OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of Meeting, November 25, 2014 The Oak Park MAC held a meeting Tuesday, November 25, 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. *Michael Paule, Alon Glickstein,* and *Mike McReynolds* were also present. *Robert von Schneidau* and OPHS Student Representative *Frankie Alchanati* were absent.

2. Flag Salute

Clayton Green led the flag salute.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted 4-0 on a motion by *Michael Paule* seconded by *Alon Glickstein*. The approval included a change in the adjournment line, item #12, to the date November 25, which was accomplished through a 4-0 vote on a motion by *Mike Green* and seconded by *Alon Glickstein*.

4. Approval of the minutes of October 28, 2014

The minutes of October 28 were approved 3-0 with changes on a motion by *Michael Paule* seconded by *Alon Glickstein* with *Mike McReynolds* abstaining. The changes were to Michael Paule's Council Comments to say that the TSD Board was considering (not that it approved) a rate increase, and also that the word rate should be changed to the phrase tier rate; in Mike Green's Council Comments a change was made to reflect that using alternative treatments in the parks would increase costs to \$30K yearly from \$9K. The minutes of September were approved 4-0 on a motion by *Michael Paule*, seconded by *Robert von Schneidau*.

5. Public Safety reports

There were none.

6. Honoring retiring MAC member Mike Green for his outstanding service

Supervisor Parks presented Mike Green with a resolution signed by the Board of Supervisors honoring him for his years of service and personally thanked him for his work on behalf of Oak Park. The MAC members presented him with an award engraved with oak leaves and acorns and reading, "With sincere appreciation for your dedication and tireless efforts on behalf of the residents of Oak Park, December 2006-December 2014. Oak Park Municipal Advisory Council." His wife Judy Green was presented with a bouquet of roses.

Alon Glickstein commented on how he had learned much from Mike Green, always valued his advice, and was hopeful that Mike would be willing to be consulted about Oak Park matters in the future.

Reading comments prepared by *Robert Von Schneidau*, who was unable to attend due to illness, Michael Paule commented that Mike Green was an upstanding person, whose input making Oak Park the best place was appreciated; it was hoped that Mike Green would stay involved. *Michael Paule* noted how he and Mike Green had started out together on the MAC eight years ago; he said they became good friends, and that he appreciated his involvement in so many volunteer activities, including the VIP (Volunteers in Policing) and the Red Cross. The community had come to count on Mike Green, and would miss him and his good judgment and activity. It was hoped that Mike Green for always coming to meetings prepared, willing to help

and to offer advice where it was needed. He said that Mike Green's fiscal conservatism served the community well. He had run good meetings, kept things in order demonstrating good leadership. His dedication to his community made him a great example to everyone, and it was hoped that he would be seeing Mike Green often in the future.

Mike Green expressed appreciation to everyone for their comments. He said it had been a pleasure to serve on the MAC, and that he would miss it. He thanked everyone.

7. Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks administers the Oath of Office to reappointed Oak Park MAC members Alon Glickstein and Michael Paule

The two council members took the Oath of Office and commenced new terms of four years in office.

8. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks detailed the new county policy she had spearheaded on sidewalk repairs in the unincorporated areas. She reported that funding to begin the first phase of the proposed work to build a wildlife crossing for US 101 at Liberty Canyon had been received.

9. Information items

- a) Urban runoff and the impact on the stream environment, presentation by Anders Reimer, Restoration Technician, Mountains Restoration Trust Information about area streams was presented to the MAC.
- b) Upcoming election of Oak Park Recreation and Park Planning Committee members at the January 27, 2015 MAC meeting

The upcoming election was noted.

10. Public comments

There were none.

11. Council comments

Mike McReynolds commended the Oak Park community on reducing its water use by 30% over the previous year. He congratulated the new school board members and wished everyone a happy, safe Thanksgiving.

Michael Paule noted that he would be working to publicize a buy local campaign for Oak Park businesses. He also commented that Oak Park was a walking community, and how a recent pitbull attack at Deerhill Park underscored the importance of keeping dogs leashed in public places.

