OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of Meeting, September 24, 2013 The Oak Park MAC held an official meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 7:00 PM Oak Park High School, Room G-9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by *Chair Michael Paule* at 7:00 PM. *Vice Chair Mike Green*, *Alon Glickstein*, and *Mike McReynolds* were also present. *Robert von Schneidau* was absent.

2. Flag Salute

Ofir Hadari led the flag salute.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted 4-0 on a motion by Mike McReynolds, second by Alon Glickstein.

4. Approval of the Minutes of July 23

The approval of the July 23 minutes passed 3-0 on a motion by *Mike McReynolds*, seconded by *Mike Green. Alon Glickstein* abstained.

5. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks said that the Board of Supervisors had voted that day to approve a new ordinance governing the installation of cell phone company facilities in the public right-of-way, and she thanked the Oak Park MAC for its input into this work. She mentioned that there had been a ribbon cutting event for the new Kanan Shuttle, and that recently a third vehicle was added to the shuttle service. She said she was encouraging Agoura Hills to introduce the service as well. She said that the Board of Supervisors had voted to approve an MOU to improve coordination among county cities to create a better transit system. She said she was pleased with the progress made in setting up a library foundation which could bring back a bookmobile, among other things. She commended the Sheriff's Department on its outstanding police work in, for example, the recent quick arrests of a break-in suspect in the Wildwood area of Thousand Oaks, and in a case involving ATM scanning solved in coordination with Santa Clara County authorities. She presented a County commendation certificate to *Ofir Hadari* thanking her for her work as the student liaison to the MAC in the past school year.

There was a discussion about the Kanan shuttle service. *Mike Green* wondered if there was already data proving traffic relief with the shuttle running, while *Michael Paule* commented that he was seeing people lined up to catch the shuttle, and generally hearing good feedback on what was becoming a popular service. *Alon Glickstein* commented on his family's positive experiences with the user friendly shuttle. *OPHS Principal Kevin Buchanan* inquired what kind of pass or tickets will be available when the free riding is over, and if the schools will be involved in offering these. He also commented that an "app" showing in live time where which shuttles are running where would help the high school and middle school administrators who are having some supervision problems with their students at the shuttles, and they'd like to try to get all the high school shuttle riders out well before the middle school has dismissal and those younger students get to the shuttles.

6. Public Safety Reports

CHP Community Alliance Officer Gregg Musgrove said that he has been noticing an increase in damaged vehicles left out parked on Oak Park streets and that he was dealing with that issue. He said that painting curbs red at the shuttle bus stops would be a way to prevent other vehicles from parking at the stops and blocking them. There was a discussion about potential problems arising from painting the entire length of the shuttle stop at southbound Doubletree, since it would eliminate space where Medea Creek Middle School parents currently park.

Oak Park High School Principal Kevin Buchanan said that new State regulations would mean that parking at OPHS would need to be redesigned, and that he would need to look into the possibility of using Kanan Road for parking needs on a daily basis.

Ventura County Sheriff's Captain Cory Rubright said there had been a number of residential thefts which could be considered crimes of opportunity, and that a new trend in the area was the theft of patio furniture to be sold as scrap. H said there had been one such theft so far in Oak Park, but more in the east County area. He also warned about various scams, such as people claiming to represent utility companies, or phone calls in which it was claimed that a relative was in trouble and needed money wired. *Mike Green* asked about the identification requirements for vendors going door to door.

7. Information items

There were none.

8. Public Comments

Kevin Buchanan, the principal of OPHS, spoke about the school's work to address stadium noise complaints lodged by residents in Oak Park. The two major changes made to the speaker system at the school stadium involved turning off the field speakers and a better securing of the control box features that determine the noise volume of the remaining stadium speakers. He said that the speakers had been bought with the understanding that there would not be problems with noise spill-over, and that the company that installed them would also be working to reset some controls. He noted that the noise from the crowds cannot be changed, and a MAC member commented that increased audience noise could reflect the increased success of OPHS football in recent times.

9. Council Comments

Mike McReynolds gave an update on the Triunfo Sanitation District, mentioning that TSD is considering installing new water meters, that the Falling Star Avenue service connection had suffered a cost over-run, and that a class would be offered at the Community Center on October 26 about water wise gardening.

Alon Glickstein commented on Community Foundation for Oak Park business, noting especially that the high school's parent association had now become an independent body and would be taking on some of the responsibilities formerly handled by the Foundation.

Michael Paule expressed appreciation for County Transportation's excellent work with the Kanan Road paving project, and he spoke about the car accident over the summer that destroyed the community sign board on Lindero Canyon Road.

Mike Green asked about whether utility companies were required to observe a moratorium on digging in the newly paved Kanan Road. He also commented that RSRPD would keep all funding in Oak Park that was derived from cell tower fees on RSRPD land in or around the community.

10. Written Communications

Michael Paule noted e-mails with complaints about the noise of leaf blowers.

11. Advisory Matters

a. Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations

Michael Paule said that the next meeting would be held on September 25. He said the Committee planned to put on a sustainable landscape workshop now planned for February.

b. MAC recommendation, west side Oak Park community signboard site

Mike Green moved and *Alon Glickstein* made the second to locate the new sign board similar in appearance to the previous one alongside Lindero Canyon Road to the place proposed by the

Transportation Department, subject to satisfactory results coming from Transportation's analysis of lines of sight for drivers approaching or near that place. Law enforcement in attendance also supported the importance of making sure a sign board would not obstruct the view for drivers. The motion passed 3-1, with the dissenting vote coming from *Mike McReynolds* who preferred the previous sign location.

12. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:18 PM to October 22.