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Subject: Comment in support of Pinole Consent Calendar Item I, Resolution for discussion of Wildfire Prevention JPA
Date: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:22:10 AM

On behalf of the citizens committee working to build a Joint Powers Agency for wildfire prevention in the East Bay hills, I want to thank Pinole Fire Chief Chris Wynkoop, Mayor Martinez-Rubin and the entire City Council for supporting this resolution. Wildfire prevention requires the coordinated efforts of everyone in the East Bay hills. It cannot be addressed successfully by individual cities and fire departments. A JPA focussed on vegetation management is a necessary part of the solution to this growing problem and the City of Pinole is to be commended for taking the step of approving this resolution this evening. Thank you.

Jon Kaufman, Co-chair
East Bay Hills Wildfire Prevention JPA Steering Committee

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD - (Public Comments) 8/17/21

PINOLE LIBRARY PUBLIC COMMENTS

Good evening, Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Members, Staff, and the Public. My name is Dr. Francis Adebola-Wilson, Senior Community Library Manager, Pinole Library.

I would like to give you an update on the status of Pinole Library and an overview of the services and programs we are providing at this time.

Our number of visitors at the newly reopened Pinole Library branch is steadily increasing every week, as more and more of our patrons hear the good news that their local community library has returned to its regular operation. We have daily visitors that stay at the library for hours at a time, utilizing it for their quiet work needs. We are waiting to see if the start of the school year at Pinole Valley High next week brings back our after-school crowds as well.

Patrons are utilizing the branch for many reasons - several people have come in to make use of our high-end microfilm machine for research projects, educators are coming in to gather books for their classrooms, our internet-enabled computers are a welcome service to regulars and visitors alike, and people are happy to be able to browse our collections again.

While we aren't yet hosting library-sponsored programs, our meeting room is available for rentals by third parties and has been booked for an auction later this month on Saturday, August 28th.

We are promoting the countywide events scheduled by Contra Costa County Library as well as our neighboring libraries. The Master Gardener series dovetails nicely with our new free seed library, a collaboration with the Pinole Garden Club. Free Comic Book Week events are happening the week of August 16th through the 21st, and everyone in the county is welcome to participate in the series of online talks and workshops and is encouraged to stop by the library branch to choose from a collection of free comics and grab a goodie bag.

Thank you,

Dr. Francis Adebola-Wilson – Senior Community Library Manager
Michelle Krasowski – Branch Librarian

From: [Cordell Hindler](#)
To: [Comment](#)
Subject: citizens to be heard
Date: Thursday, August 12, 2021 5:32:44 PM

good evening Mayor Rubin, council Members and city staff, I have a couple of comments for the record

1. for a future agenda, the council should invite Koff & Associates to make a presentation on the class and comp study
2. I was concerned on how the meeting went so late into the hour, I would have tabled the matter for another time

Sincerely
Cordell