



County of Placer
GRANITE BAY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
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Granite Bay MAC Minutes
Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
5455 Eureka Road, Granite Bay, CA

- 1) Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Approval of Agenda

A Motion was made (and seconded) to approve the April 2, 2014 Agenda. Agenda Approved 6 – 0

- 4) Approval of Minutes –

- a) February 5, 2014 (Don DeSantis absent)

Motion was made and seconded to approve the February Minutes. Motion passed 5-0

- 5) Introduction of MAC Members and Interim Secretary Christine McKenna

Walt Pekarsky; Ken Prager; Virg Anderson; Suzanne Jones; Eric Bose and John Thacker (Don DeSantis absent)

- 6) Public Safety Reports:

- a) Placer County Sheriff

There has been some door kick-ins on Auburn/Folsom Road. There is an increase in ID and credit cards fraud. There was a car break in near Bird and Douglas.

- b) South Placer Fire District – Chief Lawrence Bettencourt. Nothing really to report. They are getting a new fire truck for Station 17. The cost of this truck is \$832,000. This is just for the truck and ladder. Fully equipped the cost is \$940,000.

- c) California Highway Patrol.

None were present.

- 7) Public Comments: Any member of the public may address the Municipal Advisory Council on any matter that is NOT listed on the agenda. Comments will normally be limited to three (3) minutes per person at the discretion of the Chairperson.

- a) Linda Rooney, Eureka Union District Board of Trustee talked with the MAC regarding the access point from Cavitt School to the State Park. There has been an increase in people entering the campus on their way to the trails that lead to the State Park. There have been horse trailers parked in the school parking lot. These concerns will be heard at the Board of Director's Meeting on April 9, 2014.

8) Supervisor Report:

An Award winning film "HER" was filmed in Placer County. Some of the scenes were filmed near Donner Summit, Norden, Sugar Bowl Ski Resort and Soda Springs.

The Placer County Economic Summit honored the following with the following awards:

Lifetime Achievement Award went to Joanne Neft. She was paramount in starting the Farm to Fork in Placer County; she started the mandarin orange festival and was an agricultural marketing guru. Bruce Cosgrove CEO of Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce was recognized for his 30 years of service.

Other award winners were: Donahue Schriber honored for developing the Rocklin Crossings and Rocklin Commons Shopping Center; Jenine Windeshausen was recognized for her innovative program mPower Placer; The Roseville Higher Education Task Force; Coveka, Inc won Business of the Year Award presented by the Placer County Business Advantage Network.

Sheriff Edward Bonner received a Resolution from the Board for his forty years of dedicated service.

The former Roseville Courthouse was approved for surplus property sale.

A question was posed to Supervisor Uhler regarding supervisor's pay. In response

Supervisor Uhler provided the history of pay as follows:

- o In 1990 supervisors received \$48,000 plus benefits plus allowance for each meeting
- o A couple years later this was revised wherein they received \$56,000 annually plus benefits
- o In 1992 it was put on a ballot initiative. This made the change of total compensation of \$30,000 a year. This does not allow for a car, benefits or per meeting allowance. Each Supervisor has one Aide assigned to them.
- o Placer County supervisors as the lowest paid Supervisors in the State

9) Informational Items:

- a) Grizzly Way/Granite Bay High School Proposed additional safety improvements. Wellington Way Proposed Upgrades could include ladder style markings for improving visibility; install double-sided pedestrian signs with push button activated rapid flash beacon. This method is highly visible.

Critical Issues at Wellington / Copperwood

1. Pedestrian Safety
2. Exit from Copperwood to the North
3. Northbound entry to Copperwood Drive
4. Wellington Way speeds at all times
5. Granite Bay High School moving message and color marque.

The following are stats on Wellington Way since 2001

One pedestrian accident (January 2014)

Collisions during school hours 7:15 – 3:30 =28

Non-school hours = 7

Pedestrian involved – 2

There is less bussing; more parents are dropping their kids off and more high school kids are driving to school.

Eric asked if the pedestrian accident occurred during the day or night? It occurred in the evening.

Suzanne commented on the marque sign. It is very bright – causes distraction. Would like to see if there is a way for the brightness to be dimmed.

Ken commented that a majority of accidents occur during the day. Maybe the parents could change their behavior when dropping off their kids.

Bill Hatch Board of West Sherwood wanted to know if there were any types of requirements for ADA compliance? Will there will any ADA improvements. Answer was that it is believed that the high school does have ramps on sidewalks.

John Worthing's concerns on Wellington Way include traffic, speeds, parking illegally. Would like to see stop sign as a temporary measure to see if there were any changes.

Dr. David Yee study in Public Health said that a stop sign would make people aware and would be the most help.

Dr. Lani was the pedestrian that was struck in the cross walk. She spoke about the incident and what it has done to her family. She said that an inattentive driver hit her.

Barbara Singletary thought that a study at Granite Bay High School about a one-way entrance and only being able to right out of the parking lot. In response, there could be the possibility of looking into something like that.

The question was posed is thee was way to move entrance to the high school parking lot to align with Copperwood? Answer, that could be a possible solution.

Ahmed Katani – Is there a way to simulate traffic with stop sign? Response, yes they have tried with computer simulation.

Patricia McKinney – Are people dropping kids off on Wellington or in the parking lot. They are dropping them off in both places. The kids are crossing the roads in between cars.

Jim Sladek – The marque cross walk is more dangerous. People who are dropping their kids off are not observing traffic rules and the line of sight is reduced.

Larry Coons – There needs to be a stop sign at Silverwood. He would like to see how many accidents occur on Elmhurst Drive. The congestion will always be there.

MAC's concerns

Virg wants to make it safer. Possibly aligning the two driveways. He is proponent to talking to the school. He also mentioned that Petaluma has illuminated cross walks, painted lines and curbs cut for ADA. He said that he would need to spend time in the area to valuate.

John was in agreement to adjoining the driveway. He wanted to know if there has been a study regarding accidents before and after the installation of the lighted marque sign?

Suzanne also liked the idea of aligning the parking with a four way stop. She felt that speed bumps were not the best solution. Also, staggering times at the high school is not practical.

- b) John Ramirez presented update on the maintenance of Douglas Boulevard Landscaping and the Park's Division Drought Emergency Action Practices

On November 20, 2012 the Board of Supervisors approved a Maintenance Services Agreement with an outside contractor. They were able to piggyback on clause with a bid made to the City of Rocklin. The County has been happy with the level of service.

- The County has mandated a 20% reduction
- Granite Bay is being asked for 25% reduction
- There are 32 Parks in the County
- 57 Landscapes

The County has set up Maintenance Management Plan to monitor overspray on the roadways and sidewalks. Install a manual system set with a timer. If you fertilize and aerate the grass it uses less water.

In the Dry Creek area the new parks are designed to take out turd and put in landscape.

The County has installed a central computer controlled system. It tracks how much water is being used. It turns off automatically when it rains. The cost would be \$60,000 to convert the system in Granite Bay.

A question was asked about the assessment fee of \$8.00. What does this cover? It pays for pretty much everything pruning, weed eating and picking up garbage.

The annual cost for maintenance on median is \$58,000.00

10) Action Item: "None"

11) Correspondence / Handouts – Found on Table at the rear of the room.

12) Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, May 7, 2014

13) Adjournment: 9:05 p.m.