

CITY / SCHOOL LIAISON

MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2022 8:30 AM
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Committee Members

John Horner – School Board
Wendy Sullivan – School Board
Rich Constantine – Mayor
John McKay – Council Member

Staff Members

Christina Turner – City Manager
Mario Ramirez – Police Captain
Dr. Carmen García - Superintendent
Jennifer Carmen – Development Services Director
Chris Ghione – Public Services Director
Fawn Myers – Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Angie Gonzalez – Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 A.M

PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

None

APPROVE MINUTES

Approve Minutes from the Meeting of April 22, 2022.

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Wendy Sullivan and a second by Rich Constantine.

Yes Rich Constantine
Yes John Horner
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes John McKay

JOINT CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Determine that Conduction of In-Person Meetings Would Present a Public Health Risk and Continuing Teleconferencing Meetings

City Manager Turner announced the plan to return to in-person meetings in August. Trustee Horner suggested looking into the health conditions closer to August to ensure it is safe.

Motion Passed: To continue to meet via teleconference passed with a motion by John Horner and a second by John McKay.

Yes Rich Constantine
Yes John Horner
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes John McKay

School Security

Captain Ramirez met with District employees to discuss school safety best practices and reported Officer Dini is working with school sites on safety plans and role out of a safety model come August. Superintendent García reported concerns with the low fencing areas around Nordstrom Elementary and Jackson Academy of Math and Music.

CITY OF MORGAN HILL

MHPD Update

Captain Ramirez provided an update on citations from the 2021-22 school year reporting 68 citations were made and 34 of those referred to the Diversion Program. In addition, MHPD is providing dangers of tobacco trainings, attended graduations and working on school safety models.

Committee discussions included interest in statistics prior to COVID citations compared to this last year, changes in policy regarding citations for tobacco and marijuana use, continued improvement of best practices, appreciation of the work to maintain school safety without going to extremes and tracking of all youth citations on and off campuses.

The following individual addressed the committee:

Doug Muirhead, Community Member, addressed the committee regarding the process for citations that do not fall within the Diversion Program route.

MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

DISTRICT UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent Myers provided a year in review report on the evolving guidelines for COVID.

[220616 MHUSD COVID Update](#)

Superintendent García reported a successful year re-opening schools, presented the district update, and wished everyone a happy summer break.

[220616 Superintendent City_School Update](#)

The committee commented on the benefit of schoolwide COVID testing.

OTHER REPORTS/UPDATES

The committee discussed the loss of Voices Charter School lease and concerns for the enrolled students and staff and the impact on both Voices and MHUSD. The city understands the concern and will do everything they can to accommodate this issue. Additional concerns included the timeline of a resolution with school starting soon.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Constantine expressed appreciation for all the work the school district is doing, as well as the fantastic working environment between both organizations.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 A.M.