



**Meeting Minutes
City/School Liaison Committee**

Steve Tate - Mayor
Larry Carr - City Council Member
Rich Constantine - City Council Member
Donna Ruebusch - School Board Trustee
Ron Woolf - School Board Trustee

Thursday, April 19, 2018 8:30 am

**City Hall - Grand Conference Room
17575 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037**

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF

Mayor Tate called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Steve Tate	Mayor	Present	
Larry Carr	City Council Member	Present	
Rich Constantine	City Council Member	Excused	
Donna Ruebusch	School Board Trustee	Present	
Ron Woolf	School Board Trustee	Present	

The following staff members were present: City Manager Christina Turner, Police Chief David Swing, Interim Deputy City Manager Chris Ghione, Police Captain Shane Palsgrove, Deputy City Clerk Michelle Bigelow, Superintendent Steve Betando, Assistant Superintendent Kirsten Perez, Communications Coordinator Kimberly Beare, Director of Facilities Anessa Espinosa, and Director of Construction and Modernization Casino Fajardo.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVE MINUTES

APPROVE FEBRUARY 16, 2018 CITY/SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION:

Approving the February 16, 2018 City/School Liaison Minutes.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ron Woolf, School Board Trustee
SECONDER:	Larry Carr, City Council Member
AYES:	Tate, Carr, Ruebusch, Woolf

JOINT CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ITEMS

- Next Steps on Corp Yard JPA dissolution

Mayor Tate shared that the City Council passed their resolution to dissolve the Corporation Yard. Steve Betando shared that the School District Board passed theirs as well. Christina shared that the commission is now officially dissolved and according to the City Attorney, no further action is required.

- Update on Corp Yard space planning

Chris shared that he has been working with Kirsten and Anessa on an RFP for a joint space study to evaluate the needs of both organizations to see what the space requirements currently are and what they might be in the future. It will evaluate the space needs for both organizations individually and together to evaluate if the space will work into the future. The District team has sent the City their comments on the RFP and the ball is in the City's court to get the first draft of the document complete. They anticipate that the RFP will go out in June. The City's portion of the cost will be in the CIP budget.

Kirsten shared that they are evaluating what opportunities exist for a partnership on the site. For example, both organizations have offices onsite, could there be an opportunity to have a two-story building with offices on each level for each organization. Or maybe there is an opportunity to combine core resources like office support.

Chris commented that they are also looking at the current uses onsite and if they still make sense there or if there is a better location for those activities, along with seeing how the parking at Community Park will play out with the addition of the Magical Bridge playground. We are looking to see how we can make it work long term for both organizations.

Kirsten has shared that they have explored various sites throughout Morgan Hill and have not found another location that would work for District to co-locate their transportation and maintenance. The biggest issue would be the zoning required to allow school bus operations.

Council Member Carr shared that he thinks it could be an interesting site for a school. As we continue to evaluate the zoning and traffic down Monterey Road, large trucks, buses, Vac-trucks, etc. are going to be less and less ideal as the City develops.

- Nordstrom/Britton/Safe Pathways/Traffic update

Chris shared that for the Nordstrom site, the City and District teams have developed a timeline to bring the project forward to the Council and community, which will take place over the next two months or so. They are looking at holding a community meeting with the City and District in the middle of May to talk about the potential changes and get feedback. It would then go to the Parks and Recreation Commission in June and to the City Council in July. On the Britton and Nordstrom sites we have worked on the City's CIP program regarding the Safe Routes to Schools Program. We have a plan to jointly fund the offsite improvements at Britton, that way, as the District funds building we can work on the offsite, undergrounding, and traffic signals. The Council will see that as a part of the budget presentation. We have done the same thing with the Nordstrom site, with a little less detail, looking at how we can partner on the offsite piece. We will also bring forward some other work in the CIP including work near El Toro School on the missing sidewalk piece and bike lanes on Main Avenue. The last piece, a few years out, is looking to partner with the District regarding JAMM and the possibility of connecting trails and improving the school frontage and drop off.

Casino commented that the District has received their permit for the site work at Britton. They split the project into 4 groups; group 1 sitework, grading, traffic, and landscaping, group 2 two-story buildings/main classrooms, group 3 science classrooms, and group 4 is everything else including the administrative offices. They put group 1 in first so that they wouldn't have to go back and redesign portions of the project. They will address the grading and site utilities first starting at the end of May or early June. They plan to start building the pads in July and then move onto groups 3 and 4.

Steve Betando stated that with all of these unanticipated impacts such as steel pricing, it has reaffirmed the District's decision to do a rebuild/remodel rather than start over. It also provides the least impacts to the students.

