



City of San Leandro

Civic Center
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Minutes

Disaster Council

Thursday, September 17, 2020

2:00 PM

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<https://zoom.us/j/586541650>

The Disaster Council conducted this meeting in accordance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

1.A. Roll Call

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Vice Mayor Pete Ballew
Councilmember Corina Lopez
San Leandro Police Department
Alameda County Fire Department
San Leandro School District
San Lorenzo School District
Alameda County Office of Emergency Services
Alameda County Health Services
California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)
CalTrans
American Red Cross
PG&E
EBCE
EBMUD
AT&T
San Leandro Chamber of Commerce
San Leandro Hospital
Kaiser Hospital
Kindred Hospital
San Leandro ARES/RACES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

*Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Vice Mayor Pete Ballew
Councilmember Corina Lopez
Alameda County Fire Department – Deputy Chief E. Moore*

SLUSD – R. Medeiros, E. Gonzalez
SLZUSD – D. Marr
Alameda County OES – T. Langdon
American Red Cross – R. Fateman
San Leandro Hospital – S. Williams
PG&E – J. Walsh
East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) – A. DiGiorgio

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Kay – City Manager
Liz Warmerdam – Assistant City Manager
Eric Engelbart – Deputy City Manager
Leticia I. Miguel – City Clerk
Amanda Cusick – City Attorney
Katie Bowman – Economic Development Director
Jeanette Dong – RHS Director
Debbie. Pollart – PW Director
Hoi-Fei Mok – Sustainability Manager
Keith Cooke – E&T Director
Michael Hamer – Assistant IS Manager
Police CPT Torres
Catrina Christian – Emergency Services Specialist

FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS and OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

Davis Street Family Resource Center– R. Johnson
Unity Church – D. McDaniel

1.B. Announcements

Members of the Disaster Council introduced themselves and the agencies they represent.

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

2.A. City of San Leandro response to COVID-19

- San Leandro City Council

Mayor Cutter thanked everybody joining the meeting. The City is still trying to confirm if the test site will be available through October. As of the beginning of the month, 6300 tests have been given, to people from 50 different zip codes, with 40% from San Leandro and overall, there is a 3% positive rate, with Latinex having a 7.3% rate. 63% of all test takers are female, while males having higher positive rate. The City is working with the school district to provide space for learning hubs. One of the food banks is allowing the public to come back and start selecting their own food. Food banks do need more volunteers to assist with sorting food.

Vice Mayor Ballew acknowledged the hard work that the police and the fire staff have been doing during the current fire season. It is good to hear that the clean air center has been set up. Based on reports about the decreased flu season in the Southern Hemisphere, hopefully the same results will occur in the Northern Hemisphere, and messaging about wearing masks and getting a flu shot need to continue.

Councilmember Lopez thanked City Manager Kay for responding to constituents about getting clean air facilities and requested more information about the capacity of the

center and what type of outreach is being done to the public.

2.B. Alameda County

- Office of Emergency Services
- Alameda County Fire Department
- Alameda Public Health Department

Alameda County OES reported that they will be conducting the 100th operational area call. We are in the purple tier and may move to the red tier because things are trending down, though PHD will not be changing orders until after Labor Day. Once in the red tier, not everything will be open. There have been modifications to the guidance about vehicle based gatherings to allow up 400, with concessions being allowed and a live performance guideline is being developed. Schools have filled out a request for waivers and readiness questionnaires, and 80 schools have requested waivers. The county is waiting until the state comes out with guidance for Halloween. PH is leaning towards no trick or treating. There has been concern about the deterioration of mask wearing and people increasing their social bubbles and PHD is considering putting out more messaging.

Testing is expanding. Project Room Key has 9 hotels, with over 1000 clients being served. The food distribution sites are continuing, though they were impacted by the air quality. The Great Plates program has been extended through Oct. 9. Flu vaccines are being moved to community flu clinics and will be used for a model for distributing the COVID vaccines.

SCU Lightning Fire is almost contained, while law enforcement, animal control and CERT have been providing mutual aid around the state. The county is planning for PSPS and are identifying Community Resource Centers within the county, as well as temporary evacuation points and congregate shelters. Cooling and clean air centers within the county are being opened, due to the heat and poor air quality. There is a push to get information on Listos, a 4 step preparedness program, set up through the California Center for Disabilities.

Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD) reported that Cal Fire is still using the Fairgrounds as a base camp. SCU complex will be 100% contained on Sept 30, currently 98%. Air quality is better today, but there are still active fires in the state. We are considered at least 2 months from the end of fire season, but that could be extended. County EMS will be developing a protocol update to allow paramedics to deliver COVID vaccines at the local level. The Department has normal staffing levels, while calls for COVID response is down and they have enough PPE.

