

MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
February 3rd, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
Rider Street, Mead Valley, CA 92570

MINUTES

0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call: Paz Trevino (Chairperson), Ali Mazarei (Vice-Chairperson), Rogelio Rawlins and Charles Romero (Alt) -- Present; Tania Garcia (Secretary), Shade Awad (Member) -- Absent (excused)

2.0 Approval of Minutes: January 6th, 2016

3.0 Public Safety Updates:

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department:

- Deputy Thomas: Burglaries up by 40%. Vehicle thefts are up as well. Calls are being received about music in the area late at night. There is an ordinance on this, a flyer will be brought on the next meeting and I will talk about this more. Just give us a call on the music and if it is too loud they can be cited. If there are any suspicious vehicles in the area, please give us call. If someone is having a party and is over 100 people, you have to get a permit from the county. This permit takes about 90 days. If there is going to be alcohol, you have to go to get a permit for that as well.
 - Charles Romero: Have you caught the guy that was involved in the shooting of the Perris restaurant? *Answer*-No, this is still under investigation.

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department-(Station 59):

- Capt. Shawn Arnold: Calls for January 2016-108 medical aids, 7 traffic collision, 5 fires, 27 miscellaneous with a total of 147 calls
- Frost advisory make sure heaters are well maintained and smoke detectors are tested monthly.
- Resident: I received an invoice on the vegetation in my property. My question is what danger does the vegetation pose since we have cold/wet weather now. *Answer*-Vegetation is still considered a hazard no matter the weather.

3.3 Code Enforcement Department:

- Officer Donna Payne: We went out with environmental health and the Sheriff's Dept. and confiscated shrimps and meat from street vendors. We are going to be working on the weekends to get this situation handled. I have some vending flyers. Spade and neuter flyers are up; this service is free so take advantage.
 - Resident: I understand that Mr. Jeffries wanted to allow food trucks, maybe an ordinance. Doing this would help with this situation. People just want to make their own business. The government should help with this

and not destroy people's initiative. *Response*-There is no ordinance on this yet.

- Homeless: This is becoming an issue and we are working on this. Problem is that we are just following them around. They move from area to area.

4.0 New Business:

4.1 Riverside County Parks Dept. (center updates):

- Also brought spade and neuter flyers.
- 1st free clothing event: thinking of doing this again in June but this depends on the donations that we get.
- Community Market Feb 13th: We will continue to have on the 2nd Saturday of every on the from 8am -2pm. It is \$10 for 2 parking spaces.
- Senior Center: started computer classes at 1pm. Senior trips to Price is Right and Dr. Phil. Mardi Gras event on the 17th. Zumba for seniors on Tuesday mornings 10am. Regular Zumba classes are offered Mon.-Fri. from 8-9am (free classes).

4.2 Office of Aging: Anna Martinez, Director

- I have been in this position for 3 weeks now and still getting acclimated with the community. Today we did some strategic planning with the goal of enhancing our services. We want to make our services more accessible and having more community outreach.
- I have been for Riverside County for 30 years and have been in Social Services for 30 years as well. I was a former assistant Director of Services for Social Services who administer the Cal Work programs and food stamps. Prior to that I was the executive director of Home Supportive Services Public Authority here we provided services to senior population, people with disabilities and their caregivers. I am very excited to be the new Director here and like I said trying to make positive changes.
- There has been a change we have a new food vendor coming in at the end of the month. This company delivers meals to other sites in our county. They are high quality meals that meet the required guidelines. There will be no interruption in services. We have brought a handout that explains the change and make the change more transparent to you.
- Resident: Once I had to call the cops twice because my neighbor, a senior citizen, was being yelled at. Nothing was done. You guys should set up something in which seniors are checked up on for any abuse. *Response*-If you believe there is a problem and call the police they will report it to social services. Then social workers will investigate the claim. Unfortunately, we don't have enough social workers to make regular visits but visits are made to senior homes.