CITY OF MORGAN HILL

- Update on Amgen - street closures and maps

Chris shared that the City has been working very hard on planning the route through the City and have worked very closely with the County, Fire, and Police on the course route and transportation. They are trying to make the event as least impactful as possible, but it is going to have impacts because we have a street closure that runs through the middle of town. The traffic control plan is 99% complete. From an overall perspective, the City has setup a specific website for the event, as well as, a call-in number for which several teammates are answering questions about the event and directions through the event. The biggest issues are coming from people living in the County that will be locked in. The County, CHP, and Amgen have come together in the last week or so to work on these impacts. They will be shuttling residents out of Oak Glen and will have some crossings near Oak Glen and Llagas. Most residents within the City will be able to get around, it will just take a little longer. We have sent direct mail letters to the residents that are directly affected and sent an email blast to the whole City. We have been working with each of the impacted schools. They will all have access, it may just be delayed. We have met with the team at the District and are putting plans in place specifically for Britton and PA Walsh. Those plans will go out in the Friday folders.

Steve Betando shared that Specialized will be visiting some schools with Amgen visiting the other schools.

Christina commented that the City has contributed \$55,000 towards the event. There are other partners that are sponsoring the event. Revenue from the event will come in from hotel stays and sales tax. The value really comes from the publicity that Morgan Hill will get. Had Morgan Hill put in the original bid, the cost would have been significantly higher.

Mayor Tate shared that a peripheral event to the AMGEN race will be a Mother's Day family bike ride with a pancake breakfast at the Grange on Sunday, May 13th.

Chris thanked the teammates at the school district for all their work.

- Police Department Update

Shane shared that SRO Jeff Brandon has seen an uptick in vape pens on school campuses. On March 13th a threatening note against Sobrato High School was found. We worked with Kimberly and were able to identify the student responsible. On March 14th officers participated in a peaceful demonstration on campus. April 16th and 17th our SRO will provide a class to about 160 sophomores at Live Oak High School regarding their rights and responsibilities during traffic stops. We are currently working with the District coordinating the student walk out on April 20th. Approximately 15 police officers and an ops areorder ready for the event. We will have units escorting the students that participate in the walk out. There will also be officers on campus.

MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

- National School Walkout Update - April 20th

Steve Betando shared that Kimberly has been monitoring social media hourly. The last post that was reported to him was that a student from Sobrato was campaigning to get students to walk off campus and believes he has 100 students committed to doing so. There will also be students from Oakwood and Presentation High Schools participating in the walk out. Their plan is to walk down Monterey to Cochrane, Cochrane to Butterfield, and then Butterfield to Main to meet up with the Live Oak students. From there they will head up Main Avenue to City Hall. The District sent out a letter to all staff, students, and parents outlining the various grade level actions and limitations. With the High Schools, if the students leave campus, it will be an unexcused absence. They are not planning to physically stop them from leaving the campus. The students that walk off campus would be subject to the consequences of truancy. Those consequences could be prevention from walking graduation, missing the Disney Land trip, or it could affect their grades. For other kids, it may not affect them at all. We will have people at the perimeters of the schools along with an observation area for the parents for the onsite activities. In addition to the students walking out, students have also organized onsite activities and teachers have kept the regular curriculum so that the students who do not wish to participate, can have a regular day.

Kimberly shared that Supervisor Wasserman, Trustee Claudia Rossi, Council Member Carr, Trustee Patterson, and Trustee Borgioli will be at Sobrato High School. Council Member Jachimowicz, Trustee Ruebusch, Trustee Wolf, Council Member Spring, and the Chief of Staff for San Jose Council Member Jimenez will be at Live Oak High School. Mayor Tate and Trustee Gerard will be at Central High School.

Christina clarified that Council Member Spring would like to be at City Hall when the students arrive.

Kimberly stated that the students are expecting him to be at the school but there should be enough time for him to leave the school and get to City Hall in time.

Steve Betando expressed that they feel that all of the plans focus on student safety. The District wants to ensure that the students feel that they can show up to school and participate in activism. We also want to make sure that we can monitor the students that do participate in the walk out. The activities on campus include open mic, speaking with the elected officials, and voter registration.

- Graduations - Planning for Grad Nights

Steve Betando stated that graduation is on June 8th with the schools having staggered graduation times to allow people to attend multiple ceremonies. The big concern every year is Grad Night, both Live Oak and Sobrato will hold Grad Night. Live Oak will have theirs on campus and Sobrato will have theirs at Boomers in Livermore. They spend all night there. The main goal is keeping the kids off the streets. The District is planning activities to try to keep the kids out of trouble. Last year they piloted drones for graduation and streamed them into the performing arts center for parents to get out of the weather. They are going to do that again this year and are looking for ways to stream it online as well. He thanked his team for their innovation and creativity with these activities.

Steve Betando expressed his gratitude on behalf of the District for all of the work that SRO Jeff Brandon and the Morgan Hill Police Department have done to educate the students on driver safety and their rights.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Appointment of a School Board Member to the Parks and Recreation Commission
- Suspensions/Expulsions related to cannabis use at school sites
- Rights and Responsibilities survey results, before and after

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Michelle Bigelow, Deputy City Clerk

FUTURE MEETINGS

Friday, June 15, 2018 - School District Offices

Friday, August 17, 2018 - City Hall

Friday, October 19, 2018 - School District Offices

Friday, December 21, 2018 - City Hall

Friday, February 15, 2019 - School District Offices

Friday, April 26, 2019 - City Hall

Friday, June 21, 2019 - School District Offices