



HIGHGROVE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Highgrove Library  
530 W. Center Street, Highgrove, CA 92507  
Wednesday, August 19, 2015  
7:00pm  
**Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order:**  
1900 by Barney Barnett
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**  
Led by Mark Visyak
- 3. Roll Call and Introductions:**  
Melanie Zimmerman, Raina Boal, Denis Kidd, Becky Luther, Barney Barnett, and Vince Yu. Don Earp (Absent).
- 4. Approval of Agenda & Minutes for July 2015**  
Minutes not available for July at this meeting.
- 5 Old Business:**
  - **Sewer Update:** Denis Kidd spoke about the meetings he attended in trying to get Highgrove connected to the Riverside sewer system. There is no money available through EDA so Denis is looking into the Clean Water Bond money. The Highgrove Septic tanks are polluting the wells in Highgrove and putting nitrates into the water table. The City of Riverside and the County of Riverside would apply for the grant. Barney stated there are 5 duplex's that have been connected to the sewer along Center St. and the cost of the permit is \$7,000 and construction cost to hook up to the lateral sewer lines is about \$10,000 more.
  - **General Plan/Zoning Changes:** On July 29 there was a meeting at the county about the Bixby property. 200 houses will be built on the 65 acre property in the middle of Highgrove. Mark Severson from Bixby told Barney that the 200 houses will be paying the CSA 126E assessment on their tax bills when the new homes are built.

- **Audit requested for CSA 126E Funds from 2008 to the present:** A copy of an independent audit request was given to Supervisor Tavaglione. Jason confirmed that EDA will not be doing the audit regarding the parcel fees.
- **Spring Mountain Ranch Parcel Fee Exemption:** Barney stated that the 1997 ballot included all parcels within the Highgrove boundaries. Barney met with Supervisor Tavaglione and asked why Spring Mountain Ranch is exempt from paying the fee since these homes are within the CSA 126 boundaries. Barney highlighted the key word “all” that appeared on the 1997 ballot and he would like to know before the 2015-2016 tax bills go out when was the last day of the dedicated Highgrove sheriff. He also stated that residents have suggested a Grand Jury investigation and other members have mentioned wanting their money back. Barney made a comment in regards to the Sheriff responding to residents in Spring Mountain Ranch even though they are not paying the \$120 parcel fee. Jason Farin clarified that the money from the parcel fee is for “Enhanced Sheriff Coverage” for special targeted areas and for Parks and Recreation, not for general Sheriff coverage. Spring Mountain Ranch will not receive “Enhanced Sheriff Services” as they are not paying into the fee. Denis stated that he heard that Spring Mountain Ranch is no longer within the CSA 126E service area.

#### 5. **New Business:**

- **Highgrove Museum:** Barney has access to a container and suggested that we should start collecting items of historical significance for a future museum.

#### 7. **Agency Reports and Board Member Reports:**

- **Board of Supervisors Report:** Health Fair October 15 at Country Village Senior Apartments.
- **Sheriffs Report: Officer Werges:** No one present but Jason reported no major investigations. July 10<sup>th</sup> Quality of life issues targeted. August 21 next slated date for the special enforcement task force.
- **Code Enforcement:** No one present
- **Riverside County Fire Dept:** No one present.

#### 8. **MAC Board Members Report:**

- **Denis:** Free Breakfast at Highgrove Methodist Church last Sat in Aug.
- **Becky:** No comment
- **Vince:** Has seen Sheriff Deputies in the area patrolling and targeting the area and inquired about weeds on Center Street.

- **Melanie:** Melanie is having noise problems with the Spring Blossom Apartments.
- **Barney:** Would like to know what other un-incorporated communities are serviced from the Jurupa Valley Sheriff Station.
- **Raina:** Inquired about Citizens Patrol and Neighborhood Watch Updates.

**9. Public comments:**

Member of the Community asked if there were going to be a new school in Spring Mountain Ranch. Debbie Melvin said there is a 10-acre parcel of land reserved for a school site.

**10. Items for Future Agenda:**

- CSA Sheriff Boundaries and CSA 126E parcel fees
- Supervisor Tavaglione will be present at the September meeting.

**11. Announcements:**

- Next meeting date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015

**12. Adjournment:**

8:32 pm

Further questions or comments please contact:  
Jason Farin, Legislative Assistant at 951.955.1020.

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