

Woodcrest Municipal Advisory Council

September 9th, 2019 at 6PM

Sandals Church~ 17421 Van Buren Blvd. Woodcrest, 92504

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance, Derrick Anderson called meeting to order at 6:02PM.

2. Roll Call: Michael Osmon (Chairman), Derrick Anderson, Rose Calderon, Randy Redden, Lisa Alexen, George Perez (Alternate) & Sonya Alemdar (Alternate)

Derrick Anderson, Rose Calderon, Randy Redden, George Lopez, Lisa Alexen, & Sonya Alemdar were present, Chairman Michael Osmon informed the MAC members prior to the meeting that he had scheduling conflict and would be a few minutes tardy.

3. Approval of Minutes: July 18th, 2019

There were a couple corrections submitted by Derrick and Sonya, corrections were made and motion with corrections was approved.

4. Public Safety & Government Agency Updates:

4.1- Riverside County Sheriff's Department-

Deputy Thomas' desk number 951-210-1128. Captain Greg Fellows, Lt Mike Portillo, and Sgt. Vic Pierson in attendance. July 368 calls for service and 27 arrests August 349 calls for service and 8 arrests. In addition to the 2 separate saturation patrols that occurred in Woodcrest in July; #1- Friday 7/19 15 arrests made; #2-Sunday 7/27 45 arrests were made. In July, there were a couple of burglaries in Woodcrest; a Shipping Container was broken into and motorcycles and motorcycle parts and accessories were stolen. Dorry's Diner was burglarized. There have been many calls regarding Hibiscus House- 18410 Hibiscus, an arrest was made in connection to the shooting/attempted murder that occurred there. In August, a burglary occurred of Birchhill, Grand theft on Harley John, Homicide on Palms Road is still being investigated if you have any info please contact Homicide Investigators, a suspect has been identified. There has been an increase in Church Burglaries in Woodcrest and Mead Valley, unfortunately there is little info and no surveillance video so if you see something call it in. Sheriff Chad Bianco has created a Special Enforcement Team (SET Team) to work the RIVCO Unincorporated Areas; this was something that he spoke about creating while campaigning, it's great to see it move forward and become a reality. Captain Greg Fellows provided an update on the following items, Deputy Thomas is now working on the SET Team in our Unincorporated Areas. The SET team will be working on "Quality of Life Issues" affecting our community. The "SET" and "POP" teams will be in our area and will continue to put pressure on issues affecting our community. After the 2 Saturation Patrols there was a call analysis and there was either ZERO or VERY FEW part 1 crime. What is a part one crime??? A serious felony. So this proves that saturation patrols and additional pressure is working. Perris station has 13 deputies in the field training program, with an additional 1 having just completed the field training today. Our new Lt. Sam Morvich to take Lt. Ron Lawler's place (now retired from RSO). He should be at the next MAC Meeting, Lt Morvich used to work at the Perris Station was promoted from Perris SET team, transferred to the jails but he will be returning, Sam has a strong background in Problem Oriented Policing. Captain Fellows introduced Lt. Portillo & Sgt. Vic Pierson. Lt Portillo has been covering in Ron's absences, He is assigned to Patrol Operation and also handles the Contract City Patrol. Sgt. Vic Pierson has been spearheading the Saturation Patrols. The County ROVE team is back so if you see off-road vehicles, call it in. HOT= Homeless Outreach Team was relocated from Jurupa Valley Station to the Perris Station to assist with the homelessness issues in our community.

4.2- Riverside County Fire// CAL FIRE- Fire Station #8-

Out fighting a fire in Mead Valley.

4.3- California Highway Patrol- CHP Representative

CHP Officer Robles - Roadway Concerns from previous meeting Washington X Hermosa, Smith X Cajalco Rd, and Krameria, have received additional patrols and residents have seen improvements. Overweight Vehicles were cited off Washington and Victoria. The CHP will be continuing to send out their Commercial Enforcement Team to patrol our area. CHP stated that Commercial Trucks cannot traverse on Cajalco between 215 & 15 to avoid traffic on the freeway. Concerns of the truck traffic on Van Buren were also addressed, there is no ordinance prohibiting truck traffic on Van Buren. Concerns about Commercial Trucks parked in residential areas were voiced and there is a County Ordinance prohibiting Commercial Truck Parking on County Roads, if you see it, CHP asks for you to call it in. Woodcrest Elementary School traffic has also been a concern with blocking the right lane, they are working with the Principal to address the issue. 3AM Racing at Smith X Cajalco.

4.4- Transportation Land Management Agency

Michelle Cervantes CODE August update- 299 cases open in our area, 9 new cases, 45 cases closed. New officers have been hired. On 8/29 a seizure warrant was issued for 18410 Hibiscus House CODE # 951-955-2004.

