#### OAK PARK MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES of an official Meeting, April 24, 2018 The Oak Park MAC held an official meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 7:00 PM Oak Park Library, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park

#### 1. Call to Order of the meeting

The meeting was called to order by *Chair Drew Fountaine* at 7:01 PM. *Seema Chandra, Chris Chapman, Jane Nye* and Student Liaison *Yuval Cohen* were also present. *Alon Glickstein* was absent.

#### 2. Flag Salute

Chris Chapman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda

The MAC voted 4-0 to adopt the agenda, with *Jane Nye* making a motion that was seconded by *Chris Chapman*.

#### 4. Approval of the minutes of March 27, 2018

Jane Nye made a motion to approve the draft minutes, seconded by Seema Chandra, and passed 4-0.

#### 5. Public safety reports

Ventura County Sheriff's Office Deputy Travis Neet reported on the previous month's activity. He said that there were two thefts from unlocked vehicles, on Key Largo Court and on Valero Circle, a residential burglary on Bayport Way with the theft of a bike, and a vehicle burglary on Earlham Court which involved a smashed window. In addition there occurred two instances of daytime attempted residential burglaries when people were at home. Both of the homes back up to open space. One of these houses is on East Sunnyvista Avenue and the attempt to break in was made in the front, while the other house is on Rock Castle Court and had a back window broken with a crowbar. He said that his department was currently following a good lead for these attempted "hot prowl" burglaries.

**Deputy** Neet stressed the importance of residents not leaving valuable items where they are visible to thieves, of locking vehicles, closing garages, and reporting suspicious activity. He said that a new trend in criminal activity was younger suspects using newer cars with their license plates covered with paper dealer plates. He noted that suspects observe the daily routines of residents, and see things such as trash cans left out all day after a trash pick-up. He said that such thieves were looking for jewelry or cash especially, for quick money.

#### 6. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks reported on the results of the April 14 County recycling event at the high school, noting that over ten tons of materials was collected. She said that the Board of Supervisors had accepted the introduction into the updating of the County General Plan a new Open Space sub-zone, OS-P. Drew Fountaine asked if this meant that open space in that sub-zone was now protected from development, and Supervisor Parks answered that it would be when the County General Plan update was adopted within about a year. Drew Fountaine commented that he hoped nothing happened in the intervening time. Supervisor Parks pointed out that SOAR would require a vote of the people to change Oak Park open space. Supervisor Parks reported that the Board of Supervisors had voted to reverse its earlier approval of a bio-filter project in Oak Park, replacing it instead with underground modular wetlands. Finally, she noted the upcoming ribbon-cutting event at the new headquarters in Simi Valley for the Rancho Simi Recreation and Parks District, and she said that her office could prepare a certificate for a MAC member to present.

#### 7. Council comments

Yuval Cohen said that messages to promote traffic safety around the high school would be posted on the school marquee.

**Drew Fountaine** said that the Parks and Recreation Planning Committee had met, and that the undergrounding of the proposed Calleguas water pump station along Lindero Canyon Road was being discussed. He said that the project would be coming back to the MAC for another hearing. In addition, the permitting process for the Mae Boyar Park building replacement was continuing, since the granted permits would remain valid for two years.

#### 8. Written communications

There were none reported.

#### 9. MAC Member Liaison reports

See under agenda item #7.

#### 10. Public Comments

Janna Orkney spoke about the introduction of online video access to meetings held by the Triunfo Sanitation District board. She also presented information and handouts (attached here) about the raising of residential sewer rates to support the planned \$100 million toilet to tap Clean Water project. She said that \$30 million was the share of the project cost needed to be paid by the customers in the Triunfo Sanitation District service area. Jan Osterhaven noted that the District's recent presentation to the Oak Park MAC about the project had mentioned only grant funding as the source for building the project. Janna Orkney disagreed. Drew Fountaine said that Janna Orkney had been an incredible advocate for water quality safety.

#### 11. Advisory Matters

# a) MAC recommendation, OPUSD request the addition of a new crossing guard position, at estimated \$10,817 yearly (continued from March meeting)

The MAC continued to the May meeting the decision on the additional crossing guard.

#### b) MAC recommendation, MAC Liaison appointment for the CSA #4 street sweeping and landscape issues, and the Standing Landscape Committee (continued from March meeting)

*Chris Chapman* volunteered to serve as the MAC Liaison, and the MAC accepted his appointment.

#### 12. Adjournment to May 22 at 7 P.M. in the Oak Park Library The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:21 P.M.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

### **About the Pure Water Project**

To make use of IPR, the Pure Water Project will involve construction of a state-of-the-art advanced treatment facility, together with the necessary infrastructure (pipelines, pumps, etc.) to convey water from the Tapia plant to the new treatment facility and from there to local customers.

The planned facility will use an integrated treatment process of disinfection, membrane filtration, reverse osmosis, and ultra-violet light to produce high-quality potable water that meets all regulatory requirements. With a 13-year project timeline, the Pure Water Protect is scheduled to be operational by 2030.

## **Cost and Funding**

At an estimated cost of \$100 million for the Pure Water Project, the JPA has developed a financial plan that includes potential funding from state and federal grants and low-interest loans. TSD's proportional share of that cost is approximately \$30 million. In order to qualify for grants, local agencies must satisfy matching fund requirements, and the TSD Board has identified \$6 million as the "pay-go" target.

Funding for this targeted amount will be generated via a series of 2.5% annual sewer service rate increases for the 30,000 customers we serve in Oak Park, Lake Sherwood, Bell Canyon, and the Westlake Village and North Ranch portions of Thousand Oaks. These increases are above the current approved rate plan, as well as future rate plans covering the next six years. The initial 2.5% increase will take effect on July 1, 2018.

The TSD Board of Directors recognizes that rate increases are rarely, if ever, welcome among customers. However, the need for a solution to the regulatory changes affecting Malibu Creek is absolutely essential, and the Board is confident that the Pure Water Project offers the best combination of effectiveness and cost efficiency, while providing the added benefit of ensuring long-term local water supply quality and reliability. The TSD Board will continue to make every effort to minimize the project cost impacts on customers.

## **For More Information**

Additional details and the latest information on the Pure Water Project are available on the TSD website: triunfosanitation.com or by contacting the following:

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