

MEAD VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

January 4, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

MEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
21091 Rider Street, Mead Valley, Ca. 92570

MINUTES

Approved Minutes

- 0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance lead by Charles Romero
- 1.0 Roll Call: Veronica Valencia (Chairperson) present, Sterlon Simms (Vice Chairperson) present, Paz Trevino (Secretary) present, Alejandro Cobian excused, Alfredo Rivera excused, Charles Romero (Alt#1) present. Jon DeFries (Alt#2) excused
- 2.0 Approval of Minutes: Motion by: Paz Trevino, seconded by: Sterlon Simms
- 3.0 Public Safety Updates
- 3.1 Riverside County Sheriff Dept. Dep Thomas speaking
- November Stats: 682 calls 15 arrests
 - December Stats: 720 calls 16 arrests
 - Thefts are increasing, lock doors, be vigilant
- 3.2 Riverside County Fire station #59 Capt. Shawn Butler speaking
- November Stats: 235 calls for service
 - December Stats: 237 calls for service
 - 2071 calls for service for 2022
 - Burn ban has been lifted but still require permits to burn
 - New fire engine has been received and in service
- 3.3 Riverside County Code Enforcement- Supervisor Jamison Cole speaking
- Stats: 277 open cases
 - There has been an increase in illegal commercial truck storage yards
 - Truck parking is only allowed on property if the property owner uses the truck for a living
- 3.4 Riverside County Animal Services- Sgt Jason Sanders speaking
- Stats: 191 calls, 26 citations, 42 dead animals recovered, 93 Impounds
 - 3 animal cruelty cases involving horses
 - Direct line for Sgt. Sander (951)358-7605
- 3.5 EMD Jennifer Ramirez and Hector Palomares speaking
- Public comments open until March
 - Concerns about service area
 - 8hr cert class next month at community center free of charge
 - Cert attendees will get training and free kit to take home
- 3.6 Community and Senior Center updates by Maggie Nunez from the Grove
- 350 people attended Thanksgiving dinner
 - 2760 Senior boxes given out
 - Festival of Lights had a great turnout
- 3.7 Mead Valley Library- Karen Snyder (excused)
- 4.0 New Business
- 4.1 Val Verde School District-Superintendent Michael R. McCormick Speaking
- Superintendent McCormick has 26 years serving district, 8 years as Superintendent

- \$10 million in modernization for school district
- Citrus Hill just received \$1 million for Farm project
- Kids are raising sheep, goats and training dogs under farm project
- Green house project capable of producing 400 heads of lettuce per week
- New laundromat project to be completed shortly with new commercial equipment
- AASA recognized schools in District
- Schools recognized in music education and performing arts
- 13 schools received platinum status in 2022
- Half Billion in college funds go unclaimed, District helping students apply for funds
- Investing 5 million in broadband to get students internet access for free
- Lap top programs ensures students have a computer during 4 years of high school and can purchase for \$10 upon graduating to take to college.
- Dental programs have helped students stay healthy
- 32 district security officers provide safety
- Narcan available at all schools
- Active shooter training prepares kids and staff for the unthinkable
- Door viewers for classes with no windows help ascertain threats
- 17 mental health therapists available to assist students
- 155 reading tutors have been hired
- Drone programs and 44 other different career programs keep kids up to date and competitive

4.2 Riverside University Health System – Blue Zone program

- Blue Zone program helps people take control of their health outcome-life expectancy
- Blue Zones are areas where people live over 100 years of age
- The goal is to establish practices in Riverside County that allow people to achieve maximin health benefits
- 9 things that allow people to live longer fuller lives
 - Commonality
 - Natural movement
 - Purpose
 - Downshift, decompress, less stress
 - Poor diet, less meat
 - Drink wine, (moderately)
 - Obesity, stay a healthy size
 - Positive relationships
 - Sense of belonging
- Blue Zone focuses on Improving these 9 areas in a 20-mile radius of target zone
- Blue Zones work, results are measurable, savings in medical costs, drop in smoking, longer lives
- Goal is to make Healthier Choices a normal way of life
- Meeting on the 30th at the community center.

5.0 Public Comments

- Gerardo Avila- concerns, tanker trucks on Markham, ATV's on roads, trash buildup in front of people's homes, lack of retail centers in Mead Valley

- Yolonda Williams- Tankers on Markham, Senior room issues, Sheriff's burrito breakfast event, Teen activities at community center? Mead Valley Park project by Hillwood, Homelessness problem and resolutions, Lack of retail centers in Mead Valley, Black history celebration, Affordable Housing/Apartments in Mead Valley
- Maricela Martinez-comments on leaving Mead Valley rural and applying improvements funds to fund hospitals and police
- Ronald Fisher- Concerns with Big Rig truck traffic on Markham

6.0 Mead Valley MAC Board Member comments

- Veronica Valencia- Thanks for attending meeting and gives condolences to Riverside County Sheriff's department for their tragic loss
- Sterlon Simms- shows support and advises public to give support to Blue Zone program
- Charles Romero- Support the Library-1800 kids utilized its services

7.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries Office

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

- Special thanks to Superintendent McCormick for his great work with the district
- Addressed Gerardo Avila's concerns with abandoned vehicles
- Addressed hopeless homeless issues as stated in Jeffries Journal
- Addressed Markham truck traffic concerns from public comments
- Addressed Maricela Martinez's concerns about re-directing fund, states that public improvement projects are going forward and are also for public safety
- 3 way stop at Old Elsinore and Clark
- Addressed Retail Center concerns, Alabassi project still in the works and one other retail project abandoned due to land procurement issues.
- Mead Valley Park project still in review
- New District 1 boundaries now in effect
- 5 free spay and neuter clinics beginning 2/16 future dates: to be determined

8.0 Future Agenda Items

- CHP
- Transportation
- Dept. of Labor
- Post Office

Adjournment time: 7:47pm Attendance: 24