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Cupertino Pursuit
Test your knowledge about Cupertino at
the Cupertino Community Hall, October 27,
5 to 8 p.m. Learn about Cupertino history,
tax dollars at work, emergency prepared-
ness, and people and organizations. For res-
ervations contact Laura Lee at,
408.777.3331, or LauraL@Cupertino.org.

Walk to School Day

Walk your child to school on Wednesday,
October 5, and join schools from around the world as they celebrate
International Walk to School Day. Last year, approximately 3 million walkers
from 36 countries walked to school to-

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Tournament of
Bands Oct. 8

On Saturday, October 8, 2005, the streets
of Cupertino will see the 35th annual Cu-
pertino Tournament of Bands.
At 10 a.m.,
the Parade Competition begins. This
occasion will also intro-
duce the new
Cupertino High School Band Director,
Sheldon Galdeira, to his first Cupertino
Tournament of Bands, and to our com-
munity.
The parade will take the same route it
did last year. Bands will make a right onto

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Bedtime Stories
Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Harry Potter Trivia Contest
Saturday, October 22, 2005, at 10:15 a.m.
Children in grades 4 to 8 are invited to play against each other in teams by answering questions from the Harry Potter Books. Pre-registration is required. Call 408.446.1677 X 3373 for details.

Divali Storytime
Thursday, October 27, 2005 at 7 p.m.
Schoolage children K – 8 are invited to join Librarian Gayathri Kanth for stories, music and a craft celebrating Divali, the Festival of Light.

Knitting at the Library
Bring your needles and yarn to the library every Tuesday, 3 to 5 p.m. and join knitting expert Lakshmi Moorty in the Story Room on the main floor. Adults and Children (10+) can learn to knit or get tips for their own knitting projects. Knitters of all skill levels are welcome to attend.

Databases and Research Tools
Santa Clara County Library subscribes to online databases for adults and children, on a variety of subjects, including business, science and literature. Many of the databases are available even when the library is closed. If you’re not at the library, just go to the library’s webpage at www.santadacountylib.org, click on databases, and enter your library card and PIN number to access a database.

You may choose from any of the available databases. For example, you can research a company using Standard and Poor’s Net Advantage, prepare for an academic or professional exam with Learning Express or find information for a state report in America the Beautiful. If you have any questions about the databases, please call the Reference desk, at 408.446.1677, during the library’s open hours.

The Friends of the Cupertino Library Bestseller Collection
Funded by the Friends of the Cupertino Library, the Bestseller Collection is a special browsing collection designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestseller on the library shelf when you visit the library. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis (no reserves). All titles check out for one week. Located in the New Book / New Magazines / Media area right off the lobby.

The Cupertino Scene is published monthly, except in August and January, and distributed to all residents and businesses in the city. Information may be submitted via e-mail to pio@cupertino.org Questions may be directed to the Public Information Office at City Hall, 408.777.3200. Deadline is the first Wednesday of the month for the next month’s issue.
Friends of the Cupertino Library also welcomes everyone to their ongoing Lobby Book Sales. The next annual Friends sale will be held in the Community Hall on Saturday, October 1st, from 9 am to 4 pm and on Sunday, October 2nd, from 12 noon to 3 pm. Children’s sale area is open only to children from 9 am to noon on Saturday, October 1st.

Friends of the Library Collect Cell Phones

The Friends of the Cupertino Library have placed a box in the library lobby to collect used cell phones. Proceeds benefit the Cupertino Library.

Internet Classes in Mandarin

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available in Mandarin, by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call the library’s Reference Desk at 408.446.1677.

Teen Database Classes

Database instruction for teens, thirteen to nineteen, is available at the library by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment to learn about the library’s subscription databases, please call the reference desk at 408.446.1677.

Internet Basics for Adults

Basic Internet classes for adults are held at the library on the second Saturday of every month. 2 to 2:30 p.m. These drop-in classes are limited to five participants and are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. If interested, please come to the Adult Reference Desk at 2 p.m on the second Saturday of the month.

Library Tours

Library tours are conducted the third Wednesday of every month from 1 to 2 p.m. and the fourth Saturday of the month from 2 to 3 p.m. Tours include an explanation and demonstration of the library’s online catalog and subscription databases, and library collections and services. For more information about library tours, call 408.446.1677.

IMPORTANT REMINDER, Register to Vote

If you have moved, changed your name or political affiliation, you must re-register to vote.

