



City of Santa Rosa

Communications &
Intergovernmental
Relations Office
637 First Street
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Community Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:31pm.

2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER THE BROWN ACT (Gov. Code § 54953.8)

NONE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chair Andrea Rodriguez, Vice Chair Jude Frates, Board Member Clay Daulton, Board Member Derek Knowles, and Board Member Douglas Mondell

Absent: 1 - Board Member Ana M. Diaz

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Duane DeWitt made comments regarding the distribution of CAB grant funds and how they should be reserved for districts in the city that are economically less fortunate.

Diane Ballard made comments regarding her opposition to the proposed public garden in Westgate Park.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved as amended.

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6. CIG RECIPIENT REPORTS

NONE

7. SCHEDULED ITEMS

7.1 PRESENTATION - FLOCK SAFETY

The Santa Rosa Police Department will present information regarding

the uses of Automatic License Plate Reader technology by Flock Safety to capture objective evidence without compromising individual privacy.

John Cregan, SRPD Chief, gave a presentation and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:

Denise Coey made comments regarding the types of Flock cameras in use in Santa Rosa and asked if SRPD intends to use any variations on the model.

Nick Brandt made comments regarding his trust in SRPD but that he does not have confidence that the information Flock collects will not be abused.

Sonja Taylor made comments regarding being surveilled by Flock cameras, the leaking of collected information in other jurisdictions that use the technology, and how people have an expectation of privacy in their homes.

Cameron Member made comments regarding expanding AI surveillance, how the main goal of the technology is to obtain profits from amassing information, and the loss of civil liberties.

Sophia Maloney-Norton made comments regarding her concerns about the ethics of Flock, the violation of constitutional principals, the investment in the company by venture capitalists, and the possible sharing of data with Federal agencies.

Parker Christine made comments regarding discomfort with Flock surveillance, the difference between cell phone recordings and data stored by Flock cameras, and the attack upon the Fourth Amendment.

Stephanie made comments regarding the difficult in obtaining information from SRPD through a public records request, the lack of accuracy in Flock data, and the possible sharing of data with Federal

agencies.

Nick Sayer made comments regarding the number of SRPD staff members conducting audits, and if surveillance is part of the vision for Santa Rosa communities.

Brandon Connors made comments regarding the use of Flock cameras in private parking lots, and the use of data gathered by the cameras to solve crime.

Unidentified Citizen made comments regarding a lack of trust in those who have access to Flock data, and the money that supports mass surveillance,

Jenny Gilpin made comments regarding the funding behind Flock cameras, Flock's ability to retain captured data indefinitely, and the harm caused to society by data-harvesting companies.

Candice Ludlow made comments regarding lack of trust in AI companies, the ability to hack into Flock data, and the dangers of the current Federal administration.

Jamie Aikers made comments regarding a lack of trust in the police, and the ability for Flock data to be abused by the police.

Unidentified Citizen made comments regarding terminology for surveillance cameras, the use of Flock data to track movements of citizens, and the need to have more police officers instead of investing in Flock technology.

Janelle Paine made comments regarding agencies that audit SRPD's use of Flock data, how long data from Flock cameras is kept, the contributions of Flock cameras to crime prevention, and the discomfort of being tracked on a daily basis.

Unidentified Citizen made comments regarding disagreement with having the Flock cameras in Santa Rosa and a desire to have them

removed.

Elia made comments regarding concerns about how the Flock cameras impact the immigrant community.

Diana Kingsbury made comments regarding concerns about how policies about Flock cameras may change and the possibility of data being shared with Federal agencies.

7.2 PRESENTATION - PUBLIC OUTREACH FOR THE GREENWAY CONNECTIVITY STUDY

The Transportation and Public Works Department will present information on the public outreach campaign for the Greenway Connectivity Study. This item is provided for information or for comments and no formal action will be taken.

Torina Wilson, Transportation Planner, gave a presentation and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:
None

7.3 PRESENTATION - COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT UPDATE: GUIDELINES, APPLICATION, AND REPORTING MATERIALS

Staff will present updates to the Community Improvement Grant (CIG) Program Guidelines, Application, and Reporting Materials to improve clarity, strengthen accountability, and streamline program administration. The Community Advisory Board will review the proposed changes and provide feedback.

Ana Horta, Community Engagement Manager, provided information and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:
None

**7.4 MOTION - COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS DETERMINATION
- VINCE HARPER'S SOUTH PARK DAY & NIGHT FESTIVAL**

BACKGROUND: The Community Advisory Board (CAB) reviews and approves the 2026 Community Improvement Grant Applications. The Board shall award grants to the applicants whose projects best meet the criteria. There are two grants that have been submitted for the July-Aug 2026 period:

EFZM Engage is requesting \$2,500 to support the 2026 Harper's South Park Day & Night Festival, a free community event that connects families with essential health, wellness, and community resources. The festival provides free food, entertainment, a family movie, prizes, vaccinations, reading glasses, and resources. Building on the success of last year's event, which offered on-site vaccinations and vision services, EFZM Engage plans to continue these services and expand access by hopefully adding dental care. The festival promotes health, education, and community engagement while increasing awareness of available services and programs.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Department that the Community Advisory Board, by motion, determine the dispersion of this Community Improvement Grant for the July-Aug 2026 period.