Alon Glickstein said that the Community Foundation for Oak Park needed new volunteers. He emphasized the importance of high quality offerings for restaurant success.

Mike Green noted that there would be an 80 cents monthly increase in residents' waste management bills.

12. Written communications

Communications that were noted included an update from Public Works about a planned urban runoff water filtration project (Attachment 1), and an e-mail concerning the school district's request for a crosswalk upgrade at Oakleaf near Conifer.

13. Action Items

a) MAC recommendation, rescind August, 2014 MAC vote, and send a letter to the Planning Department, re: MAC recommendation, LDS CUP #4550, Minor Modification to Case #PL14-0071, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 6100 Doubletree Road, for continued operation with no new development The MAC decided that no action was to be taken, since the school district had made an agreement with the facility regarding the shared use of the church parking lot, and the church had changed its request for its permit from 50 to 25 years.

- b) MAC recommendation, Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations Attached is the committee report given by Michael Paule. (Attachment 2)
- c) MAC recommendation, MAC Liaison assignments changes The MAC members selected Alon Glickstein to replace Mike Green as the MAC Liaison to Law Enforcement, and selected Michael Paule to take over his assignment as the Liaison to the Parks and Recreation Planning Committee.
- d) MAC recommendations, cancellation of Dec. 16 meeting; dates for Feb.-June, 2015 The MAC voted 3-0 to recommend the cancellation in December, on a motion by Mike McReynolds seconded by Alon Glickstein, with Mike Green abstaining. No recommendations were made for spring dates.

14. Adjournment

The Vice Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Attachment 1.

As presented to the MAC in February 2014, County Public Works Agency applied for \$1,400,000 for stormwater treatment project in Oak Park under the Proposition 84 Stormwater Implementation Grant Program. The State Water Board awarded the funding and the Grant was executed in August 2014. Critical project deliverables have been submitted and the project design is in progress.

The project will consists of 10 modular wetlands distributed within the Oak Park community, installed in the County's road right-of-way, and biofiltration system in the median along Kanan Rd. The objective is to treat urban runoff during dry and wet weather to meet requirements of the Clean Water Act and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) adopted for Malibu Creek and its tributaries.

Construction is scheduled for summer 2015 followed by water quality and flow monitoring to evaluate effectiveness of the treatment systems and educational outreach. Under this grant, in cooperation with Surfrider Foundation and Green Garden Group, a classroom seminar and series of hands-on workshops will be offered to the community for free to learn about replacing turf in residential areas with Ocean Friendly Gardens.

Attachment 2.

Recommendations of the Oak Park Landscape Committee - November 2014

Herbacide Use Issues

1) Results of Rancho Simi differential testing were summarized in October. Based on the results, Rancho Simi will continue to use organic Herbacide, Weed Zap, at six park sites adjacent to schools instead of Roundup; Increased costs will be absorbed the first year of use; but funding is uncertain after the first year.

2) What to do in county areas? Enhanced Landscape will inform the committee about amount of Roundup used in the county medians so that recommendations can be made to the Oak Park MAC.

3) Education of public can be done by press release in <u>The Acorn</u> and discussion at MAC meeting.

Sustainable Landscape Seminar

1) On Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, from 9 am to 1 pm, Triunfo Sanitation District and Rancho Simi will co-sponsor a regional sustainable landscape event. The event will be held at the Oak Park Community Center and will feature a sustainable landscape workshop.

2) Oak Park Landscape Committee will help organize vendor participation. Five to ten vendors can be accommodated. Vendor fee will be charged to help offset cost of publicity for event. An amount of \$200 per vendor is recommended. The Committee would like to restrict multiple vendors providing the same or similar services.

3) Vendor Raffle to be held.

4) Request that notice of event be sent with Oak Park water bills in January.

Super Saturday Event

Annual event will take place at Oak Park High in late January. Uncertain as to whether the committee will participate due to proximity of sustainable landscape event.

Drip System Test

Enhanced Landscape to test drip system on garlic plants in flat section of median on Kanan between Sunnycrest and Deerhill.

Thank you to Enhanced Landscape for great look of Oak Park medians!