

**FREMONT CITY COUNCIL
and
FREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD**

Joint Meeting
Monday, February 1, 2016
4:30 p.m.

Fremont Unified School District Board Room, 4210 Technology Drive
Fremont, CA

MINUTES

1. Opening

Call to Order: Vice President Crosbie called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Flag Salute: Student member Basa led the salute to the flag.

Roll Call: City Council: Present: Mayor Harrison, Vice Mayor Mei
Councilmembers: Bacon, Jones, and Chan.

FUSD Board: Present: President Sweeney Vice President Crosbie, Clerk Shao, Board members: Berke and Campbell, Student member Basa

2. Approval of the Minutes of October 5, 2015

On a motion by Councilmember Bacon, seconded by Councilmember Jones, the City Council and FUSD Board approved the minutes for the meeting of October 5, 2015.

Ayes: City Council: Mayor Harrison, Vice Mayor Mei, Councilmembers Bacon, Jones, and Chan.

FUSD Board: Vice President Crosbie, Clerk Shao, Board members Berke

Noes: None

Abstain: Board member Campbell

3. **Oral Communications**

- Sonia Khan, Pediatrician and Fremont constituent, spoke to express her concern about the overcrowding in the Fremont schools and to ask that student accommodations should be the priority. She asked if there was a vacant parcel by Washington High School.
- Hiu Ng, community member, expressed there are too many housing developments in Fremont, the district has approved \$34 million for additional classrooms and sadly it is not enough. The City Council must be part of the solution. Fremont Unified currently overloads 2,000 student all over the city.
- Kathy McDonald, community member, asked that both entities work together for a solution and look at both land and parks for schools.
- Ivy Wu, community member, stated it would be great if the City and Fremont Unified would work together regarding available land. We do not have enough room in our schools.
- Alexandre Anguelouch, resident and parent, spoke regarding school overcrowding and stated that in his opinion, the schools are a source of prosperity in the City. The golden goose is hurting. The City should step up to donate land and ask the State for Level III fees.
- Sunil Sethi, resident, and local real estate agent, shared his surprised and asked how can the City not be responsible to determine where students will go to school. He asked the City to work with the schools to fix the problem.
- Liz Fischer, resident for 25 years, requested a sale or swap of the property next to Centerville Park. Since 2001, the questions has been “when are we getting a park?” She shared that she wants a great place for the students to go to school in that area.
- Alice Cavette, resident, gave kudos to the district for the stand against the Patterson Ranch law suit. She cited the benefits of providing transportation for students and suggested using City traffic impact fees. The overcrowding in our schools and the developments increase the traffic on all streets in Fremont.
- Bill Williamson, parent from Mattos Elementary School, spoke to share his concerns with the leadership at the school.
- Sherea Westra, President of the Fremont Unified District Teachers Association (FUDTA) spoke about a position statement from the Association, which she read aloud. She added that developers should work with the district and city to provide additional classrooms.
- Andrea Wedewer, Mattos parent, spoke about a petition presented regarding expressed concerns with the principal.

4. **Vision Zero Fremont and School Area Traffic Safety**

This was a joint presentation to provide information addressing the following areas:

- Vision Zero Introduction & Traffic Safety Engineering Improvements, City Engineer Hans Larsen
- Fremont Perspectives on Education and Enforcement, City Police Chief, Rich Lucero
- School District Perspectives, FUSD Director, Debbie Amundson
- Safe Routes to Schools Program, Carrie Harvilla

There was a brief questions and answer period. No action was taken.

5. **Emergency Preparedness**

City Fire Chief LaTendresse provided a brief overview of ongoing work and achievements in the area of disaster preparedness, which included:

- The Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
- Ongoing Work and Achievements
- Future Plans

There was a brief question and answer period. This item was for information only. No action was taken.

6. **Summer Lunch Program Report**

Allison Mayer presented on behalf of Fremont Unified to provide an update on the Summer Food Service Program by explaining the program will serve all persons in the community, 18 years of age and under of persons over age 18 who meet the State agency's definition of mental/physical disability, may receive free meals. The name or ID is required; meals are provided at no charge and are reimburse by the Federal and State agencies. Students attending Summer School at Cabrillo Elementary and Robertson High School will be offered free breakfast and lunch daily. These meals will be offered Monday through Thursday, June 20, 2016 through July 29, 2016. She also stated that the work in progress is preparing a media release to the community, in partnership with the City of Fremont; a partnership with the local food bank; the areas of student safety and security; and the designated eating areas for the community. This item was for information only. No action was taken.

7. **Bus Service Overview**

FUSD Director of Transportation shared information on the number of students transported daily and information on the fifteen operating routes; transportation funding from the state, student annual bus passes, revenue from miscellaneous services and the budget deficit that is funded by the District's general fund. He also provided the bus pass fares cost for 2015/2016 that parents must pay in order to transport their student that is overloaded from their home school to another school in the City due to overcrowding. Transportation funding for students with special needs from the State and the budget deficit funded by the District's general fund. The presentation was followed by a brief question and answer period. This item was for information only. No action was taken.

8. **Public Comment on Items on the Agenda**

- Alice Cavette spoke regarding Item 7, Bus Service Overview, asking the City to provide needed support for transporting students to school by providing bus transportation and paying the associated cost with new development traffic impact fees.
- Hiu Ng, spoke regarding Item 10, Suggestions for Next Meeting Agenda Items, and suggested a comprehensive plan to include a list of land that might be donated to the school district.

9. **Next Meeting: Monday, May 2, 2016**
Time: 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Location: City Council Chambers,
City Hall, Building A
3300 Capitol Ave., Fremont, CA 94538

9. **Suggestions for Agenda Items**

- Presentation on Level III Developer Fees
- Invite new General Manager of AC Transit to discuss student transportation and ways the City and Fremont Unified can get students to school
- Discussion on Joint-Use with land from the City to the District (school/parks)
- Impact of developments on schools, and ways we can collectively solve the overcrowding problem

10. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, President Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.