

# MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

July 6th 2016 at 6:00 p.m.  
MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER  
21091 Rider Street, Mead Valley, CA

## MINUTES

0.0 Call to Order: 6:00 pm Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call: Paz Trevino (Chairperson), Ali Mazarei (Vice Chairperson), Tania Avalos (Secretary), Shade Awad, vacant, Rogelio Rawlins (Alt) and Charles Romero (Alt)

2.0 Approval of Minutes: May 4 2016 Motioned by Shade Awad and Approved by Rogelio Rawlins

### 3.0 Public Safety Updates

3.1 - Riverside County Sheriff's Department – Capt. Brandon Ford/Lt. Edward Chavez

- 780 calls for June verse 754 in May. Summertime and calls are going up which is normal
- Arrest 37 verse 32 in May, 1 Homicide, 3 Robberies, 12 Assaults verse 9 in May, Burglaries 4 verses 15 in May, Larson 15 verses 30 in May, Arson, 0. 4 Property crimes
- Highlights from Crime Analyst: 73% decrease in Burglaries, 50% Decrease in Larson, and Increase with 1 Homicide (dispute between neighbors was not random and an arrest was made).
- Hotspot areas to be aware of from the periods of June 14<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> of violent crimes including the homicide and property crime. Locations between Oleander, Clark to Day and also Cajalco and Harvill. 7 incidents on June 27 violent crimes and 4 property crimes, arrest interest.
- The Community Center has been plagued with a number of graffiti. The Gang Task Force has been assigned and has made several arrests of gang members. These efforts are ongoing.
- Fireworks calls for service on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July: 690 calls received. Some calls no response if no contact name provided by of the caller. Lack of manpower with only 2 deputies available. Calls answered based on a priority scale.

3.2 - Riverside County Fire Department – Fire Station #59/Capt. Shawn Arnold

- Collect and dispose of fireworks and put out fires
- Stats of calls for May: 111 and 174 for June of medical, traffic, and fire calls
- Fire Department handles non-compliance weed/brush matters. 3 notices will be sent before legal action is taken.

3.3 - Code Enforcement Department– Officer Donna Payne

- Code Enforcement is now working weekends, but not after dark
- Homeless encampment identified on Cajalco near tree area. Owner contacted and cut down trees and placed no trespassing signs. Homeless moved near store by 215 Freeway.
- Graffiti removal is now provided by Waste Management. Contact Waste Management for removal. Flyers provided.
- Clean-up at Citrus High School October 8, 2016

#### 4.0 New Business

##### 4.1A - Riverside County Parks Dept. /District [community center updates] Beth Musical

- Unified School District offering lunch for 18 years and under Monday-Friday from 11:30-12:30.
- Zumba Offered at the center M-F for residents from 8:15 am to 9:15am in the Community Center
- Line dancing Available for Senior and Kids sessions
- Community Market is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday. Obtain a Permit to sell. \$10 for two parking spaces. Will offer a Market Night once a month.
- Large Donation of canned good received from Albertson's and will give out bags of food at events
- Meeting for parents of special needs children on June 22 from 10-12
- Job Fair monthly beginning August 17<sup>th</sup> for positions with the Sheriff Department.
- If you are a County Agency and interested in having training at the center to contact the Parks and Recreations department for arrangements. Special rates are available for non-profits.
- The Spray and Neuter Clinic will continue at the center and Mosses-Shaffer. Free Pet shots and microchip.

Question-Do you need to live in this area. Answer-Must be in 92570 zip code. It is not based on income, but just living in 92570 area.

##### 4.1b - Riverside County Parks Dept. /District [Parks updates] Shannon, Volunteer Services Coordinator and Mark, Senior Planner

- Adopt a Trail volunteers need in service area. A lot of projects planned for the fall.
- Box Spring trails plan that will effect the community. 23 miles of trails. New policies and visiting the community again for questionnaire to be completed.
- 4 awards won related to trails created

##### 4.2 - Riverside County Office on Aging [updates on senior scams/awareness programs] Laurie Sanchez

- Senior Scams which are mostly telemarketing Grandparents scam, IRS scams, take to jail for not attending jury duty scams. Don't give personal information. Make sure to shred all of your personal documents to avoid information stolen. Review credit card statements. Report Scams to the Police.
- Don't carry your social security card on you in case purse is stolen. Don't give out you social security.
- Register your landline and cell phone on the do not call list.

*Question:* In Spanish. Answer: Sometimes our own family members are guilty of elder abuse. Keep your checkbook protected. If a contractor comes to home offer service on your home, obtain 3 bids. A deposit to a contractor should not ask for more than 10% or \$1,000.

*Question:* In Spanish. Answer: Adult day care is no longer offered. It was State funded. When obtaining a care provider, run a background check on the person.

