

# MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Clark & Oakwood Streets, Mead Valley, CA 92570

## MINUTES

0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call: Tony Davila (Chairperson), Paz Trevino (Vice-Chairperson), John Byrns (Secretary), Douglass Miller (Member), Charles Romero (Alt), Rogelio Rawlins (Alt) – All Present, and Ali Mazarei (Member) – Absent (Excused)

2.0 Approval of Minutes: July 10<sup>th</sup> 2013 – Moved/Seconded/Approved

3.0 Public Safety Updates:

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department: Sgt. Durham (Speaking) & Sgt. McCalmont  
Contact Phone Number: 951/210-1092

Statistics for July 2012 & 2013, Rape & Robberies are down from 2 to 1, Residential & Commercial Burglaries are down by half as well as Grand Theft, Vehicle Thefts have increased slightly, Assaults have doubled, and Metal Thefts are down from 6 to 1.

A small amount of overtime was given to assign a hard-charging Deputy for Residential & Commercial Burglary Follow-Ups in Mead Valley & Woodcrest. Deputy has followed up with 10-15 past victims, checked all Pawn Shops in Riverside & Perris for stolen property, has identified several people, made 4-5 arrest, and working to close out another case, all in a 4 week period.

Calls made to the Dispatch Center are given a priority based on needs. All reported incidence will be followed up. If afraid of retaliation, reporting parties can stay anonymous with the Dispatcher; can request No Contact or Telephone Contact Only.

Non-Emergency Dispatch Number: 951/776-1099

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department: Could not attend (Excused)

3.3 Code Enforcement: Officer McMullen

Code Enforcement will be renewing efforts to curb Roadside Vending on weekends.

Caseloads have doubled recently and Officers are very busy, due to the major cutbacks in staff.

Is aware of the large amount of dumping that has been done on Salter Road and is looking into ways to get it cleaned up, has already contacted Dept. of Transportation for Roadside Pick-up.

BYRNS wants to know how we can help Code Enforcement increase funding, because they keep the area safe. Asks the people to contact the County and support Code Enforcement.

DAVILA explains that with all of the cutbacks and heavy caseloads our Code Enforcement Officers are dealing with, they need our help by calling up and making a report if there is a health or safety issue, not just to pick on neighbors. Suggests showing some compassion and instead of complaining, offer to help resolve the issue through volunteerism.

4.0 New Business:

4.1 RTA Presentation on Results from COA Survey: Lorelle Luna, RTA Senior Planner

A Comprehensive Operation Analysis (COA) Survey was started in January 2013 and RTA's lead consultant is Transportation Management and Design Inc. (TMD). The survey is to create a 10 year blueprint of operational and capital enhancements that can be made; expected to be completed in summer 2014. Currently the Survey is in the third phase.

First phase: Market Assessment, 15,000 Onboard Surveys were completed. Surveys contained 30 questions relating to travel patterns, demographics and customer service. Second phase: Service Assessment, for a 2-3 week period, on time performance assessed, passenger loads evaluated, ridership activity determined. Third phase: Stakeholder Outreach, example is an activity where customers were given play money and asked to put it in the box marked with the service aspect they would invest in. Market & Service Assessments, as well as Stakeholder Outreach Activities, will continue and information will help develop the fourth phase, Strategy & Recommendations.

Project Website can be found under the RTA Homepage or at [www.riversidetransit.tmdinc.net](http://www.riversidetransit.tmdinc.net)

A Community Survey is also available online for non-riders and results will be collected through the fall 2013.

Resident's concern regarding bus turnouts on Old Elsinore Road will be looked into.

BYRNS states that the community has two major concerns, lighting & shade, recommends considering an upgrade.

RTA was able to purchase and install lighting on some stops with money from special Grants, and currently seeking additional funding to do more.

DAVILA mentions there is a handicap resident that originally brought the bus stop issue to the Board's attention, but that she could not make it today.

Contact information will be left with the Board to give to that resident.

#### 4.2 Librarian: Brenda

The Libraries 1<sup>st</sup> Summer Reading Program has had 300 sign-ups (Children, Teens, & Adults).

July was the highest Library usage month so far with 600 new Library Cards issued and 4,000 computer sessions logged.

