE'S ANY OTHER COMMENTS.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN, I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM YOU YET.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

WELL, I'M SITTING HERE CONFUSED.

BOTH ARGUMENTS SOUND VERY GOOD TO ME.

IN GENERAL, I WOULD SAY THE GREEN MAP, THE RESIZED, IS MOST -- HOW IT CURRENTLY LOOKS.

SO I THINK THE ALWAYS ISSUE WAS THE LINE ON MOWRY, I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE HAD A CONCERN ABOUT THAT, AND THAT AREA WOULD HAVE ALWAYS BEEN A PART OF DISTRICT 2 IF WHAT SOME OF THE FOLKS WANTED AT THAT TIME, THEY HAVE AT MOWRY.

I'M NOT REALLY HAPPY WITH ANY OF THESE, TO BE HONEST WITH YOU, BUT THESE ARE THE DECISIONS WE HAVE IN FRONT OF US.

BETWEEN THE TWO, I'D PROBABLY GO WITH THE REVISED AGREEMENT THIS TIME.

>> AND IT'S WORTH ALSO SHOWING YOU, I THINK, A REVISED 115088 BECAUSE IT DOES SOME SIMILAR THINGS.

SO THIS ONE IS WORTH TAKING A GLANCE AT AS WELL.

- >> MAYOR MEI: STRAIGHT LINES, PRETTY STRAIGHT LINES.
- >> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: CAN WE GO BACK TO THE OTHER ONE AGAIN?

>> YES.

NDC GREEN.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: WELL, I GUESS I'LL WAIT TO HEAR WHAT COUNCILMEMBER COX HAS TO SAY AND WE CAN GO FROM THERE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: AND WHICH ONE WERE YOU REFERRING TO?

THE GREEN VERSUS THE OTHER TWO?

>> MAYOR MEI: 910646 WAS ONE AND THE OTHER ONE WAS 115099.

IS THAT WHAT IT IS?

I REMEMBER YOU JUST CLICKED ON IT.

>> SO 8 AGE 15088.

BOTH OF THESE ARE BETTER NORTH FREMONT MAPS, BUT THEY ARE BROTH POPULATION BALANCED.

99 ACTUALLY MAKES CHANGES TO DISTRICT 1 HERE.

YOU CAN SEE.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: AND DISTRICT 6 TOO.
- >> YEAH, SO THAT DISTRICT 6 IS GETTING MORE CHANGES IN THE BETTER NORTH FREMONT MAPS, BUT BOTH OF THEM ARE ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF THE COMPACTNESS OF MAKING

DISTRICT 4 COMPACT, UNIFYING, CLEARLY WHOEVER DREW THESE MAPS WERE LISTENING TO YOUR COMMENTS AT THE VARIOUS MEETING ABOUT CENTERVILLE AND GLENMOOR.

SO I THINK THAT --

- >> MAYOR MEI: THEY OBVIOUSLY HEARD.
- >> THEY OBVIOUSLY HEARD.
- >> MAYOR MEI: YES.
- >> THEN OF COURSE THERE MAY BE CONCERN AROUND THE IRVINGTON AREA.

WHEN I LOOKED AT THE DATA AS IT WAS -- DISTRICT 6 WAS THE LARGEST POPULATION.

>> SO ALL OF THESE MAPS WE'RE DISCUSSING -- 115099 IS ACTUALLY THE LOWEST OF ALL THE ONES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

THIS ONE HAS THE DEVIATION OF 6.62%.

THE REASON THAT THIS HAS A LOWER DEVIATION THAN ALL THE OTHER ONES WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS BECAUSE IT ACTUALLY --

>> MAYOR MEI: LONG PART OF 5.

>> YEP.

AND THEN THE GREEN REVISED MAP IS A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 7.01%, AND 91064 HAS A TOTAL DEVIATION OF 7.28%.

SO ALL OF THESE, I WOULD SAY ARE COMPARABLE IN TERMS OF THE POPULATION QUALITY, AND NDC IS CURRENTLY RECOMMENDING THAT OUR CLIENTS NOT ONLY STAY UNDER 10% SO 9% ARE GOOD IN TERMS OF DEVIATION AND POPULATION BALANCE.

>> MAYOR MEI: AND THEN YOU SAID THAT THE MAPS THAT WERE SUBMITTED MOST RECENTLY FROM THE PUBLIC ALSO MUST HAVE HEARD OUR COMMENDS.

PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.

AT LEAST THEY UNDERSTAND HOW TO BALANCE IT.

SO IT LOOKS LIKE -- OKAY.

MAKES A BIG CHANGE IN FIVE.

BUT I GUESS THAT WOULD ALSO START ADDRESSING THE FUTURE AS WE SAID IN 5 BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO BE SEEING SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH.

HOW MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO TRADES IN THE MAPS THAT WERE SUBMITTED FOR --

>> JUST IN TERMS OF DISTRICT 5?

I DON'T HAVE THAT OPEN.

LET ME OPEN THAT THE GIVE ME JUST ONE SECOND HERE.

- >> MAYOR MEI: SURE.
- >> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: MAYOR, RIGHT NOW THIS CREATES CHALLENGES WITH SEEING ALL OF THE HANDS BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE YOU AWARE THAT COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN HAS HER HAND RAISED.
- >> MAYOR MEI: YES, THANK YOU.

I WAS JUST GOING TO HAVE HER BRING IT UP.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: ABSOLUTELY.

CONTINUE.

>> SO TO THE POINT THAT THE BETTER NORTH FREMONT MAPS, WHAT HAPPENS WITH DISTRICT 5?

BOTH OF THEM JUST SLIGHTLY OVERPOPULATE DISTRICT 5.

>> MAYOR MEI: WE DON'T WANT TO OVERPOPULATE DISTRICT 5.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN?

AS LEAST I DON'T WANT TO OVERPOPULATE DISTRICT 5.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: THANK YOU.

SO A COUPLE COMMENTS.

THE ONE YOU JUST SHOWED, THAT GREATER NORTH FREMONT SUBMITTED, TO ME THAT'S MUCH MORE SIMILAR TO THE NUMBER THAT I KEEP FORGETTING, 946104 OR WHATEVER IT IS.

91210 -- WHATEVER IT IS.

- >> THAT'S WHAT I KEPT THINKING.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: TO ME IT'S MUCH MORE SIMILAR TO THAT ONE.
 BUT I THINK MY LARGER -- I FEEL LIKE MANY OF US ARE NOT SUPER EXPERT AT DESCRIBING
 MAPS, AND I FEEL LIKE PEOPLE ARE MAKING STATEMENTS THAT ARE CONTRADICTING EACH
 OTHER.

PERSONALLY I WOULD LOVE MORE GUIDANCE FROM YOU AS THE EXPERT, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE THERE ARE SOME STATEMENTS BEING MADE THAT DON'T SEEM CORRECT TO ME, BUT I COULD BE WRONG BECAUSE I MIGHT JUST NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT'S BEING SAID, SO I JUST WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO MAKE SOME MORE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE QUESTION OF IS GLENMOOR BROKEN UP, IS CENTERVILLE BROKEN UP, ALL THESE THINGS, I FEEL LIKE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU WEIGHED IN A LITTLE BIT MORE WHEN PEOPLE MAKE THOSE STATEMENTS, BECAUSE I'M NOT SUPER COMFORTABLE TOTALLY UNDERSTANDING THESE MAPS MYSELF, AND I'M HEARING THINGS THAT I'M NOT EVEN TOTALLY UNDERSTANDING WHAT THE COUNCILMEMBER MEANS WHEN THEY SAY IT.

- >> I THINK SOME OF THE CONFUSION MAY BE --
- >> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: KRISTEN, BEFORE YOU GO INTO THAT, AND ALSO IF MAYBE YOU COULD JUST TAKE A STEP BACK AND SUMMARIZE HOW YOU DEVELOPED THE REVISED MAPS THAT YOU DID, BASED ON THE COMMENTS THAT YOU HEARD FROM THE PREVIOUS PUBLIC HEARING.

SO JUST KIND OF A GENERAL RECAP OF THAT.

- >> YEAH, SURE.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: SORRY TO INTERRUPT ON THAT, KARENA, BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S TOTALLY NECESSARY BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE WE'RE GIVEN THESE TWO MAPS AND NOW WE'RE KIND OF TRYING TO EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THEM.

 I MEAN, THAT'S FINE, BUT I FEEL -- THAT DOESN'T EXACTLY ADDRESS WHAT I'M ASKING, WHICH IS REALLY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE DIFFERENCES ARE BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM.
- >> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: I APPRECIATE THAT, I JUST FEEL IT'S A TWO-PRONGED APPROACH BASED ON WHAT -- SO BY ALL MEANS ADDRESS THE COUNCILMEMBERS' INTEREST.
- >> AND I THINK, COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, YOU'RE ASKING THE RIGHT QUESTION, WHICH IS WHAT ARE THE BIG DIFFERENCES HERE BETWEEN THESE MAPS.

NOT JUST WHETHER YOU'RE INTO TWO OR THREE, BUT IF YOU SWITCH BETWEEN THEM, IT REALLY, I THINK THE BIGGEST CHANGES ARE BETWEEN 910864 AND NDC GREEN.
THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCES ARE REALLY OCCURRING WITH DISTRICT 2 AND DISTRICT 4.

I DO THINK THERE IS A COMPELLING ARGUMENT ABOUT HAVING DISTRICT 4 BE MORE

COMPACT.

HOWEVER, I ALSO THINK THAT WHEN WE DO THAT, WE END UP WITH THESE BOUNDARIES HERE THAT ARE NOT NECESSARILY EASILY IDENTIFIABLE.

WHICH IS A SLIGHTLY HIGHER PRIORITY THAN COMPACTNESS.

SO ALL OF THIS IS A TRADEOFF, BUT I WILL ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO REALLY FOCUS ON NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, BECAUSE THAT IS REALLY THE MOST LEGALLY SIGNIFICANT CRITERIA THAT WE WANT TO THINK ABOUT.

