

OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
of Meeting, January 27, 2015
The Oak Park MAC held a meeting Tuesday, January 27, 2015 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 *Vice Chair Alon Glickstein* at 7:00 PM. *Michael Paule*, *Robert von Schneidau*, and *Mike McReynolds* were also present.

2. Flag Salute

Ventura County Sheriff's Office Captain Cory Rubright led the flag salute.

3. Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks administers the Oath of Office to Chris Chapman, contingent on Board of Supervisors' appointment

The newly appointed council member took the Oath of Office and began his term in office.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

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

5. Approval of the minutes of November 25, 2014

The minutes of November 25 were approved 3-0 with on a motion by *Mike McReynolds* seconded by *Michael Paule* with *Robert Von Schneidau* and *Chris Chapman* abstaining.

6. MAC reorganization, selection of Chair and Vice Chair for 2015

The MAC voted 5-0 to choose *Alon Glickstein* as Chair, on a motion by *Michael Paule* seconded by *Mike McReynolds* after he was nominated by *Michael Paule*. Then *Michael Paule* was nominated to be Vice Chair; he declined the nomination. The MAC voted 5-0 to choose *Mike McReynolds* as Vice Chair, on a motion by *Michael Paule* seconded by *Robert Von Schneidau* after he was nominated by *Michael Paule*.

7. Public Safety reports

Alon Glickstein introduced the agenda item by announcing that *Ventura County Sheriff's Office Captain Cory Rubright* had been reassigned to work in Camarillo starting in the coming month. On behalf of the entire MAC, the Chair expressed deep appreciation to *Captain Rubright* for his two years of duty with the community of Oak Park. *Captain Rubright* expressed appreciation and he commented that it had been one of his favorite assignments so far. He introduced the staff member who would be replacing him, *Captain Ross Bonfiglio*. He said that *Captain Bonfiglio's* thirty years of experience with the force and in particular his recent extensive work in neighboring Thousand Oaks would serve the Oak Park community well. The Chair greeted *Captain Bonfiglio* and said "Welcome aboard."

Captain Rubright reported that there were no new crime trends observed for Oak Park. He presented year end statistics for 2014 which showed marked declines for all types of crime in Oak Park except for an uptick in "simple assaults", or domestic violence. *Robert Von Schneidau* asked why he thought crime went down, and *Captain Rubright* responded that heightened public awareness, for example in regard to preventing larcenies, could play a role. *Michael Paule* asked if security cameras helped, and he responded that they do help prevent crime. *Robert Von Schneidau* asked whether law enforcement could learn what burglars are looking for, and *Captain Rubright* responded that they appear mostly to take advantage of crimes of opportunity, and that the juveniles are more likely to open up about their procedures and that for them car picking and car hopping are common. *Mike McReynolds* asked whether he thought that dogs serve as a deterrent, and he said that it seemed to be the case. *Michael Paule* congratulated *Captain Rubright* on his successful work, and *Alon Glickstein* thanked him again for all his

assistance to the community in the past years. **Supervisor Linda Parks** presented **Captain Rubright** with a certificate of commendation from the Ventura County Board of Supervisors.

CHP Community Liaison Officer Gregg Musgrove reported that his agency was not seeing any unusual trends. He noted that the addition of a school crossing guard at Conifer St. at Oakleaf was a good thing. He commented on former MAC member **Mike Green's** continued activity with e-mailed suggestions for patrol follow up. **Mike McReynolds** described his experience with stolen mail, and **Captain Rubright** along with **Officer Musgrove** stressed the need for reporting this kind of incident to law enforcement. **Michael Paule** inquired about the status of a motorhome at Kanan and Conifer, and the Supervisor's office responded that Code Compliance was again working on encroachment and parking issues related to this vehicle.

8. Adjournment of the MAC meeting

{Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District staff members conduct election for the Oak Park Park and Recreation Planning Advisory Committee}

9. Call back to order of the regular January 27 MAC meeting

The meeting was called back to order by the Chair at 7:20 PM.

10. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks congratulated the newly elected Advisory Committee member, and the new MAC member, **Chris Chapman**. She said she was confident that his background made him a helpful addition to the MAC. She also congratulated Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District on its progress in the acquisition process for Los Alamos Canyon. She reported on the proposed work to build a wildlife crossing for US 101 at Liberty Canyon, and said that invitations for her upcoming dinner event to highlight the need for the project to benefit mountain lions were on the back table in the meeting room. She provided an update about the Watershed Protection District's biofiltration project involving roadside medians along Kanan Road and other side streets, and said the County was working on ways to preserve trees currently in the medians and to determine funding for maintenance. She gave an update about work on the new county wireless ordinance. Finally, she noted that the County Clerk's office would be open on Saturday, February 14 to perform weddings.

11. Information items

There were none.

12. Public comments

There were none.

13. Council comments

Chris Chapman said his family lived in the Monte Carlo area of Oak Park, and that prior to moving there had resided for a decade nearby in Agoura Hills. He said his son attended school at Brookside Elementary and that they were enjoying the area, the schools, and liked the Kanan Shuttle. He looked forward to being active in the community. His background was in corporate event planning, he loved travel, generally. He said he had been employed at Farmers' Insurance for twenty years.

Alon Glickstein welcomed **Chris Chapman** and thanked him for his willingness to serve on the MAC. He said that the Community Foundation for Oak Park was in need of new volunteers.

