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**REGULAR  
MEETING**

**Draft Minutes**

**March 27, 2025, 7:00 pm**

**Municipal Advisory Council Oak Park**

Oak Park High School, Room G-9  
899 North Kanan Road  
Oak Park, CA 91377

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MAC Calendar, Agenda, and Minutes

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### **OPENING**

1. Call to Order Brian Trushinski 7:03 pm
2. Roll Call Brian Trushinski, Jane Nye, Brianna Adams, JL Diaz, Michelle Santucci and Madeleine Kim (**OPUSD** student representative)
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approve Minutes of the February 27, 2025, MAC meeting motion to approve minutes as amended with mention of full name of Madeleine Kim within the minutes. Moved by JL Diaz, Briana Adams Second, All in Favor
5. Agenda Review and Approval, Jane Nye Moved to approve, Michelle Santucci second, **All in Favor.**
6. Approve Consent Items Motion to approve Jane Nye, Brianna Adams second, All in Favor

**Consent Item A:** Recommendation to Receive and File: Ventura County Sheriff's Office Report

**Consent Item B:** Recommendation to Receive and File: California Highway Patrol

**Consent Item C:** Recommendation to Receive and File: CSA 4 Landscape Committee Report

**Consent Item D:** Recommendation to Receive and File: March 2025 Oak Park MAC Tickler Log

**Consent Item E** Recommendation to Receive and File: Ventura County Fire Department Report.

7. Public Comments

A. Tom Hansen – Reported that he reached out to the Acorn and asked for coverage. He offered to provide a written report to the Acorn after each meeting in hopes they will include coverage about the MAC in the printed Acorn newspaper.

B. Deena Perry - Request for a plaque on a bench for Ron Stark at Mae Boyer Park. Request that this item on next MAC meeting agenda

C. Deena Perry - Request for ambulance time report every month or every other month to MAC.

D. Deena Perry - Geoengineering of the skies in Ventura County. She wants legislation to ban it.

E. Brett Austin – Concerns about bike safety. He has provided a power point called Active Transportation. He wants more awareness, enforcement and education about bike safety.

F. Brett Austin - Concerns about Sunrise Creek. He's provided a power point that is labeled Sunrise Creek.

G. Janet Jackson – Wants trees removed on Los Arcos. Very concerned about the fire risk and wants them taken out immediately. There was discussion about having this on the agenda and perhaps having a forum to discuss the item in the future. JL Diaz asked for Ms. Jackson's contact info to follow up with Fire Safe Council information.

8. Written Comments

9. Council Comments

10. Oak Park MAC Committee and Liaison Reports:

A. CSA 4 Landscape Committee (Brian Trushinski) printed report provided.

B. Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Liaison (Brian Trushinski)  
indicated that Deer Hill Pickle Ball court work continues until April and possibly

May, three weeks behind schedule for weed abatement, will be clearing debris from 100 ft minimum from structures, from Bromey to Kanan Rd. Dept Fish and Wildlife agreement in place.

C. Legislative Committee (Michelle Santucci & Brian Trushinski) no new County Board of Supervisors agenda information pertaining to Oak Park.

D. Oak Park Unified School District Liaison (Brianna Adams) - Brianna Adams reported that Outsiders will be preformed at OPHS April 24-26, OPHS took 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Science Olympiad Competition, it was the first time heading to State in 8 years, Medea Creek Middle School Abilities Awareness Program was just completed. Oakparkfest.com is coming and is an opportunity to help support local schools. Education Foundation needs more support. 80 percent of residents no longer have school aged kids. The Foundation would like more people involved in the Board. Contact [Stefanie.amar@oakparkeducation.org](mailto:Stefanie.amar@oakparkeducation.org).

E. Fire Safe Council Liaison (JL Diaz) - Oak Park Fire Safe Council came to the last meeting and was very helpful. Their website is very helpful for information for residents to understand how to protect their property. <https://opfsc.org/>

F. Triunfo Water & Sanitation District Liaison (Jane Nye) Jane provided flyers for student art contest with Metropolitan Water District. Winner gets \$100 and \$25 to each of students who submits artwork. Fire scaping provided in March. 40 attendees were at the training. There will be a Saturday workshop on drip irrigation. 50 people signed up. More information at <https://www.triunfowsd.com>. New technology was piloted recently that could help during droughts. More information at <https://www.kclu.org/local-news/2025-03-25/new-technology-which-could-help-ease-droughts-being-tested-in-the-conejo-valley>.