Last day to register to vote in the 2005 Statewide Special Election: October 24, 2005.

Forms are available at local post offices, libraries, city and county government offices. Also, the California Secretary of State provides an on-line form. After completing the form, the Secretary of State will print and mail the form to you. You must sign the form and mail to the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters. Print, complete, sign and mail to: Registrar of Voters, PO Box 1147, San Jose, CA 95108. Faxed forms will not be accepted. http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/votereg1.html.
GOLDEN JUBILEE
Community BBQ!

We are throwing a party right where it all began

Saturday, October 15
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Blackberry Farm Picnic Grounds
21975 San Fernando Avenue

Blackberry Farm will be host to the last celebration of Cupertino’s Golden Jubilee.

All Cupertino residents are invited to attend this celebration. A BBQ lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. You must pre-register for your BBQ lunch for $5 per person (activity code 23962). For more information, call 408.777.3120.

Activities include:
★ Live music by Kapalikiko - 11 am-1 pm
★ AcroSports City Circus - 1-3:30 pm
★ Swimming

Experience the FUN of “AcroSports City Circus” where the Star of the FUN is YOU!

Be the show! Join City Circus for fun interactive workshops, and then show off your new skills in a special workshop performance for the public.
Buildings Inspectors ensure compliance with approved plans, specifications, and applicable codes and regulations. The successful candidate will possess excellent customer service and interpersonal skills. City employment applications may be obtained from the City of Cupertino Human Resources Division, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, CA, by calling 408.777.3227, or by visiting our website at www.cupertino.org/jobs.

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**City Job Openings**

**Building Inspector**

Salary $6,032 - $7,332 monthly (+ 7% City paid PERS)

The City of Cupertino is currently recruiting for a journey level Building Inspector to perform field inspections and plan checking of industrial, commercial and residential buildings and structures in various stages of construction, repair and alteration. City

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**Route 85 Noise Mitigation**

Work on the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority’s (VTA) Route 85 Noise Mitigation Project has begun. Starting on Monday, September 26, 2005, and extending through Friday, October 14, 2005, the work will close two of the three northbound lanes of Route 85 in the Cupertino area during the nighttime hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday through Friday. Project work will similarly affect the southbound lanes of Route 85 later in the year.

VTA’s Noise Mitigation Project involves a texture grinding of 11 miles of the freeway’s concrete road surface between the Almaden Expressway and Stevens Creek Boulevard. The project was funded as part of the 1996 Measure B Transportation Improvement Program (MBTIP). Texture grinding of concrete pavement has been demonstrated to change the frequency characteristics of freeway noise so that the human ear perceives it as less obtrusive.

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**Atlas**

“ATLAS” stands for the “Academy for Teaching Literacy to Adult Students,” a program of Sunnyvale-Cupertino Adult Community Education. Participation in ATLAS is free to all. The main goal of ATLAS is to serve adults whose reading, writing, or math skills are below those of average high school students. Some students have had virtually no formal education, while others were successful students in other countries, learned to speak English fairly well, and currently need to improve their command of “formal” English.

ATLAS relies upon volunteer tutors to provide students with individualized instruction. Tutors work with students in one-on-one pairings or in small groups, while receiving on-going support and guidance from professional ATLAS site teachers.

Tutors work with their students once or twice a week. Both daytime and evening classes are available. For more information, contact Lareen Jacobs at 408.522.2755 or by email at lareen_jacobs@fuhsd.org.

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Roots
By Gail Fretwell Hugger

In Celebration of Cupertino: Part V

World War II came fast on the heels of WW I and the Great Depression. Memories of war were still fresh. Tragically, Cupertino's Japanese citizens did not escape relocation and internment during the war. Cupertino lost more of its sons on many fronts.

When WW II ended, a huge migration of people began to come west - to sunny California. Not since 1849-50 had California experienced such rapid population growth. In 1945, there were 500 students in the Cupertino/Sunnyvale area. My kindergarten class photo had 41 students in 1949, 4 years after the war ended. Growing up in Cupertino during the 1950’s and on into the 60’s was almost like the movie, “American Graffiti”, only on a smaller scale. The big band era of Dorsey, Miller, Ellington and Louis Armstrong was beginning to be replaced by (oh horrors!) rock n’ roll with the Everly Brothers, Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly and Fats Domino. Speakeasies were out - drive-ins, flame painted hot rods and Mel’s Diner were the hangouts du jour.

