

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

March 4th at 6:00pm, Thursday
MOSES-SCHAFFER COMMUNITY CENTER
21565 Steele Peak Drive, Perris, Ca 92570

APPROVED MINUTES

0.0 CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at by Vice Chair, Giovanni Aguilar at 6:04 p.m., Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0 Roll Call: Victoria Bella (Chair)-Absent, Giovanni Aguilar (Vice Chair), Maha Harb (Secretary), Willie Moses- Absent, Faviola Briseno-Absent, Jesse Rojas (Alternate)- Absent, Shepard Bielec (Alternate).

2.0 Approval of Minutes: Nov. 4th, 2021- Maha Harb (moved), Shepard Bielec (seconded); Vote unanimous to approve.

3.0 Public Safety Updates

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department- Capt. Matthew Sims/ Lt. Donovan Brooks:

Hello I'm Deputy Thomas. I will go over some stats for the last three months for this area. In December we had no homicide, no arson, we had 3 assaults, 4 burglaries, 2 thefts, no rapes, no robberies and 1 vehicle theft, 9 felony arrests, 2 misdemeanor arrests. In January we have no homicide, no arson, 2 assaults, no rapes, 4 vehicle arrests, 3 burglaries, 3 thefts, 2 vandalism, and 35 calls for disturbing the peace. In February we have no homicide, no arsons, no rapes, 2 assaults, no robberies, 9 felony arrests, no vandalism, 19 disturbing the peace.

My team we patrol the area. If you have questions, please ask me so I can answer your questions.

Eric Larson: How is everyone doing here compared to the previous years?

The area is very quiet and we are getting good help here. Also, people are respecting and everything is going well.

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department-Fire Station #9: Absent

3.3 Code Enforcement Office- Jamison Cole (District Supervisor): Absent

4.0 New Business:

4.1 – Community Center Updates – Veronica Rivera, Restoration Agape [classes & upcoming events]

Hello, good evening. Thank you for coming tonight. We have our monitors tonight. Our seniors love them. Christmas event was a success. We wanted to thank the Perris Police Station. They assisted us with water and bingo gifts for bingo. We also have 2-3 staff to help with the programs. We have experienced cold weather this year so community members come to the center. Monday – Friday we provide meals at 12:00 p.m. We also have an Easter event. We encourage the community to come and join us.

4.2 – Assessor County Clerk Recorder – Peter Aldana [ACR Updates & Programs]

I'm your assessor County. This is our first time coming out to the community. We are here to know what we can do for you. We want to hear your concerns and hear what we can do better for you. Also, have our staff to come out and work for you; we value the tax property in your area. If you have questions about tax bills please ask us, that's what we do. Also issue marriage licenses, fictitious names, etc. My intention is to come and talk to you and see if you have any questions.

4.3 – Cannabis Retail at C21 – Sean St. Peter & Lisa Cohen [new commercial cannabis retail project on north of Highway 74, east of Mountain Avenue]

I am Lisa Cohen; it is a pleasure to be here. I am a senior executive vice president of our company SDRC. I'm here to tell you about our great project that is coming to the community. The project is going to be off of Mountain Avenue. This project is owned by a couple husband and wife. They don't let anyone in under the age of 21. 50,000 taxes will be going to the county and 50,000 to the local employee benefit account. There will be 15 to 20 employees, salaries start at \$15. It will be opened 7 days a week. There will be a security guard. Their profit is 30,000,000 a year and they put back in the community and new locations. We have a Riverside location coming in the Fall, and more in the future.

Eric Larson: We have had 3 fatal accidents on the 74 within the last 62 days. I am wondering if your facility is going to be at a controlled intersection?

A: We are going to make the entrance off of Mountain Avenue, so it leads to less accidents.

Raina: 50,000 a year goes to the County, who decides how it is distributed?

A: The county decides. If it is in the area, it will be distributed in the area. We have to be open first, but the location will help the area blossom.

4.4 – Animal Services – Joshua Sisler – Commander of Field Services [department updates]

Good evening, I am Josh Sisler. I am newly promoted and I felt it is necessary to introduce myself to you. I have been in the department for 33 years. I am familiar with this area I worked in the field. After that I have been in the office.

We also have some statistics. I want to introduce lieutenant Stevens. I am from the Western Jurupa Valley office. We impounded. 106 initial calls for service. In January-2022 we had 146 activities. February, we got 109 activities. Close to here we had a rooster fight. June 4th is a spade and neutered event in the area.

Q: Is there any bird flu, New Castle?

A: No, not that I know of.

Q: Do you need a permit to own a camel?

A: No, you don't need to have a camel through our department.

4.5 – Riverside County Office of Economic Development – Leni Zarate [EIFD]:

Hello everyone, My name is Leni Zarate. I am with the office of Economic Development. The planning department is drafting a community plan for the six mile long portion between Elsinore and City of Perris. It was approved by the board level to approve sewer. The county believes it can lead to growth in the area. We can do this through the tax increment financing tool. What does tax increment district do? It can finance any public improvement that can lead to property increase and community growth. This is not a new tax; it will not increase any fees. What can we finance? Road ways, public safety issues, etc. An enhanced infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) was approved in 2014. We want to mimic it here. The formation process is almost a year long because it requires community input.

