



## JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2021 SOUTH VISTA NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

The year 2020 brought us a health crisis of historic proportions. We lost loved ones and watched others escape the grips of death. It also showed us just how closely connected we all are, and how acts of kindness and care helped neighbors through times of great struggle.

The new year offers us a chance to reflect what we have endured but also a chance to embrace hope for the year ahead. Remembering the lessons of 2020, we tread lightly with hope and caution as we take the last steps of this pandemic.

It will take time to vaccinate everyone against COVID. In the meantime, we must continue adhering to protocols and guidelines set by the CDC. Don't forget to continue maintaining social distancing, wearing face masks, practicing cautious hygiene, avoiding crowded indoor places and meeting people outside. These simple steps can keep us safe while we navigate through the next few trying months.

The events of 2020 have provided not only telling lessons but also tales of courage for the history books. Reminders of this time will serve as messages of hope, faith, and courage for generations to come. Reminders of a people who knew how to survive and thrive as neighbors and communities in times of need.

I wish you and your loved ones a Happy 2021. May you have a safe and healthy New Year. May you overcome all with a courageous smile, a faithful heart and ring in hope for a joyous and resilient future. Happy New Year. ♡

— Tazheen Nizam, President

### CITY COUNCIL— Tuesday, Jan. 26

#### Preliminary Review of Proposed General Plan Amendment and Zone Change at 1205 Melrose Way

The applicant's proposal includes a request to develop the site with 15 single-family lots, which would require a General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, and Tentative Subdivision Map with a Density Bonus. The current zoning allows five single-family lots.

The staff report, maps, and other information can be found at [https://vista.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view\\_id=3&event\\_id=1672&meta\\_id=61152](https://vista.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=3&event_id=1672&meta_id=61152)

The City Council meets at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 26, via Zoom or live broadcast.

### ARE YOU A MEMBER OF SOUTH VISTA COMMUNITIES?

Want to preserve the quality of life in South Vista? Want to help make a difference?

SVC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit grassroots organization which initiates actions to improve our community and responds to proposals from others that will impact our quality of life.

We operate with a very modest budget, thanks to our volunteers. Membership is \$25 per year (though more is always welcome). You can mail a check to SVC at 770 Sycamore Avenue, Suite 122, #208, Vista 92083 — or make your donation through PayPal at <https://southvistacommunities.org/>.

**Join us in making a difference!**



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Enter the numbers 911 in the "To" field



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SAFE DISPOSAL IS EASY TO DO AND MAKES A BIG IMPACT



Household products like paint, cleaners, fertilizers/pesticides, or other household items can hurt people, fish and wildlife, if incorrectly disposed of, especially if poured down storm drains or sinks.

- Dispose of oil, paint, batteries, other chemicals at the City of Vista's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
- Clean paint brushes, buckets, rags where waste can be contained e.g. portable container, then properly dispose
- Don't place wet paint in the trash bin
- For disposal options, call 800.714.1195



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