



City of San Leandro

Civic Center
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Minutes

Disaster Council

Thursday, July 15, 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 2:01 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

*COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter*

Vice Mayor Victor Aguilar, Jr.
Councilmember Pete Ballew
Alameda County OES – T. Langdon
Alameda County Fire Department – L. Casimere
SLUSD – R. Medeiros, L. Sheridan
SLZUSD – D. Marr, P. Peck
American Red Cross – R. Fateman
Kaiser Hospital – A. Apodaca
San Leandro Hospital – S. Williams, L. Byrd
PG&E – S. Yoell

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fran Robustelli – City Manager
Leticia I. Miguel – City Clerk
Shandyn Pierce – City Attorney
Jeanette Dong – RHS Director
Keith Cooke – E&T Director
Bill Sherwood – Interim Library Director
Tim McVicker – IT
Police SGT Walton
Police LT Morgan
Catrina Christian – Emergency Services Specialist

FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS and OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

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 shared that one of the Councilmembers is looking to use the “Map your Neighborhood” program for preparedness.

Vice Mayor Aguilar wanted to know more about the rise in cases and what will be coming in the future.

Councilmember Ballew commented on about how well the vaccines have been working, which speaks to their efficacy. San Leandro City Council removed the COVID vaccine requirement for hazard pay ordinance and essential workers will continue to receive through hazard pay through July 29, 2021.

2.B. Alameda County

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

Alameda County OES reported that there is a concern about the rising case rates,

most of which are in the unvaccinated. Statewide, only 0.05% of vaccinated people have been infected. While Alameda County is one of the most vaccinated counties within the state, within the county, the highest case rates are in the priority neighborhoods of E. and W. Oakland and Ashland/ Cherryland. The CDPH is working with schools to ensure full in person learning this school year for K-12 and have set guidelines for schools to follow. The message right now is that unvaccinated people should wear a mask, and everyone should consider wearing them in indoors, high risk settings, as well as maintaining good hand hygiene.

The county just experienced a heat event, rolling blackouts, a swarm of earthquakes and is still under the threat of wildfire. These are reminders that people should be prepared, set up alert and warning notification, and know their evacuation zone.

Nov 3-5, the Bay Area UASI will be conducting a summit, including the Golden Eagle exercise, public outreach, and a rad/nuke exercise. County OES has sent a survey to see what cities will be doing for the Golden Eagle exercise.

Alameda County Fire Department (ACFD) reported the District is having a graduation today for the 2021 recruit academy, with 10 graduates. Four apparatus are out of county on mutual aid requests fighting fires. The staffing levels in San Leandro are still good. Like Catrina mentioned, the Department is looking to restart the hybrid CERT program in Dec, with testing in 2022.

2.C. City of San Leandro

- San Leandro City Manager
- San Leandro Police
- Other City Departments

City Manager Robustelli reported that City will have a pop-up vaccine clinic from 9:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. on July 21 SCC for anyone over 12. Those under 18 will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

San Leandro Police shared that vaccines are available to all over the age of 12. Within the city, there have been 5,738 cases, 65,331 (85%) residents over 12 have received 1st dose and 53,361 (68.4%) fully vaccinated, according to the ACPHD website. While the numbers are good, but there is a long way to go to ensure that the public is fully protected.

The new Chief, Abdul Pridgen, formerly of the City of Seaside, was introduced to PD staff. Susan Manheimer will be the interim until Sept 13. The virtual Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training for July was cancelled because not enough people signed up. Another class will be held in December, in partnership with ACFD. The hands-on portion will be held in 2022.

A question was asked about the availability of vaccines and why people might be refusing. Vaccines are still readily available to anyone who wants it, though some have hesitated because the FDA has not provided full approval. Many of the recent cases are in those between 18 and 40 who don't think they are going to get COVID.

2.D. Healthcare Services

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

Kaiser Hospital reported that they are concerned with cases and hospitalizations rising. People are being asked to be vigilant, wash hands and wear masks, especially the unvaccinated. Members and non-member can receive vaccinations at Kaiser San Leandro. Kaiser is working with the county health equity team to schedule pop-ups. They are also preparing for flu season and will be providing flu shots.

San Leandro Hospital reported that with the high temperatures, staff were notified about how to protect themselves, their families, and animals and there were contingency measures in place, in case of an interruption. The hospital did feel the earthquake near San Lorenzo, which did not cause any damage, but it was a reminder for the need to be prepared. As of July 12, the Health System has provided 21,384 vaccinations to patients, 4,756 (72%) staff are fully vaccinated and 4,897 (74%) have received at least 1 dose. There has been a total of 377 (5.84%) cases in staff, as of July 9. Mr. James Jackson has been appointed the permanent CEO for the Alameda County Health System.

Red Cross reported that they are moving into a normal sheltering set up, with congregate sheltering being used. They are looking forward to providing shelter management training to the cities, because appreciate city staff working in shelters. Red Cross continues to working the local fires.

Davis Street Family Resource Center was not available for a report.

2.E. School Districts

- San Leandro
- San Lorenzo

San Leandro Unified reported that summer school was held June 14 - July 23, with about ~1800 students that participating and things went well. The food distribution continuing but there has been a decline, which is a good sign that people are starting to get back on their feet. The District had 4 pop up vaccine clinics for students 12 and over and their families and they were well received. The District is planning for 2021-2022 school year, with hope to return to normal operations, with full in person learning and hybrid options. They are waiting on guidelines from the County Office of Education. negotiations with teachers' association and other bargaining units will be starting soon.

San Lorenzo Unified was not available for a report.

2.F. Utilities

- PG&E
- EBCE
- EBMUD

PG&E had no report. The City appreciates the information being provided by PG&E this year.

EBCE and EBMUD were not available for a report.

2.G. Other Agencies within the City

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

Unity of San Leandro commented that it was good to hear about the vaccination rates and that schools will be opening.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment was received.

4. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.