



Sophia's Corner

News From Councilmember
Sophia Scherman

★ ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL ★

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WHERE'S SOPHIA? July - August 2008 Community Events

- 7/15 Elk Grove Chamber Mixer
- 7/17 Sacramento Public Library Audit Committee
- 7/18 Elk Grove Police Chief Retirement Dinner
- 7/21 Sacramento Public Library Board Meeting
- 7/21 Elk Grove Historical Society Meeting
- 7/22 Elk Grove Senior Center Board Meeting
- 7/23 Regional Sanitation Board Meeting
- 7/23 CSD-1 Board Meeting
- 7/23 Elk Grove City Council
- 7/24 Sacramento Public Library Board Meeting
- 7/25 Elk Grove Chamber Membership Lunch
- 7/26 Flap Jack Forum with City Council
- 7/29 Elk Grove Old Town Foundation Meeting
- 7/30 Elk Grove Police Dept. Annual Awards Banquet
- 8/1 Elk Grove Teen Center Board Meeting
- 8/3 Elk Grove Senior Center 25th Anniversary Party
- 8/5 Monthly Town Hall Breakfast
- 8/6 Sacramento Public Library Special Meeting
- 8/7 Sacramento Employment & Training Agency Board Meeting
- 8/8 WEAVE Policy Committee
- 8/11 Elk Grove Veteran's Day Parade Committee/Chair
- 8/13 Regional Sanitation Board Board Meeting
- 8/13 CSD-1 Board Meeting
- 8/18 Elk Grove Historical Society General Member Meeting
- 8/19 Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce Mixer

Councilmember Scherman's Monthly Breakfast Meeting Topic Recap: Foreclosure

ELK GROVE -- On July 8, 2008 Sophia Scherman lead her monthly breakfast meeting with citizens from the city of Elk Grove. Carrie Lopez, Director of the Department of Consumer affairs, replaced Secretary Rosario Marin of the State and Consumer Services Agency, who was asked by the Governor to attend a press conference. Coincidentally, the press conference was for a bill signing ceremony for SB 1137 relating to home foreclosure communications for consumers providing more notice and resources.



Director Lopez spoke to the group on foreclosure and the "90 Days of Hope" campaign which was created to help educate and inform consumers in an effort to help provide options to those facing foreclosure. This issue is now affecting all areas of the industry from appraising, realtors, lending, builders, and of course consumers.

Problems the Department of Consumer Affairs are addressing right now:

- A large amount of foreclosures are consumers that wanted into the housing market and took sub prime loans.
- Foreclosed homes are now affecting housing prices by lowering them.
- Physical effects of foreclosed homes, brown grass, pools left unattended and posing a danger and health risk as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- A growing number of fraud cases are developing as people are trying to take over home titles.
- Reliable and trustworthy information is hard to find for consumers.

The "90 Days of Hope" campaign is lead by the Department of Consumer Affairs. It is set on assisting consumers to help them get the assistance they need to

Forward to a Friend

EVENTS

September 3, 2008
Italian Food & Wine
EXTRAVAGANZA

McConnell Estates Winery
Elk Grove, CA
6 to 8 pm

Tickets \$45
Sponsorships
\$500 - \$1000 - \$2500

Flying Flag Member
\$5000
Membership consist of admission
to every Scherman event in 2008

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avoid foreclosure and get in touch with the correct representatives to assist the situation.

For more information visit www.yourhome.ca.gov or call 888-995-HOPE to speak with a "90 Days of Hope" counselor. Do not wait, contact them today!

The next community breakfast will be on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at 7:30 am, at Cassidy's Family Restaurant, 9625 East Stockton Blvd., Elk Grove. This will be Sophia's third meeting dealing with the housing crisis and cover the topic of reverse mortgages with guest speaker Senior Deputy Sylvia Yrigollen, Department of Real Estate. This meeting is open to the public.

Happy Birthday America!

July is a time for all of us to celebrate the birth of our nation and give thanks to our troops and veterans for their service to this great nation. It is because of their strong resolve that we can celebrate the liberty that we have as Americans.



Sophia had the opportunity to join the thousands of Elk Grove citizens that gathered in Elk Grove Regional Park to celebrate our nation's independence at the 12th Annual Red, White and Blue Festival.

Sophia enjoyed passing out over 2,000 American flags and American flag fans to help cool down the sun's glaring heat.

If you are interested in having a specific topic addressed please contact me so that I may invite a speaker that will have full knowledge on the subject matter. Your concern may have an impact on our city as a whole.

Let's ALL get involved to make our city the best CITY it can be.

WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!