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Hi Neighbor! We hope you enjoy this month's edition. If you have any questions, please [email President Tricia Stevens](#). Enjoy!

April 2021

**General Membership Virtual Meeting
Wednesday April 28 at 6:30 pm
Please Join Us for Important Updates**

Agenda:

- **Updates from Councilmember Jeff Harris.** CM Harris will provide us with updates from the City that are important to East Sacramento.
 - **Homeless Master Plan.** Bridgette Dean will provide an update on the City's Homelessness responses and the pending Homeless Master Plan.
 - **General Plan 2040.** Matt Hertel from the City Planning staff will provide updates on the General Plan strategy to provide a greater array of housing in single-family neighborhoods (see article below),
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and on the electrification policies. ESIA Board members will discuss ESIA's position on the single family zoning issue.

- **SMUD 59th Street Corp Yard Reuse Plan.** Representatives from SKK Development and Black Pine Communities will present their plans for the reuse of this key site in East Sacramento (See article below).

[Link to Zoom Meeting](#)

Homeless Camp at 29th and C

After a year, the homeless camp located at 29th and C Street is finally being relocated. Occupants of the camp were directed to multiple Caltrans properties along the freeway where they can relocate their camp. As of 04/06/21 a third of the camp has relocated. Finally, the homeowners that live across the street from the camp can enjoy their homes and not feel like prisoners with all the threats against their lives, loud noises, fires, witnessing crimes/drug dealings and thousands of dollars in damages they incurred to their homes.



SMUD 59th Street Reuse Project

ESIA Board members attended the community workshop on the SMUD Corp Yard Reuse Project – now known as “Sac59th” on March 24th. This is a very important project for East Sacramento as a state-of-the art, mixed use, and transit-oriented development. The proposed plan would consist of 108 single family homes, 770 multi-family homes, and

retail/offices uses. The proposed plan includes the relocation of the light rail station, an Olympic-sized swimming pool, a community garden and event center, and a childcare center. SKK Development and Black Pine Communities have been selected by SMUD as the developers of the site. Attendees at the workshop focused on traffic issues and community amenities. The project is still in its infant stages with many technical studies still pending. The developers will present at our April 28 ESIA General Membership and your comments are welcome! Here is [link to their website](#) for more information.

Greater Array of Housing in Single Family Neighborhoods - City General Plan

There is a fair amount of publicity circulating about the City's General Plan strategy to allow a greater array of housing types in single-family neighborhoods, including East Sacramento. If adopted, this would mean that duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes could be allowed by right in all single-family zoned areas. The City Council "endorsed" this policy in January, but adoption of the General Plan isn't slated until later this year, and any implementation would only occur after the City amends the Zoning Ordinance in 2022.

The ESIA Board of Directors submitted a [letter of qualified support](#) to the City Council with the primary caveat that implementation must ensure that neighborhood design standards are in place to maintain the "look and feel" of our neighborhood's charm. We believe that this strategy contributes to more housing choices for all and provides an opportunity for a more inclusive neighborhood. Many portions of East Sacramento already include a mix of duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes. We recognize that the greater array of housing in single-family neighborhoods is only a small piece of a bigger "pie" to provide more housing opportunities, and the overall focus is on housing in commercial corridors and reuse of commercial/industrial sites.

ESIA intends to continue our engagement on this issue, and we recognize that several neighborhood groups oppose this strategy. We will continue to listen and learn from all points of view. The City has provided a [“FAQ”](#) on this issue.

Electrification Ordinance

An ordinance requiring new construction to be all-electric is pending before the City Council. Requiring all-electric for remodels is to be considered at a later date. The ESIA Board believes the requirement for remodels has the most impact on East Sacramento and we will continue to monitor this issue.



McKinley Vault

The Vault is almost covered. New park improvements coming soon!

Please Renew Your Membership!

We still have some lingering non-renewals - You know who you are! Please remember to renew your ESIA membership for 2021. You received a separate email with a link for renewal. If you don't remember if you're in the 3-year plan or have other questions, please email membership@eastsacimprovement.org. A huge thanks to those who have already renewed. And please pass on to your

neighbors or friends who may be interested in joining.

[Click here to renew](#)

East Sac in the News

In case you missed it . . . click on the article

Business Journal - [New plan for East Sac site at busy Stockton Boulevard intersection](#)

Business Journal - [Environmental group sues Caltrans over freeway bridge project](#)

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