4.5- Western Municipal Water District

Pam Pavella WMWD Rep. introduced the General Manager Craig Miller and Sarah Macdonald the new Director of Strategic Communications for WMWD.

4.6- Representative from Assemblywoman Melissa Melendez

Casey Diver gave updates regarding new legislation signed by Governor Gavin Newsom and passed Assembly Bills Senate Bills. AB5 Independent Contractor Reclassification Bill. AB 1482 Rent Control, adds restrictions to Property owners, puts a cap on rent increases. Limited to 7% increases. Will slow down new building projects. Melissa Melendez Townhall at Woodcrest Elementary, Thursday, October 10th, 2019 from 6:30-7:30PM.

5. New Business:

5.1- MAC Board Elections-

Lisa Alexan nominated Derrick Anderson as Chair and Sonya Alemdar nominated Rose Calderon as Chair. Rose declined due to her work schedule conflict, but she seconded Derrick as Chair. Sonya nominated Rose as Vice-Chair. Michael seconded Rose as Vice-Chair. Lisa nominated Sonya as Secretary, Derrick seconded Sonya as Secretary.

5.2- City of Riverside Public Works & Planning Staff-

Gill Hernandez- City of Riverside Public Works Department.

Recently completed project the small portion of the Van Buren Sewer Project (from Little Court to Gamble Ave. for the Mike Sagheanian's Commercial Development). Another recently completed project was Slurry Seal in the JFK Elementary Neighborhood. Studies show that if you invest \$1 in maintenance of streets it saves you \$10 in the reconstruction of the streets and curbs. Money well spent. Public Works receive 5 million in addition to their general funds to repave roads. City of Riverside General Plan revision will be beginning soon and Woodcrest is in "the City of Riverside Sphere of Influence". Bids for a Consultant for the City of Riverside General Plan is expected to go on for the next 60 days. New Proposed Residential Development (PRD) 90 higher density lots & 2 private parks were approved in 6/2019. Located off of Wood Rd and Lurin, development will be on both sides of Wood Rd. This development will be similar to the Lennar project off of Grove Community Rd. A Denny's Restaurant is being planned for the corner of Van Buren and Dauchy. Another Carwash on Van Buren, WashBank Carwash located by Santi's Fountains to be constructed if approved by Planning Commission because it requires a CUP (conditional use permit). Discussion of initial plans for a signalized secondary entrance for MLK High School of Van Buren. Currently, under construction projects are as follows; Wood Road Sewer project (from JFK to Van Buren) the upsizing of pipe, to get ready for the Van Buren Sewer Expansion into County of Riverside Unincorporated areas. A Taco Bell on the corner of Van Buren and Alta Cresta. Email City Planning department to be included to the list for noticing regarding Ward 4 development and City of Riverside General Plan Planning.

5.3- Riverside County Deputy Director for Transportation, Mojahed Salama- Cajalco Rd update

Patty Romo was in attendance instead of Mojahed Salama. Cajalco Technical Studies are about done for the EIR (environmental impact report) for the Cajalco widening project from 2 to 4 lanes between 215 and the 15. Currently estimated at about \$500 million dollars. Traffic Engineers monitored and discovered that between Brown Street and Day Street is the most problematic area, A Federal grant was obtained, A continuous left hand turn lane will be constructed, widen the shoulders, widen the bus turn outs, improve the intersections at Clark, Brown, and Day Street, to help increase safety in this area. Adding a sidewalk on Clark so that people can walk to the Mead Valley Library & Mead Valley Community Center. Estimated construction to being Early 2020.

5.4- Western Municipal Water District Presentation- "Securing Your Water Supply"

Craig Miller presented the "Securing Your Water Supply". This presentation informed the public about what WMWD does, the changes they have made, and what to expect in the future. WMWD provides service to 1 million people. 25,000 direct customer connections. WMWD has now 40% of local water opposed to 10 years ago when WMWD was 100% MET water. Currently, it costs about \$1k per an acre foot of MET water. Estimated costs 47% Purchased water = \$19 million dollars, 41% Operations= \$17 million dollars, 5% assets replacement = \$1.8 million, and 3% Purchase Energy. 4,505 Water Tests performed per year. WMWD 65th Anniversary OPEN HOUSE, 11/16/2019 from 11am-3pm at 14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside CA 92518

6. Public Comments:

There were no public comment requests this meeting, there were questions and statements made by the public during the presentations.

7. Woodcrest MAC Member Comments:

Sonya and Michael requested an update from Homeless Executive Office Representative- Natalie Komuro

8. Representative from County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries' Office. Tricia Almiron

Reminder about the WOODCREST CLEAN-UP on 9/21/2019.

9. Future Agenda Items:

*******NEXT MEETING-- November 14th, 2019 at SANDALS CHURCH*******