2.C. San Leandro City

- San Leandro City Manager
- San Leandro Police

City Manager Kay reported the City been working on having plans in place for the Library to be used a clean air site. It is not optimal, but it will work. Currently the Trustee Room is being used until work in the Karp/Estudillo rooms are complete and information will be put out as early as possible, through as many outlets as possible. The PG&E agreement for a Community Resource Center (CRC) is waiting on Jeff's desk and it will also be at the Library.

San Leandro Police thanked the many city department that provided assistance during the agreement process for the CRC. PG&E has started the permit process to have the

necessary work started, to have a generator at the library, which will include powering up the Wi-Fi Hub. Catrina has started discussions with PHD and SLUSD to plan for a flu clinic and will be looking at how to ensure special populations, such as the elderly or those who are pregnant, will have what is needed. Catrina also thanked Ana from Kaiser for her tour of their drive thru clinic and also the City Council for proclaiming September as National Preparedness Month. The Red Cross was provided with a list of temporary evacuation points (TEP) and on Oct 15, there will be a virtual EOC workshop. Information on clean air sites was provided to the county and 211.

RHS reported that the Alameda Public Health Care Administration will be heading the flu drive thru clinic efforts and are looking at offering shots at the COVID testing sites. The next stage of COVID testing is mobile sites, especially into the Latinex community.

2.D. Healthcare Services

- Hospitals
- Davis Street Family Resource Center
- Red Cross
- SL Elder Care Alliance

Kaiser Hospital was not available, and San Leandro Hospital had nothing to report.

Davis Street Family Resource Center reported that they have 36 children of essential workers at Jefferson and are hoping to open up a second site soon due to receiving more funding. A daily average of 85 families are picking up food. The clinic continues to test for COVID, while focusing on outreach to the most vulnerable populations. All 3 clinics – primary care, dental and behavior health are open with about 70% in person visits and 30% televisits.

Red Cross reported that nationally, they are busy and COVID has complicated the response, but locally, things are not too bad.

2.E. School Districts

- San Leandro
- San Lorenzo

San Leandro Unified reported that the state has a new plan, Learning Continuity Attendance, and eliminated the local accountability control plan. There are four components that school districts must meet – continuity of learning, pupil and family engagement and outreach, mental health and socio-emotional well-being, and school nutrition. SLUSD is meeting the new requirements and working to provide a total educational experience for students. Under the new program, one of the things that SLUSD is doing is the San Leandro School District Family learning series on Wed evenings over Zoom and parent square outreach program. The focus is on specific topics to help families with the new plan, while providing additional support to families.

The District has provided a submission for the county PH questionnaire and waiver, to open up elementary schools in small, cohorted groups. While they meet most of the requirements, the District cannot meet the requirement to conduct frequent and rapid employee testing, because of logistical and financial issues and are exploring ways to partner with local agencies. This means the District will not be applying for a waiver at this time, though they are planning for all future re-opening requirements and are working with labor unions to resume in person instruction.

The District has pushed out over 6500 Chromebooks and over 1000 hot spots. Food distribution occurs M, W, & F at 7 sites for all student and include an early morning distribution. 3000 meals are being distributed and 10,000 snacks weekly.

On 9/14, the afterschool education and safety program (ASES), had its first in person session. The program is open to 12 elementary students, from 2 -6 pm M –F, at Jefferson, opposite of the Davis Street, as a joint venture between SLUSD and Boys and Girls Club of San Leandro.

2.F. Utilities

- PG&E
- EBCE

PG&E reported out about the recent PSPS event that affected 22 counties, and which Alameda County was going to be under, until winds shifted. While PG&E equipment is not as robust as they want, PSPS events have helped to reduce the impact of the fires. There are rolling blackouts due to the heat and PG&E hopes to provide information about what areas will be out and for how long. These rolling blackouts are due to fires impacting hydroelectric plants and is affecting the whole grid within California and neighboring states.

PG&E was engaged in the fires within the County by bringing in firefighting equipment to support firefighting efforts and to protect the equipment. The crews in the county did amazing work to protect the community.

John thanked Catrina and Terri for securing the CRC sites and during COVID, the company will be microsites, which is supported by a van and pop ups. Many of the ones that have been used recently have had to evacuate quickly due to the fires.

EBCE stated that they are eager to work with partners to support cooling centers and to assist the medical baseline customers.

2.G. Other Agencies within the City

- Chamber of Commerce
- Faith Based Organizations
- Building Futures with Women and Children

No reports

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment

4. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.