The miles of lovely orchards began to disappear. Lockheed came and tract housing began to sprout like mushrooms. Small businesses multiplied (Remember Ange’s Dep’t Store and the wonderful De Palma’s Bakery at the Crossroads?) In 1955, there were 1,900 students here and the surrounding cities; San Jose, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale and Los Altos began to eye the little town of Cupertino, anxious to add its tax revenue to their own tax rolls.

The Cupertino Improvement Club, originally founded in 1913 and resurrected in the early 1950’s, began to move towards incorporation as a city. Other citizen groups and a fact-finding committee began to work to make Cupertino an incorporated city and keep it from being gobbled up by its neighbors. Petitions in favor of incorporation began to circulate, things were looking good and then the Monta Vista area nearly killed the drive. Chester Damico Jr. of the Monta Vista Water Co. stated that Monta Vista wanted to preserve its rural identity and collected 225 signatures expressing a desire to remain un-incorporated. Cupertino’s civic leaders saw a major setback. (Monta Vista actually remained a county area for decades - annexing into Cupertino lot by lot until the remaining area went into Cupertino in 2004. Years ago, some wag erected a sign at the railroad crossing at Stevens Creek Road saying, “Monta Vista Secedes from the Union”, a not unpopular sentiment among the residents.)
Shaken Cupertino leaders also accused San Jose of trying to cut through Cupertino’s backyard in an attempt to annex Permanente for its nice tax revenue. The Cupertino Improvement Association waged a strong campaign throughout the summer of 1955 and on September 27, over 75% of Cupertino’s voters turned out to vote on incorporation. Election inspector, Julie Lynch posted the election results on the firehouse door - “Yes” - 225, “No” - 183. In the same election, voters elected their first city council - Ralph Lindenmayer, Warner Wilson, John Saich, R. Ivan Meyerholz and Norman Nathanson. Two candidates who also ran for the five-member council were Antonio Lillo and Don Bandley. Lindenmayer was chosen mayor a week later.

The new city was 4 square miles, had 1,746 residents (Monta Vista excluded) 3/4 of the land was agricultural and the average home cost $12,500, assessed at a tax rate of $8.75.

The years to come would see great changes to the city of Cupertino. In 1960 there were 5,500 students attending high school and in 1972, there were 13,800 students in 7 high schools. In 2005, the number is 9,700 in 5 high schools - Sunnyvale and Blaney Continuation School were closed in the 1980’s. The demographics of Cupertino have changed also and new cultural layers from around the world have been added. Years from now, someone else will be writing about more “Roots” that have been added to our community; from China, India, Southeast Asia, Russia and eastern Europe, the Middle East and lots of other places.

It is truly amazing to think that less than 200 years ago, this area we call Cupertino and “home” was almost completely unknown outside of the Native Americans who lived here, hunting and fishing until the day Juan Bautista de Anza, cartographer Pedro Font and a few soldiers wound their way along a small creek with no name, looking for a great bay a few leagues farther on. We live in a wonderful town with a wonderful history - that is still unfolding. Thanks to all of you who live and work and go to school here and are making “roots” in Cupertino.

