

REGULAR MEETING

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019, 5:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FAIRFIELD CITY HALL
1000 WEBSTER STREET**

CITY OF FAIRFIELD TREE & SIDEWALK TASK FORCE

AGENDA

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1. CALL TO ORDER 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mike Giles, Chair
Scott Tepley, Vice Chair
Carol Chervinko
Rochelle Cooks

3. CLOSED SESSION

- None

4. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- None

5. PRESENTATIONS

- None

6. MEMBER REPORTS

This time is reserved for members of the Task Force to report on any non-agenda items. State law prohibits action by the Task Force on any non-agenda items.

7. STAFF REPORTS

This time is reserved for City of Fairfield staff to report on any non-agenda items. State law prohibits action by the Task Force on any non-agenda items.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Task Force on any non-agenda items. State law prohibits action by the Task Force on any non-agenda items.

Speakers may address items on this agenda at the time each item is considered. Under PUBLIC COMMENT, the public may speak on items not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Tree and Sidewalk Task Force, provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items except as authorized by law. Off-agenda items from the public will be taken under consideration without discussion by the Task Force and may be referred to staff. To speak on an agenda item, please raise your hand at this time. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to four minutes, with one minute to summarize their remarks.

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the Tree and Sidewalk Task Force meeting held on September 25, 2019.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

- None

11. INFORMATION ONLY CALENDAR

- None

12. NEW BUSINESS (Items 1-6)

1. Action Item. Vacancy and New Positions
Does the Task Force wish to promote the position vacated by Randall Carlson? Does the Task Force wish to add additional members? Will new members have the necessary time to educate themselves on the key issues? Does the Task Force wish to conduct a Community Town Hall Meeting?

2. Information Item. Other Entities Programs and Ordinances

Fairfield (Ordinance)

Municipal Code 16.14

16.14 Duty of property owner as to maintenance of sidewalk.

It shall be unlawful for any person owning any building, lot or premises in the city, fronting on any portion of an improved street or way, where a sidewalk is laid, to allow any portion of such sidewalk in front of such building, lot or premises to be out of repair, or to become, be or remain dangerous to the users thereof for any reason. Such person must at all times keep each such sidewalk in such condition that it will not endanger persons or property passing thereon, will not interfere with public convenience in the use thereof, or be or remain an obstruction or impediment to normal, customary and usual pedestrian or vehicular traffic. (Ord. No. 61-5, § 2.)

Ordinance 61-5

<https://eservices.fairfield.ca.gov/weblink/0/doc/34133/Page1.aspx>

2014 Daily Republic Article

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/solano-business/shouldnt-the-city-be-fixing-deteriorating-sidewalks/>

Vallejo (Ordinance)

https://library.municode.com/ca/vallejo/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT10STSI_CH10.04RECOMASIDRST

San Jose (Ordinance)

<https://www.sanjoseca.gov/FormCenter/Transportation-22/Report-a-Problem-141>

https://library.municode.com/ca/san_jose/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT14PUW_OIM_CH14.16IMPRCO_PT17MARESI_14.16.2220WOPEUPSTAU

Grass Valley (Ordinance)

<http://www.cityofgrassvalley.com/departments/public-works/street-sidewalks>

Lodi (Ordinance)

<https://cityoflodi.us/DocumentCenter/View/468/City-of-Lodi-Sidewalk-Policy?bidId=>

Sacramento (Ordinance)

<https://www.cityofsacramento.org/Public-Works/Maintenance-Services/Sidewalks-Curbs-Gutters>

Redding (No Ordinance)

Does not have an ordinance that imposes costs onto the adjacent property owner. City continues to handle but is looking at an ordinance.

San Rafael (Ordinance)

Ordinance

https://library.municode.com/ca/san_rafael/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT11PUWO_CH11.60MARESI_11.60.020PROWREREMASI

Cost Share <https://www.cityofsanrafael.org/departments/sidewalk-repair-program/>

California Streets and Highway Code §5600, et. seq.

https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=SHC§ionNum=5610

3. Information Item. Mark Hazelwood and Kim Chin with *Allen, Glaessner, Hazelwood & Werth*
 - Dangerous Condition of Public Property-Sidewalks
 - How do other entities handle their exposure?
 - Benefits of an ordinance
 - Is the City required to enforce its ordinance? What happens if the City does not regularly enforce its ordinance?
 - Questions and Answers
4. Information Item. Daniel Camara, City of Fairfield
 - Budget, staffing and how many miles of curb, gutter, street and sidewalk.
 - Reporting Hazard and Response Process
 - Why has the City not enforced its Municipal Code and Ordinance?
 - Questions and Answers
5. Information Item. Chris Carmona
 - Claims
 - Questions and Answers

6. Information Item. Precision Concrete Cutting (safesidewalks.com)
 - Joseph Ortega jortega.pcc@gmail.com
 - (650) 576-4303
 - How do other cities handle their sidewalk repairs?
 - How does the City of Fairfield compare to other cities with the same geographical location and populations?
 - Questions and Answers.

13. ADJOURNMENT

- Adjourn to the next meeting on October 24, 2019, 5:30 p.m., Fairfield Community Center, Vista Room.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

I, Erika Milton, Risk Management Technician, do hereby certify that I have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Tree and Sidewalk Task Force, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 1000 Webster Street, California on Thursday, October 3, 2019.

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October 3, 2019
Date