

WOODCREST MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

February 9th 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Woodcrest Library

16625 Krameria Ave, Riverside, CA 92504

AGENDA

0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call: Sonya Alemdar (Chairperson), Bruce Rogers (Vice Chairperson), George Perez (Secretary) Absent, Michael Osmon, Larry Rubio Absent, Marc McLain (Alt #1), and Vacant (Alt #2)

2.0 Approval of Minutes: January 12th, 2023 Michael Osmon made the motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Bruce Rogers.

3.0 Riverside County District 2 Supervisor – Karen Spiegel Ms. Spiegel yield her time to Senator Seyarto so that he could give an update to the community. Karen introduced herself and her staff and provided some background about her background years as an elected official within Riverside County. She served for a number of years on the City Council for the City of Corona and also served as Mayor. This is her second term as a Board of Supervisor, She is learning a lot about the new district 2 communities. Karen addressed the City of Riverside usage tax that was added onto many Woodcrest Residence bills by mistake. This issue is supposed to be corrected on February's bill. Please check your bill and double check that you received a credit.

4.0 Community Updates (Invited)

4.1 – Congressman Calvert Staff Update Jet Benavides HR 241 ADA Access Act, HR 495 Reducing Environmental Barriers are a few bills introduced by Mr. Calvert. Mr. Calvert was sworn in as Chairman as the Defense Committee.

4.2 – Senator Seyarto Staff Update Kelly Seyarto was present at the meeting, He is on 9 committees this year, introducing 20 pieces of legislation this year some of them are the following, SB74 Veterans Hiring Benefits, SB 82 Veterans Property Tax Benefits, SB 243 Safe Gun Storage Tax Benefit- Sales tax exemption for safe gun storage items, SB 86 Crime Victims Resources, SB 367 Community Clean-up Dumping Fee Waiver. He addressed a few questions from the residences regarding So Cal Gas & Cal Trans. So Cal Gas is trying to work with the PUC and create a “rebate program”. Cal-Trans received an increase to their budget so that they can hire more people so that they can clean up the freeways.

4.3 – Assemblymember Essayli Staff Update Casey Diver was present on behalf of Assemblymember Essayli. He has been chosen to be the Vice- Chair for the Insurance and Judiciary Committee, Budget and Budget Sub-Committee for Transportation are a few of the Committees he is on for this year. AB 328 Firearm Sentencing enhancement reinstates the 10–20-year sentencing enhancement when a crime is committed with a firearm. AB595 Bodie's Law a press conference will be held in Corona; it would require a 72-hour notice on pet euthanasian.

4.4 – Riverside County Sheriff's Department – Deputy Thomas December 2022 291 calls for service, 3 arrests, January 305 calls for service, 2 arrests. 5 Burglaries, 4 Grand Thefts, Lt. Favaro is the new Lt. for Lake Mathews Station. They took the keys on January 12 and started working to the New Lake Mathews Station is set to open 3/1/2023. The new station phone number is 951-272-5600. Roughly 56 employees assigned to Lake Mathews Station. Roughly 130,000 residents that will be served by this station.

4.5 – Riverside County/CAL Fire Representatives Captain Ryan Byrd calls for service 1/12/2023- 2/9/2023. 5 false alarms, 71 medical aids, 3 other fires, 5 public service assists, 5 stand-bys, 3 traffic collisions and 1 vehicle fire. Weed Abatement Process is going to be starting soon. VB Fire still under investigation

4.6 – Code Enforcement – Jamison Cole/Sarah Rhodes- Not present, Rick Starbeck (SP?) 266 open cases in Woodcrest. Will look into the Construction on VB X Little Court.

4.7 – California Highway Patrol – CHP Representative Lt. Palmer addressed the illegal parking in the area. Feb. 15th Start Smart Class for new drivers and teen drivers.

4.8 – Riverside University Health System Staff Update- not present

4.9 – Riverside County Emergency Management Department – Priscilla Galván Survey for EMD “Local Emergency Management Hazard Plan” is going on right now please log on to the EMD website. and take the survey. Wanted to gauge the interest for Community EMD and Community CERT Trainings being offered. If there is an interest from residents.

4.10– Western Municipal Water District Staff Update- Gracie Torres was present and gave the following updates, Introduced Silvia, informed the community that we are still in a drought, water allocation went from 5% to 30% but the drought is still present. California Water for All Bill introduced, Gracie’s personal cell phone 951-970-8692 & gracietorres.wmwd@gmail.com if you need to get ahold of her.

5.0 New Business:

5.1 – Woodcrest Library Park Project Update – Erik Sydow

Plan include a walking trail, tot park, and 3 pickle ball courts. The community didn’t have any input on the park, Community asked for Western Themed Park structure, with a hitching post, basketball court or a pickleball/ multi-use court for basketball. Landscaping idea was to use some of the local ecology for the plant life This item is set to go on 2/28/2023 Board Agenda for the Bid, RFI period, ETA for construction is a Summer Start and completion in Spring of 2024. Erik is going to go back to the drawing board and try to incorporate some of the communities’ ideas and come back to the MAC meeting in March.

6.0 Public Comments: Connie, gave Library updates. Fit after 50, Garden Club starting again, and new Library App.

7.0 Woodcrest MAC Board Member Comments: Chairwoman Sonya Alemdar, stated that she didn’t know who Larry Rubio is, but at the January Meeting Mark McLain was voted to move up from Alternate to Board Member.

8.0 Future Agenda Items:

Date of proposed next meeting, March 9th 2023 @ 6pm @ Woodcrest Library

Adjournment time: 7:17 PM

APPROVED