Resources: The Westside and How We Grew by Robert Levy, The Cupertino Chronicle and the late Peter Emig, who great line drawings capture so much of Cupertino’s early history.
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Connect Club I*  
Connect Club II*  
Business Networking Intl.*  
HP Communicators Toastmasters #4606*  
Overeaters Anonymous*  
Food Addicts in Recovery* (FA) | 9:30 a.m.  
Noon  
8 a.m.  
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7 p.m. | West Valley Pres. Church  
6191 Bollinger Rd.  
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BJ’s Brewery  
HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T  
19055 Pruneridge Ave.  
Union Church  
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996-9111  
BNI.com  
650-691-8724  
253-8394  
378-3499 |
| **7** Fri | Alcoholics Anonymous*  
Fast Start Group  
De Anza Kiwanis* | 5:00 p.m.  
7:15 a.m. | Redeemer Lutheran Church  
940 S. Stelling Rd  
Intl. House of Pancakes | 374-8511  
973-1456 |
| **8** Sat | Daughters of Norway | 9:30 a.m. | Sunnyview Retirement Community | 255-9828 |
| **10** Mon | Cupertino Odd Fellows*  
Fine Arts League | 8 p.m.  
7 p.m. | 20589 Homestead Rd.  
Creekside Park | 252-3954  
255-6559 |
| **11** Tues | Southbay Toastmasters*  
Sertoma Club*  
Poets Society* | 6:30 p.m.  
7:15 a.m.  
7:30 p.m. | Tandem Bldg. 251, 10100 N. Tantau, Rm 1258  
1366 S. Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd.  
Coffee Society | 253-7622  
252-2584  
255-5293  
725-8091 |
| **12** Wed | Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*  
The Powerful Pens  
Cross-Cultural Consortium (5Cs)  
Viewfinders Camcorder Video Club | 7 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.  
7 p.m.  
7:30 p.m. | Collins School  
Sunnyview Retirement Community,  
22445 Cupertino Rd.  
Community Hall | 245-9156  
626-9784  
285-7332  
253-1985 |
| **13** Thurs | Quota Service Club* (Aids hearing & speech impaired)  
Cupertino-West Valley Welcome Club | Noon  
11:30 a.m. | Blue Pheasant  
Community Center  
Cupertino Room | 252-8568  
257-6136  
252-1529 |
| **14** Fri | Malihini Orchid Society  
Cupertino Coin Club | 7:30 p.m.  
7:45 p.m. | Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm  
West Valley Pres. Church | 267-3397  
253-1232 |
| **18** Tues | African Violet Society | 12:30 p.m. | Sunnyview Lutheran Home | 736-9262 |
| **19** Wed | Rancho Neighborhood Association  
The Powerful Pens | 7:30 p.m.  
7 p.m. | Rancho Pool & Recreation Facility  
18000 Chelmsford | 626-9784 |
| **20** Thurs | Toyokawa Sister City West Valley Republican Women  
Rolling Hills 4H Club  
Embroiders’ Guild of America | 7:30 p.m.  
11:30 a.m.  
7 p.m.  
7 p.m. | City Hall  
Monta Vista Recreation Center  
Sunnyview Lutheran Home | 257-7424  
252-6312  
257-4745  
578-5917 |
| **25** Tues | Historical Society De Anza Youth Soccer League meeting | 6:30 p.m.  
7:30 p.m. | Community Center  
Creekside Park | 973-1495  
deanzayouthsoccer.org |
Hurricane Katrina.
How can you help?

Several families have been sent to San Jose, by FEMA, for temporary housing. The American Red Cross will be seeing to their needs for the next couple of months. Other families may have come to Santa Clara County to stay with friends and relatives. It is VERY important that all evacuees let the City they are staying in know that they are here as well as registering with FEMA, 800.621.3362 (800.621.FEMA) and the Red Cross 408.577.1000 to ensure they receive the monetary support and information needed to help their recovery.

There is a potential for long term housing (18 months) for more evacuees. If you, or your organization, are interested in being notified when those needs occur, call your local Office of Emergency Services.

Additional information about specific needs and volunteer opportunities are located on the Cupertino website www.cupertino.org. There are links to Red Cross, the Volunteer Center of Silicon Valley, Cityteam Ministries, Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Salvation Army.

Locally, there have been many questions asked about our own disaster preparedness activities. Cupertino and Santa Clara County do have plans and they are coordinated with the State; however, until community members educate themselves and offer feedback to those plans, the success of our own disaster response is in jeopardy. Free seminars are offered locally. Websites have many resources to help individuals prepare. Be proactive and take charge of your own disaster response. Go to www.cupertino.org/emergency, www.ready.gov, www.prepare.org for information.

Want to help your community be prepared? The City has storage containers, called ARKs, strategically located around the City that contain emergency response supplies used by our Community Emergency Response Teams, Medical Reserve Corps and Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

These sites will be gathering places for the local community. Block Leaders or individuals can request assistance and receive information about the disaster at the ARKs. Currently, these gathering points are Vallco Mall, Hyde Middle School, Garden Gate Elementary School, and all three fire stations (Monta Vista, Cupertino and Seven Springs).

There are two resources that are not yet in place, perishable items and volunteer support staff.

Adopt an ARK

The ARKs need cases of bottled water, batteries and other perishables. By adopting an ARK, you purchase one of the items, and agree to take the item back halfway through its shelf life, for your personal use, replacing it with a fresh item. We are currently accepting supplies for the ARK at Garden Gate Elementary School. If you would like to help this ARK, download the donation form at www.cupertino.org/emergency. You can offer to support any one of the ARKs and we'll notify you when we will be collecting the items.

