



City of San Leandro

Civic Center
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Minutes

Disaster Council

Thursday, February 18, 2021

2:00 PM

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

Special Meeting

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 2:02 p.m.

1.A. Roll Call

Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Vice Mayor Victor Aguilar Jr.
Councilmember Ballew
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 Victor Aguilar, Jr.

*Councilmember Pete Ballew
Alameda County Fire Department – Deputy Chief E. Moore, J. Dutchover
SLUSD – R. Medeiros, L. Sheridan
SLZUSD – D. Marr
Alameda County OES – T. Langdon
American Red Cross – R. Fateman
Kaiser Hospital – A. Apodaca
San Leandro Hospital – S. Williams, L. Byrd
PG&E – J. Walsh*

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

*Fran Robustelli – Interim City Manager
Liz Warmerdam – Assistant City Manager
Eric Engelbart – Deputy City Manager
Leticia I. Miguel – City Clerk
Amanda Cusick – City Attorney
Tom Liao – CD Director
Katie Bowman – Economic Development
Jeanette Dong – RHS Director
Keith Cooke – E&T Director
Emily Hung – HR Director
Bill Sherwood – Interim Library Director
Michael Hamer – IT Assistant Manager
Ramya Sankar – IT
Interim Police Chief Torres
Police CPT Molettieri
Police LT Morgan
Police SGT Gill
Catrina Christian – Emergency Services Specialist*

FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS and OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

Davis Street Family Resource Center– R. Johnson

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 mentioned that the Council would like to know a little about the testing center and what reasons people are giving to not get the vaccine in order to start developing messaging to counter.

Vice Mayor Aguilar wanted more information about a potential mobile vaccine site within the city. The Vice Mayor also shared how his family has been impacted by COVID.

Councilmember Ballew shared his appreciation for the outreach and answering questions by Disaster Council partners. The 2/9 City Council work session discussed how to deal with the homeless issue and developed a clear path going forward in the

long term. RHS Director was very involved in bringing partners to the table.

2.B. Alameda County

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

Alameda County OES reported that 264,995 residents have received at least one dose of the vaccine and 65,767 have received both, though the vaccine supply is still limited. The County is currently providing 42,000 vaccines per week and not wasting any doses. The message to get out to people is that while there is not enough vaccine for everyone right now, there will be, and people should still continue to adhere to the prevention methods. The county is making sure that there is equitable access to vaccine and are pushing information out.

Long Term Care sites are showing signs of improvement after the federal pharmacy program completed providing vaccines to resident and staff and now the program will be opening up to the public. The Fairgrounds was launched in partnership with Sutter and Stanford/Valleycare, with appointments Wed- Sat. Appointments can be made through the County, Sutter, Stanford, and Medi-Cal websites. The megapod at the Coliseum opening on Feb 16, providing 5-6000 doses a day, 7 days a week, 12 hours a day. They are accepting phase 1 tier 1b eligible people for appointments, for both drive up and walk up, with AC Transit and BART working with them. This is a partnership between state and FEMA, and they are providing their own doses. They will also be deploying mobile units to zip codes with high rates. The Fire POD at Fremont High in Oakland will be used as a model for future community PODs, since it focuses on those most impacted, seniors and essential workers. A list of PODs is being developed, including possible San Leandro's SCC. A public safety POD was open in Dublin at County OES and has been successful. TV crews were out, and the Sheriff was given his shot on camera. The inmates and staff at Santa Rita Jail will also be vaccinated as soon as the Moderna shipment arrives; it was held up by weather. The Golden Gate Fields is being operated by the City of Berkeley and the County.

There were 79,016 positive cases, 1,125 deaths, hospitalizations and new cases per day are declining. The case rate is less than 13 per 10,000; this is what the state looks at for the tiers. The county is doing 9-10000 tests per day, with a 3.6% positivity rate. The County will be in purple tier for several more weeks until the unadjusted case rate is under 7 per 100,000, though the thresholds for other metrics have been met. K-6 can open with approved safety plans. There is a state website which lists which schools are open. According to Dr. Moss, the virus is still widespread, and variants have been detected within the county and were related to travel and not community spread.

Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD) reported that the Fire IMT is assisting at the Fairgrounds and partnering with Tiburcio Vasquez in the unincorporated area of San Leandro, which has been a good partnership. These PODs will be changing from fire based to community based, sometime in March. The mobile PODs are still being developed. The staffing level is holding steady.

