



**Community Advisory Panel (CAP) Meeting**  
**Valero East – 610 Industrial Way, Benicia, CA**  
**Drive to the back of the building**  
**Tuesday, August 9, 2022**  
**4:30 PM – 5:00 PM**  
**Refinery Tour 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was conducted in person at Valero East. Steve McClure called to order at 4:385 pm. The following attended:

CAP Members

Steve McClure	Benicia Chamber of Commerce
Steve Young	City of Benicia, Mayor
Diane Ferrucci	Benicia Unified School District
Dennis Lowry	Community at Large

Valero CAP Representatives

Josh Tulino	VP and General Manager
Paul Adler	Director of Community Relations & Government Affairs
Kim Ronan (joined for tour)	Director of Health, Safety, Environment and Regulatory Affairs

Valero employees

Frank Hartig	Valero, Manager Plant Security
Pam Fischer	Valero, Executive Administrative Assistant

**Welcome**

- [Agenda](#) was approved.
- The minutes from the [6/14/22 meeting](#) were approved by Diane Ferrucci seconded by Dennis Lowry.

**CAP Member Updates**

- Steve McClure – Benicia Chamber of Commerce – Chamber of Commerce –Jana Modena is in place as Executive Director.
- Diane Ferrucci – Benicia Unified School Board –1<sup>st</sup> Board meeting being held August 11, 2022; New Superintendent is in position. School is starting next Tuesday, 8/16/22.
- Dennis Lowry – ‘At Large’ – Commented that he had tried to access all 5 resources on the “Resources for Benicia Residents” flyer. He found that when he went to the <https://www.beniciarefinery.com/> website, he was not able to sign up to get updates and kept getting a message indicating failure. Paul will look into the website. On the <https://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/publicinfobank> he felt that the City had not updated it since 2019.
- Steve Young – City of Benicia, Mayor – Ballot measures on the November 1 ballot to extend Measure K open space of Herman Road for another 20 years and a 1/4% sales tax for road repair. Hoping they will both be approved in November. Informal council meeting had been postponed to September but now

Steve is having surgery so it will now be postponed until January (post-election). They may instead hold a “State of City” address sometime in August.

### **Refinery Update**

- Josh Tulino, VP & General Manager

The fire that impacted the Amports pet coke dock is back in service with a temporary dock. The refinery is preparing for maintenance work to begin in the fall and employees are receiving annual safety training.

### **Refinery Tour & Safety Presentation**

- The Valero Benicia Refinery Safety Video for visitors was presented to the 4 CAP members who were present at meeting. This video is a requirement for entering the process block area.
- Attendees also viewed Valero’s [Refinery 101 video](#) on Distillation Basics.
- Attendees departed Valero East & entered Gate 4;
- Attendees proceeded to view the Fenceline Monitors located on far eastern side near East Channel Road; Highlights included the analyzers, retroreflectors, etc
- Attendees viewed the Flue Gas Scrubber – A description about the unit & overview of BAAQMD’s Regulation 6, Rule 5 was given
- Attendees were given on overview of the cooling towers, hydrogen vent and flares
- Attendees entered the Control House and highlights included the monitors, screens, etc.
- Attendees viewed the Fire Engine, Maintenance Building bays – Welding & Lab

**Meeting ended at 5:00 pm and Refinery Tour began.**

**Refinery Tour ended at 6:30 pm.**

### **2022 CAP Calendar**

- Tuesday, October 11, 2022 – 4:30 pm – Non-Profit Presentation – Solano Land Trust – Restoration Projects
- Tuesday, December 13, 2022 – 4:30 pm – ‘Community Information Night’ – Fenceline Monitoring