



MULFORD GARDENEER

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M.G.I.A. GENERAL MEETING

Last Tuesday of Each Month - Next meeting – May 25, 2010 @ 7:30PM

M.G.I.A. CLUBHOUSE

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President's Message:

To the Residents of Mulford Gardens:

I, as the MGIA President, and the rest of our staff who keep the Gardeneer going and the Association functioning, request YOUR attendance so you might put forth thoughts and ideas to be forwarded and help maintain one of the longest running community support groups in San Leandro (since 1940).

Respectfully, Charles W. Porrill, MGIA President

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Update on Shoreline Development:

On May 10, Ed Miller, President, Cal-Coast Development Company, showed his shoreline development plans to the City Council at a work session. Ed Miller and city staff presented detailed drawings, pictures and plans for the Council's comments.

The outstanding features of the proposed development were the huge office buildings.

Drawings included:

- Three 250,000 sq. ft. three story office buildings with parking underneath or a separate multi-story parking structure
- 200 room conference hotel with a 15,000 sq. ft conference center
- A 6,000 sq. ft. restaurant, extending into the bay at the elbow of North Dike Road
- A 4,000 sq. ft restaurant at the end of the Lost Boats Memorial
- Forty-six (46) 2 or 3 story live/work buildings
- 16 two-story townhouses
- A 20-foot wide promenade along the shoreline with pedestrian seating piers.
- Small community park at Mulford Point
- The library/community building would be relocated in an area on Monarch Bay Drive near the golf course.
- Horatio's and Marina Inn would remain.

South Dike Road (Pescadero Point Road) would be developed with:

- A small community park
- Bocce Ball courts
- Yacht Club
- An 8,000 sq. ft. café/boat rental building and

- A 40,000 sq. ft. office/retail building would be adjacent to the present small boat ramp.

The harbor configuration is yet to be determined but definitely with fewer boat slips than at present.

There was very little discussion by the Council. Comments included: There was too much office space; what is there to attract young people; fishing is important and is an important attraction; the bike trails are important additions; perhaps more retail is needed; adjust plans to meet BCDC’s criteria; the 2 streets into the Marina (Marina and Fairway) seem inadequate and perhaps Neptune Drive should be considered; public transportation is inadequate at this time. No one even suggested that this might be over-development or the wrong type of development for this city-owned, recreation zoned Crown Jewel of San Leandro.

These are not final plans. They will be presented at the next Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on June 16 for the CAC to incorporate the Council’s comments. The CAC will continue to meet until October 2011 and Town hall meetings will be scheduled for public comments.

NEXT MEETING OF CAC - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2010 @ 07:00PM @ MARINA INN.

Other important Dates:

- Wednesday, June 16 – Marina Inn** – Revised block plans to CAC with Council comments
- Wednesday, Sept. 15** – (Tentative date) Project Design to CAC



Respectfully submitted by Audrey Albers, MGIA Board Member



Share with us your news, ideas, recipes, comments, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, parties, awards, special events and we will print it. Email to mgia@myway.com or mail to MGIA, P O. Box 4235, San Leandro CA 94579 or call Bo with your news!

COMMUNITY COMPLIANCE ISSUES? If you see something in your neighborhood like dogs/pets who are off leash, vehicles parked on lawns, oversize vehicles on the street, abandoned vehicles, lots overgrown with weeds, etc. Audrey may be able to help put you in touch with the proper city compliance authorities.

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Chicken-Vegetable Bundles

Grill this dinner in foil packets. The chicken is served with potatoes, carrots, zucchini, mushrooms and onions, making this dish a complete meal.
Servings: 4; Prep: 20 mins; Total: 40 mins

Ingredients

- 2 medium potatoes, thinly sliced, or 3/4 pound new potatoes, halved and quartered
- 4 skinless boneless chicken breast halves
- 1 medium zucchini, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 2 medium carrots, thinly sliced
- 1-1/2 cups whole mushrooms
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced
- Salt and pepper
- 1 cup apple juice or cider
- 1/2 cup apricot preserves

Directions

1. Precook potatoes in boiling water for 5 minutes; drain and cool. Place each chicken breast on an 18-inch square of heavy-duty foil.
2. Divide potatoes, zucchini, carrots, mushrooms, and onion among foil squares; season with salt and pepper. Drizzle with apple juice or cider. Seal foil into packets leaving room for steam. Transport in an insulated cooler with ice packs.
3. Place packets directly over campfire or on the rack of an uncovered grill over medium-hot coals. Cook for 20 to 25 minutes or until chicken is done and vegetables are tender, turning once. To serve, open packets; spoon some of the preserves over chicken and vegetables in each packet. Makes 4 servings.

Source: Recipe.com



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Faith United Methodist Church
788 Lewelling Blvd., 510-357-5484

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
2500 Bermuda Ave., 510-483-1165

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3901 Bancroft Ave., 510-357-9192

PUBLIC MEETINGS



San Leandro City Council: 1ST & 3RD Mondays/each month

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Board of Zoning (BZA) 1st & 3rd Thursdays / each month

City Council Chambers, City Hall

San Leandro School Board:

1st & 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM

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