

CITY / SCHOOL LIAISON MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2023
8:30AM
Morgan Hill City Hall
Grand Conference Room

Committee Members

John Horner – School Board
Adam Escoto – School Board
Mark Turner – Mayor
Yvonne Martínez Beltrán – Council Member

Staff Members

Christina Turner – City Manager
Dr. Carmen García - Superintendent
Jennifer Carmen – Development Services Director
Shane Palsgrove – Police Chief
Chris Ghione – Public Services Director
Edith Ramirez – Assistant City Manager
Pat Sánchez – Assistant Superintendent
Penny Timboe – Assistant Superintendent
Lanae Bays – Communications Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM

PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

There was no public comment

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Adam Escoto and a second by Mark Turner.

Yes John Horner
Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Yvonne Martínez Beltrán
Yes Mark Turner

JOINT CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

CITY OF MORGAN HILL

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Chief Palsgrove reported there had been thirty-seven calls for service for the School Resource Officer and that Officers conducted Run, Hide and Defend trainings. He provided an update on the Restorative Justice Program and announced the Community Police Academy will begin in February 2024, as well as a Spanish version in fall of 2024.

Committee discussions included Community Police Academy contact information and locations and the Youth Diversion Program.

GENERAL CITY UPDATE

The City of Morgan Hill Staff reported on various Holiday events, including the expansion of shop local Saturdays, Hanukkah celebration and Posadas event. The City is also seeking input from the community on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB), reported the Economic Development team is working closely with restaurant and retail development groups, and announced Morgan Hill Police Department received a grant for \$60,000 to conduct DUI checkpoints and prevention/education to the community. Mayor Turner invited the committee to the Wreaths Across America Ceremony.

Committee discussions included support for the efforts to review and discuss the economic development blueprint and community involvement with education and training, the City Council's review of the blueprint particularly with sports youth, the Economic Mobility Grant. City Staff will look into City/District models within the State to look specifically at retail models to broaden the mindset of maximizing the educational spaces. Committee discussions also included future discussions on City/School collaboration with Adult School, Student work opportunities, demographics and increased enrollment, and revenue development. The District announced they are looking into a Bond Measure and will begin accessing the level of interest within the community. Other District and City common interests included housing for District Employees, changes to the birthrates, policy implications, campus lifestyle opportunities, workforce development, Student transitional housing, LGBTQ centers, CTE courses with Fire and Police, leveraging their facilities, manufacturing day and continuing the exploration of local companies and the community needs, satellite campus for SJSU and college pathways and recreational spaces.

MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MHUSD LONG RANGE FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Denise Flatly, LPA, provided a summary of the District's long-range facilities plan. This plan was presented to the Board in November, incorporating District vision and goals. The process looks at demographics, vision, community feedback, student input, cost, future forecast to create a District roadmap with equity for all schools, solar, educational wellness, Special Education, and campus plans to reflect what's happening within the community. The District reported they are working with City to know what projects will impact school campuses and state requirements. The District will create a document as a guide to move forward, create total long-range cost and potential funding sources moving forward with common goals.

[231215 MHUSD LPA Presentation](#)

Committee discussions included clarification of TK – transitional kinder for all four-year old's, thoughts on maximizing facilities to reimagine education to include housing, retail or otherwise shared use, leasable use of facilities, Adult School and childcare on campus, field use, informal housing and request for proposal, regional models to look at maximizing property specifically for Teacher housing.

DISTRICT UPDATE

Dr. Carmen García, Superintendent presented the Morgan Hill Unified School District update.

[231215 City-School Superintendent Update](#)

Committee discussions included opportunity to promote the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) meetings.

OTHER REPORTS/UPDATES

There were no other reports/updates

TOPICS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Committee requested the following future agenda topics:

- *Updated demographer report presented by Ken Reynolds, District Demographer*
- *LGBTQ space and programming discussions*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 AM.