Volunteer Support Staff. We need people at the ARKs to receive requests from the public, track the information, assign it to the appropriate response team and document its completion. These members of the Planning and Intelligence Section of emergency response are what keep everything organized. There will be a two-hour training session, at the Cupertino Community Emergency Training Center at Vallco Mall on Oct 13 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 408.777.3335 to sign up. During the training, you'll be signed up
as an official Cupertino Volunteer.

Preparing for emergencies, one month at a time...Discover a way you can help your community be more prepared.

Upcoming classes: Community Emergency Response Team, January 13, 2006. Five Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and graduation February 11, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It's free and a great way to start the New Year. Bring your friends.

Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop, Friday, October 21, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Saturday, November 5, 9 a.m. to Noon. Every member of the community should know what to do when an emergency happens at home. This three-hour course will give you that knowledge. Bring your whole neighborhood. It's free. Workshops are held at Cupertino Community Emergency Training Center in Vallco Mall.

Adult CPR with AED. October 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. $25
Infant Child CPR. November 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. $25
First Aid Friday. December 2, 2 to 6 p.m. $35

For more information about being prepared, training schedules or volunteer opportunities, contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services at 408.777.3335, email OES@cupertino.org, or go to the website www.cupertino.org/emergency.

Register for classes through Cupertino Parks & Recreation, 408.777.3120.
Best Time to Start a Compost Pile

Backyard compost workshops will be held on the first Saturdays of October and November (Oct. 1 & Nov. 5). A class for families (school age kids & adults) is scheduled for the October 1 workshop. Autumn is the best time to start a compost pile because of the abundance of fallen leaves. Workshops are free, and are held at McClellan Ranch Park, at 22221 McClellan Rd. Call 408.918.4640 to register.

Green Business

Santa Clara County Integrated Waste Management Division (IWM) is excited to announce the Green Business Program is now able to serve businesses in all cities throughout the County. The goal of the Program is to certify and recognize businesses that are in compliance with all environmental regulations and take additional measures to prevent pollution, reduce waste and conserve water and energy. County staff is available to guide you through the process at no charge. Once your business is certified it receives a certificate and window decal, which identifies your business as a Green Business. Additionally, the company is added to the local and regional website directories. Businesses are also recognized before City Council and the County Board of Supervisors. IWM staff helps your business implement environmental practices that save money and your business gets the recognition that it deserves for helping the community save resources and protect the environment. To find out how to become a certified Green Business or for more information, visit the website at http://greenbiz.sccgov.org or call 408.441.4329.

Disposing of Fluorescent Bulbs and Thermometers

Fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent bulbs and mercury thermometers contain a small amount of mercury and when they no longer work, they should be disposed of as hazardous waste. Fluorescent bulbs and tubes can be dropped off at Rancho Hardware in nearby Los Altos at 1150 Riverside Drive; contact phone 650.948.6331. Mercury thermometers can be dropped off at De Anza College Health Services, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd.; phone 408.864.8732. You can also bring fluorescent bulbs and mercury thermometers to the County Household Hazardous Waste Program. Call 408.299.7300 for a free disposal appointment.

The cities throughout the Bay Area are making a concerted effort to prevent mercury from being released into the environment.

√ Learn more about mercury contamination and health concerns. Visit: www.watershedwatch.net.

√ Buy lower-mercury fluorescent tubes and bulbs, such as: GE “Ecolux,” Philips “Alto,” and Sylvania “Ecologic.”

Compost Teachers Needed

Interested in becoming a Master Composter? Modeled after the Master Gardener Program, Master Composters receive free training in composting techniques in exchange for performing 50 hours of volunteer ser-
Bulky wastes are items that weigh more than 50 pounds and are too large to place in your garbage cart. One way to dispose of them is by calling Los Altos Garbage Company for a special pickup. The rate is $25 for the first item and $15 for each additional item; TVs are $15. Bulky wastes may include furniture, cabinets, washers, dryers, refrigerators, air conditioners and televisions. Call Los Altos Garbage Company at 408.725.4020 to arrange for a pick up.

Recycling Used Motor Oil
Residents can recycle up to two gallons of motor oil at a time by leaving gallon bottles next to the blue recycling cart at the curb, on your collection day. Use containers with tight fitting lids, pop-on lids are acceptable but tape the lids securely.

