



Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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The Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association consists of residents interested in preserving the quality of life in our neighborhood. Together we can make a difference—join us.

General OMVNA Meeting: December 1st

For the next general meeting of the Old Mountain View Neighborhood Association we are fortunate to have Kevin Duggan, Mountain View's City Manager, as the guest speaker. The meeting will be held **Saturday, December 1, 2-5 pm at the Trinity United Methodist Church 748 Mercy Street (at the corner of Hope and Mercy)**. Note the change from our usual location at St. Joseph's Church.

Here is the agenda for the meeting:

- 2:00-2:15 Arrivals
- 2:15-2:30 Brief updates on the Neighborhood Plan and the Evelyn Avenue Plan
- 2:30-3:30 Kevin Duggan: Neighborhood Preservation as a City Goal; Joe LaClair: Proposed R-1 Zoning Changes
- 3:30-4:00 Discussion of neighborhood concerns
- 4:00-5:00 Social hour

We'll supply coffee and fruit juice; if you'd like to bring some cookies or other goodies, it would help make the occasion more fun. See you Deceember 1st!

Neighborhood Preservation Plan

As this newsletter was being written, the final draft of the Old Mountain View Neighborhood Preservation Plan was expected to be presented to the Environmental Planning Commission sometime in November. After that, the Plan will be presented to the City Council for adoption. We should be able to announce the date of the City Council meeting at the OMVNA general meeting on December 1st.

Proposed R-1 Zoning Changes

The city's General Plan is undergoing a revision, and as a result, some changes to the R-1 single family zoning ordinance are being proposed. The changes include standards affecting both remodeling and new construction, and are intended to help to preserve the special character of existing

neighborhoods, such as our own Old Mountain View. Joe LaClair, an Urban Planner in the city's Planning and Community Development Department, will present a summary of these changes at the December 1st OMVNA general meeting. Changes under discussion for existing homes include modifications to second-story setback rules and overall floor area ratio restrictions. Proposed standards for new construction in our neighborhood include: 1) a maximum 1-car driveway for interior lots, 2) garages to be set back behind the primary elevation of the house, and 3) two-car garages across the front of the house on interior lots will not be allowed. Mr. LaClair will be happy to take questions from the audience following his presentation.

Expanding the Library

The City Council held a special meeting on November 6th to further consider how to proceed with library expansion. The discussion centered on where the expanded library should be located and how to pay for its capital and operating costs. Although no site was chosen, the Council passed a motion to exclude from consideration all privately-owned residential property. Since funding the library is likely to involve a new tax, the Council commissioned a public opinion poll to find out just what sort of library facilities the citizens want, and how they'd prefer to pay for them.

Our public library is an extremely important part of the educational and entertainment resources of our community. A broad base of support is necessary from the citizens in order to ensure that the library will keep up with the demands that we place on it. Please contact your City Councilmembers to tell them

how important the library is to you and to your children.

Designing the New Fire Station #1

As you may have heard, the new Fire Station Number 1 will be built on the northeast corner of Dana Street



and Shoreline Boulevard, on the site of the PAL building; a small mini-park will share the property with the fire station. The city is holding a public meeting in order to gather ideas, concerns, and opinions about the new fire station. The meeting is 7:30 pm on Monday, November 26th, in the auditorium of the Police/Fire Administration Building, 1000 Villa Street. For more information, you can contact Mary Diener in the Public Works Department at 966-6311.

Landels School News

Here are two great ways you can support your neighborhood elementary school even if you don't have school-aged children:

- ✓ Save your Safeway cash register tapes, so the Landels PTA can exchange them for free Apple computer equipment and software through Safeway's "Apples for the Students" program. From now until April 1, 1991, you can mail or drop off the register tapes at Landels School, 115 W. Dana Street. If it's more convenient, deliver them to Muriel Sivyer-Lee at 451 Velarde Street (phone 961-5738).
- ✓ Shop for the children on your gift list at the Holiday Book Fair, November 27-30 in the Landels Multi-Use Room. Books make wonderful gifts for children, and Landels Librarian Lena Wurm will help you select

books that the children on your shopping list will enjoy. All profit from the Book Fair will be used to purchase books for Landels School Library. The Book Fair is open from 11:30 to 1pm and 2:15pm to 3:15pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday (November 27, 28, and 30), and 11:30am to 2:15pm on Thursday (November 29).

Street Sweeping Stepped Up

Mountain View now has two street sweepers, allowing all the streets to be swept every two weeks. You'll be getting a notice in your utility bill that will tell you your "sweep days" and will remind you to avoid parking on the street between 6:00am and 3:30pm of your sweep day. By keeping our cars off the street two days a month, we'll be contributing to a cleaner Mountain View.

City Telephone Numbers Changed

Have you tried to call City Hall recently? Then you probably found out that as of November 1st, the prefix is 966 instead of 903. The change accompanied the installation of a new phone system that includes voice mail.

Happy Holidays!



Write to OMOVNA at P.O. Box 391328, Mountain View, CA 94039. The steering committee meets at 7pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month; to attend, call any of these people:
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