2.C. San Leandro City

- San Leandro City Manager
- San Leandro Police

Interim City Manager Robustelli deferred to SLPD and other city staff for report.

San Leandro Police reported that staff have been able to obtain vaccines through the Sheriff Office. Messaging should include a reminder for people to be patient to get the vaccine, there will be enough for everyone eventually and include that even after getting the vaccine, people should continue to wear their masks, wash their hands, and maintain social distancing, because the virus can still be spread. Right now, there are delays due to the weather and to manufacturing of the vaccine. There are multiple ways for those within the current tier to sign up for an appointment, including contacting their healthcare provider using the state's Myturn website and phone line, and calling 211 for information.

During 2020, Emergency Services was working with PG&E to set up a community resource center (CRC) at the library and to get a generator set up. The generator had been set up in late November and was in place until next week when it will be removed. It will be brought back before fire season. While the generator is fuel based, Emergency Services will be pursuing a grant from Cal OES for PSPS mitigation and hoping to purchase of at least one alternative energy generator.

RHS reported the MCC test site is funded until the end of April and it has seen a decrease in the number of people getting a test, like many other sites, due to the availability of the vaccine. The county is focused on getting the federal megapod at the Coliseum set up and they will be providing mobile units, though that is in the planning stages at this time. The focus will be on the five zip codes with the highest positivity rates, including using the Reach Center in Ashland/Cherryland. A meeting was held with Tiburcio Vasquez to partner with SCC, but they could not move from their site due to their license. The county has proposed two sites to use in the city, but there has not been much discussion lately.

2.D. Healthcare Services

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

Kaiser Hospital reported that they are still having vaccine supply issues and are planning for when they can provide for a larger audience. The current vaccine site is in the conference rooms with the entrance being on the west side. People do have sign up on the website, kp.org/covidvaccine. A letter is going out this week to those 75 and will include a phone number to use.

San Leandro Hospital reported their support and thoughts go out to those who have family members suffering from COVID, congratulated interim Chief Torres and thanked SLPD and ACFD for their recent response. They continue to care for the community and are responding to those who need care for COVID and patients with day to day needs, including vaccinating staff and patients. They continue to monitor PPE supply and to encourage everyone to follow establish safe procedures.

Davis Street Family Resource Center reported that they have been using the Moderna vaccine since January to provide up to 150 doses to the community. They are focusing on black, brown, and homebound seniors and are doing outreach to rehab and congregate living facilities. They have volunteer medical staff coming back to assist in giving the vaccines. Because of the lack of computer access, the clinic is assisting the community in filling out vaccine paperwork. The weather did affect the process

and they had to reschedule some first doses. The clinic continues to see patients and do testing, which is decreasing. They also are still providing food and childcare at Jefferson Elementary.

Red Cross reported that some of the staff that respond to emergencies have received their vaccine and they continue to respond where there is a need.

2.E. School Districts

- San Leandro
- San Lorenzo

San Leandro Unified reported that they have nine (9) in-person educational programs, 8 ASES and 1 Champions, and run M-F 2:30-6PM. The schools can now offer optional small in person support, particularly to those who are in need. We will be opening based on county guidance and are continually assessing and refine the support plans. Principals are finalizing their small in-person cohorts lists and each school will have their own start date based on their plans. The reopening process was aided by locally approved Measure J, which allowed for the AC system to be updated to include new filters. The financial services were able to make use of CARES Act funds in a short period of time.

The District is finalizing its pilot employee testing process for staff. This will be a voluntary program and the testing will take place at 2 sites (SLHS and John Muir Middle) Mon -Thur twice a day. They will be using a self-administered saliva test and conducted every 2 weeks. After the pilot period, it will open it up to all staff.

San Lorenzo Unified provided no report.

2.F. Utilities

- PG&E
- EBCE

PG&E shared information about the several customer level support programs, all of which can be found online: California Alternate Rate for Energy (CARE) for low-income customers to negotiate lower rates and plans, Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) – a federally funded program to assist with families who need assistance paying their bills, Medical Baseline and the unwritten policy for not shutting off power during COVID. PG&E staff have learned a lot about keeping people safe based on lessons learned from the East Coast and Europe, though COVID has affected emergency response crews and day to day work projects, including training for first responders. P&E also has a new CEO who has a lot of experience, is results driven, and hopes to bring customer service back up again.

2.G. Other Agencies within the City

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

None were available to report.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were received.

4. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.