For apartment and condominium residents who do not have oil recycling at their complex, Jiffy Lube at the corner of Miller Ave. and Stevens Creek Blvd. is a “State certified” oil collection center in Cupertino that accepts used motor oil from the public for recycling.

Cupertino sponsors free backyard composting workshops at McClellan Ranch Park during spring and fall. Come and help us teach composting.

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The idea is for communities to walk to school together with a purpose. Walking promotes personal health, safety, and a concern for the environment. It also reduces the number of cars on local streets and brings people together. Walking to school is endorsed by leading health professionals, educators, safety officers, and PTAs. Kids also love to walk too. It gives them more time to socialize with their friends and it puts them into a better mood for school.

California is providing its own Walk to School web site to promote "Walk-tober 2005". The site provides starter kits and resources to create your own walking event. To learn more, visit the official site at http://www.cawalktoschool.com.

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Miller Avenue for warm-up, and then a right onto Stevens Creek Blvd. The Competition Area is now midway between Miller and Finch Aves. Percussion Competition takes place on Finch Ave between Stevens Creek and the CHS campus.

Field show competition begins at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are $6. For more information, visit http://www.tinoband.org/studentlife/band/tob.shtml.

NEW Parade Route for Cupertino Tournament of Bands
Council Actions

Regular Meeting of the Cupertino City Council, Tuesday, September 6

Council Members Present: Kwok, Lowenthal, James, Sandoval, Wang

Presented proclamations to the championship 9-year-old Cupertino All-Star baseball team, an award to the Cupertino Block Leader Program from the California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO), and a proclamation to Jim Oberhofer for receiving the California Emergency Services Association (CESA) Coastal Chapter Silver Award.

Authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute cooperative agreements with the California Department of Transportation required for design oversight, construction, and maintenance in connection with the Mary Avenue Bicycle Footbridge Project.

Set a public hearing regarding traffic restrictions on Kim Street for October 4, 2005.

Appointed Council members Wang and Lowenthal to a subcommittee to consider a revised policy and guidelines for sister city partnerships.

Accepted public input on the General Plan update, continued the item to September 14, and directed staff to send a citywide notice regarding a hearing on economic development policies for the meeting on September 20.

Approved Pinn Bros. Construction (Adobe Terrace) located at 20128 Stevens Creek Blvd., a tentative map for condominium purposes for 2,395 square feet of retail space and 23 residential units.

Supported Assembly Bill 438, as amended, (Parra) sex offenders.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1966: Street Improvement Requirements, Exception Based On Less Than Twenty-Five Percent Expansion of Existing Floor Area.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1967: Amending Chapter 9.18, Revising Storm Water Pollution Prevention Requirements for Land Development Projects.

Redevelopment Agency Actions

Tuesday, September 6, 2005

Redevelopment Agency Members Present: Kwok, Lowenthal, James, Sandoval, Wang

Allocated 25% of discretionary funds to be earmarked for a parking structure.

Council Actions

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

Council Members Present: Kwok, Lowenthal, James, Sandoval, Wang

Held closed session regarding Mike Honda et al. v. Kimberly Smith et al., Superior Court Case. No action taken.

Appropriated $25,000 to the Santa Clara Valley Red Cross for Hurricane Katrina disaster relief aid.

Council Actions

Wednesday, September 20, 2005

Council Members Present: Kwok, Lowenthal, James, Sandoval, Wang

Held a closed session regarding the De Anza Cupertino Aquatics (DACA) lease. No action was taken.

Held a closed session regarding City owned residential lots in Oak Valley, and directed staff to list Lot 2 at $1.2 million, Lot 11 at $1.3 million.

Adopted the National Incident Management System and the revised Cupertino Emergency Plan.

Held public hearing and continued the meeting to October 4 regarding the General Plan update.

Approve the Revised Policy and Guidelines for Sister City Partnerships

Authorized Hsinchu Sister City to use $1000 of their sister city allocation toward their participation in the Golden Jubilee.

Denied a fee waiver request from the Cupertino Tournament of Bands in the amount of $1090.00.

Referred to staff a request for amendment to the ‘Heart of the City Specific Plan to will insure consistency between the language of the plan and future application for subdivision approval.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1968: Amending Section 11.24.150 Relating to Parking Prohibition Along Certain Streets to Remove the Prohibition of Parking on the West Side of Vista Drive Between Apple Tree Drive and a Point 200 Feet South.

Received updated on the progress of Vallco Fashion Park development plans.


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