AND YOU KNOW, IT'S OKAY TO HAVE A NON-COMPACT DISTRICT IF WE HAVE A REASON FOR IT.

SO I WILL SAY THAT LEGALLY, BUT YOU KNOW, THIS IS CHALLENGING.

I WILL DEFINITELY SAY THIS IS NOT ONE OF THE EASIEST CITIES TO DRAW MAPS FOR BECAUSE OF THE SHAPE OF IT AND WHERE THE POPULATION IS AND WHERE THE NEIGHBORHOODS ARE.

IN GENERAL, I WOULD DISCOURAGE THE USE OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ZONE, BECAUSE THAT IS LESS ACTUALLY RELEVANT TO CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, EVEN THOUGH IT'S VERY FAMILIAR FOR THE PUBLIC.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: SO KRISTEN, THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN'S QUESTION.

DOES THAT HELP, COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN?

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: IT DOES, AND I JUST WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO KIND OF CHIME IN WHEN PEOPLE ARE MAKING STATEMENTS THAT COULD MAYBE USE SOME EXPERT COMMENTARY TO MAKE SURE WE'RE ALL CORRECT.

>> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: OKAY.

THANK YOU FOR THAT.

AND THEN I'LL JUST REITERATE THAT I THINK THAT BASED ON THE CONVERSATION THAT I'M HEARING, IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR KRISTEN TO JUST KIND OF SUMMARIZE AGAIN HOW SHE ARRIVED AT THE REVISED MAPS BASED ON THE COMMENTS THAT SHE HEARD AFTER THE PREVIOUS PUBLIC HEARING, BUT BEFORE SHE DOES THAT, I SEE THERE ARE OTHER HANDS RAISED AND I DEFINITELY WANT TO DEFER TO THE COUNCILMEMBERS BECAUSE THIS IS YOUR DISCUSSION TO HAVE.

BUT I JUST WANTED TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT I'M HEARING.

MAYOR MEI?

>> MAYOR MEI: I WANTED TODAY NOTE QUICKLY FOR THE PUBLIC, WHEN I LOOK AT THE ELECTIONS IN 2022, ALL THREE OF THEM ARE COMING UP ANYWAYS, DISTRICT 2, 3 AND 4, SO IT WOULDN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE, BUT ALL THREE WILL BE VOTING.

IT'S JUST WHICH DISTRICT YOU'LL BE VOTING IN, IT WILL PROBABLY BE DIFFERENT.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO?

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: SURE.

THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR.

I WAS ALSO CURIOUS ABOUT THE REVISED 91064, AT THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN DISTRICT 3 AND 4, AND THE CLEAR BORDER RIGHT THERE.

I WAS LOOKING AT THE POPULATION RIGHT NOW FOR THIS REVISED ONE, AND DISTRICT 4 ACTUALLY IS THE ONE WITH THE HIGHEST POPULATION, SO BY MAKING SOME ADJUSTMENT

AT THE BORDER TO MAKE IT MORE VISIBLE AND MORE EVEN, EVEN BY LOSING SOME OF THE POPULATIONS, DISTRICT 4 CAN STILL KEEP THE DEVIATION IN CHECK.

SO I CERTAINLY DON'T UNDERSTAND, ESPECIALLY, FOR EXAMPLE, IF WE JUST DIVIDE ALONG FREMONT BOULEVARD WHAT DIFFERENCE OR HOW MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE IT WOULD MAKE.

>> YEAH, UNFORTUNATELY, IT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE.

THERE'S A LOT OF FOLKS IN HERE, AND IT PUSHES EVEN THREE, I BELIEVE EVEN UPWARDS OF 5 OR 6% OVERPOPULATION.

SO THIS IS EXACTLY THE TRICKY AREA.

THIS IS ONE WAY TO DIVIDE IT.

WE COULD ALSO DIVIDE IT THE WAY THAT THE BETTER NORTH FREMONT DOES.

AND THIS MAY -- IF WE FOLLOWED THIS DIVISION, THAT MAY GIVE US SIMILAR POPULATION. BUT IT HAS TO BE DIVIDED.

I'M SORRY, I FORGOT THE NAME OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD.

IS IT SUN SOMETHING?

- >> SUNDALE.
- >> SUNDALE.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: ALSO FREMONT HUB IS RIGHT THERE, AND FREMONT HUB IS DOESN'T HAVE --
- >> RIGHT, THERE'S NO POPULATION RIGHT HERE.

YOU'RE EXACTLY RIGHT.

- >> MAYOR MEI: BECAUSE I THINK THE LINE THERE, THE ONE MAP YOU JUST SHOWED THE ALTERNATIVE WAS CLEANER, DEFINITELY.
- >> MAYOR MEI: IT'S DEFINITELY CLEANER.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: RIGHT.
- >> MAYOR MEI: MUCH CLEANER.

BECAUSE THAT'S MAJOR CORRIDORS, SO IT'S EASY TO DELINEATE.

WALNUT.

AT LEAST -- I APOLOGIZE, MY VISION IS BAD SO I'M LEANING INTO MY COMPUTER.

>> YEAH.

WELL, I'M CERTAINLY HAPPY TO SEE IF IT POSSIBLE TO MAKE THAT CHANGE TO 91064.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: RIGHT.
- >> AND MAKE THAT A MORE LOGICAL --
- >> THAT MAKES A LOT MORE SENSE,.
- >> BECAUSE THERE ARE OPTIONS.

I KNOW WHEN I WAS GOING THROUGH THEM WITH STAFF, WE KNOW THERE'S OPTIONS THERE.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: ESPECIALLY IN THE LOWER LEFT CORNER IS ALMOST LIKE OPEN MOUTH RIGHT THERE, THAT DEFINITELY IS NOT [INAUDIBLE]
- >> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU.

EVERYTHING IS SO SMALL, I'M HAVING TO REALLY TRY AND ZOOM IN.

KRISTEN, IS THIS 91064 CURRENTLY ON THE SCREEN?

- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: CAN YOU GO TO THE NORTH, TO THE CENTERVILLE DISTRICT?

 I JUST WANT TO -- IT DOESN'T SEEM TO --
- >> MAYOR MEI: IT'S ON PASEO PADRE, MAJOR CORRIDORS.

THORNTON.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: WELL, I SEE THAT'S THE NORTHERN BORDER ON THIS MAP. HOWEVER, I'M LOOKING AT THE MAP ONLINE AND IT SHOWS THAT ACTUALLY AS BECAME STREET, WHICH IS ALONG THE RAILROAD TRACKS, THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO CLARIFY IF I'M SEEING THINGS OR BECAUSE I KNOW WHAT I'M SEEING ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE DOES NOT INCORPORATE FREMONT BOULEVARD ALL THE WAY UP TO THORNTON AVENUE.
- >> YOU MAY BE LOOKING AT THE NON-REVISED VERSION, I WONDER?
- >> CITY MGR. SHACKELFORD: COUNCILMEMBER JONES, YOU OFFERED ME YOUR GLASSES AT OUR RETREAT LAST FRIDAY.

I NEED THEM AGAIN.

I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING.

- >> BECAUSE IT DOES GO VERY CLEARLY, THORNTON TO PASEO PADRE TO MOWRY.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: RIGHT, THAT'S WHERE THE CONFUSION IS.

THERE'S ACTUALLY ONLY 91064 LISTED ON THE DISTRICTING WEBSITE.

>> OH, IT'S AT THE VERY TOP.

I'M SO SORRY.

SO WHAT WE DID WAS WE PUT AT THE VERY TOP THE TWO REVISIONS.

I HAD THE SAME CONFUSION ACTUALLY MYSELF EARLIER TODAY.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: AT THE VERY TOP OF --
- >> PAGE THERE.

I'LL SHOW YOU ON MY SCREEN.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO THAT TAKES TO THORNTON AVENUE, WHICH I SEE.
- >> YFS.
- >> MAYOR MEI: VICE MAYOR SALWAN?

YOU HAVE YOUR HAND RAISED TOO.

>> YES.

I WAS SEEING IF WE COULD GO BACK TO THE NDC GREEN MAP REVISED.

HAVE YOU LOOKED AT -- SO TWO, I THINK OF THE WAY IT IS NOW, IT START FROM DECOTO ON, HAD WE LOOKED AT COMBINING 3 WITH NILES, IS THAT A POSSIBILITY IT COULD ADDRESS -- HELP ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES?

>> I MEAN, THAT WILL INVOLVE A LOT OF TRADEOFFS.

WE'VE OBVIOUSLY LOOKED -- WE HAVE OPTIONS THAT COMBINE 2 WITH NILES.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: SO YOU LEAVE 2 AS WEST OF FREMONT BOULEVARD, 3 COULD BE -- IT'S THE BEST ONE WE'RE KIND OF CHANGING A LITTLE BIT, SO IF YOU ADD NILES AND PART OF DOWNTOWN FREMONT, FOURTH, I MEAN, YOU KIND OF TWEAK A LITTLE BIT, MAYBE GIVE THE AREA AROUND THE LAKE ELIZABETH, SOME OF THOSE SPOTS.

AND THEN YOU CAN HAVE MORE OF A COMPACT 4, AND THEN 3 COULD BE KIND OF THIS NEW DISTRICT.

>> YEAH, IT'S REALLY, REALLY HARD FOR ME TO BALLPARK IT WITH FREMONT.

I CAN BALLPARK IT MAYBE WITH SOME OTHER PLACES, BUT EVERY CHANGE HERE IS GOING

TO HAVE A PIP EL EFFECT, SO I'M HAPPY TO EXPLORE THAT IN A MAP, BUT UNFORTUNATELY TIMING WISE, WE DO HOPE THAT YOU'LL COME TO A FINAL DECISION SOON.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: IS THAT SOMETHING YOU CAN DO TODAY OR IS THAT NOT ENOUGH TIME?

