

Attachment F: Summary of Public Outreach

March 7, 2024

Staff made a presentation to the Planning Commission to solicit the Commission's comments. In particular, the Planning Commission expressed concern about electrified fencing. The Planning Commission also wanted to know whether other municipalities in Alameda County allow the use of electrified fencing and other types of hazardous fencing. Fencing of vacant properties should not contribute to blight, but should be of a higher standard than chain link.

March 12, 2024

Staff made a presentation to the Downtown San Leandro Improvement Association (SLIA). Property maintenance amendments were of most interest to this group. They wanted to be sure that boarded buildings are neat and boards fitted to the inside of the window frame. Any security fencing should look nice. This group also expressed concerns about occupied buildings that are poorly maintained.

March 21, 2024

Staff made a presentation to the Board of the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce. Concern was expressed regarding the safety of electrified fencing. Board members also expressed concern about the proposed window boarding requirements in the event that windows are repeatedly broken/vandalized.

April 17, 2024

Staff made a presentation to the Washington Manor Homeowners Association. The discussion centered on residential property maintenance, particularly about weeds and landscaping. Other topics included safety issues around electrified fencing, the status of the Greenhouse Marketplace, and enforcement.

Mid-March to early May

The draft amendments were published for review and comment on San Leandro's web site. Those notified included San Leandro homeowners' associations, SLIA, and the Chamber of Commerce. Concerns were raised that the wording, "Any condition that is...indecent or offensive to the senses..." is overly broad, allowing recreational vehicles to be parked on residential property, and about poorly maintained properties. There was also a concern that these standards may be applied to people, as well as to property.