

**CAB MEMBERS  
&  
CITY COUNCILMEMBERS  
MEETINGS SUMMARY**





# **CAB's Mission**

The Community Advisory Board connects city government and residents so the public can have a voice in decisions that impact their lives and build a stronger community

# Introduction

The CAB was created as part of the Santa Rosa City Charter in 2002 and represents views and ideas from the broader community on issues of interest to the Santa Rosa City Council (Council). The CAB is a 14-member board and includes seven (7) area-based seats and seven (7) at-large seats. The CAB is supported by staff from the Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Office (CIRO).

# Meeting Objectives

- Produce an annual workplan for CAB
- Create a list of events for CAB to attend
- Create an issue tracking sheet where we can log and follow up on issues that CAB members bring up
- Increase communication and collaboration between CAB & City Councilmembers



# Issues

- Transportation
- Infrastructure
- Economic resiliency
- Disaster preparedness
- Safety (e.g safer parks free of needles)
- Downtown beautification and vibrancy
- Communications (infrastructure work, city services, resources, city council updates)
- Unhoused community

# Themes

- Better understanding of CAB's role and increased CAB visibility
- Increase collaboration between Councilmembers & CAB members (frequent meetings)
- Building community: townhalls, neighborhood fest, block parties, city-wide unifying event
- Citywide calendar, and a district specific calendar
- Issues/opportunities tracking sheet
- Score card/resource list/roster by department
- Grants: district specific CIGs, stronger, and more strategic grant program
- Participatory budgeting
- Empower neighborhoods and neighborhood organizations

# List of Events & Programs

Activities	Programs
City's Town Halls	CIG Grants
St. Patrick's 5 K	Multicultural Roots Project
Earth Day	
Cinco de Mayo	
Bike-to-Work Day	
Rose Parade	
Pride Parade	
City Works Festival	
Juneteenth	
Wildfire Ready	
South Park Day & Night Festival	
Wednesday Night Market	
Juilliard Concert Series	
PED's community promotion fund scoring	
Park-A-Month	
Creek cleanups	
Water Smart Expo	



# Next Steps

- Present a draft of annual workplan, event list and issues tracking sheet by next CAB meeting on August 28<sup>th</sup>
- CAB to discuss and adopt workplan, event list, and issues tracking sheet by the September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting
- Set up recurrent CAB members & Councilmembers collaboration meetings



**Questions?**