>> NO, I CANNOT DO THAT FOR YOU TODAY.

I COULD PROVIDE YOU BY MONDAY ANY NEW MAPS OR REVISIONS.

I CAN MAKE SMALL REVISIONS BY THE END OF THIS WEEK, BUT IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ANY WHOLE NEW MAP, THAT I WOULD NEED UNTIL MONDAY.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: BEFORE I TAKE ANY OF YOUR TIME, IS THERE ANY INTEREST FROM OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS IN THAT?

I DON'T WANT TO SPEND A BUNCH OF TIME.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'D BE WILLING TO EXPLORE THAT, JUST BECAUSE 3 IS STILL VACANT.

I'D LIKE TO KEEP THAT TOGETHER SOMEHOW IF POSSIBLE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: I'D LIKE TO ATTEND THAT -- ENTERTAIN THAT IDEA TOO, BECAUSE OF THE CONCERN OF THE COMPACTEDNESS.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I DON'T HAVE AN ISSUE WITH THAT.

AND KRISTEN, REALLY QUICK, I DID SEE THE OTHER REVISION YOU HAD.

>> OH, GOOD.

I KNOW.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: I HAVE A CLARIFYING QUESTION AROUND WHAT YOU WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT.

ARE YOU SAYING ADD NILES TO DISTRICT 3?

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: IS THAT FOR ME, COUNCILMEMBER?

DISTRICT 3 AND NORTH NILES, THOSE COULD BE EBBS MORED TO CONNECT THOSE TWO, SINCE THERE'S AN ISSUE ABOUT NILES BEING MORE NORTHERN PART.

AND THERE'S CONCERN ABOUT GLENMOOR BEING KEPT TOGETHER, THE CENTERVILLE BUSINESS DISTRICT KEPT TOGETHER, THAT'S ALL WEST OF FREMONT BOULEVARD SO THAT WOULD BE WHOLE.

DISTRICT 3 IS SOMETHING THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE DEFINED, AND SO I THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE ANOTHER WAY OF LOOKING AT IT SO WE CAN ADDRESS ALL THE DIFFERENT COUNCILMEMBERS INPUT BEFORE.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX, IS THAT REGARDING 2 AND 3 -- I MEAN 3 AND 4?
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: WELL, I THINK MY CONCERN WOULD BE, AS WE'RE MOVING IT AROUND, DOES THAT ALSO MEAN THAT SOME HIGH SCHOOLS THAT MIGHT BE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WILL END UP BEING 22 IN ONE DISTRICT, BECAUSE YOU'RE TALKING IN TERMS OF THE THREE THAT'S PART OF THE -- I THINK IT'S CALLED MORE SUNDALE VERSUS SOUTH SUNDALE AVENUE, THAT THAT'S WHERE YOU WOULD HAVE KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL. AND I THINK --
- >> MAYOR MEI: WAS THERE AN OPTION TO OVERLAY?

I DON'T THINK WE HAVE THAT, I DON'T THINK IT'S ON THERE.

>> THERE'S SOMEONE AROUND LOGAN DRIVE, BETWEEN THAT AND BLACOW, AND I CAN'T SEE WHAT THAT OTHER STREET IS.

YEAH, IT'S BLACOW.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO IN ANY OF THE MAPS, WHICH DISTRICT IS IT IN?

I THINK IT'S IN 3 FOR ALL OF THEM, RIGHT?

>> SO THIS IS THE GREEN MAP WHERE IT IS IN 3, AND THEN IT IS ALSO IN 3 WITH 91064.

>> I WAS GOING TO SAY.

OKAY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: SO YOU'RE TRYING TO TAKE 91064 AND MAKE THE ADJUSTMENTS TO THAT ONE?

OR IS TO THE AGREEMENT?

I'M GETTING --

>> MAYOR MEI: 51064, I THINK.

BECAUSE WE WERE TRYING TO CREATE MORE COMPACTNESS WITH DISTRICT 4 WHILE KEEPING IN THE CONCERNS FOR THE CENTERVILLE AND I THINK THAT WAS VICE MAYOR SALWAN THAT PROPOSED THAT.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: I'M NOT REALLY MUCH FOR CHANGING IT TOO DRASTICALLY.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YEAH, I THINK ADDING NILES TO DISTRICT 3 DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A GREAT IDEA TO ME BECAUSE THAT IS A PRETTY BIG CHANGE, AND DISTRICT 3 ALREADY HAS A PRETTY -- IT'S PRETTY DENSELY POPULATED AND NILES IS REALLY ITS OWN NEIGHBORHOOD, INCREDIBLY SEPARATE FROM WHAT'S IN DISTRICT 3 NOW.

I THINK THAT WOULD BE A LITTLE -- TO PUT THOSE IN THE SAME DISTRICT.

>> IN TERMS OF COMPACTNESS, YOU WOULD BE RUNNING INTO THE SAME PROBLEM THE WAY I SEE IT.

BY MAKING DISTRICT 4 COMPACT, YOU WOULD BE MAKING DISTRICT 3 LESS COMPACT.
AND AS I UNDERSTOOD, IT WAS A SUGGESTION TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE GREEN MAP,
KEEPING DISTRICT 2 THE WAY -- ON THE GREEN MAP, AND THEN EXTENDING DISTRICT 3 INTO
THE NILES DISTRICT.

THUS MAKING DISTRICT 4 FOR COMPACT.

SO AGAIN, IT'S ALL TRADEOFFS.

>> MAYOR MEI: BECAUSE DISTRICT 4 IS ODDLY SHAPED RIGHT NOW THE WAY IT IS ON THIS NEW MAP.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO AGAIN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAME MAYOR, AND ALSO THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER COX, FOR BRINGING UP THE HIGH SCHOOLS.

IN THE GREEN MAP, RIGHT NOW DISTRICT 4 HAS TWO DELTA 5 HIGH SCHOOLS, NAMELY AMERICAN HIGH AND MISSION HIGH.

>> MAYOR MEI: AND THAT'S PRETTY ODD BECAUSE THEY'RE THE POLAR ENDS A LITTLE BIT ON THAT SIDE, BUT -- ON MISSION BOULEVARD.

BECAUSE IDEALLY, AMERICAN HIGH WOULD BE WITH DISTRICT 1, WHICH MOSTLY HAS -- OKAY.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

>> JUST TO CLARIFY, IT WAS THE REVISED GREEN MAP, AND I LOOK AT IT CONNECTING CABRILLO WITH NILES IS NO DIFFERENT THAN CONNECTING LIKE YOU SAID, IT'S TRADEOFFS. I'M LOOKING FOR SOME COMPROMISE, THE MAPS WORK, THEY'RE WITHIN THE 10% DEVIATION, WE DON'T HAVE LAWSUITS, AND THE MAJORITY CAN LIVE WITH IT. THAT'S HOW I'M LOOKING AT IT.

>> MAYOR MEI: WHEN WE MADE THAT ORIGINAL CHANGE, WHEN WE FIRST PUT THIS TOGETHER, WE THOUGHT, WELL, IT GIVES US TWO, THREE YEARS TO LOOK AT THIS, SO IT GOES BY FAST.

>> VICE MAYOR SALWAN: I WASN'T SURE HOW THIS AFFECTS TIME LINES OR WHEN THIS COULD BE BROUGHT BACK, DO WE NEED A SPECIAL MEETING, DO WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME, ALL THOSE SORT OF THINGS.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER JONES, AND THEN WE'LL HAVE STAFF OR CONSULTANTS ANSWER US ON THAT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU KNOW -- WELL, PROBABLY NOT OFF THE TOP OF YOUR HEAD BECAUSE THERE'S ABOUT 15 MAPS HERE, BUT THERE WAS A CHANGE, COUNCILMEMBER SOMEHOW HAS MISSION HSIEH AND -- IT USED TO BE WASHINGTON AND AMERICAN WERE IN THE SAME ATTENDANCE AREA WHICH KIND OF MADE MORE SENSE, IT KIND OF KEPT THAT NORTHERN SECTION OF THE CITY TOGETHER.

I DON'T KNOW IF THE TRADEOFF BETWEEN STRAIGHTENING OUT THE LINE BETWEEN FREMONT AND MOWRY MATCHES THE TRADEOFF OF AT THE VERY NORTH END OF DISTRICT 2 AND DISTRICT 4, THE POPULATION BETWEEN FREMONT AND PASEO, BECAUSE ESSENTIALLY EAST OF PASEO, IT'S ALL OPEN LAND, THERE'S NOT ANY POPULATION THERE.

BUT FOR INSTANCE, THE BROOKVALE NEIGHBORHOOD AND ALL THAT, BETWEEN PASEO AND FREMONT, IS THAT THE TRADEOFF THAT COMES WITH -- THE STRUCTURE ON THE CORNER BETWEEN MOWRY AND FREMONT?

>> SO ARE YOU -- YOU'RE ASKING THE QUESTION OF WHEN WE ARE BRINGING THIS TO PASEO PADRE AND MOWRY, IS THE TRADEOFF THAT WE HAVE TO GIVE UP THIS AREA?

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: SO ESSENTIALLY ONE OF THE GOALS WAS TO STRAIGHTEN OUT THE LINE ON MOWRY.

THE GREEN MAP ENCOMPASSES THAT, BUT IT LOSES THE NEIGHBORHOOD NORTH OF THORNTON BETWEEN PASEO AND FREMONT, AND I'M JUST WONDERING IF -- POPULATION WISE IF THOSE ARE SIMILAR NUMBERS, IF THAT IS WHY THAT TRADEOFF WAS MADE, EAST OF PASEO THERE'S NOBODY THERE, IN THE MISSION LAKES NEIGHBORHOOD.

>> SO WE ARE STILL ENCOMPASSING FROM THORNTON BETWEEN FREMONT AND PASEO HERE.