Friends of the Library Interest Group meeting will be on August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm

#### 5.0 Public Comments:

- Lee Cussins, Recycled Aggregate Materials Company: States that in 2011 a Code Enforcement Officer noticed large piles of concrete on Orange Ave., across from the Salvation Army; upon investigating found out that it is an operation of Recycled Aggregate Materials Company (RAMCO) and they were operating without a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Informs that the CUP will be up for approval of the Planning Commission on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

Goes on to give the following information about the operation: Noise will be loud but controlled by County Regulations, 8,000 tons of material is processed daily, 30 truck trips per day, they are licensed by Air Quality Management Agency (AQMD), there is a sales tax on whatever they sell, and will create an insignificant number of jobs.

In conclusion, states that the project defiantly has benefits and will not significantly impact Mead Valley Citizens.

- Pepe Del Rio, 13 year volunteer, Temporary Community Center: States that there are a lot of things that should be getting done there that are not, food isn't being distributed like it used to be, there isn't anything for people to do there so they are not coming in like before, and the bathrooms and floors are not being cleaned like they should be. Hopes that the New Community Center will be a lot more help.

#### 6.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office:

##### 6.1 Kristen Huyck, Legislative Assistant to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries:

New Community Center – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be on August 24<sup>th</sup>, hopes that everyone will attend and anyone able to volunteer would be appreciated (including youth volunteers, community service time will be given).

Offices, New Community Center – Child Care Services, Sheriff, Code Enforcement, DPSS (Dept. of Public Social Services), Workforce Development, Dr. Rios for Dental and Health Services, and Thomas Ketcham will all have offices at the New Community Center.

Juan Perez, Dept. of Transportation – Mr. Ketcham is working on getting Mr. Perez, or the Deputy of Transportation, out possibly for Joint Town Hall Meeting in October.

Jeffries' Journal – Focusing on accountability and transparency for the Board of Supervisors Agendas, listing how much things will cost and better explain what exactly is being discussed, so it is easier for the General Public and the Supervisors Office to understand, without having to go through all of the attachments.

Green Waste Site, Cajalco Road & Wood Road – They are in the process of cleaning up.

Resident Concern, New Center to be used as a County Building – It is an all-inclusive facility that will have County Offices and also function as a Community Center. The facility will be open to the community and Mead Valley youths will still be able to utilize all of the outside play areas without interfering with the Offices. Facility might be open on Saturdays and Sundays.

Boxing Club – Trying to work out where they will be meeting in the future and possibly a place to store their equipment.

Corra, Mead Valley Volunteer, 20 years – Recently passed away, Memorial will be at The Concerned Family facility on August 24<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am.

#### 7.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member Comments:

- John Byrns: States that they are having problems on Salter Road with Police Enforcement, the roads, and water (everyone deserves clean water). Expresses that water is the most critical issue and recommends that we focus on getting those Residents water. Wants the people from Salter Road to know that he keeps bringing up these issues for them. (Resident asks if a flyer could be made with the information of what they have to do) Mentions that there is a Spread Sheet that was reassembled with all of the prior issues and it is in Tom's possession.
- Charles Romero: Informs that Yolanda Williams' husband, Gilbert Williams, is in the hospital and asks everyone to keep them in their prayers. Would like Residents to continue attending the meetings and bring a neighbor, because everyone's input is needed to get things done.
- Paz Trevino: Wants to give a big thanks to Code Enforcement for the great job they are doing with such limited staff and funding.
- Tony Davila: States that he's gotten complaints about letting the meetings run too long, but feels that anyone who wants to express a concern or comment should be given the time they need to do so. Asks the community if they want him to run the meetings the way he has, or start sticking to the timer and cut down speaking time. (A number of attendees respond that he's doing a good job.) States that the reason for the Board is to hear the people, that the job isn't done until the people are heard and that is what he volunteered for.
- Doug Miller: Excused from the remainder of the meeting.
- Rogelio Rawlins: Excused from the remainder of the meeting.
- Ali Mazarei: Absent (Excused)

#### 8.0 Future Agenda Items:

Public Suggestions

- Planning Commission
- Department of Transportation
- Senior Program for New Community Center

Date of proposed next Meeting, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 6pm @ Mead Valley Community Library

Adjournment

Attendance 30