

SANTA ROSA VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES MINUTES – November 17, 2005

The Santa Rosa Valley MAC held a meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 6:00 pm at the Santa Rosa Valley Club House on 11701 E. Los Posas Road, Santa Rosa Valley, CA 93012

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Janis Gardner at 6:00 pm. MAC members Janis Gardner Rosemary Allison, Mark Burley and Ruth Means were present. Don Shubert was absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cheri Behringer.

3. Agenda Review

No changes.

4. Approval of Minutes

No changes were made to the October MAC meeting minutes and they were approved 4-0.

5. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks said the General Plan had been changed to keep Santa Rosa Road as a two-lane road. Parks also said the small sewage plant amendment proposed by Supervisor Judy Mikels was rejected by the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Parks talked about the recent synchronized signals ballot result. She said that more than 80% of residents cast their votes and the approval rate was at 70%. Ventura County Transportation Department would report back to the Board of Supervisors as to when the lights would be installed. Supervisor Parks said she did not think the chance of passing by the Board of Supervisors was good at the September MAC meeting because the county had to pay out \$250,000 for its share of cost. The fact that a generous anonymous Santa Rosa Valley resident offered to pay the County's portion of \$250,000 made a big difference. The anonymous donor felt great that the plan was approved.

Janis Gardner thanked Supervisor Parks for her continuing support and hard work in helping to get the lights approved.

6. Public Comments

Santa Rosa Valley resident John Nicholson asked the MAC to look into safety issue in Norwegian grade, which was owned by City of Thousand Oaks. Nicholson commented that a large portion of the Traffic Mitigation fee collected from developers in Santa Rosa Valley was going to City of Thousand Oaks. Nicholson wanted to know if City of Thousand Oaks has any plan on doing road improvement in the Norwegian grade. He said the grade was very dangerous for residents and commuters to use.

Rosemary Allison said that the recent change in the General Plan regarding Santa Rosa Road might require the City of Thousand Oaks to return the money that was collected. Allison explained that the money was specifically collected to expand Santa Rosa Road into a four-lane road. Allison said a new fund should be started and we need to identify what maintenance would be included.

Ruth Means said the new traffic mitigation fund should be discussed in the next MAC meeting as an agenda item.

Janis Gardner mentioned that City of Thousand Oaks had proposed to build a new park near the Norwegian grade area. Mark Burley said that the CRPD currently had no money for the park and therefore could not foresee any development soon.

A resident asked MAC members for a truck update. Ruth Means reported that she had seen a 3 axle truck traveling on Santa Rosa Road that was delivering block ice. Means doubted the truck was making a local delivery. Means said residents should call and ask to speak to the watch commander to file complaints.

7. Council Comments on issues not on the agenda

Ruth Means said she had been working with Supervisor Parks about resurfacing Santa Rosa Road. Means said they were considering using rubberized asphalt to pave the road. Means had seen reports on pros and cons on using rubberized asphalt.

Supervisor Parks would find out from Transportation Department if they had already decided what paving material to use and if they could use rubberized asphalt.

Mark Burley mentioned that there would be a vote in City of Moorpark in early spring about the North Park project. The proposed North Park project asked for 1680 new homes to be built in the north side of Moorpark City. It would extend Moorpark City boundary. This project would bring more traffic to Santa Rosa Rd but there was no plan to contribute money for road improvement. Because of the restriction put in place by SOAR, this project would require 50% of approval rate.

Ruth Means said a resident had asked her if cars could be kept out of the exit lane from Lexington Estate. Means asked if it's possible to have a line drawn there to keep cars out.

Rosemary Allison said the Santa Rosa Road Clean Up Day last Saturday was a success. They had a lot of fun. They collected a lot of trash and filled up about 3 large dumpsters.

8. Information Items

a. Speed/Signs on East Las Posas Road

Mark Burley wanted to discuss the speed issue on East Las Posas Road. Some residents had complained that it was dangerous for people with horses to walk on the road. Cars were seen driving down the slope at about 70 mph. Residents asked if speed bumps could be put in place to slow down the traffic. Supervisor Parks said speed bumps could not be used if the slope was too steep. She would send CHP out and enforce the speed limit on East Las Posas Road.

Residents also complained that a trail was washed out from rainwater diverted by a flood control drain near the Santa Rosa Valley Club house. Supervisor Parks would look into the matter and ask Flood Control to fix it.

9. Action Items

a. Recommendation regarding No Right Turn on Red at Santa Rosa Rd and Moorpark Rd

Supervisor Parks suggested the effective time for No Right On Red sign to be synchronized with the new traffic signs between 6am – 7pm. Mark Burley said 6am – 8pm might be a better time because there was still daylight at 8pm in summer time. Ruth Means made a motion that the No Right Turn On Red sign would be effective between 6am – 8pm. Mark Burley seconded the motion. Motion was approved 3-1 with Rosemary Allison opposing the motion.

10. Future Agenda Items

- a. Norwegian Grade road improvement
- b. New Traffic Mitigation Fund
- c. Rubberized asphalt for re-paving.
- d. Washed out trail.

11. Adjournment to December 15, 2005