G. OPHS Student Liaison (Madeline Kim) Rally and Spring Fling dance,

fundraisers happening with ASB and PFA to help support school/students. April 11 is a fundraiser where the community can also support the cause. Testing all next week.

#### 11. Announcements and Other Business –

- A. Michelle Santucci – Suggested a forum to discuss what trees are fire safe and what trees are a fire hazard. Jane also agreed with this item and asked for any info about the Fire Safe Council input on item. JL Diaz agreed it should be an agenda item.
- B. Brianna also asked that protected bike lanes be added to the agenda for April. Also announced the launch of Oak Park social media accounts.
- C. JL Diaz asked for Ron Stark bench/plaque be on the next agenda including funding.

#### 12. Introduce Supervisor Gorell or a representative from his office for remarks.

Students from the Brain Stormz robotics team were invited to provide their presentation instead of D2 comments.

### **Regular Agenda**

#### 13. 2025 Tech Challenge (FTC) Southern California Regional Championship

- Presentation from Brain Stormz Team - Students and coach talked about their work building their robot and how successful they were at the competition. The team is headed to the World Championships.

#### 14. Oak Park CSA 4 Budget Funding for Volunteers in Policing Program

- Presentation from County Sheriff's Office – No representative was available.

#### 15. Oak Park CSA 4 Budget Funding for Ventura County Watershed Protection District's Green Streets Program

- Report on the Health of the Environment in Oak Park.
- Actions Taken in 2024 to Protect and Improve the Environment.
- Power point provided by Public Works.
- Website about Green Streets also provided by Public Works:  
<https://uninc.vcstormwater.org/oak-park-green-streets-urban-retrofit/>.

16. Draft [CSA4 Budget](#) Review and Recommendation – 2<sup>nd</sup> and FINAL Round for MAC Input

- A. School District Crossing Guards: The MAC recommends approval of the Oak Park Unified School District Crossing Guard FY26 (2025-26) budget not to exceed \$275,000.00, and that the District provide written reports at the October 2025 and March 2026 MAC meetings on its progress for obtaining grants and other available sources of funding for crossing guard services in 2026.
- B. County of Ventura Green Streets Program: The MAC recommends approval of the Green Streets Program FY26 (2025-26) budget not to exceed \$40,000.00, and that the County Public Works Agency provide quarterly written reports to the MAC on all identified environmental problem areas, violations, corrective actions taken, and the state of environmental health in Oak Park as a result of the Green Streets Program.
- C. County of Ventura CSA 4 Landscape Services: The MAC recommends approval of the CSA 4 Landscape FY26 (2025-26) budget not to exceed \$510,000.00, and that the County Public Works Agency provide a written report at the June 2025 MAC meeting, or sooner, identifying all cost reduction measures in the new Landscape RFP that will be taken starting July 1, 2025, and corresponding budget savings.
- D. MAC recommends approval of CERT and VIP for FY 26 (2025-26).
- E. Brianna Adams requested more information about the number of homes in Oak Park and the difference paid by each home to meet any deficit. For example, each home is paying \$17 annually. What more would people need to pay to make sure there wouldn't be a deficit.
- F. A community member Deena Perry asked for more information about what \$17 covers and what property tax covers for services in Oak Park. There was discussion that it would be helpful to have a presentation on the CSA and how other unincorporated areas manage services.

17. Ventura County Public Works Transportation Division Updates

- Left turn at Los Arcos Drive & Kanan Road – safety study conducted. Recommendation of keeping the left turn lane closed. Power point provides photos and additional information.
- East Oak Park Paving and Signal Improvement Project included in power point.
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon across Conifer St. at Bayberry St. Included in power point.
- Signal monitoring cameras installed at Kanan and Sunnycrest and Kanan and Conifer to help in determining when signals are not working.
- New street paving and sidewalks are expected to be completed in 2026.

## **CLOSING**

18. Adjournment 10:13 pm

Next Oak Park MAC Meeting April 24, 2025, 7:00 pm OPHS High School G-9,  
899 Kanan Rd, Oak Park.