IN THE REVISED GREEN MAP.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: CAN YOU MOVE THE MAP DOWN A LITTLE BIT?

>> OF COURSE.

AND KEEP IN MIND THAT THIS BLUE LINE IS THE CURRENT DISTRICTS.

THEY'RE JUST THERE FOR REFERENCE, SO YOU CAN SEE THE CHANGES.

BUT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS THIS BLUE SHADED AREA AS DISTRICT 2.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: RIGHT.

WHAT I'M REFERRING TO IS ACTUALLY NORTH OF THAT, SO NORTH OF THORNTON BETWEEN PASEO AND FREMONT WAS FORMERLY DISTRICT 2.

SO ANYTHING ACROSS FROM QUARRY LAKES ESSENTIALLY.

SO I WAS CURIOUS IF THE POPULATION IN THAT PARTICULAR SECTION OFFSETS THE POPULATION CHANGE BY STRAIGHTENING OUT THE LINE ON MOWRY.

DOES THAT MAKE SENSE?

>> SO YES.

YES.

AND THAT IS EXACTLY RIGHT.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.

SO THAT'S WHY THAT CHANGE WAS MADE.

>> I UNDERSTAND NOW.

YEAH.

AND YOU'RE EXACTLY RIGHT.

THAT IS A POPULATION -- SIGNIFICANT POPULATION AREA.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: SO I'M GOING TO ASK A FAVOR BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE DUE FOR A BREAK ANYWAYS.

WHAT I'M GOING TO SUGGEST IS THAT WE TAKE A QUICK 10-MINUTE BREAK SO WE RESUME TO THIS AND WE TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF TIME TO ADJUST AND WE NEED TO TAKE A STENO BREAK

ALSO, I WAS GOING TO SAY, WHEN IT COMES BACK, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW FROM THE CONSULTANTS THE TIMING, AND FROM STAFF, IF WE NEED TO -- CAN WE GET BACK FOR THE NEXT MEETING IF WE HAVE TO HAVE A FIFTH HEARING.

THAT'S WHY -- THE VERY REASON WE MOVED THIS UP TO BEGIN WITH, IF I RECALL, IS BECAUSE WE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE THIS CASE BECAUSE IT WAS ORIGINALLY GOING TO BE, WE HAD ALREADY ANTICIPATED THIS, KNOWING OUR INTEREST.

SO LET'S TAKE A QUICK 10-MINUTE BREAK, AND THEN RETURN, BECAUSE WE NEED A BREAK FOR OUR STENOCAPTIONER, THAT WILL GIVE US ALL A TIME TO DIGEST AND US TO GET OUR MAGNIFYING GLASS OUT.

SO THANK YOU.

IF CAN YOU MUTE YOUR MICS AND STOP YOUR VIDEO, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

THANK YOU.

[BREAK]

[RECESS]

>> MAYOR MEI: I'D LIKE TO CALL PEOPLE BACK TO ORDER.

THANK YOU.

SO RETURNING FROM BREAK I SEE COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, SHAO, KENG, SALWAN, AND I'M MISSING COUNCILMEMBER JONES AND COUNCILMEMBER COX I THINK.

THOSE TWO.

AND THEN WE CAN RESUME.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES BARK.

SO WE'LL RESUME WITH THAT.

WE'LL RESUME OUR CONVERSATION.

FIRST LET'S START WITH KRISTEN.

AND RAFAEL, IF WE CAN BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH OUR TIME FRAME.

>> I THINK KEEPING APRIL 5TH AS THE GOAL FOR WHEN YOU ADOPT THE NEW MAP IS GOOD. BETWEEN NOW AND THEN, I'M PRETTY MUCH FULLY BOOKED ON YOUR COUNCIL MEETING

NIGHTS.

SO I WOULD SUGGEST IF YOU WERE TO DO THAT MAYBE LOOKING AT THE WEEK OF MARCH 14TH, SO THAT THAT GIVES US STILL A WEEK PRIOR TO WHATEVER THE MEETING IS, TO HAVE THINGS POSTED AND PUBLICLY AVAILABLE.

>> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: THANK YOU MADAM MAYOR.

I'M GOING TO TRY TO MAKE YOUR JOB A LITTLE BIT EASIER THIS EVENING.

I KNOW WE'RE UP AGAINST A TIME CRUNCH RIGHT HERE AND IT'S REALLY, REALLY DIFFICULT TO LOOK AT THESE MAPS.

I'VE GOT THREE SCREENS GOING AND I'M STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE ALL THE LINES ARE.

BUT IN LOOKING AT THEM BOTH OF THEM ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISH WHAT WE KIND OF SET OUT TO DO IN THE LAST MEETING AND THAT WAS UNIFY THE NEIGHBORHOOD, UNIFY THE BUSINESS DISTRICT, UNIFY THE AFGHAN COMMUNITY.

SO YOU KNOW BOTH OF THOSE ACCOMPLISH THAT AND IT SEEMS LIKE FROM THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMENTS 91064 IF I HAVE THAT NUMBERED RIGHT, THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL IF I'M FINE WITH GOING WITH THAT AND IF THAT GETS US TO A RESOLUTION TONIGHT SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO EITHER SCHEDULE A PUBLIC MEETING, ANOTHER PUBLIC MEETING OR REDRAW AGAIN, THIS IS A VERY CONVOLUTED PROCESS.

THIS IS NOT SOMETHING ANYBODY WANTED TO BEGIN WITH, IT WAS KIND OF FORCED ON US BUT WE ARE WHERE WE ARE.

IN THE INTEREST OF TIME MOVING FORWARD TO BEAT THAT DEADLINE I'M HAPPY TO GO WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL.

THANK YOU.

>> AND JUST TO CLARIFY.

WE WOULD ONLY NEED TO HOLD AND ADDITIONAL MEETING IF WE WERE MAKING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES OR TRYING TO CREATE AN ENTIRELY NEW MAP.

IF YOU WANTED TO MOVE FORWARD WHERE 91064, BUT MAKE THE CHANGES WE DISCUSSED TO THE SUNDALE NEIGHBORHOOD IF THAT IS SOMETHING THAT CAN HAPPEN AND BE POSTED PUBLICLY AND BE ADOPTED ON APRIL 5TH.

WITHOUT REQUIRING ANOTHER MEETING.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY, THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: YES I WOULD ALSO REALLY SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH ONE OF THESE TWO MAPS.

YOU KNOW, MAYBE WITH THAT MINOR CHANGE YOU JUST MENTIONED.

I FEEL LIKE WE WORKED PRETTY HARD TO GET TO THIS POINT AND STARTING ON A WHOLE DIFFERENT DIRECTION OF COMBINING NILES AND SUNDALE, I WOULD AGREE WITH WHAT COUNCILMEMBER JONES JUST SAID.

- >> MAYOR MEI: GOOD, COUNCILMEMBER KENG.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER KENG: 91064 DOES MEET THE CRITERIA WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO MEET

KEEPING THEM COMPACT, KEEPING THE NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER, AND SO I'M OKAY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT.

>> MAYOR MEI: COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING MY CONCERNS AND I'M SUPPORTIVE TO HIS SUGGESTION, IF WE CAN MAKE THE SUNDALE AREA A LITTLE SMOOTHER THAT'S ACTUALLY GOOD, EVEN BETTER THAN THE CURRENT, TOO, SO I'M SUPPORTIVE TO SLIGHTLY MODIFIED 91064.

>> MAYOR MEI: OKAY.

AND VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SALWAN: AS I SAID I WAS HAPPY WITH ALL THE MAPS, SO IF WE HAVE CONSENSUS, THAT IS WHAT MAKES GOVERNMENT GREAT, THAT WE CAN COME TOGETHER HAVE OUR DIFFERENCES AND COME TO A COMMON CONCLUSION, THAT'S REASONABLE, IT'S TEAMWORK AND WE'RE DOING IT TOGETHER.

SO COUNCILMEMBER JONES KIND OF BROUGHT THIS UP.

I THINK HE SHOULD BE THE ONE TO MAKE THE MOTION AND I'D BE HAPPY TO SECOND IT.

- >> MAYOR MEI: OKAY COUNCILMEMBER JONES.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER JONES: I WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.

I WOULD MOVE THAT WE GO FORWARD WITH MAP 91064.

AND I HOPE THAT'S THE RIGHT NUMBER.

- >> MAYOR MEI: YES AND SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR SALWAN.
- >> THAT'S THE NUMBER, HOW CAN ANY OF US FORGET IT.
- >> MR. MAYOR IF I MAY JUST A REMINDER THAT THERE IS ALSO AN ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION AS PART OF THE RECOMMENDATION.
- >> MAYOR MEI: THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, IF I RECALL, I WAS GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO READ AN ORDINANCE BEFORE WE DO THAT.

DO WE NEED TO READ THE ORDINANCE BEFORE?

>> NO AS PART OF YOUR CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVALS YOU WAIVE THE FIRST READING SO IT WOULD JUST BE AN INTRODUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE BY MAKING A MOTION TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2.05130 AND 2.1300 OF THE FREMONT CODE.

>> MAYOR MEI: WITH THAT INCLUSION, WE HAVE A MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JONES, SECOND BY VICE MAYOR SALWAN AND FIRST READING OF THE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS. SO ROLL CALL VOTE PLEASE.

>> YES. MADAM MAYOR.

COUNCILMEMBER COX.

AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER SHAO, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES, AYE.

COUNCILMEMBER KENG, AYE.

VICE MAYOR SALWAN.

AYE.

MAYOR MEI.

>> MAYOR MEI: AYE, THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY, ALSO FOR LITTLE LINE FOR REVISION OF SUNDALE, SOMETHING ALREADY NOTED EARLIER, FOR THAT MINOR CHANGE, FOR COMPACTNESS AND COMPLETENESS, GREAT.

