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Pleasanton Planning Commission to Review SFH at Irby Ranch!

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Mark your calendars for October 25!

Sunflower Hill at Irby Ranch, a planned residential/affinity community for individuals with developmental delays will have its first workshop/review before the city of Pleasanton Planning Commission on Wednesday October 25, 2017 at 7p.m. in the City Council Chamber at 200 Old Bernal Avenue.

The future site was reviewed by the Pleasanton City Council in February 2017 as part of the overall approval for Irby Ranch, a 14 acre residential development just north of downtown

Pleasanton. <u>Meritage Homes</u>, one of the nation's largest homebuilders, is now finalizing those development plans and the community will be called <u>The Homestead at Irby Ranch</u>.

Sunflower Hill, along with partners <u>SAHA</u> and <u>Dahlin</u> Architects has a separate entitlement process. In addition to the October 25 hearing, subsequent reviews by both the Planning Commission and the City Council will be in Winter 2017- 2018. If approved, Sunflower Hill will pursue tax credit financing in March 2018. If awarded, construction could begin in late 2018/early 2019. The project will be among the first intentional special needs communities in the Tri-Valley area and one of the first in Northern California.

The development will include a large multi-purpose community space for dining as well as activities like movie nights, dances and family gatherings. A makerspace (aka craft room) and a traditional fitness room are planned. A commercial kitchen will afford the opportunity for both tenant and community meals. Three on-site offices for property management and resident services coordination will also be included in south side buildings. Shared outdoor amenities include a bocce ball and multi-use sports court and a jacuzzi for on-site residents.

The two story residential building offers independent living, yet common space for social

engagement. Special attention to creating social interaction space has been a strong focus - whether that's while doing laundry, checking mail or just watching television. Within the two-story residential space, there are several areas for 'caregivers' as well as an on-site studio apartment for staff. While most residents will have the ability to live semi-independently, Sunflower Hill and SAHA will provide overall site and property management. Thoughtful attention to the needs of individuals with developmental delays, including sound/noise, lighting, safety and security considerations, will be implemented.

For more information, visit the SFH at Irby Ranch <u>webpage</u>. If you'd like to add your name to the housing interest list, you can do so <u>here</u>.

SFH Gardens Update

We are coming to the end of the harvesting of our summer produce and have begun to plant our fall crops. This is the last week for our tomatoes! We will be doing a clear harvest, so please come this week if you want to buy some red or green tomatoes. We also have basil, sweet/hot peppers, kale, and eggplants, as well as lots of herbs and sunflowers. And our pumpkins will be ready to harvest just in time for our Pumpkin Fest and Halloween Bash!

You can purchase our produce on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m.



Family Workday Halloween Bash at SFH Gardens



Please join us on Saturday, October 21 in our SFH Gardens at Hagemann Ranch for our Halloween Bash!

Please register here.

We hope to see you there!

Join Us at Rubino Estates Winery for their Annual Sip 'N Shop!

Please join us at <u>Rubino Estates Winery</u> for a night of shopping and wine! Various local vendors will be showcasing their newest goodies and Rubino will be selling wine by the glass or bottle. Sunflower Hill will receive all the proceeds from the raffle tickets sales. It was so much fun last year and we hope you will join us again (or for the first time) this year!

Date: Thursday, November 30th

Time: 6:30-9:00p.m.

Address: 1188 Vineyard Avenue, Pleasanton



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