Robert Von Schneidau commented on the successful season enjoyed by girls' soccer.

Michael Paule reported on the December meeting of the Parks Advisory Committee, noting in particular the increase in budget revenue for Oak Park that was disclosed, and the discussions over planning for how to pay for renovations at Mae Boyar Park's building. He reported that the

park district would be able to cover the cost of alternative weed treatments in selected parks. He described plans for a February 21 waterwise workshop put on by the Triunfo Sanitation District and the park district. He said that along with others he was beginning to make plans for a 50 year anniversary celebration for Oak Park.

Mike McReynolds commented on the upcoming school district “Super Saturday” event that the Triunfo Sanitation District would participate in. He stressed the need for reducing water use, and he spoke about the Triunfo Sanitation District work on providing new water meters.

Matthew Williams reported on the OPHS drama department’s productions this year, the start of the new semester, and the new coaching staff for track at the high school. He said it was good that standing was now allowed on the Kanan Shuttle due to the new hand rails. He commented that the carbon footprint of OPHS was improved due to numerous innovations on campus.

14. Written communications

There were none.

15. Advisory Matters

a.) MAC recommendation, MAC liaison appointments for 2015

Attached is the list of appointments agreed upon by MAC members. (Attachment 1)

b.) MAC recommendation, MAC meeting dates for spring of 2015

On a motion by **Mike McReynolds** seconded by **Robert Von Schneidau**, the MAC voted unanimously to meet February 24, April 28, and May 26.

c.) MAC recommendation, Standing Landscape Committee update and recommendations

Attached is the committee report given by **Michael Paule**. (Attachment 2)

d.) MAC recommendation, Draft County Wireless Communication Facilities Ordinance, to amend the Ventura County Non-Coastal Zoning Ordinance

The MAC recommended tabling the item.

16. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:28 PM.

Oak Park MAC Assignments for 2015

CHAIR: Alon Glickstein

VICE CHAIR: Mike McReynolds

SCHOOL DISTRICT: Mike McReynolds

PARKS & RECREATION PLANNING COMMITTEE: Michael Paule

STREET SWEEPING COORDINATOR & LANDSCAPE CSA #4; LANDSCAPE REVIEW; LIAISON TO STANDING LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE: Mike Paule, Robert Von Schneidau

MEETING ROOM: VC Supervisor

POSTING MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT (SIGNS): VC Supervisor, Alon Glickstein

LIAISON TO TRIUNFO SANITATION DISTRICT: Mike Paule, Mike McReynolds

CROSSWALK & TRAFFIC SAFETY; TRANSPORTATION LIAISON:
Chris Chapman

PUBLIC RELATIONS, COMMUNITY OUTREACH (MAC Chair): Alon Glickstein

LIAISON TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE/BUSINESS COMMUNITY OUTREACH:
Mike Paule, Robert Von Schneidau

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION MEETINGS: Alon Glickstein

OVERSIZED VEHICLE ORDINANCE: Alon Glickstein

LIAISON TO LAW ENFORCEMENT: Alon Glickstein

LIAISON TO C.E.R.T: Mike McReynolds

LIAISON RE OAK PARK YOUTH AND COMMUNITY: Chris Chapman

LIAISON TO VC PUBLIC WORKS AGENCY: Mike McReynolds

GRAFFITI: Robert Von Schneidau

COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING OPTIONS FOR KANAN SHUTTLE: Michael Paule,
Robert Von Schneidau

Landscape Issue Recommendations of the Oak Park Landscape Committee - January 2015

Sustainable Landscape Seminar

- 1) The Watershed Wise Landscape Training seminar on Saturday, Feb. 21, begins at 9 am to 12 pm at the Oak Park Community Center and is free. Vendors will be able to participate beginning at 8:30 am until 12:30 pm.
- 2) Oak Park Landscape Committee will coordinate the vendor participation in the seminar. Committee member Kelly has volunteered to coordinate with seminar vendors to help them with logistics and answer any questions. Vendors to include JFK Paving, Mystique Water Gardens, Meadow Gardens, Olwyn Kingery Landscape Design and Enhanced Landscape Management.
- 3) Vendor entrance fee (\$200) will be used to defray publicity costs which will include advertising in The Acorn, announcement in Oak Park Recreation & Park News, flyer in the Triunfo district water bills and more.
- 4) Raffle will be held to encourage seminar attendees interaction with vendors, with winners to be drawn at end of seminar.
- 5) Info sheet with vendor info and contact numbers will be provided to seminar attendees.
- 6) Committee member Kelly Kaye has volunteered to serve as the coordinator with the workshop vendors to help them with logistics on Feb 21st.

Mitigation Project in Oak Park (Bio- Swales)

Ventura County Watershed Department has received grant monies to construct bio- swales on both sides of Kanan Road between Conifer and Smoketree. This construction will require removal of median trees in those areas. Representatives of the Department will appear before the MAC possibly in February. Needing to encourage attendance at the meeting since the bio-swale installation will impact adjacent neighbors.

Herbicide Issue

Suggested that the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) might be able to fund use of alternate organic weed killers in Oak Park medians. The city of Solano, CA, cited as an analogous community which used funds from DTSC to pay for alternate herbicide education/useage.

Water Conservation

Oak Park residents have done a very good job with water conservation - about 20% below same period last year.

Landscape Issues

- 1) If notice sprinklers operating during rainy days, call Enhanced Landscape Management for quick remedy.
- 2) Medians look good.