

Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council
Minutes of August 12, 2026 at 6:30 PM
The Terrace Club at Terramor
11750 Temescal Hills Drive
Temescal Valley, CA 92883

UNAPPROVED

0.0 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

1.0 Roll Call

Present: Jerry Sincich (Chair), Kelli Noss (Vice Chair), Lee Wilson (Secretary), Bob Hafner, Richard Macias (Alternate #1), Julie Showalter (Alternate #2)

Absent: Chris Gray, Eric Werner

2.0 Announcement of Temescal Valley MAC Meeting Rules and Regulations – Jerry Sincich

3.0 Approval of July 8, 2026 Minutes

Approved and entered into record

4.0 Community Updates

4.1 Congressman Calvert Staff Update

- Jett Benavidez, Field Representative
- Absent

4.2 Assemblywoman Natasha Johnson (AD 63) Staff Update

- Casey Deaver, District Representative presented the update
- Assemblywoman Johnson was recently appointed Minority Caucus Chair in the California State Assembly.
- Assemblywoman Johnson and Assemblyman Josh Hoover recently introduced ACA 23, a proposed constitutional amendment that would make the California Secretary of State a nonpartisan office.
- An additional e-bike safety event is scheduled for September 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Eastvale City Council Chambers.
- Approximately five additional bills supported by the Assemblywoman remain active in the Legislature.
- The presenter thanked the MAC and community members who participated in the prior e-bike safety event in Temescal Valley.

4.3 Senator Seyarto (SD 32) Staff Update

- Braxton Difuntorum, District Representative presented the update
- The legislative session has approximately one month remaining.
- The next major deadline discussed was August 14, when legislative fiscal committees must act on fiscal bills.
- Five bills in the Senator's package were in the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file, with hearings scheduled for August 13:
 - o SB 888: Veterans Low-Income Property Tax Exemption
 - o SB 904: Wildfire Executive Order Codification
 - o SB 946: Lender Consumer Protections Extension
 - o SB 1029: DMV Lien Sales Notifications
 - o SB 1186: Streamlined Amended Birth Certificates
- A final update will be provided after the legislative session regarding which bills were signed into law.

4.4 Riverside County Sheriff's Department

- Lieutenant Albert Martinez presented the update
- **1,961** calls for service were handled by the Lake Matthew Station.
- **356** calls were from Temescal Valley.
- Temescal Valley reported:

- 3 assaults
- 2 burglaries
- 3 thefts
- 1 robbery
- 1 vehicle theft
- 1 stolen vehicle
- 0 reported mail thefts
- 27 disturbing-the-peace calls
- 2 vandalisms
- 6 arrests: 1 felony and 5 misdemeanors

4.5 Riverside County/CAL Fire

- Battalion Chief Tim Anderson presented the update
- 177 total calls for service in July:
 - 128 medical aids
 - 6 false alarms
 - 3 other fires
 - 4 miscellaneous calls
 - 10 public-service assists
 - 1 rescue fire
 - 1 ringing alarm
 - 4 standby calls
 - 17 traffic collisions
 - 1 wildland fire
- Average response time: 5.5 minutes
- Resources have been deployed to Washington, Oregon, Colorado, San Diego County, the Inyo National Forest and other areas as fire activity changes.
- Local stations remain staffed despite deployments.
- Riverside County Fire assisted Corona on a recent approximately two-acre fire.

Riverside County Fire Hazard Reduction

- The Hazard Reduction Team has approximately eight inspectors.
- During the previous month, inspectors reviewed approximately 3,814 parcels from the Temescal Valley area toward Corona and Lake Elsinore.
- Nearly 200 notices of violation were issued for fire-hazard conditions.
- Residents may report suspected hazardous vegetation or other fire hazards to the Riverside County Hazard Reduction Office.
- Enforcement is conducted under County Ordinance 695.
- The team is moving from its initial inspection phase into reinspection of properties that received notices.
- Residents with concerns about property ownership or weed abatement were encouraged to contact Hazard Reduction so staff can determine who is responsible for the property.

4.6 Code Enforcement

- Supervisor Angie Solis provided the update
- From July 8 through the meeting date:
 - 24 cases opened
 - 27 cases closed
- No major specific issues were reported for the area.
- Several illegal-dumping locations were reported and referred for follow-up.

4.7 California Highway Patrol

- Lieutenant Travis Monks provided the update
- Lieutenant Monks introduced himself as a new manager at the Riverside CHP office and a former officer serving the local community.

