

## **Good Hope/Meadowbrook**

### **Municipal Advisory Council**

April 2, 2015

Moses-Schaffer Community Center

21564 Steele Peak Drive, Good Hope

#### **Proposed Minutes**

**0.0 Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President Jackie McDonald at 6:45 pm, at the conclusion of the Town Hall special presentation of the Colinas Del Oro project, Specific Plan No. 364. Mike Naggar & Associates presented the plan with RCUC, Mac members and neighborhood property owners present.

#### **0.1 Renewal of Pledge of Allegiance.**

**1.0 Roll Call:** Jackie McDonald (President), Carlos Lara (Vice-President), Willie Moses, Diana Martin, Rogelio Sesmas.

**1.1 Selection of MAC secretary,** Rogelio was nominated at the March meeting, however has still not decided to take the job. Minutes continue to be done by Jackie McDonald (President).

**2.0 Approval of Minutes:** March 5th, 2015 Diana Martin moved, Carlos Lara Seconded, unanimous approval.

#### **3.0 Public Safety Updates**

**3.1 Sheriff Dept- Lt. Pemberton,** March, 2015 Crime Stats: 155 Calls, down from last month. The department is stepping up enforcement. There should be no night shooting. RV vehicles will be cited if not registered. Department is working on marijuana grows. A discussion on sales, the City has enforcement; County is working on an ordinance. Property owners will not be held responsible if tenants are growing or selling without their knowledge. Please report these activities. Sherriff will investigate. Music makers have started again with late, loud music.

**3.2 Fire Dept. - Steve de la Hoya,** Station 9 Goodmeadow - February Stats: 58 total incidents, 46 medical, 5 traffic, 1 wild fire, 1 vehicle fire, 1 false alarm, 4 additional. There is always 1 paramedic on duty, who can do all that ambulances can do except transport to hospital. Start weed abatement NOW, 300 ft clearance around all structures. 30ft x100ft thin, trim bottom of trees, clear around chimneys. Make sure

*your address is at least 3 inches and visible with contrasting colors. Burning is not permitted in Riverside County. Call 911. NO burning of yard waste, TUMBLEWEEDS ONLY same as last month. Make sure to trim bottoms of trees. Addresses should be at least 3 inches burns are frequent. Trash burning is not permitted. TUMBLEWEEDS ONLY! Call 911 to report illegal burns.*

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**3.3 Code Enforcement** - No update this month.

#### **4.0 New Business**

**4.1 RivCo Parks Dept. (Center/Park Update) Stephanie:** - We now have computers set up for residential use, also Wii University for children's use. There are 15-20 kids here every day. Volunteer program today signed up 11 today and 6 about a week before. ESL classes to begin within a month. 30 residents have signed up and also for classes in GED.

**Ron Donis:** - Recent Bid Walk for the basketball court with groundbreaking at the

**4.2 Environmental Health (Vector Control)** [without objection agenda items 4.2 and 4.3 were reversed to allow more time for year end report discussion]. **Dottie Merki,** - Explained services offered: Vector Control biggest impact - mosquitoes - some transmit diseases, some do not in particular West Nile. Call if you see mosquitoes, also for fly complaints. Looking for alternate funding sources Property owners will be sent a ballot in early June asking for an assessment (Fee or tax) in unincorporated areas only. If the assessment does not pass the program will be cut. Flyers and handouts will website and phone number made available.

**4.3 Yearend Report** - draft presented. Comments were taken to be included in the final draft.

**5.0 Public Comment:** Garry Grant, Meadowbrook. Gave a history of the RCUC and its forming because the unincorporated communities felt they had no rights.

**6.0 Legislative Reports** - No update this month.

#### **7.0 Report from Superior Kevin Jeffries' office**

**7.1 Thomas Ketcham,** Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' Introduced Tracy Goss and Dave Matson from AQMD: AQMD is here to answer any questions re: open burning. In 2014 there were 1100 burn permits issued. There is no trash burning. Call 800-CUT-SMOG to report. Question: How do people find out about no-burn days? An email comes into the fire station every morning; it's also given on the news in the morning. Many people don't have information. AQMD will provide staff

when necessary. Call Ruth Ann Taylor-Berger 951-955-8304 to schedule speakers. Question: What are supposed to do with vegetation other than tumbleweeds? They will have to go to the dump or put out with trash.

Written information provided.

**Tom Ketcham:** Final Draft of the marijuana ordinance submitted. Thanks to Rogelio for putting up meeting banners. Stop will be installed in 3 weeks. Tires on Sharp Road have been picked up. Email either Tom or the MAC for pickup of dumped items. CHP monitors the unincorporated areas, tickets are being issued. Thanks to Ron and Stephanie for improvements at the Center. Clean up went well, and green waste can be brought to clean ups. Next Clean up May 16th, from 8am till noon, at Tomas Rivera Middle School, located at Clark and Martin Streets. Community wants more clean ups. Waste Management allows 2 bulky item pickups each year. 50 mile/hour speed limit on Ellis will be removed.

**8.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member Comments - Carlos Lara:** A suggestion box at the center would be a good idea, also we need more participation with the MAC. **Rogelio Sesmas:** Wondering why people come in and say the same thing each month. Explanation: there are always different neighbors who come to the meeting and the information about fires and burning need to be repeated for those who may not have heard it before. Comment by M.Venerable: Thanks for the information given at the MAC meetings. **Diana Martin:** Tom is working to bring Listos a Spanish and English program to promote disaster awareness and planning to our area. **Mrs. Moses:** Learned we are getting 490 houses in the area, where's the water coming from. If we're using less as mandated by the Governor, where will these new people get water? It was a good meeting, the more organizations we can bring in the better informed we will be. **Jackie McDonald:** See Comment Page attached. Comments were made complementing this Board for the work being done now: Mr. Spigelmire: When someone says MAC I think of Willie, had attended meetings previously and was disappointed and now thinks it is worthwhile to be back.

### **9.0 Future Agenda Items:**

Date of proposed next meeting May 7th, 2015 6pm @ Moses-Schaffer Community Center

Adjournment: Willie Moses moved, Carlos Lara second, all in favor, time 8:27 pm

Attendance: Including Town Hall participants who signed in 38

1. A Cinco de Mayo Pot Luck will be celebrated May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to bring a dish .
2. Thursday, April 23 will be a monthly senior nutrition meeting here presented by the Office on Aging. Fruit smoothies will be served.
3. Don't forget the Public Hearing April 15, 2015 at the County Administration building on the Colinas del Oro development on Hwy 74.
4. It's rather disheartening to hear at every meeting how awful our neighborhood is. The references to my street or other members' streets as "the land that time forgot" or "little Tijuana," are insulting, unappreciated and uncalled for. Some of our roads may dirt, but we are a rural community and do not wish to look like a city full of tract homes, nor do we want all of the problems inherent in cities. Most people moved here for the rural lifestyle and though we are not adverse to progress we don't want to give up what we have.
5. Since "sewers" were brought up last month, question: is there a consensus that said they wanted sewers? How much would it cost each parcel and who pays for them? Why is the County always trying to foist on us costly things that we haven't asked for and why can't we get the services we really need instead?
6. We need to a roster of the board members. The one I have dates back to Supervisor Ashley and needs to be updated.
7. My quote for the month: "Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time." – Thomas A. Edison

Jackie McDonald