



HIGHGROVE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

January 27th, 2021 6:30 P.M.

Via Zoom:

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call and Introductions**
4. **Read & Approve Minutes for MAC meeting on October 28th, 2020**
5. **Riverside County Board of Supervisor Karen Spiegel Remarks**

6. **New Business:**
 - A. RUSD Project Community Committee(s) for Spring Street Elementary School update
o RUSD Assistant Superintendent of Operations Division **Sergio San Martin**
o RUSD Director of Facilities/Planning & Development **Ana Gonzalez**

Notes: Committees are planned to help develop plans for the new elementary school to be located on Spring Street in the newer neighborhood of Spring Mountain Ranch. Community involvement will specifically be sought for committees involving site architecture and communication. Planning and construction may take 4-5 years to complete.

- B. Waste Management Company introduction/update on recycling issue o Waste Management Representative **Art Marquez**

Notes: Marquez attributes recent disruption in service to issues related to COVID-19. Green waste pickup had been temporarily changed to once every two weeks due to a shortage of drivers. There were plans to increase recycling pick-up to weekly service in some portions of Highgrove before the staffing shortages. Future considerations for weekly pickup may be considered once staffing stabilizes. In the meantime, residents can contact Waste Management customer service to obtain a second recycling can for an additional service monthly charge of \$3-6.

- C. Riverside County Department of Animal Services introduction/update o Riverside County Department of Animal Services Director **Julie Bank** o Commander-Field Operations **Chris Mayer** o Donkey issue(s) status

Notes: Julie Bank encourages folks to visit rcdas.org to learn about ways to volunteer, donate and foster or adopt a pet.

Chris Mayer says their ability to manage the donkeys is significantly limited by legal restrictions.

D. Riverside County Sheriff update ○ Riverside County Sheriff **Lieutenant Kristensen**

Notes: provided an update for the area

E. Riverside County Department of Code Enforcement update on illegal dumping in the Highgrove area ○ Riverside County Code Officer **Jamison Cole** ○ Riverside County Code Officer **James Palmer**

Notes: For dumping issues, residents can contact **Jamison Cole** directly or visit riversideca.gov/

F. Cannabis dispensary projects in Highgrove area introduction/update ○ Riverside County Deputy Director of TLMA **John Hildebrand** ○ Riverside County cannabis dispensary process and the distance requirement between the dispensaries

Notes: John Hildebrand spoke about restrictions for cannabis dispensaries in Riverside County and the two new dispensaries approved for Highgrove. Board members and residents expressed serious concerns about the location of the dispensaries, neighborhood safety and the overall philosophy by county officials of approving dispensaries in Highgrove without firm plans for other infrastructure including a local grocery store.

7. **Public Comments***

8. **Future agenda items*** ○ Riverside County Department of Waste Resources introduction/update

9. **Announcements**

- Date of Next Scheduled Meeting: **March 31st, 2021**
- You may wish to sign up for Supervisor Spiegel's weekly newsletter and a monthly Spiegel Spotlight newsletter as well as join Supervisor Spiegel's social media to receive updates relating to COVID-19. Below is the link to sign up for Supervisor Spiegel's weekly newsletter and the monthly Spiegel Spotlight. Feel free to sign up at

10. Adjournment

* Those wishing to ask one question or make a single comment after a presentation, should raise their hand. After being recognized by the board, please stand up, state your name and ask your question or make your comment and please sit down.

*New issues raised during the public comment period will not be discussed by the council during that meeting, they may, if warranted, be included as a future item.

*Alternative formats available upon request. If you require reasonable accommodation, please contact DISTRICT2@rivco.org two weeks prior to the meeting.

*The Highrove MAC is advisory to Supervisor Karen Spiegel, not to Riverside County Staff. The Highrove MAC meetings are on the last Wednesdays of the scheduled month.

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Approved on 3/31/21

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