



**Oak View Advisory Commission (OVAC)
Regular Meeting Notice & Agenda
Monday, September 9th, 2024, 6:30pm
Oak View Community Center – Kunkle Room
18 Valley View Rd., Oak View, CA 93022**

MINUTES

Chair: Barbara Kennedy, **Vice Chair:** Elizabeth Robles, **Secretary:** Chris Anacker
Commissioners: Brian Aikens, Randy Burg, Kristeen McKeen & Christina Pacheco
Supervisor District 1 Representative: Clint Garman

- 1. Call to Order:** 6:35 pm by Commissioner Kennedy.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** led by Commissioner Aikens.
- 3. Roll Call:** all Commissioners present except Commissioners Robles and McKeen.
- 4. Adoption of Agenda:** all Commissioners agreed to adopt the agenda as is.
- 5. Public Comments (Items not on the agenda):**

Six speakers total.

Five of the six speakers spoke on behalf of the Old-Time Fiddlers group, questioning why the proposed monthly rent is going up to \$300. One of the members requested of District representative Garman to provide the percentage increase in monthly rent of all groups. Representative Garman said he can likely obtain that for him.

Six people informed the Board of speed strips laid on Mahoney to revisit what appears to be speeding along that road, and he requested of District 1 Representative Garman for information on the calculation results, who offered to get that information for him.

Commissioner Kennedy informed the OVAC Board, and the community members present at the meeting that she had asked for the Parks Director to be present at this meeting to hear the input from the Old-Time Fiddlers members regarding the rent hike. The Parks Director was not present. Commissioner Kennedy asked District 1 Representative Garman when the next parks meeting is. Representative Garman said it will be in October, and the Board can relay the Old-Time Fiddlers members' concerns to the Parks Director at that time.

Commissioner Aikens asked District 1 Representative Garman when it would be appropriate to give feedback on this issue from the OVAC Board. Representative Garman said the County Board of Supervisors have already set and adopted the fees across the board, and they will take effect January 2025. Commissioner Aikens questioned whether a change can be made to the rent increase before the next Board of Supervisors meeting. District 1 Representative Garman said he will get info on that possibility.

6. Approval Past Minutes:

Approval is postponed until next meeting.

7. Announcements & Updates:

a. Tax Assessment District (TAD)

Commissioner Kennedy statements: Many people don't understand the Tax Assessment District and what the funds are for. Roughly \$500,000 exist in the fund account. No oversight committee exists. Do we want to form an oversight committee to see the financials? The funds are for maintenance and more. Some Ventura County Representatives claim that the county owns the property, while some community members understand that the TAD was set up for the community to purchase the property outright.

Commissioner Aikens suggested and made a motion to form a subcommittee to investigate the issues with this TAD, and that he is willing to Chair the subcommittee. Commissioner Anacker seconded the motion and encouraged Commissioner Pacheco to be part of the subcommittee, to which she agreed. Commissioner Kennedy restated the motion, and all Board members agreed.

b. Oak View Community Center

The following updates were given by District 1 Representative Garman as the following:

Pickleball: An indoor pickleball court is slated to be set up in the Oak View Community Center gymnasium, and the outdoor pickleball court is in progress.

Bike path: the final construction is set to occur sometime this fall, between September 21st and December 21st.

Oak Dell Park maintenance: maintenance is needed but is on hold until a park host is in place. The description of the position to be made public to solicit a host is yet to be approved.

Park host duties and signage: this is still yet to come.

Boys and Girls Club lease of the Oak View Community Center:
No update available to give.

8. Commissioner Closing Comments:

Commission Burg reminded everyone that the Ojai Lions Club, of which he is a member, is a source of funds for the community.

Commissioner Kennedy mentioned the CERT training schedule; commented on the opening of Foster Park without parking available which is causing people to park and walk along the freeway. District 1 Supervisor Garman said the county is working with CHP and the sheriff on that issue. He also said the Foster Park redesign is near Phase 3 which is set to occur in December and is focused on safety.

9. Officer Closing Comments:

None

10. Future Agenda Items:

In addition to the current agenda items: Tax Assessment District, Oak View Community Center, the following items were requested to be added:

- OVPARC
- Oak View Community Survey
- Approval of the OVAC 2025 meeting calendar

11. Adjournment – Next Meeting: Monday, November 4th, 2024, at 6:30 PM

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