SO I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THEY CAN TELL ME, GO BACK TO --

- >> MADAM MAYOR WE ARE GOING BACK TO 3B, THE PROCLAMATION FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.
- >> MAYOR MEI: I WAS GOING TO SAY.
- >> IT'S NOT NOTED ON YOUR MEMO YOUR SCRIPT, HOWEVER, FORMER COUNCILMEMBER NATARAJAN WAS INABILITY TO ATTEND THIS EVENING SO COUNCILMEMBER COX HAS SOME COMMENTS ON HER BEHALF.

AFTER YOU HAD READ THE PROCLAMATION.

>> MAYOR MEI: I'M GLAD SHE WAS ABLE TO READ HOPEFULLY HER STATEMENT THAT SHE SENT IN, THAT'S GREAT.

SO THIS IS THE PROCLAMATION FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH TO CELEBRATE OUR ELECTED WOMEN TO FREMONT CITY COUNCIL PAST AND PRESENT.

AND I WANTED TO THANK ALL THE CURRENTLY COUNCILWOMEN WHO ARE ALSO -- AS WELL AS THE COUNCIL GENTLEMEN WHO ARE CELEBRATING THIS WITH US TONIGHT AND THAT IS I THINK THE FIRST ONE THAT JOINED ME WAS COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN AND COUNCILMEMBER KENG AND NOW COUNCILMEMBER COX SO THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS A BIG CHANGE.

BECAUSE A FEW YEARS AGO, I WAS THE ONLY COUNCILWOMAN ON THE COUNCIL FOR A WHILE.

WHEREAS THE CITY OF FREMONT AND CITY COUNCIL DESIGNATE, THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2022, AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH, AND WHEREAS THE CITY OF FREMONT AND THE CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE HISTORY, WORK AND ACHIEVEMENT OF THE WOMEN IN OUR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THE PAST AND PRESENT ELECTED WOMEN TO FREMONT CITY COUNCIL, AND WHEREAS, THIS CURRENT CITY COUNCIL HAS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF WOMEN, FOUR OUT OF THE SEVEN, SERVING ON CITY COUNCIL SINCE THE CITY OF FREMONT WAS INCORPORATED IN 1956, AND WHEREAS, IT IS WITH GREAT HONOR TO PAY SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO ALL THE PAST WOMEN ELECT STOWED FREMONT CITY COUNCIL AND THANK THEM FOR THEIR DEDICATED YEARS OF SERVICE, AND THEIR CIVIC LEADERSHIP, AND WHEREAS, THE CITY COUNCIL ENCOURAGES OUR COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE AND JOIN IN THE APPROPRIATE CELEBRATIONS AND OBSERVANCES THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF FREMONT AND THE REGION FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH, NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREMONT HONORS AND RECOGNIZES THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2022, AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH IN THE CITY OF FREMONT, IN APPRECIATION OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY WOMEN IN OUR COMMUNITY TO THE CITY OF FREMONT.

AND I'M GLAD THAT WE WERE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR EARLIER THIS EVENING THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP WOMEN WHO REALLY HELPED US START THIS WHOLE BALL ROLLING WITH WINIFRED BINDLE.

FORMER COUNCILMEMBER ANU NATARAJAN COULDN'T MAKE IT THIS EVENING. BUT I THINK YOU WANT TO SHARE SOME STATEMENTS OR COMMENT FROM THE FORMER COUNCILMEMBER AND WE ALSO WANT TO SAY THANK YOU.

THEY'RE NOT ON THE ZOOM, I DON'T THINK I'M CHECKING TONIGHT, I ALSO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING WITH COUNCILMEMBER SUZANNE CHAN TO AT THAT TIME, AND I DON'T SEE ANY OF THE OTHER COUNCILWOMEN ON THERE.

JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE BEFOREHAND.

COUNCILMEMBER COX WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE SOME WORDS FROM FORMER COUNCILMEMBER ANU NATARAJAN?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MAYOR, FOR SHARING THE PROCLAMATION THAT I HAD SUBMITTED.

AND I THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE PAY HOMAGE SINCE WE'RE AT A MILESTONE HERE.

AND UNFORTUNATELY, FORMER COUNCILMEMBER ANU NATARAJAN WASN'T ABLE TO MAKE IT AS WELL AS OUR FORMER SUZANNE CHAN.

BUT I KNOW THAT IN THEIR SPIRIT AND CARING OUT FREMONT THAT -- AND ALL THE OTHER WOMEN THAT ARE PHENOMENAL WOMEN ELECTED TO FREMONT CITY COUNCIL PAST AND PRESENT, THAT IT WOULD BE GREAT TO SEE A WORLD THAT IS FREE OF BIAS, STEREOTYPES AND DISCRIMINATION.

AND I KNOW THAT WITH ALL THE WORK OF THE PREVIOUS WOMEN THAT HAVE SERVED IN THESE SEATS, THEY HAVE WORKED VERY HARD, PERSEVERANCE, DETERMINATION TO GET ELECTED AND TO ALSO PARTICIPATE IN EVERY ASPECT OF THE CITY OF FREMONT'S LEADERSHIP.

AND AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THEM ALL UNDER THE NAME OF WHAT MAYA ANGELOU WOULD SAY, THE PHENOMENALLY PHENOMENAL WOMEN AND STILL I RISE. AND I THINK THIS IS SOMETHING THAT PAYS TRIBUTE THAT OVER TIME, THAT YOU MAY WRITE ME DOWN IN HISTORY, WITH YOUR BITTER TWISTED LIES, YOU MAY TROD ME IN VERY MUCH THE DIRT, BUT LIKE DUST, I STILL RISE.

YOU MAY SHOOT ME WITH YOUR WORDS.

YOU MAY CUT ME WITH YOUR EYES.

YOU MAY KILL ME WITH YOUR HATEFULNESS AND DISCRIMINATION, BUT STILL, LIKE AIR, I RISE.

I BRING THE GIFTS OF MY WOMEN ANCESTORS, THEY GAVE THEM TO US.

I AM THE DREAM AND THE HOPE OF EVERY WOMAN TO MOVE FORWARD.

BECAUSE I STILL RISE.

I STILL RISE.

AND SO, AS A RESULT, I WOULD LIKE TO NAME QUICKLY, THE 11 TRAIL BLAZING WOMEN IN THE CITY OF FREMONT, THAT HAVE SERVED PAST AND PRESENT IN OUR HISTORY TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS CAPTURED, WINIFORD BINDLE, JANE STILLWELL, EVELINE LIZELLE, JANELLE ZAGER, ANU NATARAJAN, LILY MEI, JENNY KASSAN AND MYSELF, TERESA COX.

YET TO BE DISCOVERED MORE OF FREMONT THRIVING.

AND THE SPIRIT OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND PLEASE GIVE OUR BEST, I THINK, TO ANU WHO COULDN'T JOIN US THIS EVENING AND CERTAINLY IT WAS A 35 YEAR PERIOD, IF YOU EVER WHEN WE REOPENED OUR CITY HALL HAVE A CHANCE, THERE IS ON OUR CITY WEBSITE A CHRONOLOGY OF THE ELECTIONS WHICH SHOWS ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME AND SERVED, BOTH THE MALE, GENTLEMEN, COUNCILMEMBERS, AND ALSO ESPECIALLY THE WOMEN.

AND WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT SOME STILL ARE IN THE CITY AND WE GET TO SEE THEM AT DIFFERENT EVENTS.

AND SO I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE STILL GET TO SEE FORMER COUNCILMEMBER CHAN, AS SHE SERVES ON THE OHLONE TRUSTEES, AND THEN ALSO, COUNCILMEMBER NATARAJAN, FORMER COUNCILMEMBER NATARAJAN AS SHE WORKS NOW WITH META AND FORMER COUNCILMEMBER JUDY ZLATNIK WE SEE IN THE COMMUNITY AND IN NILES.

THANK YOU FOR THE SERVICE AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THAT THIS EVENING. THANK YOU, ON THE AGENDA THIS EVENING I WANTED TO GO BACK JUST TO BE SAFE, TO MAKE SURE IF ANYONE HAD ANY COMMENTS.

BECAUSE I KNOW THIS EVENING WAS A LITTLE BIT LONGER.

I'M JUST GOING TO JUST CHECK TO SEE THAT -- I'M GOING TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ITEM 5B EVEN THOUGH WE ALREADY AGREED I THINK, I JUST WANTED TO SEE IF THERE'S ANYBODY HERE FOR THAT PUBLIC HEARING.

OKAY I'M OPENING --

>> AND THEN ALSO RAFAEL, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING IN ADDITION TO ADD TO THAT?

>> THANK YOU, NO, THIS IS A STATE LAW REQUIREMENT SO I THINK IT'S PRUDENT FOR THE COUNCIL TO JUST BRING THAT BACK, OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, SEE IF THERE ARE SPEAKERS AS THE MAYOR JUST DID AND IF THERE ISN'T YOU CAN CLOSE IT AND CONSIDER THE ITEM CONCLUDED.

BUT IT'S A PRUDENT STEP.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

WE'RE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU JOIN US.

SO AND THEN I WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR ITEM 5B AND THEN WE'LL RETURN BACK TO ORAL COMMUNICATIONS.

WHICH ARE ITEMS THAT ARE NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA THIS EVENING.

AND I THINK WE HAD SEVERAL SPEAKERS ON THAT AND THANK YOU FOR THE INDULGENCE THIS EVENING TO MAKE SURE WE CAN COVER THAT.

I'D LIKE TO FIRST RECOGNIZE MARIA HUGHES.

WELCOME.

>> MY NAME IS MARIA HUGHES AND I'M A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF FREMONT CURRENTLY RESIDING IN NILES.

I KEEP HEARING HOW FREMONT SHOULD NOT PUT IN 156 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING, IN THE REMODELED MOTEL 6 BECAUSE IT PUTS CHILDREN AND SENIORS AT RISK.

