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Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Date: Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Location: Santa Margarita Water District Board Room

Present: Jett McCormick, Scott Weisgerber, Gary Kephart, Jeff Hamilton Andrew Berezcky, Todd Stearns

Asbent: None

Additional Distribution: Supervisor Bartlett-5th District

Call to Order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes-No action taken

LRCC Announcements

Green Light a Vet-The LRCC promoted the event to "Greenlight a Vet" by installing a green light to signify support.

Orange County Sheriff's Department Report - Lt. Mitch Wang

Lt Wang provide information on various crime statics in Ladera ranch and the surrounding communities.

Presentation- Christopher Home (Stoneybrook School Site) -Pat McCabe , Christopher Homes to provided an overview of the proposed housing project to be located on the site of the former Stoneybrook Christen School.

The Council posted notices concerning the presentation to the surrounding neighborhoods with a radius of 600 feet on November 14, 2015.

The presentation outlined the proposed construction of ~~35~~ **36** new homes within a gated neighborhood. Issue that were addressed included traffic impact, impacts to local schools, gate access, parking, HOA costs, proposed size and value of homes.

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Open Forum: *Members of the community may address the Council regarding items not on the agenda. The Council will listen to matters presented but may not take action on these items.*

No Speakers

Discussion items:

LRCC response to LAFCO Report-LRCC discussed the final draft of the letter to be provided to LAFCO following there presentation on October 19, 2105 to the Civic Council. The letter will be sent following this meeting dated November 17, 2015.

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Holiday Decorating Ordinance-Effect on Ladera Ranch-Chair McCormick reported on the status of impacts of the ordinance. Neither LARCS or LARMAC opted to get involved in provided a community wide permit for Ladera Ranch for decorations to be placed over the streets. Basis on this, various neighborhoods who had placed decoration over the street have decided due to the cost not to do so this year. The second issue of electrical cords crossing the sidewalks was also discussed. The ordinance prohibits cords crossing the sidewalk. The County will not allow the use of cable covers, and has only suggested that conduit passing under the sidewalk or suspended cords over the sidewalk would potentially be acceptable alternative. The LRCC provided a proposed detail for the conduit under the sidewalk and had contacted contractors who could potentially due this installation. As of this meeting, the County the County is considering the detail and approval. The County and LARMAC have not comment on what could be done for this year.

County Street Maintenance-Issues/Update-Boardmember Stearns provided an update on the County's plan for street maintenance in Ladera Ranch. Stearns reported that removal and repair efforts should start in approximately 2 weeks with slurry starting in the spring for required streets in Oak Knoll. Stearns had reported that the County had reported there is approximately \$15M in deferred street maintenance required in Ladera Ranch, however the County's annual budget for all unincorporated areas is \$5M. The LRCC will request further definition from the County on its plan to address the balance of the deferred maintenance.

Supervisor Bartlett Meeting Agenda-The Board discussed topics to be addressed at the upcoming meeting with Supervisor Bartlett on November 23. Topics for consideration include Street maintenance, Holiday Lighting Permits, Stoneybrook Site development, Economic Development, LAFCO Report, Land Use Advisory Committee and schedule for future meetings.

Action Items:

Position on Proposed Land Use-Stoneybrook Christen School Site

Motion: Support for the proposed project as presented by Christopher Homes pending further community input regarding gating the neighborhood. Motion: McCormick; Second: Weisgerber

Discussion: Additional comments will be sought from the community concerning gating the neighborhood over the need week.

Approved: 5-0; Hamilton abstained

Jett was going to write a letter

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Approval of 2016 Calendar

Motion: Approve the schedule of meeting for 2016 as presented. Motion: Hamilton Second: Stearns

Discussion: Working meeting following on a Monday **holiday** will be held on the Tuesday. The there is no public meeting schedule for December.

Approved: 6-0

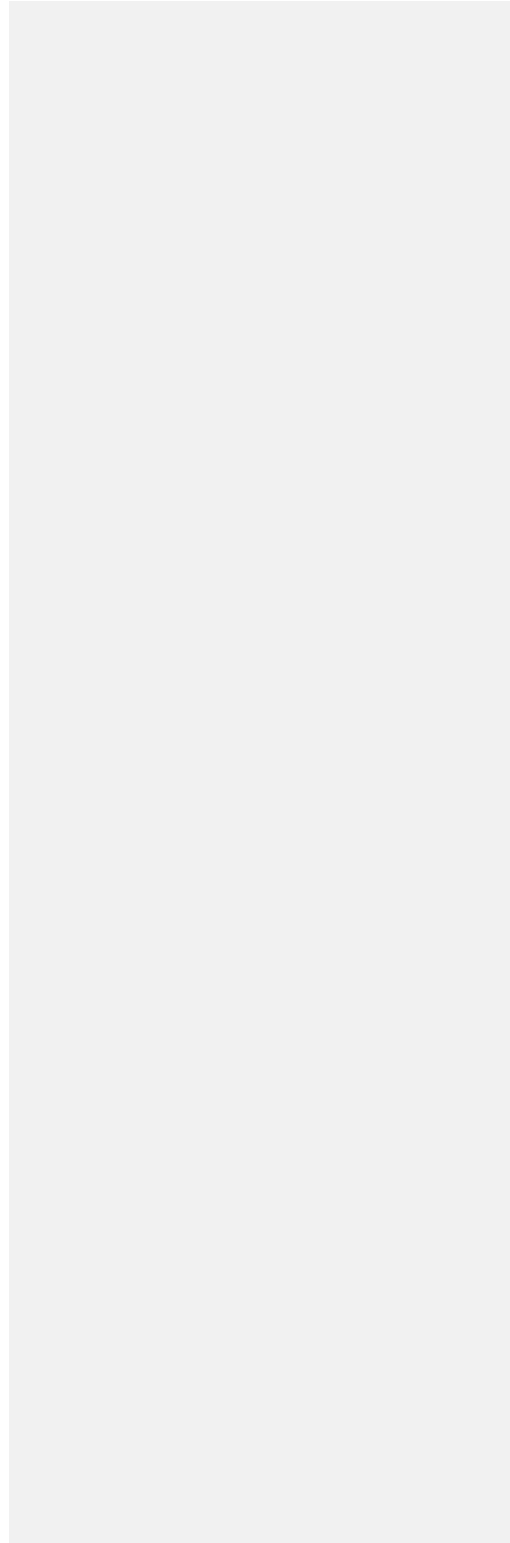
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Appoint Boardmember

The Council voted approved the appointment of Emilie Blum to fill the open board seat. This is a Class A seat with a term expiring in September 2017.

What was the vote?

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Election of Board Positions:

Motion: Establish a dedicated position of Vice Chairman will be act on behalf of the Chairman when absent. Motion: McCormick Second: Hamilton

Discussion: The Committee Chair would still be Vice Chairman but this position would be identified as the first Vice Chairman.

Approved: 6-0

Elect Chairman:

Nominees: McCormick, Weisgerber, Kephart

Vote: Weisgerber 3, McCormick 2, Kephart 1- New Chairman: Scott Weisgerber

Elect Vice Chairman

Nominees: Kephart, McCormick (declined)

New Vice Chairman: Gary Kephart

Further position assignments will be held over to the December Working meeting to allow for further decision.

Director Reports

- Gary Kephart: CUSD School Board, Public Works/Land Use
- Scott Weisgerber: Communications/Public Relations
- Todd Stearns: Chamber of Commerce- Traffic/Public Safety
- Jeff Hamilton: LARMAC,
- Jett McCormick: Budget/Sponsors; Governance/LAFCO

Adjourned 9:10 to January 18, 2016