4.3 - CDBG – Economic Development Agency [updates on program/needs assessment] Sterlon Sims

- Citizen Participation Meeting for community feedback of the needs for the community
- The county received \$10,236,080 for CDBG allocation. Breakdown: CDBG \$7,731,823, Home \$1,854,915, and ESG \$649,342
- Projects completed in 1<sup>st</sup> District Community clean-up, Mead Valley community center, Mead Valley Library children's center flooring improvement, Home Enhancement program, Good Hope park and Road improvement
- Applications for the 2017-18 FY will be available online August 8, 2016 and due October 28, 2016.
- Only non-profits and government agencies may apply for funding

*Question*-Where can someone go for housing? Children married, finished college and looking for housing and getting a home? *Answer*-Housing Authority, First Time Home buyer program, and HUD website for housing.

*Question*-Where can you obtain an application for funding for our program? *Answer*: Application will be available online and you must be a non-profit.

*Question*: Why don't we receive in the mail a list about activities available by the city? *Answer*: community clean-ups are sent by Waste Management, information posted on the Bulletin Board of the Community Center and there is a Facebook page for Mead Valley Community.

4.4 - Election of Officers – [MAC Board to appoint new officers for 2016/2017 term]

- Paz Trevino, former Chair will rotate out
- Sterlon Sims, Secretary
- Ali Mazarei, moved to Chair
- Tania Avalos former Secretary resigned
- Rogelio Rawlins moved from Alt to Board Member
- Charles Romero moved to Alt 1
- Shade Awad, moved to new vice-chair

5.0 Public Comments: Those who wish to address the MAC should complete a "Request to Speak" form and give it to the Secretary, completed. Speakers wishing to address items on the agenda should note the agenda item on the speaker's slip and will be asked to speak at that time. Speakers have a 3-minute time limit.

- *Jerry Avila*- Congratulations to Supervisor Jefferies. I have in the community 16-17 years and no change until Mr. Jefferies. Other supervisors believe they are the owners of the County. Thank you Mr. Jefferies.
- *Maria Sunio*- I am the Zone Manager for the Library. Website [www.rivlib.net](http://www.rivlib.net)
- *Adam Tuckerman, Branch Manager of Mead Valley Library*- I have been in Mead Valley for one month and getting the feel for the community and staff. Community has a small town feel. Don't lose that. Come back to the library. Summer reading program for kids and teens. Congratulations, Supervisor Jefferies on your re-elections. Store permits. Come to the library for reading for prizes and end of July a celebration. 3-D Printer club begins July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 19<sup>th</sup> Bead Iron event,
- *Lincoln Cooper* –Congratulations Supervisor Jeffries on your re-election. We are open 7 days a week. A young man was homeless after his mother left him. We fed him. He went to Riverside Community for 2 years and today, Pedro will be attending University of Fresno. Pedro: one day I will have your job Supervisor Jefferies.

## 6.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' office

### 6.1A Supervisor Kevin Jeffries

- Supervisor Jeffries: Thank you Board Members. Members receive no pay and are community volunteers to listen and report to me or Tom. I will be speaking at the Town Hall next month. The county is in the red \$1.17 million per week. We are trying to preserve the essential services of fire, sheriff, code enforcement, animal control. Everything else we need to evaluate what is essential and what is not. Reason for financial state is the change in criminal justice system in CA.
- Estimated 10,000 per year early release from jail into the community
- New jail in the Desert
- Alternative sentencing. Jail is most expensive way to house someone
- Widening of Cajalco improvements
- Making Mead Valley a Business friendly community
- Neighborhood watch. Community help serve the community.

*Question: Has there been any discussion of how to increase revenue and decrease expenses? Answer: The Revenue is increasing with the purchases and sales of homes and increase property taxes. County spending is increasing. Expenses are going up faster than revenue. Proposal to create a department under one umbrella.*

### 6.1B Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) [Metrolink and Railway safety] Eliza Echevaaria Perez

- Eliza Echevarria Perez- Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC). Riverside County is 1 of 5 counties that make up Metrolink. 24 mile extension of rail, 4 stations, which taken 3 years to construct. Trains start along the I-215. Promotion ride advertisement offered for 2 free tickets. Railroad statistics: every 3 hours a person or vehicle is hit by a train in the U.S. 2013, 908 pedestrians were killed or injured on the tracks. See tracks, think train education.

### 6.1C Thomas Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries

- Clean up at Citrus Hills High School.
- Approval received to move clean-up to the Old Land field. November 3 will be next clean-up and flyers will be going out for this event.
- Code Enforcement Volunteers needed. Contact Lt. Chavez
- Friday Night Legal food vending at community center instead of illegal sale on the corners. Opportunity to receive approval from environmental health.

## 7.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member Comments

- Ali Mazarei: Thank you. Support Mead Valley Library. Donate books. Cooper, thank you for helping in the community.

## 8.0 Future Agenda Items

- No Comment

Date of proposed next Meeting, September 7th 2016 6pm @ Mead Valley Community Center

Adjournment time: 7:41pm

Attendance: 34