5.0 Public Comments:

- Resident: Like mentioned before I received an invoice for the vegetation on my property. I did not receive a notice prior to this which would have allowed me to take care of the problem. And if we are making property owners deal with this why not have clear up the streets of this as well. Do not just go after property owners to get revenue.
- Bryan Andrews: Concerned Family

- We are here to help the low income families with free meals and clothes. We would really love to expand and help the community more. Donations are greatly appreciated.
- Elsa Fitzgerald: Director of Operations for Smooth Transition
 - Serving seniors here was wonderful. It was a learning curve. I wanted to let you know we are not going anywhere. We are just going to refocus and re-shift services. The café will still be open. I want to publicly thank my seniors for everything.
- Maricela Martinez: The money is for the people and the government is there to only administer it. There needs to be more money coming back to the people. People that go to work every day get money taken out of their paychecks with the promise that there will be a return. By the end of it they are told well things did not go as well and they are left without money. Where is the government there to help? This a clear example, that the government is not doing things correctly. The money is for the people and representatives seemed to have forgotten this point.
- Pepe Del Rio: I have a job for Deputy Thomas. If you could go down to Perris Blvd. there is a tarp there. You have to go about 10ft. towards the road to get clearance from both sides because of that tarp. Would you look into that?
- Yolanda Williams: Welcome to Mead Valley tower. Just the Charles Meigs sign I will stay on you with this. I would like to thank Smooth Transitions for your professionals, courtesy, and for the meal that you prepared for the seniors. We finally went from point A to pint Z and I thank you very much. We are glad that you are moving forward. I would also like to thank Ms. Beth from Parks and Rec. for everything they are doing for the seniors. Now that they we are having changes we would like to utilize the kitchen for special events and securing this banquet room for upcoming events. So please, I will make myself available to your schedule. Buffalo Soldiers kicking of Black history month this Saturday at steak house.
- John Byrns: Outdated trailers does not help bring residents home values down. Code Enforcement should be looked into concerning this. We have had a lot crime at the Circle K. We have a public concern safety issue that needs to be addressed. The funding needs to come back into the area. Code officers are afraid of being laid off because of budget cuts.

6.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' Office:

6.1 Thomas Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries

- Robin Reid handles all of our homeless, senior, medical health, and public health issues. So if you have questions concerning this talk to her now or call our office.
- Thanks to the departments for coming out.
- Illegal Food Vending: You guys vouched for the sweeps and now you are getting them. The problem is once they hit one place the word is going to travel and everybody is going to take off. There will be weekend patrols now.
- Food trucks ordinance: This passed a year and a half ago. You have to go to the county and get your permit.
- Speed feedback sign: On Cajalco and El Sobrante
- Business Registration: If you have a small business and you register online make sure that you select what business.
- 91 closure closed for entire weekend

- Smooth Transitions thank you so much for everything.
- We are working on the Welcome to Mead Valley tower. I have a meeting at the end of this month with the assistant director of AT&T.
- Mobile home: If you want to put a mobile home on a property you can come to county and get a permit for septic, electricity, etc. You do not come to the county for what the mobile home looks like. This is controlled by HCD, a state organization.
- Funding: A year now since Supervisor Jeffries, along with other Supervisors, did an overlay zone. So what we do now is a percentage that is generated here stays here in Mead Valley. It is not a lot now because we do not have a lot that generates but we will have the new hotel, Farmer Boys, Starbucks, warehousing that will generate funds. Development fees we are working on lowering them.
- Everybody is asking for more sheriffs, fire fighters. We do not want to increase taxes. So we have to come with a plan, part of the plan can involve the new developments coming in.
- Questions:
 - Resident: If this place cost so much, why not have a Perris Substation here for the Sheriff's Department? *Answer*-That would be a great. It comes down to money and personnel.

7.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member Comments:

- Charles Romero: I would like to thank Lauren our librarian. She is being transferred to Nevada and we want to wish her luck.
- Rogelio Rawlins: No comment
- Ali Mazarie: No comment
- Paz Trevino: No comment

8.0 Future Agenda Items:

- Owner of 76

Date of proposed next Meeting, March 2nd, 2016 6pm @ Mead Valley Community Center

Adjournment Time: 7:00pm

Attendance: