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RALEY'S LAWSUIT

MO Capital, the developers of the future Raley's-anchored "The Park" retail center, have settled a lawsuit which ends a year-long dispute with five area residents, some of whom have properties that back up to the former Capital Nursery site that was purchased by Raley's in June 2012. The residents claimed that the City did not adequately consider traffic, light, aesthetic problems, and noise in its Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The judge in the suit dismissed most of the residents' claims, but agreed that the noise analysis was insufficient and ruled in February that the City should revise the noise portion of the EIR.

The settlement agrees to adjust the location of the new Raley's flagship store and 12,000 sq. feet of other retail space elsewhere within the 10-acre site. The

settlement also bans the use of "back up beeps" by delivery trucks and limits the hours that loading docks can be utilized from 6am-7pm on weekdays and 8am-7pm on weekends. Raley's has also agreed to not stack any pallets behind the store and not allow smoking or parking behind the building. The developer will additionally landscape the west side property line with 17-foot tall redwoods to screen the project from residential backyards and pay four of the residents \$20,000 each to retrofit their home's windows or use for any other purpose they choose.

Raley's has operated at its current site for almost 60 years and has over 35 years left on its lease at 4850 Freeport Blvd. The current building has structural problems that prevent more renovations from taking place to meet the grocer's

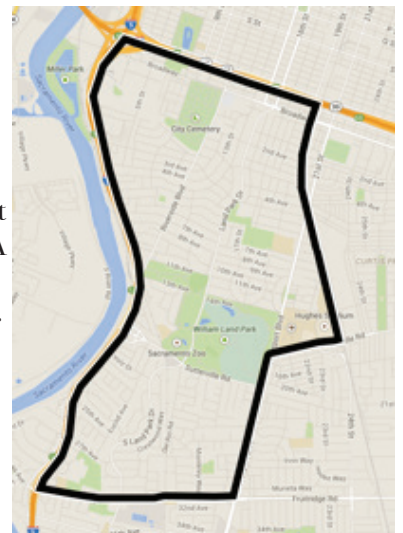
needs. While Raley's will move a block north in order to provide customers with a much-needed update, they will not leave the current building vacant. Raley's will work with the building's owner to find a tenant or tenants to fill the space they will be vacating. However, since "The Park" is almost 2 years away from opening, future tenants are not being named. Rumors have swirled that a possibility could include a fitness center.

The LPCA supports Raley's plans to build "The Park" retail center and looks forward to the former Capital Nursery site, which currently attracts transients and criminal activity, being demolished to make way for "The Park". Construction could begin by September 2018.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Annual LPCA Membership Meeting was held on March 21, 2018 at California Middle School. Vice Mayor/Councilmember Steve Hansen, County Supervisor Patrick Kennedy, State Assemblymember Kevin McCarty, and Sacramento Police all attended to answer community questions and share what they have been working on in our community, county, and state. LPCA board elections were also held. Shannel LaDue, Craig Rutledge, and Art Taylor were all re-elected to the board. Pinki Cockrell, Lisa Riley, and Steve Walker did not run again for a board seat and we thank them for their years of service to the LPCA community.

There are some vacancies on the board and we are looking for dedicated individuals that live or work within LPCA boundaries who are interested in preserving and enhancing the quality of life in the Land Park area. LPCA boundaries are Hwy 50 on the north, Fruitridge Rd. on the south, I-5 on the west, and Freeport Blvd. on the east (and also include the area north of Sutterville Rd. near Sac City College and west of the railroad tracks). If you have any interest or have questions about what it means to be a board member, please contact us at info@landpark.org or 916-800-3963. The LPCA is an all-volunteer organization and your participation makes it all happen.



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Another Successful Harvest



adequate food for an active, healthy life.

This important community service project of Soil Born Farms, also called the edible city initiative, has taken on the work formerly done by Senior Gleaners. It arranges for teams of volunteers to come to people's homes to pick their citrus fruit, leaving part of it for the residents if they wish, and donating the harvest to Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services. If you would like to volunteer for a future harvest, which take place almost every weekend, or would like to donate the fruit from your trees, contact Soil Born Farms at (916) 363-9685 or through their website <https://soilborn.org/>.

On Saturday, February 17th, Harvest Land Park and Harvest Hollywood Park teamed up with Soil Born farms to pick citrus fruit from area residences. All fruit picked was donated to the Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services to provide nourishing fruit to those in need. This year was one of their largest harvests, with 80 volunteers picking 6,400 lbs. of oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, and lemons.

