

OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of Meeting, February 22, 2011
The Oak Park MAC held an official meeting Tuesday, February 22, 2011, 7:00 P.M.
Oak Park High School, G-9, 899 N. Kanan Rd., Oak Park

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Green at 7:04 P.M. MAC members Michael Paule, Mike Green, Alon Glickstein, Mike Mc Reynolds, and Derek Ross were present along with Student Liaison Anisha Rajavel.

2. Flag Salute

Greg Epstein led the flag salute.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The adoption of the agenda passed 5-0, on a motion by **Michael Paule**.

4. Approval of the Minutes of January 25

The approval of the minutes of January 25 passed 5-0, on a motion by **Alon Glickstein** seconded by **Mike Mc Reynolds** which included the correction of Mike Mc Reynolds' Council Comment under item 11. to read that he congratulated Derek Ross on his election.

5. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks said that the County continued to closely review the State government's work on budget planning. She talked about the dinner she held with community members at Oak Park's Cigale Café that featured Los Angeles Supervisor **Zev Yaroslavsky** as the speaker, and she commented that it had been interesting to compare how State budget uncertainties were impacting the two counties. She said that the drop in sales revenue to counties along with the possibility of the State's early prisoner release were factors posing the largest impacts on law enforcement and probation departments. She noted that the sharrows for Kanan Road would be painted onto the roadway in the summer when pavement overlays were completed. The sharrows are used to indicate bike lanes that are shared with motorists. **Michael Paule** asked whether the Kanan Road work would be coordinated with the work schedule for building the new Triunfo Sanitation District water tank, and she agreed that this was important to arrange. **Mike Mc Reynolds** asked about the lack of conditions for building cell towers in Oak Park, specifically regarding height limits, and Supervisor Parks replied that doing an Area Plan update could be combined with needed updating to the Ventura County General Plan's obsolete zoning in Oak Park, and that she would look into the costs to process the changes. **Mike Green** asked whether a BOS hearing on the Oak Park Chabad was still scheduled for March 1, and she replied that it was. **Mike Green** also asked about introducing a new County anti-scavenging ordinance, and Supervisor Parks said that she would not be pursuing this as a priority because there are other ways of addressing the issue.

6. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

7. Council Comments

Anisha Rajavel spoke about the "Race to Nowhere" documentary that would be discussed at the high school, and a coming blood drive in the school district.

Mike Green noted that there would be the annual Earth Day event at OPHS on April 16, and the County sponsored recycling and disposal event there on the morning of April 30. He also commended the new pharmacy at the Oak Park shopping center for removing temporary signs it had placed advertising its opening as a business there.

Alon Glickstein reported on the Community Foundation for Oak Park meeting he attended, and its Grad Night, Adult Education, and drama activity committees.

Michael Paule spoke about the problems of graffiti and fires being set at OPHS, questioning whether it would help to install motion detectors and lights and cameras at the high school. **Captain Brent Kerr** said that he would be in contact with district staff about this. **Michael Paule** gave an update on the Triunfo Sanitation District Board meeting developments, including the news about the financing obtained for building the new water tank. Regarding the Kilburn water tank cell tower installations, he reported that the County Planning Department had found no inconsistencies in the permitting process for the T-Mobile

facility, but that the Triunfo Sanitation District would continue to investigate the matter and would work with Verizon on its permit application. He emphasized that full transparency was important.

Mike Mc Reynolds reported on the recent OPUSD school board meeting, encouraged residents to support the Farmers' market at OPHS, and he commended Enhanced Landscape and the Standing Landscape Committee on their work.

Derek Ross reminded everyone of the need to call the Sheriff's Department to report graffiti.

8. Information items

- a. Update on Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in Oak Park, with Steve Carroll, Administrator, Ventura County EMS Agency; Brandon Ober, AMR Ventura Director of Operations; Nick Clay, AMR Operations Manager; Diane Starzak, Ventura County EMS Advisory Committee Member**

The MAC received a presentation about emergency service to Oak Park. **Steve Carroll** said that Oak Park belongs to EMS's "Zone 4", and that there are five zones in the entire county. He said that in the past four months 90% of the ambulance calls to Zone 4 had been responded to in less than eight minutes, and that this satisfies the requirements in the ambulance company's contract with the County. He said that a spot survey of Oak Park service showed that in four months there had been 107 calls and that of these only 15 calls had not been handled by the AMR ambulance stationed in Oak Park. He noted that AMR also staffs a paramedic in Fire Station 36, and that public funds do not go towards ambulance service in the County.

Derek Ross said that he would like to know what percentage of patients in ambulance calls were transported to a hospital. **Brandon Ober** said that there are five AMR ambulances in Zone 4, and that Oak Park averaged 20-27 calls monthly, with an average response time of 6-6 ½ minutes. **Michael Paule** asked whether there is a plan in place for handling multiple injuries in the case of a disaster, and he replied that the County is in charge during disasters. **Captain Weiner** from Fire Station 36 described the paramedic training of all personnel at the station, and **Mike Green** also noted the role of the Red Cross in times of disasters. **Steve Carroll** said that the CERT program was being expanded, and **Diane Starzak** added that a new program for organizing medical professionals to respond in disasters was being set up by County Public Health, called the Medical Reserve Corps. She said that in the future the County may coordinate the functions of the CERT teams and the Medical Reserve Corps. **Mike Mc Reynolds** thanked everyone for sharing the information at the MAC meeting.

9. Written Communications

There were none.

10. Action items

- a. Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations**

Michael Paule said that the Committee was working with Public Works to investigate adding solar lighting at the monument sign on Kanan Road. He said that the Committee would participate in the April 16 Earth Day events at OPHS.

- b. MAC recommendation, new sign boards on Kanan Rd. and on Lindero Canyon Rd.**

(continued from January meeting)

Michael Paule made a motion, seconded by **Mike Green** and approved 5-0, to approve the plan and cost estimate provided by Public Works for constructing two new sign boards. The estimate included spending \$4681 of funding from CSA #4 towards the new sign boards. **Derek Ross** expressed concern about ensuring there was a warranty on the work done on the sign boards.

11. Adjournment to 7:00 P.M., March 22, 2011

Captain Brent Kerr said that an "Every 15 Minutes" program would be given at Newbury Park High School on March 30 and 31. The first day would have a simulated car crash on Lesser Drive, and the second day would have the simulated memorial service for the "victims". He said that the program was rotated between Newbury Park High School and Thousand Oaks High School every two years. He also announced that he would be reassigned within the Sheriff's Department in the coming month, and report to work in Ventura. He also announced that on March 31 there would be a Town Hall meeting on the issue of illegal drug related deaths in the County, particularly heroin related.

Chair Ross adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm until March 22.