- The Riverside area has approximately 88 officers covering a large geographic area, including freeways, county areas and state facilities.
- During the July Fourth maximum-enforcement period, the Inland Division ranked highly statewide in citations and arrests.
- CHP has established a Special Enforcement Unit focused on highway violence and major felony investigations.
- CHP uses Flock technology in investigations, subject to legal requirements.
- A Community-Oriented Policing and Problem Solving team handles traffic complaints and school-zone enforcement.
- CHP reported approximately 30 vehicle tows from the Temescal Valley area during the previous month.
- Specialized patrol vehicles are being used to address street racing and sideshows.
- Residents were encouraged to submit traffic complaints online through CHP's complaint system. Complaints are logged, prioritized and assigned for follow-up.
- Residents should report recurring street racing, speeding and other traffic issues so CHP can identify patterns and deploy targeted enforcement.
- CHP continues to receive complaints regarding e-bike use.
- Officers are evaluating enforcement situations based on safety and risk, particularly when minors are involved.
- CHP offered to provide community safety presentations covering e-bikes, DUI prevention, beginning drivers and pedestrian safety

4.8 Riverside County Emergency Management Department

- Eric Ramirez provided the update
- National Preparedness Month activities will include:
 - o September 19 — Palm Desert Community Center
 - o September 26 — Rancho Pupa Park, Jurupa Valley
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) courses were announced:
 - o August 21–23 — Mead Valley
 - o August 28–30 — Calimesa
 - o September 18–20 — Winchester
- EMD reported seven support responses during the period, all involving vegetation fires.
- One response involved the Volcano Fire in La Cresta, which resulted in multiple evacuation orders and warnings.
- Residents were encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts through the county's emergency preparedness system.
- A local CERT course for Temescal Valley is being pursued, with a possible target of early 2027.

4.9 Supervisor Karen Spiegel's Office

- Viviana Villarina Supervisor Spiegel's Board Assistant provided the update
- Supervisor Spiegel recently underwent surgery and is recovering well. She will be absent while recovering.
- Future MAC meetings will be recorded and made available through YouTube and the county website.
- Slurry seal work is planned for several Temescal Valley streets. A list of affected streets was made available at the meeting.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Election of Advisory Council Positions

- The Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council elected Kelli Noss as Chair, Lee Wilson as Vice Chair and Jerry Sincich as Secretary

5.2 Mail Theft Presentation

- Postal Inspectors

- Residents were strongly encouraged to report mail theft to **both the Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.**
- U.S. Postal Inspection Service reporting number: 1-877-876-2455, available 24/7.
- Residents may also report crimes online through the Postal Inspection Service website.
- Both agencies communicate and cross-report cases to ensure investigations are coordinated.
- Postal inspectors explained that they investigate criminal activity involving the mail, including mail theft, identity theft, bank/check fraud and stolen credit cards.
- Lost packages and routine postal-service operational issues are generally handled by the U.S. Postal Service rather than postal inspectors.
- Postal inspectors confirmed they are sworn federal law enforcement officers with arrest, subpoena and warrant authority.
- Investigations are evaluated case by case; prosecution is not determined solely by a dollar threshold.
- Evidence such as surveillance footage and license-plate information can be important to investigations.
- Residents were encouraged to use USPS Informed Delivery, check mail regularly and use vacation mail holds when traveling.
- Residents with questions about specific cases were encouraged to contact the inspectors directly after the meeting.

Flock Camera Information

- Flock camera data is retained for approximately 30 days.
- Law enforcement agencies require a case number and legal justification to request or access relevant information.
- Flock information may be shared with federal partners when it assists with suspect identification.

5.3 De Palma and Horsethief Canyon Road Construction Update

- Dennis Acuna, Riverside County Director of Transportation
- Construction at Horse Thief Canyon Road and De Palma Road is ongoing through fall and early winter.
- Residents should monitor changeable message signs for traffic-control information.
- Southern California Edison will perform underground work on Horse Thief Canyon Road the following week. Lanes will remain open with reduced lane widths and traffic control.
- Exploratory work was recently conducted at the Temescal Valley Wash Bridge on De Palma Road. Future work will involve installation of a water line through the bridge.
- The county expects to use changeable message signs for routine construction updates and issue additional notices for hard or lane closures.

Temescal Canyon Road Resurfacing

- A major resurfacing project is planned from Terramor Drive through the Temescal Valley area and toward the I-15 Freeway pass to Dawson Canyon area.
- Advertising for the construction contract is anticipated in late September or early October.
- Contract award is anticipated around December.
- Construction is expected to begin after the New Year.
- Estimated construction contract value: approximately \$4.5 million.
- Traffic control will be coordinated with the community and is expected to minimize impacts during school hours where possible.