The citrus harvest is one way that the LPCA is helping to combat hunger in Sacramento, where there are 242,000 food insecure residents in the county. That means 1 in 5 adults and 1 in 4 children lack access to enough nutritionally

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City of Sacramento's 2040 General Plan

In mid-2018 the City will be initiating a General Plan Update. The update will include several main tasks, including additions to address social equity, environmental justice, and community resilience per SB 1000. At this time, the City will also complete an update to the City's Climate Action Plan, with quantification of greenhouse gas emissions sources, targets, and reduction measures. Watch for updates and learn more online: <http://www.cityofsacramento.org/Community-Development/Planning/Long-Range/General-Plan/2040-General-Plan>.

New Area Code Added



The Sacramento region now has a second area code. The California Public Utilities Commission added the 279 area code to the region starting in September 2017 due to the 916 area code running out of phone number combinations to issue to landline and cell phone users. All new phone numbers issued within the region will now have a 279 area code. With the addition of the 279 area code, all landline calls within the region will need to dial a 1 + area code for all calls, even calls to 916 area code numbers. For cell phone users, the 1 is not required, but the area code is. So, those with cell phones will need to add the area code to all numbers in their Contacts List. Calls to 911 and other three digit numbers will not be affected.

The 916 area code was created in 1947 as one of the original three area codes in California and serves parts of El Dorado, Solano, Sutter, Yolo, Placer, and Sacramento counties.

LIVE MUSIC			
<i>Wall of wine</i>			
ARTISTS' CORNER			
COMPLIMENTARY BIKE VALET			
17 th ANNUAL	A Taste of Land Park		
Presented by the Land Park Community Association			
SUNDAY · MAY 20 · 4 - 7 pm*			
21 and over Event		*3:30 pm early entry for LPCA members	
10 th Avenue Entrance at 13 th Street		ADVANCE TICKETS \$40 AVAILABLE AT: www.LandPark.org Vic's Ice Cream Taylor's Market	
*BITES <i>from area eateries</i>		DAY-OF TICKETS \$45	
*DRINKS <i>from regional Wineries & Breweries</i>			

What's being built and renovated in the neighborhood?



Have you been seeing some active business construction and renovation projects around the Land Park area? You may be asking what's going on and when the construction will end. Here's the scoop:

The long-awaited Chocolate Fish Coffee Roasters is coming soon to the corner of Freeport Blvd. and Vallejo Way at the site of the former Capital Power Equipment lawn mower repair shop. Delays have plagued this project due to extensive clean-up needed on the property before inspections could be passed. Now that they've been given the green light, the Chocolate Fish Coffee Roasters' contractor and team are in full swing with the interior and front parking renovations. The current goal for the opening of Chocolate Fish Coffee Roasters is sometime in April 2018.

President's Message



Happy Spring! I'm Stephanie Duncan and it is my privilege to take over the position of President of the Land Park Community Association (LPCA) from Steve Winlock, who remains a board member and is now the Chair of our Grants Committee.

I have lived in Land Park for six years and originally joined the board three years ago because I had concerns about public safety in our community, where we've seen an increase in thefts of packages and items from front porches and backyards as well as vehicle break-ins and rummaging. It is still one of my goals to educate and inform our neighbors about various options to keep themselves and their property safe such as bicycle registration through <https://rideon.sacpd.org/>, locking gates, installing cameras and alarms, crime prevention through environmental design, making sure never to leave any items in cars or on porches that you don't want walking away, and reporting all thefts (no matter

how small or insignificant) to Sac PD at <https://www.cityofsacramento.org/Police/How-Do-I/File-a-Police-Report>. I also want to keep people safe while traveling through our lovely neighborhood. To that end, I also helped bring the City's Urban Bicycling 101 class to the neighborhood last April, where residents learned about following the rules of the road, avoiding crashes, bicycle maintenance, and wearing various gear including the all-important helmet.

Additionally, the increase in the homeless population in our area led me to organize last October's Homeless Community Forum in conjunction with the Sierra Curtis Neighborhood Association (SCNA). Residents within the SCNA and LPCA boundaries as well as those from surrounding communities attended the standing-room only gathering at the Sierra 2 Center to get information from City, County, and

Homeless Outreach organizations and learn what they, as community members, can do to be educated about homelessness in our area and help where needed.

