County of Placer

#### RURAL LINCOLN MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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## MINUTES FOR JULY 17, 2006

### CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS;

Vice-Chairman Alves called the 125th Lincoln Rural MAC meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: George Alves, Karla McAnally, Deirdre Lefty

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Fowler, Mike Whitney

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Pereira, Lyndell Grey, Lois Clausen

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Don Chandler.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: To approve Minutes for June 19, 2006:

McAnally/Lefty/UNANIMOUS

# 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**UNANIMOUS** 

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Chandler noted he read in "Science News" that El Dorado County has found asbestos in the soil there, and questioned Placer County's efforts in this area. Ms. Pereira reported Placer County is addressing this problem, and the item could be agendized if the MAC wishes. Councilmember Nakata stated the air board map is complete and he offered to supply a copy to the MAC.

Charlie Dill, Placer County Mosquito Abatement, reported no positive reports of West Nile Virus to date in Placer County, including 130 mosquito test pools and the county chicken flock. Yuba and Sacramento counties have reported positive birds and mosquitoes, while Sutter and Kern counties have reported positive birds, mosquitoes, and one human case each. Using a \$310,000 grant, Placer County began its abatement program in 1/06, including doubling the staff and starting a school education program. As Mr. Dill is retiring as district manager, he offered to introduce his replacement at the next MAC meeting. Mr. Alves thanked Mr. Dill for all his hard work through the years.

Ms. Bachman attended the Hidden Falls Regional Park groundbreaking and stated she looks forward to visiting the park often in the future. Citizens reported trash on the east side of Garden Bar and on Manzanita Road.

#### 6. PUBLIC SAFETY and COMMUNITY REPORTS:

A. Fire Department: Mr. Alves reminded citizens that the burn ban is in effect.

- **B.** Placer County Sheriff: Lynn Harrison reported a large number of recent residential burglaries, especially along McCourtney Road from Lincoln to Camp Far West Lake. She suggested residents install either battery or solar backup to alarm systems and light sensors. Thermal Lands "National Night Out" will be held 7/31 at Valley View School.
- **C. California Highway Patrol:** Mark Williams noted "Zero Tolerance" will be held countywide on Highway 80 on 7/28. Following the sweep in June, other states have joined the effort, and future sweeps will extend from California to Iowa. Regarding the Highway 65 safety campaign, officials are awaiting approval from CalTrans in Sacramento for the balance of safety improvements, including possibly the addition of "mandatory" or "CHP enforced" to the daylight headlight signage. A Roseville court judge has been considering penalties for drivers cited for not observing the daylight headlight zone. Mr. Alves suggested CHP and CalTrans representatives might meet with the Roseville judge in order to move that addition forward. For the first half of 2006, Mr. Williams noted CHP arrests are up 6-7%, accidents down 6-7%, and fatal accidents up 25%. Upcoming Sleep Train Amphitheater concerts include Kelly Clarkson on 8/4 and Santana on 8/6. In response to a citizen's question regarding Sunset West, Ms. Pereira noted DPW is patching the roadway. Lincoln PD has installed a Traffic Reporting Line at 916 645-5150.

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#### D. Western Placer Unified School District:

No report.

#### 7. INFORMATION/NON-ACTION ITEMS:

# A. Lighthouse Counseling and Family Resources Center

Executive Director Teresa Rasor gave a power point presentation highlighting the various programs offered to local families. The Lighthouse was one of three programs included in the City of Lincoln's recent successful bid for the All America city Award. The Lighthouse was founded in 1996, in conjunction with the Western Placer Unified School District as a school-based counseling service, funded by federal grants. During 2002-2003, with funding becoming difficult, the organization became non-profit and is currently located at 1530 Third Street in Lincoln. Ms. Rasor noted the organization serves over 550 families each month, and is one of five family resources centers in Placer County, all of which collaborate to aid families in need.

# 8. ACTION ITEMS:

None.

# 9. MAC COMMITTEE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTS:

A. Traffic & Public Safety: No report.

B. Schools & Parks: Ms. McAnally reported she attended the Hidden Falls Regional Park groundbreaking. She believes this is a fantastic use of taxpayer dollars and is a fabulous resource for this and future generations. It is expected to open for limited use in the fall.

C. Land Use: See Item 9F.

D. Health Issues: No report.

E. City of Lincoln: Councilmember Kent Nakata noted three city programs were highlighted in the All America City competition in Anaheim: SCHOOLS program mentors local students; Lighthouse Counseling and Family Resource Center serves families in need; and the Zebra Housing Program has built five homes for low-income families. Groundbreaking for the new library on Twelve Bridges was held 7/12. Lincoln recently received a prestigious award from The League of California Cities. Brian Vizzusi has been named the new chief of police, and Dave Whitt is the new fire chief. On 7/18, the fire station at First Street and Joiner Parkway will be dedicated, with other firehouses to follow, including East Avenue and Highway 193. The City council approved a sewer rate increase, the first since 1996. Mr. Nakata thanked citizens for participation in the Fourth of July parade, which included 43 minutes of fireworks. Ms. Bachman noted the closing of Highway 193 had interfered with the breakfast held prior to the parade. Ferrari Ranch will be subject to closure for installation of the Bickford Ranch sewer project. Eventually a walkway will be installed along Ferrari Ranch to enable residents to walk along Auburn Ravine. Sections of Nicolaus Road have been paved and the road will be raised and the bridge replaced later this year. Naturally occurring asbestos appears at approximately 1,500 ft. elevation. A map can be found on the Placer County Air Pollution Control District website. East Avenue improvements will extend the road ¼ mile, allowing diesel trucks to be kept away from the school. Construction for the Highway 65 Bypass Project is expected to begin next year, with completion hopefully in 2010-2011.

F. County of Placer: Lyndell Grey offered the following updates:

Teichert Aggregate Associates - EIR is being revised, taking possibly up to one year to be recirculated.

Bickford Ranch - Only remaining appeal is from Loomis regarding traffic concerns.

Placer Vineyards - Revised DEIR out first part of July, with 45-day comment period.

Nancyjo Riekse has been appointed the new Agriculture Marketing Manager by the Board of Supervisors. No additional peach flies have been reported in Placer or Sacramento counties.

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Hidden Falls Regional Park includes a several waterfalls, numerous old mine sites, extensive equestrian trails and miles of hiking paths, linked to the adjoining 961 acre parcel. Future plans include school programs, scouting camps, and cross-country training and ecology classes.

Ms. McAnally questioned the proposed regional university project's use of groundwater vs. surface water issue. Ms. Pereira noted the county policy states surface water must be used for urbanization projects. There is a large study underway to see if groundwater could be used however. Ms. Pereira offered to invite the Placer County Water Agency to a future MAC meeting to provide more information on the study. Ms. McAnally requested the Nevada Irrigation District also address the MAC in the future.

Mr. Nakata reported the city is using reclaimed water from the wastewater treatment plant, which eventually will provide 30,000,000 gallons per day for irrigation and parks.

### 10. CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

## 11. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION:

None.

# 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

August 21, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT:

The Rural Lincoln Municipal Advisory Council adjourned at 8:43 p.m.