

GOOD HOPE/ MEADOWBROOK

MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

MARCH 3, 2016 6PM, THURSDAY

MOSES-SCHAFFER COMMUNITY CENTER

21565 STEELE PEAK DRIVE, GOOD HOPE

0.0 CALL TO ORDER –Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Chair, Carlos Lara. Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0 Roll Call – Carlos Lara (Chair), Diana Martin (Vice-Chair), Jackie McDonald (Secretary), Willie Moses, Giovanny Aguilar (Alternate) - Present, Rogelio Sesmas - absent.

2.0 Approval of Minutes – Diana Martin moved, Mrs. Moses seconded: approval unanimous.

3.0 Public Safety Updates

3.1 Riverside County Sheriff's Department – Sgt. Joaquin Casanas – 28 year veteran February stats were unavailable, Sgt Casanas was available to answer questions, however none were forthcoming.

3.2 Riverside County Fire Department – Capt. Steve De la Hoya – Stats for February: 63 total calls, 49 medical, 4 wild fires, 3 false alarms, 3 traffic, 1 public service assistance, and 3 miscellaneous. Reminder: unusually warm February, rain is coming this weekend (3/5 – 3/6). We have sand and sandbags, up to 20 bags per household. There was a tumbleweed fire on Post Road. It is time to clear weeds. Start weed abatement now. There should be a 30' clearance around all structures. Burn permits for tumbleweeds only are being issued and must be coordinated with the AQMD. A question was asked about the time of the meeting (6:30). The MAC meeting starts at 6:00pm and the workshop for the Hwy 74 Business Corridor starts at 6:30pm.

3.3 Code Enforcement – Senior Officer Brian Bealer – Last month’s focus was El Nino. Rain is expected this weekend (3/5 – 3/6). A reminder to clean the blue line streams. Equipment has been in the area helping to get the waterways clear of debris to make sure the water flows through. We’ve been dealing with illegal vendors for the last 4 weekends and have been impounding their merchandise. Food stands are not permitted. DO NOT PATRONIZE. *Question: What is the County doing about flooding?* Answer: That was an unusual event and there’s been work done to try to prevent the flooding, although there probably will be some flooding. Hwy 74 resident is dissatisfied with the workers and the work being done. Brian will take his address and have someone get in touch *Question: What about the homeless camping out in the rocks?* That’s city, however we’ll look into it and we’ll deal with what’s in the county area and refer to the city if it’s city area. Additional questions from Hwy 74 residents re: flooding and the start time of the meeting concerning the Highway 74 workshop.

4.0 New Business

4.1 Riverside County Parks Dept. /District [Center/Park updates] – Matt Moore, Recreational Supervisor for County Parks Dept. Stephanie Morales has been promoted to full time Park Attendant. We are asking people to take a survey next month to determine how to better serve the community. **Stephanie** - Thank you all for attending, reminder we serve senior lunches daily 12noon until 1pm, please call the day before to reserve a lunch. There’s a Cardio Class daily from 9:30am to 10:30am. Commodity distribution the Second Tuesday each month, from 10am until noon. The Book Mobile comes every Friday afternoon from 2pm until 4pm. The Center is available for rent for Special Occasions; we have a study room equipped with computers. We have sandbags on site and sand across the street. A senior trip to the Dr. Phil Show is planned for March 16th leaving here at 6am. We’ll be painting here March 7th – March 9th and we need volunteers to help. Lastly, we’ve received a grant from First Five for free swim lessons at the Drop Zone for children 5 and under, contact Stephanie for information.

5.0 Public Comments – **Mary Venerable** – Will be available next month (April) to discuss and answer questions about Public Transportation.

6.0 Legislative Reports

6.1 Field Representative for Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez – Jeff Pedersen -
unavailable

7.0 Report from Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' Office

7.1 Thomas C. Ketcham, Legislative Analyst to Supervisor Kevin Jeffries – First, reasons for this joint meeting was to give you information on the MAC which meets here the 1st Thursday each month at 6pm except June and December. The MAC covers a lot of issues and is a conduit to the County. “I (Tom) am your representative on behalf of Supervisor Kevin Jeffries in this community. Thank you all for coming out.” Spoke of the following: the need for Code Enforcement volunteers; Introduced Carolyn Anderson Corrao of Waste Management; Community cleanup March 26th across from Meadowbrook market; Jeffries Journal; Hwy 74 transfer: will make it easier for property owners on the highway to get permits, etc. because you won't have to go through the state; Post Road is now being paved. Question concerning the reason for the workshop, the explanation has to do with the fact that there are various zones on the highway with commercial next to residential net to high density. Community input is needed for the highway. Introduced Wendell Bugati, Jorge Caballero and Steve Weiss, Planning Director.

8.0 Good Hope/Meadowbrook MAC Board Member comments – Diana Martin – Jackie McDonald - Mrs. Moses – Carlos Lara – Giovanny Aguilar- Limited remarks due to the late start of the workshop. Jackie MacDonald asked for a repair of Hwy74 pothole and offered a quote by Sir Winston Churchill: “Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak. Courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.” All members thanked the audience for their attendance and invited them back for future meetings.

9.0 Future Agenda Items – Mary Venerable: Public Transportation

Date of proposed next meeting **April 7, 2016** 6pm @ Moses-Schaffer Community Center

Adjournment: Jackie McDonald moved, Diana Martin seconded, vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned 6:55pm. Attendance: 39 and others