This authority is made up of 2 community members. This plan outlines how the improvements it will take. The supervisors have to approve. I don't see people protesting. Your taxes that you are paying through the EIFD it will be given back to

the area. We are studying the area. We know we want to increase along the highway 74. We want to have a public outreach campaign to notify the people when the meetings are. There will be four financing. We will provide the financial study and it will be sent to the people living in the area. This concludes my presentation. This is not creating a fee, or increasing your taxes.

Jackie: What is the different now and the old development agencies that doesn't exist?

A: The government created the EIFD law. It is the same concept to use increment from taxes from the area to be spent back in the area.

Jackie: The increment from this area will come back to this area?

A: Yes

Eric: Is this out of Sacramento?

A: Sacramento realized it's a new mechanism to help the area. It's a new economic tool to help growth in the future. We are working with transportation. As for signage I will take it back to the county.

5.0 Public Comments:

The following was written and presented by Jackie McDonald:

James was supposed to be here but he wasn't able to make it.

I love this center and I love coming here. I always come with complaints- I'm sorry. I have been a citizen of this community for the last 34 years.

1. We are not yet at war.
2. Thank you to the county for fixing the sign on the wall outside.
3. Bingo is played 2 times a week. There is still a problem with prizes. Pictures were taken of prizes seniors were used to playing for and shown to Center Personnel- so far nothing close except what seniors bring in for prizes.
4. We were told we could not put a picture of Mrs. Moses and the Schaffers inside the center. Why not? If it wasn't for those people this place wouldn't exist.
5. Unlike Mead Valley or Perris Centers there are no activities, scheduled or planned for seniors here! (Except Bingo and Zumba).
6. There are no programs for our community- Nothing for kids, teens, and adults.
7. Pool table and game table has been donated to the center- but we were told they couldn't be inside because of center rentals (which the center does not share in the proceeds).
8. We need Coaches- basketball, soccer- Center directors need to put out a call to the community for volunteers.

9. Restoration Agape failed to renew with Feeding America and Good hope residents are not receiving those food packages once a month. We go to mead Valley.

Paperwork should have been done before January. James is not here. Thank you, Blanca. She is here by herself.

10. Of the money paid to Restoration Agape- When will some of it be spent on the people of the community.

6.0 Legislative Reports:

6.1 Field Representative for Assemblyman Kelly Seyarto -Absent

7.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member Comments-

Giovanny Aguilar: Please fill out the MAC Meeting Speaker Slip that you can find on the table at the entrance of the center if you want to speak. Also, please state you name if you have a question.

Maha: I was notified by some of the community members they did not know the meeting last month was cancelled and they came to the center. Is there a way to notify them other than through e-mails, since not everyone uses emails?

Shephard: No comment

Community Member: Please let people know about what is going on in the center. Please use your words, hands and everything available to let people know.

Hashish: All the events are on the calendar and the meeting as well. You come during the beginning of the month you will find the information you need.

8.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jefferies' Office

8.1 Hashish R. Winstead, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries

Thank you for coming here tonight. Something that makes me happy that we celebrated Mrs. Moses 100 birthday (February 18th). Supervisor Kevin Jefferies wrote an article about her on the first page what a great leader Mrs. Moses is in Jefferies Journal. Let me go over Jackie's list. The sign is repaired. In regards to talk about the programs. We sat down and had an opportunity to talk about all the concerns, you

didn't attend the meeting. Please communicate with Giovanni, Blanca, and Victoria. They are doing a great job.

Jackie: Can I have the minutes or get the information needed; it will make me so happy.

Hashish: There was no minutes because it wasn't an official meeting. You can meet with Giovanni and get information you need. You don't know what is going on behind the scene. We are supporting Giovanni.

I want to say about Feed America they stopped the program, not us. They thought it was easy to go to Mead Valley. I asked Giovanni to reapply again. We submitted the paperwork. We have been going back and forth with e-mails since last year. They told us to submit application. They stopped the program. It has nothing with Giovanni or Restoration Agape.

Giovanni: We have been going back and forth with them. They told us to apply again this week. We are going to reapply again.

Maria: The only person that is here is Blanca, and she is the only one here. I have never seen anyone else. We stay here so she is not by herself until she closes. We have fear for her to be by herself.

Hashish: Anyone is welcome to come and volunteer. It is the same in Mead Valley. Giovanni will work on it to decide if he needs to work another person.

About the picture I asked James to bring the picture on her birthday but James didn't bring it. Programs goes back to the operator of the community center.

Giovanni: I called some coaches and they are hesitant to come because of COVID. We have an amazing team. Give me the time to find the coaches when they are comfortable.

Resident: we need to know the events that are taking place.

Jackie: The events are wrong.

Hashish: You can talk to Giovanni about that.

District one will have the city of Perris. Lake Elsinore, Wildomar, etc. The 2024 election and that is when Supervisor Jefferies will be retiring.

Hashish: Any questions for me?

Dan gave his time to the community. We want to honor Dan for everything he did for this community.

Jackie: I appreciate this, thank you.

9.0 Future Agenda Items

Date of proposed next meeting, May 5th, 2022 at 6pm @ Moses-Schaffer Community Center

Adjournment: Maha Harb moved, Giovanni Aguilar seconded, vote unanimous

Meeting adjourned: 7:10 pm, Attendance: 31