

LAFAYETTE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

Public Notice of Provisional Appointment

The public is hereby notified that the Lafayette School District Governing Board approved the provisional appointment of Charles "Rob" Sturm as Board Member on August 16, 2017, to fill a vacant position created by a Board Member's resignation on June 29, 2017. Unless a petition calling for a special election, containing a sufficient number of signatures, is filed in the office of the county superintendent of schools within 30 days of the provisional appointment, it shall become an effective appointment.

Lafayette School District Executive Assistant, Sharon Carman, at (925) 927-3502.



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SunShares program returns to Lafayette

By Pippa Fisher



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For residents considering installing solar energy, the sunny city of Lafayette is once again making choices simpler and more affordable with the return of the SunShares program.

Administered by the Business Council on Climate Change (BC3) and in partnership with 35 cities and companies around the Bay Area, the SunShares program is a limited-time group-buying program intended to reduce the cost and complexity of purchasing various clean energy technologies through both discounts and educational workshops, according to the staff report presented to the city council in June by Lafayette Assistant Planner Julia Koppman Norton.

This year, as it has for the past two years, Lafayette is participating in the program. Residents can take advantage of the program to install solar panels, purchase an electric vehicle or even, new this year, purchase a residential vehicle charging station.

By pooling the buying power of participants SunShares is able to get discounted pricing from solar companies and vehicle manufacturers. This year the program

was able to negotiate a 15 to 20 percent additional discount beyond the companies' initially discounted bulk purchase. The organization pre-vets solar installers and has selected PetersenDean, Solar Technologies and Skytech Solar.

For residents who may be considering installing solar but don't know where to start, SunShares is offering webinars, scheduled throughout August, September and October and the city of Lafayette will be partnering with Walnut Creek and Concord for a SunShares workshop on the evening of Thursday, Sept. 28. Renters can also find out about their options for electricity.

Residents need to register by Nov. 10 to receive a no cost and no-obligation solar proposal and will need to sign a contract by the end of the year with the provider to move forward with solar installation by spring 2018.

For exact dates of workshops and webinars and for more details, residents should go to www.bayareasunshares.org or for questions should contact BC3 at sunshares@bc3sfbay.org.

LAFSD appoints trustee

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"I understand the board's reservations. I listened carefully," Sturm said after his swearing-in. "I share their view that collaboration is important."

Gerson said that he will work closely with Sturm to bring him up to speed. "Sometimes a campaign can create false impressions of

people," Gerson said. "We had to air that out. Rob will take our comments to heart and there will be no problem."

Sturm's term ends in December 2018 along with all other trustees except for Meade, whose term ends in 2020.

Lafayette man killed in Barcelona attack

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"What I want people to know is how wonderful Jared was," Heidi said. "He would make friends with anybody. He loved people and people loved him. He would give you the shirt off his back, the beer from his hand or the saw from his tool box."

Jared worked with his father, Dan, at a Martinez pool construction business that operated for years out of the old Rheem fire-

house building in Moraga. "Jared died a happy person," said his father. "The last year of his life with Heidi was the happiest year of his life."

The Tucker family has set up a GoFundMe page. Donations will go directly to Heidi and the three children to pay for their education and living expenses, as well as to assist with funeral costs.

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