I-15/Temescal Canyon Interchange

- The County is entering into agreements related to funding and project development for improvements at the I-15/Temescal Canyon interchange.
- The project is associated with improvements required by the Serrano development.
- The developer is funding the studies for the initial Project Study Report (PSR) phase.
- The PSR process is expected to take approximately 18 months.
- Environmental review and subsequent design phases would follow.
- The County serves as the local agency sponsor required by Caltrans for interchange projects.

Hostetler Road

- The Hostetler Road project was discussed as substantially completed.
- Acquisition of properties by the Flood Control District helped make the project feasible.
- The project included significant underground improvements intended to improve drainage and keep the roadway dry.

5.4 Countywide Truck Routes under AB98 Presentation

- Kevin Tsang, Environmental/Development Review/Plan Check Division Manager and John Hildebrand, Planning Director
- The presentation covered recently enacted legislation concerning warehouse standards and truck routes.
- Riverside County is part of a designated warehouse concentration region.
- The legislation requires the county to establish truck routes and consider warehouse siting standards.
- Sensitive receptors identified in the legislation include:
 - o Residential areas
 - o Schools
 - o Nursing homes
 - o Hospitals
 - o Daycare facilities
 - o Parks
- The county currently has weight restrictions but does not have a comprehensive countywide truck-route plan.
- The proposed methodology prioritizes use of interstate highways and state routes, followed by appropriate county arterial roads.
- The objective is to connect warehouses to major highways while minimizing truck traffic through sensitive areas.
- Warehouse standards may include requirements concerning building size, dock doors, site location, access points and proximity to sensitive receptors.
- The county has published a draft truck-route map for public review.
- Residents can submit comments through an interactive online map by identifying locations, congestion concerns, sensitive receptors or other issues.
- Public input may result in changes to the draft routes.
- The final truck-route plan will become part of the County General Plan circulation element and will require Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors action.
- Environmental review will be required as part of the General Plan amendment process.
- County staff indicated the outreach and analysis process is expected to take approximately six to eight months.
- The county will coordinate with cities, school districts, community-based organizations and tribal governments.
- Staff emphasized that the truck-route process is intended to regulate existing and approved development-related truck traffic rather than independently create additional truck traffic.
- Temescal Canyon Road is currently identified as a proposed truck route because of its connection to I-15 and the limited number of alternative routes.
- Future roadway improvements, including widening projects, were discussed as potential ways to improve truck and general traffic circulation.
- The county is studying potential widening of Temescal Canyon Road and related improvements.
- A potential Campbell Ranch interchange is not included in the current truck-route plan because it is not currently an established transportation project.
- The community expressed concerns about congestion, residential growth, truck traffic and impacts on schools.
- County staff encouraged residents to review the interactive map and submit specific comments.

6.0 Public Comments

Tracy Davis

- The Temescal Heritage Foundation will hold its annual golf tournament on October 19.
- Residents and businesses were invited to participate as golfers or sponsors.
- Sponsorship opportunities include tee-sign sponsorships and donations of promotional items.

Roland Platas

- Invite SoCal Edison representatives to address
 - o The prolonged power outage experienced the previous month.
 - o The causes of the outage.
 - o The handling and denial of customer claims for losses associated with the outage.
 - o Repeated outages affecting portions of the Temescal Valley.

Karla Cervantes

- The coalition received a grant to monitor and provide community education concerning AB 98 and SB 415.
- Residents were encouraged to participate in the truck-route planning process.
- A community workshop was announced for August 22 at the Mead Valley Library.
- The workshop will include information from the South Coast Air Quality Management District and discussion of air monitoring and civic engagement.
- Lunch will be provided.

7.0 MAC Board Members Comments & Future Agenda Items

Board Members Comments

- The We Are Temescal Valley website was relaunched and now includes archived articles and newsletters documenting the area's development history and prior community issues.

Future Agenda Items

- Air-quality monitoring station/update
- Glen Ivy/SPA project update
- Defensive fire-break/fuel-reduction project
- Southern California Edison update regarding outages and infrastructure
- Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) presentation
- Office on Aging presentation regarding senior transportation, Meals on Wheels, assistance programs and available county resources

Date of the Temescal Valley MAC meeting is September 9, 2026 at The Clubhouse at Horsethief.

****Please note that MAC meetings are held monthly on the Second Wednesday at 6:30 PM (Dark in December)**

Temescal Valley Community Fund Balance: \$1,029,973.09

Adjournment time: 8:34 PM

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