



County of Placer

WEST PLACER MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Wednesday, March 10, 2010

A regular meeting of the West Placer Municipal Advisory Council was held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Creekview Ranch Middle School, Roseville, and Ca.

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Lawson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Council members present: Jeremy Lawson, Walt Wylie and Claudette-Mitchell Weismantel
John Hottle and Darryl Osborne

Council members absent: None

County staff present: Linda Brown Field Representative, District 1
Kristen Spears, Assessor
Diane Howe, Sec. MAC

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Jeremy led the Pledge
3. Approval of the Minutes of February 10, 2010. Claudette remarked that under "Comments from Mac members" she would like to add that the flight traffic from the international airport had expanded greatly both incoming and outgoing creating noise over their area. Darryl moved to approve the minutes with this addition, John seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Approval of the Agenda: Claudette Mitchell-Weismantel moved to approve the agenda as presented. John Hottle seconded. Motion carried 5-0
5. Public Comment: Linda Brown reported that Phillip Vassion, Public Works, had notified her that a speed test was complete on Baseline and also on Central Ave and new speed limits (reductions) will be posted on both streets. (35 on Baseline to Cook Riolo, and 30 on Central (East to Cook Riolo). She also reported that Cal-Am water had requested feedback from the Feb. presentation and wondered if the MAC would like them to return. The MAC was pleased with the presentation and would like future presentations related to water. Handouts would be appreciated.
Steve Spindler, a volunteer fireman, announced that the Annual Pancake Breakfast was March 27 with price being \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 10 and under. There will be Easter egg hunts also.
Rosemary Freeborn from the Humane Society questioned the communication between County Departments as well as information provided to the various MAC meetings she has attended recently.
6. Supervisor Rockholm's Report: Supervisor Rockholm was not present due to medical restrictions. Roger Vonn, a Morgan Greens resident, stated that he objected to Supervisor Rockholm's objection to Congressman McClintock's objection to earmark items.
7. Public Safety:
 - A. County Sheriff's Department. none

- B. Cal-Fire : none
- C. CHP: None present

8. Information Items (non-action):

- A. RCH Group/Towne Development – Presenter; Dave Cook, Managing Principal, RCH Group. The introduction of Towne Development, the new owner of a majority of Riolo Vineyard Specific Plan properties. TCH (Towne’s consultant) will present a conceptual tentative map for Parcel J.

Dave Cook introduced himself to MAC members and provided a map of the Riolo Vineyard Specific plan as approved and gave a little background on the new majority partner, Towne Development as well as his own history within the Dry Creek Community. He indicated that they are still looking at the Specific Plan as approved but are suggesting starting with development at the corner of Walerga and PFE rather than the original concept of starting at PFE and Watt. This would adjust a small density change but would be the homes that are about 1600-2300 sq. ft. and potentially provide walking access to shopping as well as access to entry and exit on and PFE. A portion of the corner is owned by a separate owner and is zoned commercial as is a portion of the approved development (Silver Creek) across Walerga. There was some concern over small commercial but these two commercial parcels are individually owned and not within the RCH’s control although RCH is pursuing communication with each owner.

- B. Assessor (Property Tax) Information: Presenter, Kristen Spears, Placer County Assessor. The presentation will provide historic and current information on the annual assessment roll and the process of assessing property through a market decline and recovery. Overview of the upcoming 2010-2011 property tax year, including on-line business property statement filing, available for the first time this year.

Kristin Spears introduced herself and provided an informational handout to the MAC members as well as the audience. She review the processes used in her department and also the historical issues and application of Prop. 13 (1978, max. 2% increase value) and Prop 8 (1979, reduction market value). She explained how the recent major drop in values within Placer County (mainly South Placer) has effected property tax bill reductions. She also explained that assessments are based on a January value making with each property being looked at mailed there “assessed value” for the year in July and actual tax bills due Dec. and April (following year). She indicated that more foreclosures are happening but seem to be moving to the Tahoe area as well as commercial. This is also the first year that the CPI indicator for the basis of Prop. 13 increase value is a negative number thus potential reducing the assess values of properties.

She is very excited about the e-filing on business properties available for the first time within the County this year.

- C. Census 2010 – Overview: Presenter: Linda Brown, Field Representative, District 1. Census 2010 discussion on the When, How, and Why it is so important to participate in Census 2010. Linda provided materials on the counter of census information and stressed the importance of responding to the questionnaire when it arrives. The distribution of Federal funds to areas is based on census numbers and to obtain as accurate a count as possible census employees will knock on doors as many as 6 times to have the questionnaire filled out.

9. Action Items: None

10. Subcommittees:
 - A. Land/Use, Specific Plans:-Wylie, Mitchel-Weismantel—None .
 - B. Utilities (water, sewer, flood control
 - C. Traffic: Hottle: John noted the speed limit reductions soon to be posted and also that the approved stop sign on Vineyard will be placed weather permitting.
 - D. Schools and Parks—Weismantel. None

11. Correspondence –Jeremy announced receipt of two minor use permit notices and a of a MAC Planning Process Response meeting on March 11.

12. Comments by MAC members: Claudette noted that the Neighborhood Watch program was awesome and the County Contact, Lynn Harrison was very helpful.

13. Next Meeting: The next regular meeting is Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 7:00 pm