

Lunch with the Mayor at the Centennial Recreation Senior Center June 26, 2019 and July 17, 2019 11:30AM Notes and Follow-Up

On the 3rd Wednesday of the each, Morgan Hill's Mayor, Rich Constantine, has lunch at the Centennial Recreation Senior Center. The lunch provides an opportunity for senior members of the community to have a discussion and share concerns and ideas with the Mayor in the comfort and familiar environment of the Senior Center.

The following is a summary of items and questions discussed at the two most recent lunches and further follow-up information from City Teammates as appropriate.

A gentleman asked to have trees trimmed away from blocking stop signs. No specific location was provided.

The City maintenance team schedules tree trimming on a regular basis and is on the lookout for areas where signs are covered. You can report specific issues online at the following link <http://ca-morganhill.civicplus.com/FormCenter/Public-Works-5-5/Request-for-Service-Streets-Division-103-103>

The sound on the broadcast of our city council meetings on Channel 17 needs to be more consistent. "I can't hear one person and the next person is too loud," was one comment received.

Mayor Constantine shared that sometimes Councilmembers forget to turn on their microphones. He will remind the Council that they need to speak directly into the mic.

Maureen Tobin, Communications and Engagement Director, added that the quality of the broadcast on Channel 17 is downgraded in order to be broadcast on Channel 17. Unfortunately, the City has no control over that requirement. The streamed version on the City website is higher quality for those who have access to a computer and the internet.

Monterey between Tennant & Dunne needs to be more scooter friendly. This gentleman rides a scooter and says the road is void of complete sidewalks. He also mentioned that the track crossing on Tennant needs to be "smoothed out."

Chris Ghione, Public Services Director, shared that there is a large section of Monterey Road with no sidewalks from Cosmo heading north towards Spring. Pedestrians should cross the road at Cosmo and utilize the sidewalk on the other side to travel north. The City relies on development to build infrastructure and that area is still undeveloped. There is a proposed development in the area that may create this sidewalk in the coming years.

A resident of the Hacienda Mobile home park would like a stop sign on Burnett so that drivers could exit the park safely.

Mayor Constantine indicated that since there was not an intersection at that location, we could not put a stop sign in.

There is a pothole on east bound Edmundson Ave. on the County portion of the road. What can the City do to get the county to fix it?

Mayor Constantine explained that the City is in constant contact with our partners in the county when it comes to county roads near and around our city. The City does not manage or control their road maintenance schedules.

Bump in the road on Tennant and intersection with Monterey Road. There is no slow down sign.

Mayor Constantine indicated that this is the crown of the road and that drivers should be slowing down as they approach an intersection.

Safeway parking lot entrance near Burger King has significant bump.

The Safeway parking lot is private property and not maintained by the City. City staff did look and found that there is a small rise of the paving at the juncture with cement in the parking lot.

There are trees on a property off W. Edmundson that are dead and should be taken out.

The trees are on private property that is not maintained by the City.

Question about ICE raids over the weekend.

Mayor Constantine shared that there were no raids in Morgan Hill.

More paratransit bus services are needed.

Mayor Constantine indicated that the City works closely with VTA advocating for more services in Morgan Hill and South County.

There was a question about the proposed development at Cochrane and 101 (Morgan Hill Technology Park)

This project is still conceptual in nature and has not been to the City Council for review or approval. More information about the conceptual project is available at the following link <http://www.morgan-hill.ca.gov/1765/Morgan-Hill-Technology-Park-EIR>