I would like to continue to bring more classes, community forums, and informational meetings to the community and am asking for your feedback and assistance to do just that. Going forward, it is my plan to ask LPCA members and the community for input on topics of interest to business and residents and to share concerns about community happenings and projects. I'm also looking for those who live or work within the LPCA boundaries to get involved. We currently have openings on the LPCA board and are also looking for people who have a background in Land Use, Parks, Public Safety, Public Works, Event planning & organization, and various other areas to be part of our Committees or serve as advisors in their area of expertise. Please consider being involved in any way you can. If you have questions or just want to reach out, please email me at info@landpark.org or call (916) 800-3963. I look forward to working even more with and on behalf of the community in my new role.

LPCA BOARD

Stephanie Duncan- President

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Shannel La Due

Joleen Lonigan

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Art Taylor

Steve Winlock

LPCA Membership

If you are not already a member of the Land Park Community Association, you can sign up today through the LPCA website at www.landpark.org. If you are already a member, a renewal notice will be sent to you via email when your membership renewal fee is due. Residential membership is \$25 per year, per household and business membership is \$35 per year. Join today to support and be involved in the efforts of the LPCA in our community.

RAIN THREATENS THE EGG HUNT & HAT PARADE



The 23rd Annual LPCA and City of Sacramento co-sponsored Egg Hunt & Hat Parade had to move from William Land Park this year due to the threat of rain, but everyone had a wonderful time at Crocker/Riverside Elementary School. Many families attended to enjoy games, crafts, live music from Mr. Cooper, face painting, four egg hunts, and almost 50 children took part in the hat parade led by Mr. Cottontail.

The first event of the day was the Hat Parade. Children wore elaborately decorated hats and bonnets with eggs, candy, feathers, and a variety of other items to show off at the spring-themed extravaganza. Hat Parade winners were presented with beautiful, delicious cookie plates from Freeport Bakery, and the grand prize winner also received passes to Fairytale Town and the Sacramento Zoo.

During the egg hunt, children not only found a variety of candy, but some were fortunate enough to locate eggs filled with gift certificates to Vic's Ice Cream and a handful of golden eggs could be redeemed for special gift baskets filled with toys and goodies.

Thank you to Vice Mayor Steve Hansen for co-sponsoring this event with the Land Park Community Association and to the Hat Parade judges, Vice Mayor Steve Hansen, Fairytale Town's Executive Director Kathy Fleming, & Annie Wilcox-Barlettani from the Sacramento Zoo. Also, many thanks to Crocker/Riverside Elementary and Sacramento City Unified School District for allowing us to move to Crocker at the last minute. Generous donations of prizes and snacks were provided by Freeport Bakery, the Sacramento Zoo, Fairytale Town, Vic's Ice Cream Inc, Noah's Bagels on J St., McDonald's on Freeport, Marie's Do-Nut Shop, & Goodie Tucheys. This event couldn't have happened without the help of our volunteers from C. K. McClatchy High School, Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School, AmeriCorps NCCC Pacific Region, our event chair Alison Leary, LPCA board members, and Matt Guzaitis and Troop/Pack 136 for stuffing 10,000 plastic eggs with candy.

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SECURITY PATROLS



On Tuesday, March 13th, Land Park residents Gary and Cindy Bulfinch organized a well-attended security patrol meeting for area residents. The meeting was the second such gathering to make Land Park residents aware of a source of security that is available, at a cost. Gary and Cindy have organized and mapped the portions of Land Park that include areas within the boundaries of Broadway to 11th Ave and from Riverside Blvd. to Land Park Drive. Paladin Private Security Vice President Matt Carroll, a former police officer, was the main speaker of the meeting. Mr. Carroll provided facts, figures and examples of how private security patrols by Paladin Private Security is another form of protection for those who reside in Land Park. Interested residents have been experiencing theft, vehicle and home break-ins, and are witnessing suspicious activity in the neighborhood.

Information provided by Mr. Carroll included:

-Paladin patrols are in marked cars and the uniformed security officers are armed. Paladin Security Officers have a working relationship with Sac PD.

-Paladin Security Officers are authorized to detain suspects and have had extensive training as security officers.

-Residents who join the Land Park Neighbors Security Association and choose to pay for Paladin Private Security on their street can call Paladin's dispatch center for assistance 24/7.

-As a Member of the Land Park Neighbors Security Association, residents can ask Paladin Private Security to perform vacation checks, emergency road service, and vehicle battery starts.