Ana Horta, Community Engagement Manager, provided information and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:

Diana Ballard made comments regarding the amount of funds available for CAB grants.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Frates, seconded by Board Member Mondell, to approve the grant application from EFZM Engage for the Vince Harper's South Park Day & Night Festival for \$2500.00.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Rodriguez, Vice Chair Frates, Board Member Daulton, Board Member Knowles, and Board Member Mondell

Absent: 1 - Board Member Diaz

**7.5 MOTION - COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS
DETERMINATION-NEW ROSELAND REGIONAL LIBRARY MOSAIC
SCULPTURE**

The Sonoma County Library Foundation is requesting \$2,500 to support community engagement activities for the New Roseland Regional Library Mosaic Sculpture project. The mosaic will serve as a welcoming visual landmark that reflects the culture, heritage, and identity of the Roseland community. A central component of the project is community participation, with opportunities for residents to help shape the artwork through public workshops, artist meet-and-greets, design feedback sessions, and the unveiling event. The project aims to incorporate local voices and lived experiences into the final design while fostering community connection, ownership, and creative engagement.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Department that the Community Advisory Board, by motion, determine the dispersion of this Community Improvement Grant for the July-Aug 2026 period.

Ana Horta, Community Engagement Manager, provided information and answered Member questions.

Public Comments:

Pat Cuda, Sonoma County Library Foundation Board Member, made comments regarding fund raising for the library and offered details on the mosaic sculpture proposed in the grant request.

A motion was made by Board Member Daulton, seconded by Board Member Knowles, to approve the grant application for the Sonoma County Library Foundation new Roseland Regional Library Mosaic Sculpture for \$2500.00.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Chair Rodriguez, Vice Chair Frates, Board Member Daulton, Board Member Knowles, and Board Member Mondell

Absent: 1 - Board Member Diaz

8. CAB ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ISSUES OF CONCERN TO CITY RESIDENTS

Vice Chair Frates made a recommendation for all CAB Members to report out to their district City Council Members the amount of interest expressed by city residents regarding the Flock agenda item.

Member Daulton stated that he has been tracking the development planned for the property next to St. Eugene's on Montgomery Road.

Member Knowles expressed concern regarding the stewardship of the Prince Memorial Greenway and the removal of redwood trees by PG&E.

Chair Rodriguez made comments regarding the construction on Calistoga Road and providing updates for the residents in that area.

Public Comments:
None

9. STAFF UPDATES

Ana Horta (Community Engagement Manager), and Misti Wood (CIRO Officer), provided information and answered Member questions regarding the following events and updates:

On July 23, a film is being shot in downtown Santa Rosa.

Communications and Intergovernmental Relations has diligently done public outreach to inform residents of the filming due to the nature of scenes that depict ICE interactions. The City of Santa Rosa encourages and welcomes film productions done with the proper permitting and noticing.

The Transportation and Public Works Department is asking our

community to help shape the future of Santa Rosa's trail network by participating in the Greenway Connectivity Study In-Person Workshop on July 29, 635 1st Street, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Come and learn about project alternatives, ask questions, and provide input. Free snacks and childcare will be available.

Also on July 29, the Planning Division is hosting a Virtual Community Meeting to obtain community feedback on the Draft Alternative for the South Santa Rosa Specific Plan. The meeting will be held via Zoom from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For details about the meeting and the draft please visit:

<https://www.srcity.org/3945/South-Santa-Rosa-Specific-Plan>

On August 5, the Santa Rosa Police Department is hosting National Night Out from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. at Dick's Sporting Goods parking lot. This fun family-friendly event will feature booths from local organizations and public safety agencies, food and drinks, and fun activities for kids. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

From August 14 through October 31, the City of Santa Rosa, in partnership with the local business community, will host the Ross Street Activation on the eastern side of Ross Street. This vibrant activation will feature art installations, live music, lunchtime food trucks, and family-friendly activities designed to bring people together and enhance the downtown experience.

On September 12, join the Vince Harper's 17th South Park Day and Night Festival at Martin Luther King Jr Park, 1671 Hendley St, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. The festival celebrates the South Park neighborhood while connecting community members with valuable resources, educational opportunities, and local organizations in a fun, family-friendly environment.

On September 17, join the Santa Rosa Police Department to learn about Flock Automated License Plate Reader cameras, how they support investigations of serious crimes, and the privacy protections and policies that govern their use. Chief Cregan and SRPD staff will answer questions.

On September 21, the City of Santa Rosa will be presenting the 2026 Merit Awards to honor this year's outstanding volunteers.

The ceremony starts at 7 p.m. at the Finley Community Center. Park-A-Month Volunteer Clean-up takes place on the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Gather your friends, connect with neighbors, and help keep Santa Rosa's parks clean, safe, and welcoming for everyone. To learn more visit:

<https://www.srcity.org/1028/Park-A-Month-Program>

Santa Rosa Water hosts bi-monthly volunteer creek cleanups on the first and third Saturday of each month at the Prince Memorial Greenway. Volunteers meet at Olive Park Footbridge, near 1698 Hazel St at 10 a.m. To sign up, visit <https://www.srcity.org/calendar.aspx>

Downtown Santa Rosa offers a variety of events and activities throughout the year. For the latest information, visit the City of Santa Rosa's event calendar at <https://www.srcity.org/calendar.aspx>

The Santa Rosa City Council and Community Advisory Board will host a series of District-based Community Meetings from late August through September. These meetings will provide residents with an opportunity to connect directly with City leaders, learn about local initiatives, share feedback, and discuss issues that matter most to their neighborhoods. Additional details will be announced soon.

Finally, we have updated the Community Improvement Grant (CIG) webpage, and summary videos highlighting completed grant-funded projects are now available at <https://www.srcity.org/2444/Community-Improvement-Grants>. We invite community members to explore the inspiring projects that have made a positive impact throughout Santa Rosa.

Public Comments:
None

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

11. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Chair Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.

Approved on:

Steven V. Brown, Recording Secretary