OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of Meeting, April 29, 2014 The Oak Park MAC held a meeting Tuesday, April 29, 2014 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 Mike Green* at 7:00 PM. *Vice Chair Alon Glickstein, Robert von Schneidau, Michael Paule* and *Mike McReynolds* were also present, along with OPHS Student Representative *Frankie Alchanati*.

2. Flag Salute

Jan Osterhaven led the flag salute.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted 5-0 on a motion by Michael Paule, seconded by Alon Glickstein.

4. Approval of the minutes of February 25, 2014

The minutes were approved 5-0 on a motion by Alon Glickstein, seconded by Mike McReynolds.

5. Public Safety reports

CHP Community Liaison Officer Gregg Musgrove reported that progress was being made in getting motorists to slow down on Kanan Rd. in the vicinity of the high school. He noted that overnight parking on Oak Park streets by the strawberry vendor had been stopped. Alon *Glickstein* asked him to also keep an eye on Sunnycrest Dr. for overnight parking problems. The officer also commented on safety issues on Churchwood Dr. by Oak Hills Elementary School, where many cars line up as they drive towards the school from Kanan Dr. Some cars will attempt U-turns back to Kanan Dr., while pedestrians coming from the church parking lot cross Churchwood in a scattershot fashion and cause added safety concerns. He suggested delineators in the middle of Churchwood could help prevent cars from crossing over and making U-turns. The MAC asked for this to go on the next MAC agenda and for Transportation to review the idea. VCSD Captain Cory Rubright reported that the month of April had low crime for Oak Park, though incidents involving thefts from vehicles remained the biggest challenge. There was a case of computers stolen from a vehicle with its window smashed at Oak Park High School. He said that it could help if the Beat Coordinator started participating in community events in Oak Park in order to talk to people about keeping their vehicles secure. Frankie Alchanati suggested the OPHS newspaper club could help out with spreading this information. The captain also emphasized the importance of residents calling the Sheriff's Department when suspicious activity is observed. A good example of this occurred on April 22 when a call was made about an intoxicated individual who turned out to be an out of area man with a felony record and a loaded gun. The captain also reported on the investigation into a loaded gun discovered in bushes along Mae Boyar Park, close to Brookside Elementary School's playground.

6. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks spoke about the success of the Oak Park Solar Group's effort to add solar panels to Oak Park Library, and looked forward to a ribbon-cutting ceremony. She gave an update about the Watershed Protection District's applications for grant funding for projects in Oak Park, and reminded everyone about the Community Beautification Event scheduled for May 3 at the high school parking lot.

7. Information items

There were none.

8. Public comments

There were none.

9. Council comments

OPHS Student Representative *Frankie Alchanati* spoke about the ongoing AP testing at the high school, and mentioned that students were busy preparing for their course final exams. *Robert von Schneidau* had no comments.

Michael Paule reported on an RSRPD event to promote commercial filming at County sites. He said he was pleased with the new county line sign installed by the Transportation Department on Lindero Canyon Road. He said that the Triunfo Sanitation District board had approved "smart" meters for the district customers, and he commented on the area's water usage surpassing by 15% the previous year's use. He said he'd received a complaint about the plastic cover separating on the community signboard on Kanan Rd.; the signboards generally were not lasting in a good condition for very long.

Mike McReynolds commented on the drought, noting how the State Water Project had given 5% of the water for use in the month of September, and how all the remainder used came from storage. He gave an update on the latest OPUSD news, mentioning the new Measure R projects that included modernizing the OPHS gym, improving ADA compliance at OPHS, and several projects at Brookside Elementary School.

Alon Glickstein had no comments.

Mike Green reported on his attendance at the latest Parks Committee meeting, highlighting the discussion and actions regarding the oleanders at Mae Boyar Park where the gun had been found.

10. Written communications

There were none.

11. Advisory Matters

a. Committee for funding options for the Kanan Shuttle update and recommendations

Supervisor Parks provided information along with *Michael Paule* about the April 7 meeting held at OPUSD offices. A major result of the meeting was the expressed intention of the school district to propose helping out with as much as \$50,000 annually to keep the shuttle service free to riders. The MAC discussed options on how best to proceed with getting the topic agendized for future meetings of the school board and the Parks and Recreation Planning Committee.

b. Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations

Michael Paule said that the committee was waiting to learn the results of the park district's pilot program of alternative methods for treating weeds, to see whether they came up with anything that could be recommended by the MAC for the CSA 4 maintained areas.

12. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM to the regular May 27 MAC meeting.