



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
**DISTRICT 4**  
**File #:** 22-653

Board Meeting Date: 9/13/2022

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Supervisor Warren Slocum, District 4  
**Subject:** Appointments to the North Fair Oaks Community Council

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation for appointments to the North Fair Oaks Community Council:

- A) Kathleen Daly, as Member for an initial full term ending December 31, 2025; and
- B) Niket Sirsi, as Member for an initial partial term ending December 31, 2022; and
- C) Jeff Colflesh, as Member for an initial partial term ending December 31, 2022.

**BACKGROUND:**

Pursuant to resolution of the Board of Supervisors, the bylaws of the North Fair Oaks Community Council have historically provided for nine voting adult members and one youth member and one youth member alternate.

**DISCUSSION:**

Kathleen Daly is being recommended for appointment to serve on the North Fair Oaks Community Council as a regular member. Niket Sirsi and Jeff Colflesh are being recommended to serve for existing partial terms to seats formerly held by Linda Lopez and Joanie Gillspie who have resigned.

After a successful career in marketing, clinical communications, and business/office management for several medical device companies, Kathleen Daly purchased a small cafe in Menlo Park (Café Zoe). For the last 14 years, her focus has been the ownership and daily management of the cafe. Within the first few weeks, she could tell that her customers longed for a sense of community in the neighborhood, so she made it her goal to help create that. She is of the belief that people care about their communities, their schools, the small “mom and pop” businesses, but struggle to find the time to fit it all into their busy lives. Engaging in thoughtful conversation, offering opportunities to get involved and/or give back, and to know one’s neighbors became the cafe’s mission. She is enormously proud of the cafe. In the past, she has served on a school board and a non-profit board. Life’s greatest

accomplishment and the thing she is most proud of is her amazing young daughter.

Niket Sirsi is currently a Director of Product Management for Crunchyroll Inc. He has worked in tech for over 20 years, both at big companies like Apple and Nvidia, and small startups. He grew up in the area, moved around a bit after college, and has settled here in North Fair Oaks for the past 10 years. The biggest issues that Niket sees facing the community in the near future are environmental and economic sustainability. Climate change is having a larger impact, and he believes that we need to answer this at the community level through promoting green living and adding back to the environment as much as possible. Creating a healthy environment for people to live can then lead to better economic outcomes as well. This must be balanced with the need for growth and all the issues surrounding new housing and more efficient living styles.

Jeff Colflesh was born in Glendale and received a BA from Cal Berkeley as well as an MA from UC Santa Barbara. He taught in Hacienda-La Puente School District for 22 years, and lived in Costa Rica for one year while going to Spanish language school. Jeff went to Barcelona, Spain, for two years during the summer months to study Spanish. He and his wife moved to North Fair Oaks in 1993. Jeff then taught at Jordan Middle School in Palo Alto for three years. He has volunteered at several schools over the past few years and has read for Books For The Blind.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.