I AM NOT A CHILD BUT I AM A SENIOR CITIZEN.

I AM ALSO SURROUNDED BY HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS WHERE I LIVE, YET I WALK MY DOG AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND WALK AND RUN AROUND THE CREEK TRAIL AND NOT ONCE HAVE I FELT UNSAFE FROM THE UNHOUSED PEOPLE I HAVE SEEN THERE.

BUT I HAVE FELT UNSAFE WITH THE MEALS COOKED OUTSIDE.

I WOULD FEEL SAFE IF THE HOMELESS PEOPLE AROUND ME COULD FIND AFFORDABLE HOUSING WHERE THEY COULD COOK THEIR MEALS AND TURN THEIR LIVES AROUND. I THINK THEY WOULD FEEL SAFE TOO.

WINNING AN AWARD FROM PROJECT HOMEKEY WOULD BE A GREAT START TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

THE UNHOUSED IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

SOME HAVE MANY PROBLEMS, NEED HELP, SOME ARE WORKING POOR WHO COULD GET REHOUSED WITH A SMALL HELPING HAND.

SOME HAVE WORKED ALL THEIR LIVES BUT LOST THEIR JOBS AND THEIR HOMES DUE TO THE PANDEMIC THROUGH NO FAULT OF THEIR OWN.

BUT NO MATTER HOW THEY GOT THERE THEY ARE ALL PEOPLE AND THEY DESERVE OUR HELP AND OUR UNDERSTANDING AND NOT OUR SCORN AND NOT OUR FEAR.

I BELIEVE THE COUNCIL UNDERSTANDS THIS, AND I APPLAUD YOU FOR APPLYING FOR PROJECT HOMEKEY GRANT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE PROJECT TAKE SHAPE WHEN THE GRANT IS HOPEFULLY AWARDED LATER THIS MONTH.

THANK YOU.

- >> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.
- >> MADAM MAYOR.

I APOLOGIZE FOR INTERRUPTING.

BUT I WANT TO CLARIFY.

DID YOU SAY HOW MANY MINUTES THE ORAL COMMUNICATIONS WAS TO BE THIS EVENING? I MEAN WE STARTED THE CLOCK AT THREE MINUTES BUT I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY.

>> MAYOR MEI: THAT'S FINE BECAUSE WE'RE LATER IN THE EVENING AND THERE ARE THREE SPEAKERS RIGHT NOW SO --

>> OKAY.

FINE.

ALL RIGHT THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: JANE.

>> I APPRECIATE THE LADY WHO SPOKE UP EARLIER.

I ACTUALLY DO BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF HOMELESS PEOPLE WHO NEED OUR HELP. HOWEVER, IT IS NOT OKAY FOR THE COUNCIL TO DISMISS OUR SAFETY CONCERNS.

SO AT THE LAST MEETING, I WAS SHOCKED WHEN COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN CALLED MY PRESENTATION OF THE CRIME RATE OF 77% AMONG HOMELESS, FREMONT HOMELESS WAS MISINFORMATION.

AND CLAIMED THAT HOMELESS AND HOUSED RESIDENTS HAD SIMILAR CRIME RATES DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE DATA WAS FROM FREMONT PD.

AND I QUOTED WHERE IT WAS FROM.

AND SHE HAS NO SOLID DATA TO PROVE HER POINT.

AND THE OTHER COUNCILMEMBERS REFUSED TO BACK HER UP.

AND IN THE SAME REPORT, STATED THAT 25 OF THE TOTAL ASSAULT SUSPECTS IN 2019 WERE HOMELESS, SINCE THE HOMEKEY PROJECT ACCEPTS PER THE FAQ AND CONVERSATION WITH THE STEP-UP CEO HOMEKEY PROJECT WILL ACCEPT PAST CRIMINALS, MENTALLY ILL, AND DRUG ABUSERS, AND IT IS NOT MANDATORY TO GIVE THEM REHAB OR TREATMENT.

IT IS ONLY -- IT'S A RECOMMENDATION.

SO I DON'T BUY INTO THE RHETORIC THAT HOUSING ALONE WILL PREVENT THEM FROM HURTING OTHERS AROUND THEM.

I BELIEVE THEY NEED A MORE HOLISTIC APPROACH RATHER THAN JUST HAVING A NONPROFIT GROUP WHO RECOMMENDS THESE TREATMENTS.

SO WE CAN'T TRUST OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO MAKE FAIR AND LOGICAL DECISIONS ON OUR BEHALF WHEN THEY TEND TO RELY HEAVILY ON PERSONAL BIASES AND LABEL THE

FACTS AS MISINFORMATION.

SO I REALLY HOPE THAT THE CITY CAN RECONSIDER THE APPLICATION AND CONSIDER OUR VOICES, RATHER THAN DISMISSING OUR SAFETY CONCERNS.

I THINK WE WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE A CONVERSATION WITH YOU ELECTED OFFICIALS TO EXPRESS OUR CONCERN BASED ON THE DATA THAT WE SEE.

THERE'S JUST BEEN A LOT OF TRAUMA IN OUR COMMUNITY ALREADY.

WE'RE EXPERIENCING CRIME ALL OVER THE PLACE, EVERY SINGLE DAY.

AND WE SEE ALL THESE NATIONAL NEWS OF A LOT OF ASIAN AMERICANS ATTACKED BY SERIOUSLY MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT BEING TREATED.

AND THIS IS WHERE OUR CONCERN COMES FROM.

I JUST HOPE THAT THE ELECTED OFFICIALS CAN ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS RATHER THAN DISMISSING IT AND LABELING US AS MISINFORMATION SPREADERS.

SO I HOPE CAN YOU RESTORE SOME OF THAT TRUST BY ADDRESSING OUR CONCERNS. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU, THE NEXT SPEAKER IS JANE.

I'LL HAVE SOME COMMENTS ON SOME OF THIS LATER, JUST REAM QUICKLY.

I WILL ADDRESS SOMETHING REAL BRIEFLY.

JANE.

I'M SORRY, NEXT SPEAKER WAS LISA DANS I THINK OR FANG.

I AM TRYING TO REMEMBER I WANT TO KNOW WHO IS UNMUTED NOW.

>> THANK YOU.

MY NAME IS LISA AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT 3 IN THE SUNDALE NEIGHBORHOOD SO BASED ON THE PREVIOUS DISCUSS, I'M NOT SURE WHAT IT'S GOING TO BE CALLED NEXT YEAR BUT NOW I'M IN DISTRICT 3.

I WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL FOR YOUR UNANIMOUS SUPPORT TO APPLY FOR FUNDING FOR PROJECT HOMEKEY.

I SINCERELY HOPE WE WIN THE PROJECT AND ARE ABLE TO EXECUTE ON THIS PROJECT.

I WANTED TO APPLAUD EVERYTHING THAT MARIA JUST SAID TALKING ABOUT HOW THE UNHOUSED COMMUNITY IS OUR NEIGHBORS AND WE WILL ALL BE SAFER BOTH INCLUDING THE UNHOUSED COMMUNITY AS WELL AS THE HOUSED COMMUNITY IF PEOPLE HAVE MORE ACCESS TO HOUSING.

BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, HOMELESSNESS IS A LACK OF HOUSING AND WE KNOW THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS A SOLUTION.

AND THAT WILL REALLY BRING UP THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

AND I JUST WANT TO REMIND FOLKS LIKE I READ LAST TIME, THAT BASED ON THE PROJECT HOMEKEY FAQ, THE FREMONT POLICE THAT THIS PROPERTY WILL DECREASE CRIME IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA COMPARED TO THE CURRENT CRIME RATE.

AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

THANK YOU IT WILL THANKS FOR APPROVING THE PROJECT.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT IS FANG.

WELCOME FANG.

>> HI, ACTUALLY, JEN HAS EXPRESSED MOST OF WHAT I WANT TO SAY BUT I JUST WANT TO ADD ONE POINT.

THAT JUST IN AN E-MAIL FOLLOWING LAST MEETING, MS. KASSAN SAID THAT ONLY 40% OF THE HOUSE ARRESTEES IN THE POLICE REPORT LIVE IN FREMONT SO SHE WOULD ASSUME ONLY A MINORITY OF THE HOMELESS ARRESTEES FOR CRIME LIVED IN FREMONT AND SHE ALSO INSISTED THAT THE HOMELESS, USING THE FREMONT PD DATA SO IF YOU ALSO ASSUME ONLY LIKE 40% OF HOMELESS ARRESTEES LIVE IN FREMONT, THEN THE CRIME RATE FOR HOMELESS IS STILL SO HIGH AS 30%, AND IN ORDER TO BRING THE HOMELESS CRIME RATE CLOSE TO THAT OF THE FREMONT RESIDENTS CRIME RATE OF 0.3% YOU WOULD HAVE TO ASSUME ONLY TWO OR THREE OUT OF THE TOTAL 470 HOMELESS ARRESTEES ACTUALLY LIVE IN FREMONT.

IT'S REALLY TAKE LIKE A STRONG PREJUDICE AGAINST THE LOCAL RESIDENTS AND SEVERE LACK OF COMMON SENSE TO MAKE SUCH AN ASSUMPTION.

THEREFORE I THINK IT WAS MS. KASSAN WHO SPREAD, AND MOST SUPPORTERS FOR THIS PROJECT WERE NOT WARM SPRINGS RESIDENTS.

SO IT'S EASY TO SAY IT'S NOT LIKE IF IT BRING OUT ANY SAFETY CONCERN ISSUES, IT'S OUR ISSUES, NOT THEIR ISSUES, OR CAN'T REALLY REPRESENT US.

SO I REALLY WOULD HOPE THE CITY COUNCIL CAN HAVE LIKE FAIR CONVERSATION WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND ADDRESS OUR SAFETY CONCERNS.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS FAN LEI OR LAI.

>> HELLO, MY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS.

