## OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of Meeting, November 29, 2011 The Oak Park MAC held an official meeting Tuesday, November 29, 2011, 7:00 P.M. Oak Park High School, Room G-9, 899 N. Kanan Rd., Oak Park

## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Derek Ross at 7:02 P.M. Mike Mc Reynolds, Alon Glickstein, Michael Paule and Mike Green were also present.

### 2. Flag Salute

Lauren Ross led the flag salute. She also provided fresh baked cookies for all in attendance.

### 3. Adoption of the Agenda

The adoption of the agenda passed 5-0, on a motion by Alon Glickstein seconded by Mike Green.

## 4. Approval of the Minutes of October 25, 2011

The approval of the amended minutes of October 25 passed 4-0, on a motion by *Mike Green* seconded by *Michael Paule*. There was also one abstention from voting, by *Alon Glickstein*.

## 5. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks was not in attendance.

# 6. Public Safety Reports

*VCSD Captain Frank O'Hanlon* reported on burglaries from homes and vehicles in the past month, noting that there appeared to be the beginnings of a trend involving service providers that take things from residences where they work. In one case in Oak Park items were found missing from a safe that the homeowners had left unlocked. He noted that there had also been some domestic violence in early December. *Derek Ross* inquired about graffiti, and Captain O'Hanlon responded that there was none reported in the past month. *Michael Paule* inquired about a case in a neighboring community that the media was reporting involved heroin use and a death, along with a related investigation within Oak Park. Captain O'Hanlon said that this investigation had resulted in a search warrant being issued at an Oak Park residence and that two children were removed from the home by Ventura County sheriff's deputies. *Alon Glickstein* asked him if his department was aware of alcohol use behind Oak Park High School, and Captain O'Hanlon responded that he had not received complaints.

### 7. Public Comments

Oak Hills Elementary School Principal *Erik Warren* presented a proposal for restricting parking on Churchwood Drive adjacent to the school campus during the morning school drop off times. The MAC members requested that the Transportation Department provide feedback about the proposal, and that it be on the agenda for the next MAC meeting. *Mike Paule* asked if the school was experiencing any traffic impacts from the private school that opened this fall in the Church of the Epiphany, and the principal responded that there were no impacts.

# 8. Council Comments

*Michael Paule* praised the good communication and public outreach from the Transportation Department throughout the preparation work for the repaying and improvements on Deerhill Road. Sidewalk repairs had been completed, he noted, and the grinding and repaying of the street was scheduled to begin in the coming week, he said. *Alon Glickstein* asked whether he was satisfied that neighbors were adequately prepared for the disruption, and he answered that Public Works had contact information for them and was reaching out. Regarding the TSD Board and the new water tank, he said that there had been a meeting the previous day, and that everything was going well with the construction. Pipe had been laid, and it was anticipated that concrete pouring for the tank could begin in January. He said that the Board had voted to sponsor a teen group competing in a solar boat contest. The Board agreed to provide \$2500 to the group considering the value of the project in advancing engineering and leadership skills. *Mike Green* 

commented that Public Works engineers had promised an 8:30 am weekday starting time for the Deerhill Road during the last MAC meeting, and that staff should be reminded of this duty.

*Alon Glickstein* said that the OPUSD school trip to Catalina Island that he chaperoned in October was a wonderful experience for the students. He reported on the recent meeting of the Community Fund For Oak Park, highlighting its work to establish a memorial fund for *Marie Panec*.

*Mike Mc Reynolds* spoke about the OPUSD school board meeting he had attended as the MAC liaison. He said that there had been 481 applicants for 200 out of district student spots. He reported on the neighborhood meeting he had attended with *Michael Paule* to assist residents living in the vicinity of the Kilburn water tank. He said that a representative from AT&T, an applicant for a cell tower facility permit, participated in the meeting, heard residents' concerns, and said that the company would present a new plan to address the expressed concerns. *Michael Paule* asked if Verizon had dropped its plans for its facility at the Kilburn water tank, and Supervisor Parks' office answered that there had been no announcement to this effect. *Michael Paule* commented that the Kilburn Court neighbors would prefer to see a merger at one site of cell towers installations at the Kilburn water tank site.

**Derek Ross** spoke about the upcoming election in January, 2012 at the MAC meeting for new members of the Oak Park Recreation and Parks Planning Committee. He also reported that the new book he co-authored on the history of Oak Park had been completed, was accepted by its publisher, and would be published in the coming year.

#### 9. Information items

There were none.

## **10.** Written Communications

*Mike Paule* reported on communications with *Brett Garrett* regarding Mr. Garrett's desire to organize a contest run on his website through the end of the year with the purpose of selecting a logo for Oak Park.

### 11. Advisory matters

### a. Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations

*Michael Paule* reported that there had been no meeting in this month. He said that there would be tree replacements after the repaving was complete on Deerhill Road, and he said that Enhanced Landscape was very busy keeping up with the debris created by the recent winds. He said that he remained hopeful that the monument sign could be illuminated by solar power. He said that recent landscaping work included mulching around the holly oaks along Kanan Road, and dethatching of grass areas. He added that trees would be removed on Rockfield Street near Red Oak Elementary School. *Derek Ross* commented that Enhanced Landscape had been just been recognized by its insurer for its outstanding safety record. The MAC members discussed the best way to meet in December. On a motion by *Derek Ross* seconded by *Michael Paule*, the MAC voted 5-0 to reopen the question of holding a December meeting. On a motion by *Michael Paule*, seconded by *Alon Glickstein*, the MAC voted 5-0 to make December 20 a meeting date, at the Chair's disgression, should an important item for the MAC's attention arise.

### 12. Adjournment to December 27

*Chair Ross* adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm, on a motion by *Mike Green* seconded by *Mike Mc Reynolds* and approved 5-0. Members wished a "Happy Birthday" to celebrant Mike Paule.