-Paladin Security Officers normally perform one patrol during the day and three random patrols during the evening and overnight

hours.

-Paladin Security provides a daily report to the contracting homeowners, via the Land Park Neighbors Security Association.

-Fees for security patrols are based on the number of residents who join for each given patrolled/mapped area. The more residents participating, the lower the fees.

-Each Security Association must be a 501(3)(c) non-profit and the fees paid by residents are tax deductible. Matt Carroll also expounded on and fielded questions pertaining to: Use of force, comparisons of training for Paladin Security Patrol Officers vs. Sacramento Police Officers, Effectiveness of Private Security Patrols, Money spent by homeowners for Security Patrols vs. relying solely on Sac PD, and hypothetical situations, comparisons and personal opinions.

For further information regarding Land Park Security Patrols within the noted Land Park boundaries, please call (530) 320-6140. Gary and Cindy Bulfinch are

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Sacramento County Election Changes



Starting with the June 5th Statewide Primary Election, the County of Sacramento is making changes to the way we vote. Beginning the week of May 7, 2018, all registered voters in Sacramento County will receive a ballot in the mail. Registered voters will be able to vote using one of the following ways:

1. Mail back the completed ballot, making sure to use proper postage.
2. Return the completed ballot to the Sacramento County Elections office or in the 24-hour Vote by Mail Drive-thru Ballot

Drop Box at 7000 65th St., Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95823.

3. Drop off the completed ballot at any ballot drop box location 28 days before and up through Election Day. A list of locations will be included with your ballot packet or can be obtained 30 days before the election at www.elections.saccounty.net
4. Bring the completed ballot or vote in person at any Vote Center up to 10 days before and through election night until 8pm

(depending on the location). Vote Center locations will be included in the mail with your ballot.

The goal of the change is to increase voter turnout and save money. People who are not registered voters will also be able to register to vote on the spot. Those who vote in person may be wondering about the polling places where they usually vote. Some polling places, such as the Sierra 2 Center at 2791 24th St. in Curtis Park, will become a Vote Center, but not all former polling places will be still be utilized. Vote Centers will primarily be churches, firehouses, high schools, and other community buildings. Please refer to your ballot packet the week of May 7th to learn where you can vote or drop off your ballot. If you have any questions, please contact the Vote by Mail Division at (916) 875-6155 or email avbm@saccounty.net.

How many events is too many in the park?

A small group of LPCA board members and area residents met on April 4th with the City's Special Event Services staff, Parks Department, Park Rangers, and a Sacramento Police officer as a working group to discuss the volume of events at William Land Park and the impact on both the park land and the surrounding community. Discussion included the various runs and bicycle races in the park, some of which cause road closures, and also referenced the recent Easter holiday, where the park was heavily used, illegal parking was rampant, and an abundance of trash was left behind by park goers. Community attendees also learned more about park event fees, high impact fees, picnic fees, and what is done in instances where large groups gather without a permit and cause disturbances with loud music and vehicles doing donuts in the street. This working group will be meeting on a regular basis to discuss park events and impacts as well as how to commemorate the 100th anniversary of William Land Park later this year.

SECURITY PATROLS

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not the first Land Park area residents to contract for Paladin Security. The Neighborhood Security Association of Land Park has had Paladin patrols for two years with boundaries from 11th to 13th Streets between Freeport and Land Park Drive. Katy Grimes is the current lead for that area and can be reached at fetchingjen@gmail.com or (916) 417-6780. In Upper Land Park, households west of or on Riverside Blvd and south of McClatchy Way to B'nai Israel Temple can join the Upper Land Park Neighbors Paladin Security. For more information, contact upperlandparkneighborhood@gmail.com or (916) 447-3803.



Upcoming Community Meetings

LPCA Community Meeting- Wednesday, May 16th at 6:30pm, Location TBA

17th Annual A Taste of Land Park, Sunday, May 20th from 4-7pm (LPCA members receive early entry at 3:30pm). Location is 10th Ave. with entrance at 13th St. This outdoor gourmet food, wine, and beer event allows neighbors to mingle while sampling cuisine from local restaurants and enjoying premium wines and beers from across Northern California. Also enjoy live music and Artist's Corner, all hosted under a beautiful Land Park neighborhood canopy. Free bike valet will be available at 13th St. Ticket sales available soon at Taylor's Market, Vic's Ice Cream, and online at www.landpark.org.

For all the latest events, visit the LPCA events calendar at www.landpark.org/events/



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