I'M CALLING TO EXPRESS MY STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE HOMEKEY PROJECT THAT IS EXTREMELY CLOSE TO WARM SPRINGS RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL BUSINESS AREA.

AS A WARM SPRINGS RESIDENT AND A PERSON WHO ACTUALLY TALKED TO THE SMART BUSINESS OWNERS IN THE NEARBY PLAZA I WANT TO SPEAK OUT LOUDLY THAT THE PROJECT IS NOT SUITABLE AT THE CURRENT LOCATIONS.

WE HEARD SOME BUSINESS OWNERS THAT THEY FELT SAFE, WITH ANOTHER SHELTER AROUND.

I WANT TO APPLAUD SOME OF THE BUSINESS OWNERS FOR INSTALLING SECURITY SYSTEM AT THE ENTRANCE OF THEIR GATES TO MAKE IT SAFER FOR THEIR CUSTOMERS.

BUT I WANT TO ASK A RELEVANT QUESTION.

WILL YOU FEEL THE SAME LEVEL OF SAFETY WHERE HOMELESS FOLKS ENTER YOUR OFFICE AND REST ON THE FLOOR WITHOUT BEING INVITED?

AND DO YOU LIVE NEARBY?

DO YOU LIKE A SECURITY SYSTEM AT HOME, TO FEEL -- TO HELP YOU TO FEEL SAFE? THE SAME LEVEL OF SAFETY?

WHEN THIS KIND OF INSTANCE HAPPEN FREQUENTLY TO THE NEARBY BUSINESS DO WE SUGGEST ALL RESIDENTS AND GROCERY STORES TO INSTALL THE SAME LEVEL OF SECURITY SYSTEM JUST TO BE SAFE FOR OPERATION?

AND DOES THIS REALLY TELL SOMETHING?

I APPLAUD CITY'S EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE HOMELESS CRISIS WE ALL FACE BUT PLEASE DO YOUR DUE DILIGENCE AND LOCATIONS AND OTHER CITY RESIDENTS HAVE RAISED UP AND PLEASE GIVE A CHANCE TO THE WARM SPRINGS RESIDENTS TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS AND ADDRESS THEIR SAFETY WORRIES.

WARM SPRINGS RESIDENTS WE DON'T EXPECT TO BE AND SHOULD NOT BE REPRESENTED BY

SOME PEOPLE LIVE FAR AWAY FROM US.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER IS KATHERINE.

WELCOME.

>> HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> MAYOR MEI: YES.

>> ALL RIGHT.

SO I'M SURE MANY COUNCILMEMBERS REMEMBER, IN 2019, I SPOKE AND I WAS HOMELESS AT THE TIME.

AND SO I FIND IT VERY DISTURBING THAT SO MANY PEOPLE COME ON HERE AND MALIGN THE HOMELESS WITH STRANGE STATISTICAL INFORMATION TALKING ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS AND CRIME RATES AND HOW DANGEROUS HOMELESS PEOPLE ARE.

AND I JUST CANNOT HELP BUT FEEL LIKE THIS IS A PERSONAL AFFRONT TO PEOPLE LIKE ME, WHO, THROUGH UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCES, ENDED UP UNHOUSED BECAUSE OF AGE AND DISABILITY.

AND I REALLY WANT TO COMMEND JENNY KASSAN FOR POINTING OUT 70% STATISTIC AS BEING UNREASONABLE, BECAUSE WHEN I LOOKED AT THAT, IT APPEARED AS IF THEY WERE COMPARING ARREST RECORDS AGAINST ARREST RECORDS RATHER THAN ARREST RECORDS COMPARED TO THE ENTIRE HOMELESS POPULATION.

AND TO ME, THAT'S A SKEWED STAT.

AND THE -- I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE WEBSITE THAT THEY KEEP GETTING THEIR INFORMATION FROM HAS THE OWNERSHIP HIDDEN, WHICH TO ME IS SUSPECT, AND THEY USE ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE RATHER THAN EMPIRICAL DATA.

AND TO ME, THAT IS NOT APPROPRIATE.

ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THESE PEOPLE KEEP MENTIONING IS THE CURRENT CRIME RATE AT THE MOTEL 6, AND I JUST WANT TO TELL PEOPLE THAT BY HOUSING PEOPLE WITH PERMANENT HOUSING AND SUPPORT IN PLACE, ON THE PROPERTY, CRIME RATE THERE WILL ACTUALLY GO DOWN.

BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SELECTED PEOPLE RATHER THAN JUST RANDOM PEOPLE BEING ALLOWED TO BE THERE.

AND WITH SUPPORT SERVICES, I JUST -- I DON'T SEE HOW THIS CAN POSSIBLY BE A PROBLEM. AND I ALSO WAS THERE WHEN YOU GUYS WEREN'T OVER THE CHOICES OF LOCATIONS AND THIS WAS A VERY, VERY GOOD CHOICE.

AND I WAS IN DISAGREEMENT WITH THAT.

AND I CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THAT.

SO I JUST WANT TO CONTINUE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR DOING THE RESEARCH, FOR DOING YOUR DUE DILIGENCE, AND TRYING TO HELP THE HOMELESS BECOME HOUSED AGAIN. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: NEXT SPEAKER IS JOHN HINES.

WELCOME JOHN.

CENTER.

>> HELLO EVERYONE.

THIS TIME IT APPLIES TO BOTH THE HOMEKEY AND SAFE PARKING INITIATIVES.
IN 2019, THERE WERE LONG DISCUSSIONS HERE ABOUT LOCATIONS FOR THE NAVIGATION

AND IN THOSE TALKS ONE SLOGAN THAT CAME UP AGAIN AND AGAIN WAS, GREAT IDEA, WRONG LOCATION.

IT WAS A CATCHY PHRASE BUT IT CAME WITH A BUILT-IN PROBLEM.

BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS THE SAME RIGHT TO MAKE THAT CLAIM.

AND IF EVERYBODY DOES MAKE IT, THEN NO LOCATION WORKS.

ONE WAY OF HANDLING THAT PROBLEM WOULD BE TO CHOOSE A SPOT WHERE WE THINK THERE WILL BE LESS PUSH BACK.

SCHEDULE A VOTE FOR A SLOW NIGHT.

MAYBE PASS THE WORD TO SOME SUPPORTIVE ACTIVISTS SO THEY CAN ALL SPEAK IN FAVOR AND MAKE IT LOOK LIKE A POPULAR CHOICE.

THAT IS, SLIP IT THROUGH.

BY NOW WE SHOULD KNOW THE DOWN SIDES OF THAT APPROACH.

PEOPLE GET UPSET AT BEING TREATED THAT WAY WITH ONE VIVID EXAMPLE BEING THAT ONE REALLY BAD MEETING BACK IN JULY OF 2019.

THERE IS ANOTHER WAY OF HANDLING THIS PROBLEM THOUGH, AND THIS ONE GOES RIGHT BACK TO THAT SLOGAN THAT I STARTED WITH.

IF SOMETHING CAN BE A GREAT IDEA, BUT ONLY SO LONG AS IT'S DONE IN SOMEONE ELSE'S NEIGHBORHOOD, THEN MAYBE, JUST MAYBE, IT ISN'T SUCH A GREAT IDEA AFTER ALL. THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

NEXT SPEAKER IS LUCY.

>> HI, DEAR CITY COUNCIL, YEAH I WANT TO GIVE SOME COMMENT, PREVIOUSLY SOME PEOPLE MENTIONED THAT MANY HOMELESS CRIME RATE IS MISINFORMATION.

ACTUALLY THOSE NUMBERS ARE ACTUALLY FROM OFFICIAL FREMONT CITY DOCUMENT.

SO ONE THING ELSE IS FROM FREMONT POLICE 2019, REVIEW OF PRIORITY CRIMES.

IT GIVES HOW MANY PEOPLE -- IT GIVES HOW MANY PEOPLE ARRESTED IN 2019.

AND ANOTHER DOCUMENT IS FROM CITY OF FREMONT 2019, EVERYONE COUNTS HOMELESS POINT IN TIME SURVEY, THAT GIVES HOW MANY HOMELESS IN FREMONT.

SO IF YOU SAY THAT MISINFORMATION I THINK EVERYONE SHOULD GO BACK TO LOOK AT THE ORIGINAL CITY DOCUMENT.

SO AFTER CLAIM THAT HOMELESS WILL NOT LOCAL RESIDENTS FOLLOW UP E-MAIL SO THE CITY COUNCIL POINT OUT THAT ONE CITY COUNCIL POINT OUT THAT AT 60% OF THE HOUSED ARRESTEES DID NOT LIVE IN FREMONT SHE WOULD ASSUME ONLY A MINOR -- SORRY SHE WOULD ASSUME ONLY A MINORITY OF THE HOMELESS ARRESTED LIVE IN FREMONT. THEREFORE, OUR CALCULATION OVER STATED THE HOMELESS CRIME RATE THIS DOESN'T MAKE MUCH SENSE.

IT IS HARD TO IMAGINE THAT HOMELESS WHO NORMALLY LIVES IN A DIFFERENT CITY WOULD WALK BECAUSE MOST OF THE TIME BECAUSE MANY OF THEM THEY DON'T HAVE A CAR. SO YOU CANNOT IMAGINE THEY JUST WALK ALL THE WAY TO FREMONT JUST TO COMMIT CRIME AND GET ARRESTED.

IT WOULD BE MORE REASONABLE TO ASSUME HOMELESS TO STAY AROUND WHERE THEY LIVE.

SO THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD HAVE CAREFUL EXAMINED THE DATA, INSTEAD OF MISINFORMATION IN PUBLIC.

I THINK WE DESERVE AN APOLOGY.

AND THE NEXT THING I WANT TO REFUTE, THERE WAS LAST CITY COUNCIL MEETING THERE WAS A PRESCHOOL OWNER, I THINK SHE MENTIONED THEY FEEL VERY SAFE AROUND THE HOMELESS SHELTER OR SOMETHING.

