

MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

May 4, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Rider Street, Mead Valley, CA 92570

MINUTES

0.0 Call to Order: 6:01 pm, Pledge of Allegiance

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

2.0 Approval of Minutes: April 6th, 2016-Motioned by Mazarei and Approved by Rawlins

3.0 Public Safety Updates:

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department:

- Property crime is up overall by 5% in the valley.
- Increase in burglaries and decrease in assaults.
- Arrests are up so please be aware of your surroundings, again if you see anything suspicious please give me a call to 951-210-1128. If it is an emergency call 911.
- Vehicle crime is up as well. Please make sure you keep your cars locked and do not leave valuables in the car visible to thieves such as purses, cell phones etc.
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3.2 Riverside County Fire Department-(Station 59): Capt. Shawn Arnold

- On an emergency call.

3.3 Code Enforcement Department: Officer Donna Payne

- Working weekends, illegal vending seems to be slowing down.
- Graffiti issues are being addressed by our graffiti team.
- Homeless Camp on Oakwood & Carroll, we are working on it with Sheriff, and the Homeless Outreach Team.
- If you have any further concerns and/or questions please contact our office at 951-776-3233.

Question – What is being done about trash on vacant lots? Answer – We are working on that with the property owners, Officer Gregorio is handling those calls, if you have any specific questions about certain lots, I can have Officer Gregorio call you back.

Question – What exactly is your role as Code Enforcement? Answer – we enforce all land use regulations and make sure that there are no health safety items in regards to building standards, illegal vending, and permitting processes.

4.0 New Business:

4.1 Riverside County Parks Dept.: Center Updates, Beth Muscial

- We are going to have a play for kids age 5-12 for Alice in Wonderland, please make sure you take a flyer and stop by.
- Senior potluck is coming up as well, please stop by
- CHHS will be partnering with our Seniors to take portrait pictures
- Line Dancing is happening on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1pm
- Community market is going strong as well, it's only \$10 to participate
- June 14th will be our clothing giveaway event too.

4.2 Riverside County Transportation Dept.: Patty Romo, Assistance Director

- Cajalco widening project is underway from I215 to I15 in Corona
- Environmental process will be a long and tedious one for this corridor
- Portions will be six lanes wide and others will be four lanes wide with center median and turn pockets as well as turn outs for bus stops.
- \$150 Million dollars for this project, expected expense as of right now.
- Applied for Safety Grant last year and we were approved to widen between Clark and Day street with a center lane, as well as a light at Day street. Light at Clark will also be improved, construction is expected to start in 2017

Question – Will there be a sound wall installed on Cajalco by Wood? Answer – We will need to check the modeling to see what the decibel level will be in that area.

Question – What path will the project take? It was said that it would go along El Sobrante to La Sierra? Answer – No, the project will be going south on Cajalco and not north of Lake Mathews.

Comment – I just want to thank Mr. Juan Perez and his department for the great working they are doing in our valley. Please let Mr. Perez know that he is doing a great job.

5.0 Public Comments:

- *Erika Gonzales* – I'm a Mead Valley resident, born here, and left the valley to go to college to become an urban planner. I completely understand the frustrations of our residents for this new project with six lanes. We should be investing in social mobility and more public transportation. Widening the road does not properly address the problem we have of traffic. I think we should also start a non-profit for our community too. Why do we not have one, I'd like to start one if you will help me to create one for our community.
- *Jerry Avila* – Want to thank the guys from Farmers Boys for coming to our community, what happen to the hotel though?

- *Lincoln Cooper* – I wanted to take a moment to thank one of our young men who was homeless and went to college and is now graduating from RCC college, this was two weeks ago. He was accepted to the University of Arizona.
- We are working with the County of Riverside to assist with the homeless and provide for the community.
- We are having a fund drive and need money to help keep our organization going, please stop by and help us with a much needed donation.
- We are offering events for our local kids, karate, kick boxing, and MMA.
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6.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' Office:

6.1 Thomas Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries

- Illegal Food Vending is down, thanks to Code Enforcement for their stepped up weekend presence.
- We are waiting on Parks Dept. to install the speed bumps (3) in front of the center, plus the gates to the parking lot as well, hopefully soon.
- Hunter Street paving is still in process, we are waiting for the new fiscal year to begin the second half of the project.
- New street sign was installed at Verda & Hunter, the one there had gone missing.
- Metrolink is scheduled to start on June 1st 2016, stay tuned for more information about the start date.
- Farmer Boys project is still moving forward, they are simply needing a final approval on their monument sign to complete the project.
- New Code Director is Al Brady, he takes the spot of Greg Flannery who retired. Al comes to us from the city of Moreno Valley and has been in Code Enforcement for over 25 years.
- Community Clean Up is May 21st at Tomas Rivera Middle School, make sure you don't miss this event!! It's from 8am-12pm. See you there.
- MAC Board will be dark in June, we'll see everyone back here in July!
- Thanks to WMI for the cupcakes and coffee tonight too!

7.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member Comments:

- Charles Romero: Thank you everyone for coming. Happy 4th of July to you! Remember the veterans.
- Ali Mazarei: Thank you for coming
- Shade Awad: See everyone in July.

8.0 Future Agenda Items:

- Office on Aging
- CHP

Date of proposed next Meeting, May 4th, 2016 6pm @ Mead Valley Community Center

Adjournment Time: 7:24pm

Attendance: 36