SO I WAS VERY INTERESTED, SO I WAS -- ACTUALLY I WENT TO THEIR PRESCHOOL A FEW WEEKS AGO AND I TOOK A PICTURE.

IT IS VERY INTERESTING.

AROUND THEIR WHOLE SCHOOL IT IS VERY SCHOOL, IT IS A FENCE, VERY HIGH VERY STABLE VERY STRONG A FENCE, IF YOU SAY NOBODY CAN SAY FROM OUTSIDE, IT'S EVEN HIGHER THAN ME.

IT'S VERY SECURE SO I DON'T KNOW WHEN THEY SAY THEY ARE VERY FEEL VERY SAFE AROUND THE HOMELESS SHELTER IS IF THEY BECAUSE OF THE FENCE OR BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

I'M GOING TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

I SEE COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN HAS HER HAND RAISED AND I ALSO KNOW CITY MANAGER SHACKELFORD COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, GO AHEAD.

>> COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN: I WANT TO SAY, IN STATEMENTS ABOUT PUBLIC POLICY, IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO ME, YOU'VE HEARD ME TALK ABOUT THIS IN OTHER CONTEXT, WHEN WE USE DATA TO TALK ABOUT, THAT WE'RE VERY CAREFUL THAT THAT DATA IS WHAT IT PURPORTS TO BE THAT IT'S ACCURATE THAT IT'S CORRECT AND THE DATA THAT WAS SHARED WITH US THAT SOME OF THE SPEAKERS ARE CLAIMING IS ACCURATE DATA THAT IT CAME FROM THE CITY, WAS COMPARING TWO VERY DIFFERENT SETS OF DATA THAT CANNOT BE COMPARED.

AND WE HONESTLY WE DON'T HAVE THIS DATA RIGHT NOW.

I HAVE ASKED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION ON DATA RELATED TO CRIMINALITY, HOMELESSNESS, ET CETERA.

BUT THE DATA THAT THESE SPEAKERS ARE BASING THEIR STATEMENTS ON IS ABSOLUTELY NOT AN ACCURATE DEPICTION OF WHAT'S HAPPENING.

ANYONE WHO WANTS TO E-MAIL ME AND I CAN SHARE THE DETAILS ON THAT, I'M HAPPY TO.

BUT I JUST WISH THAT -- AND THE PERSON WHO ORIGINALLY BROUGHT IT UP DID ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SHE HAD FLAWS IN HER ANALYSIS IN E-MAIL.

BUT I WANT THE PEOPLE TO KNOW THE ACTUAL DATA RELATED TO CRIMINALITY AND HOMELESSNESS AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING TO GET SOME OF THAT DATA TOGETHER.

BUT IN THE MEANTIME PLEASE DON'T USE TWO SEPARATE DATA SETS THAT ARE MEASURING TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THINGS THAT CANNOT BE -- ONE AS A NUMERATOR AND ONE AS A DENOMINATOR.

THEY ARE COMPLETELY, THOSE DATA SETS CANNOT BE USED TOGETHER.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> AND I WOULD JUST CONCUR WITH COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN'S COMMENTS. AND I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT.

SHE SAID EVERYTHING THAT'S NEEDED TO BE SAID.

THANK YOU.

>> MAYOR MEI: I DISAGREE, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE KNEW.

AND ALSO WE ARE VERY INTERESTED AND I KNOW SOMEBODY ELSE MADE A COMMENT ABOUT GETTING PUBLIC AWARENESS, WE POST OUR AGENDAS.

WE ALSO HAVE -- YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR FREMONT CONNECTIONS.

WE HAVE MANY DIFFERENT RESOURCES THAT WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO BE INVOLVED WITH.

WE SEND OUT REGULAR NEWSLETTERS.

AND WE HOPE THAT THE PUBLIC IS ENGAGED.

THIS IS FOR A GRANT, AND WE WILL FIND OUT IN MARCH WHETHER OR NOT WE WERE AWARDED THE GRANT AND WE WILL ALSO AGAIN FOLLOW UP AND WE'VE ALREADY HAD COMMITMENT FROM THE DEVELOPERS THAT WERE PROPOSED FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO LOOK AT OUTREACH IF THAT MEASURE PASSES IN TERMS OF GETTING THAT FUNDING.

SO SEEING THAT THE PUBLIC COMMENT IS CLOSED, AND I WOULD LIKE TO TRANSFER TO ORAL REPORTS ON AND MEETINGS AND EVENTS.

- >> SORRY MAYOR, WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO COUNCILMEMBER COX.
- >> MAYOR MEI: I'M SORRY, I FORGOT.
- >> ITEM a THE APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

IS THERE A CORRECTION THAT NEEDS TO BE MADE?

DID I MISS SOMETHING COUNCILMEMBER COX?

>> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES, I HAD -- I KNOW YOU HAD GONE THROUGH AND HAD WRITTEN THIS UP AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE, AS I HEARD THE TAPE BACK FROM THAT DAY, THAT WE ADDED IN SOME TITLES AND THERE'S SOME MISSPELLED WORDS OF PEOPLE'S NAMES THAT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE ARE ACCURATELY REFLECTED IN THE MEETING.

>> IF YOU WANT TO SHOOT THOSE TO ME IN AN E-MAIL AND THEN WHAT I'LL DO IF YOU WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS, THIS EVENING AND APPROVE ONE AND NOT THE OTHER, OR E-MAIL ME WITH THE AMENDMENTS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO MAKE AND THEN I'LL BRING BOTH SETS BACK WHEN I BRING THE FEBRUARY MINUTES BACK AT THE BEGINNING -- I MEAN THE -- WHEN I BRING THE MARCH MINUTES BACK AT THE BEGINNING OF APRIL.

OR IF I WANT ME TO BRING THEM BACK AT THE NEXT MEETING I CAN DO THAT HAPPEN.

- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: YES.
- >> YOU WOULD GO BACK AND CONFIRM COUNCILMEMBER COX'S --
- >> RIGHT.
- >> REVISIONS, WHAT WERE HEARD ON THE TAPE.
- >> YES, CORRECT.
- >> OKAY.
- >> KARENA SHACKELFORD: SO I JUST NEED TO DETERMINE A DATE.
- >> I CAN BRING THEM BACK, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET THEM COMPLETED IF I HAVE THAT TOMORROW, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET THAT COMPLETED AND GET THAT CORRECTED AN ON THE VERY NEXT AGENDA FOR MARCH 8TH.

- >> KARENA SHACKELFORD: OKAY.
- >> COUNCILMEMBER COX: THAT WILL BE GREAT.

I'LL SEND YOU AN E-MAIL.

THANK YOU.

- >> SUPER, THANK YOU.
- >> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU SO SAID, WE'LL JUST HAVE THAT CORRECTION BEFORE WE MAKE THAT ADOPTION AND THAT WILL STILL BE FINE FOR OUR TIMING.

AND THEN WE'LL RETURN BACK TO THE LAST ITEM WHICH IS THE WE'VE DISAGREED NOW IT'S ORAL REPORTS ON MEETINGS THAT WERE FOR THE COMMISSIONS THAT THEY SERVE ON. IF THERE ARE ANY REPORTS-OUT FROM MEETINGS FROM THE COMMISSIONS.

ALL RIGHT, SEEING NONE, I'LL GIVER MY REPORT THEN NEXT TIME FOR ACTC FOR SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION. COUNCILMEMBER SHAO.

>> COUNCILMEMBER SHAO: THANK YOU, MADAM MAYOR.

I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SOME SUPPLEMENTAL COMMENTS ON THE REPORT I MADE LAST WEEK, REGARDING THE ONGOING PROJECTS THAT ALAMEDA COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY IS DOING WITH THE CITY OF FREMONT.

MEANWHILE THEY ARE ALSO DOING THE PROJECT BASED VOUCHER PROGRAMS WITH HOMEKEY PROJECTS IN NEWARK.

AND HAYWARD.

AS WE ARE SPEAKING.

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU FOR THAT REPORT-OUT.

SEEING NO OTHER REPORTS-OUT AT THIS TIME, WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH THE MINUTES AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY, IF YOU WOULD INDULGE ME WE'LL JUST PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE BECAUSE I JUST WANTED TO NOTE FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNDER ATTACK CURRENTLY IN UKRAINE, IF WE COULD JUST PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE.

[MOMENT OF SILENCE]

>> MAYOR MEI: THANK YOU.

AND THEN AS NOTED EARLIER IN THE BEGINNING OF THIS MEETING, I ALSO WANTED TO NOTE OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE BOBBIT FAMILY AND THOSE WHO ARE ABLE TO JOIN THAT INFORMATION IS POSTED ON THE FREMONT WEBSITE FOR THE FREMONT POLICE. AND FREMONT ITSELF.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, WISHING YOU ALL SAFETY AND HEALTH, AT THIS TIME, AND WE'LL SEE YOU ALL NEXT WEEK AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE COUNCILMEMBERS AND CONGRATULATIONS AS WE CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.

IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S IMPORTANT FOR US AND HOPEFULLY IT BECOMES ONE OF THOSE WHERE WE -- BECOMES VERY COMMON FOR WOMEN TO BE ELECTED.

AND SO IT'S NO LONGER SOMETHING THAT WE JUST NEED TO CELEBRATE.

IT'S JUST FARTHER OF OUR DNA WHICH WE ARE VERY HONORED TO SEE.

THANK YOU FOR MY FELLOW WOMEN, COUNCILMEMBER KASSAN, COUNCILMEMBER KENG, COUNCILMEMBER COX, AND LEADERSHIP TEAM.

HOPE YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU SOON. TAKE CARE.

>> THANK YOU MADAM MAYOR.

GOOD NIGHT EVERYONE.

>> GOOD NIGHT.

>> GOOD NIGHT.

[MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:47 P.M.]