



SANTA ROSA VALLEY ADVISORY
COUNCIL

Members of the Council:
Chair Rosemary Allison
Vice Chair Kevin Cannon
Michael Adams
Mark Burley
Amy Elliott

SANTA ROSA VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
July 21, 2022

The Santa Rosa Valley MAC held a Meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2022
at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom Online/Teleconference

1. Call to Order

Chair Rosemary Allison called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. MAC members **Mark Burley**, **Kevin Cannon** and **Michael Adams** were present. **Amy Elliott** was absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Rosemary Allison**.

3. Agenda Review

There were no changes to the agenda.

4. Approval of Minutes of May 19, 2022

Mark Burley requested a change in Item 7 from SRV Rides to SRV Riders. **Michael Adams** moved to approve the minutes with Mr. Burley's change. **Kevin Cannon** seconded the motion, and it was approved 4/0.

5. Public Safety Reports

CHP Officer Ryan Ayers reported a solo driver accident on Santa Rosa Road at Andalusia on July 8th where the driver hit a tree and was arrested for a DUI. He said CHP will be offering a program throughout Ventura County called Age Well Drive Smart to help older drivers. He said CHP is partnering with the Simi Valley Police Department for the National Night Out on August 2nd to engage with the community. He also announced that CHP is partnering with the Newbury Park High School girls' softball team on a Christmas in July toy drive to benefit the VCMC pediatric oncology unit. He said there is a drop off location at the Moorpark CHP office. He said CHP started a campaign for new recruits called Join the CHP 1000 for those interested in law enforcement. He said all of these events will be posted on the CHP social media page. He discussed an increase in road rage incidents since COVID and urged motorists to remain calm, not engage, and to call 9-1-1 to report unsafe driving, including vehicle license and descriptions, if possible. He said CHP will start using a new siren that will speak to residents that will now be used during evacuations. Lastly, he reported on the noise complaint in Santa Rosa Valley that CHP has been working on recently and said they were able to make an enforcement stop and put the car making loud exhaust noise out of service.

CHP Commander Heather Hogle reported that the new northbound scale on the 101 Freeway was installed at the top of the Conejo Grade in July and Caltrans would be adding cement footings soon. The scale is tentatively scheduled to be open in a week. Construction on the buildings on the southbound side will begin the first week in August, which should take about a month, and then move to the northbound side. She said CHP is also recruiting for non-uniformed employees, in particular mechanics that can inspect commercial vehicles.

Ventura County Sheriff Deputy Claudia Holden said the Sheriff's Department is also hiring. She reported that trail heads are being targeted for vehicle theft, which is when items

are stolen out of unlocked cars. She urged those who use the trails to be sure cars are locked and valuables are not left visible. She said signs have been put up to remind people. She followed up on an RV issue on Read Road saying that she reached out to the City of Thousand Oaks Code Enforcement, and they are working with the owner of the RV. She said there is another Newport facility on Read Road and that the City's Code Enforcement is aware and will be checking to ensure they have all permits. **Rosemary Allison** said she would forward other Newport facility properties in Santa Rosa Valley to her. **Mark Burley** discussed a package theft in Hidden Meadows that was recorded on video and asked what is needed for an investigation. **Deputy Holden** said to email her the information and she would follow up. She also confirmed that the flock camera on Santa Rosa Road belongs to the Sheriff's Department and is assigned to the Camarillo Station. She said it's often used to read license plates to identify cars if there have been any burglaries in the area, particularly with the increase in thefts at trail heads. **Supervisor Parks** offered congratulations to Deputy Holden on her recent promotion.

6. Comments of Ventura County Supervisor Linda Parks

Supervisor Parks thanked Officer Ayers for CHP's partnership to benefit VCMC's pediatric oncology unit. She announced that the Sheriff Probation's works release crew will be doing a roadside cleanup of Santa Rosa Road on August 6 and 7. She reported the flashing beacons at the school have been turned off for summer break. She said her office was contacted with a safety concern about an open drain hole by a trail off Los Pinos. She said that while the drain is on private property, several County departments came together to ensure safety by covering the drain, including Public Works, Transportation and the Fire Department. She said that the County will be looking at the new ADU regulations and how they will apply to Santa Rosa Valley given the nitrates in the groundwater. She said the Board of Supervisors approved her requested amendment to the County's mission statement to include climate change, and that now that the County has a new seal, she is looking to get approval for a similarly designed County flag. She said she will also get the MAC new County pins. She discussed the new Fire Safe Council established in Oak Park and the recent town hall hosted by the Ventu Park Fire Safe Council. **Kevin Cannon** asked about setting up a Fire Safe Council in Santa Rosa Valley. **Supervisor Parks** said the Ventura Regional Fire Safe Council is a great resource.

7. Council Comments on Issues Not on the Agenda

Kevin Cannon discussed an upcoming Ventura County Wildfire Collaborative town hall regional meeting that will take input from City and MAC representatives as they roll out a series of community town hall meetings throughout the County. He said he will be attending the meeting. He also talked about the possibility of starting a Fire Safe Council and Firewise Community in Santa Rosa Valley, and requirements for brush clearance and home hardening.

Michael Adams discussed his investigation into aircraft noise mentioned in the community survey. He said in 2018 the FAA began guiding aircraft into airports using satellite navigation that has created a major route over Santa Rosa Valley, Moorpark, Westlake Village, Thousand Oaks, Santa Monica Mountains and Malibu, which is a concern for the community. He has sent a complaint to LAX and will continue looking into how they can get the flight paths changed. He said www.flightradar24.com shows flight paths over Santa Rosa Valley.

Mark Burley said the numbers of residential treatment centers is expanding in Santa Rosa Valley and nearby areas. He is concerned that single-family homes are being lost to these facilities, particularly while there is a housing shortage in the state. He would like for this to be on a future MAC agenda.

8. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

There were no public comments.

9. Action Items

a. MAC Consideration of a Dark Sky Overlay in Santa Rosa Valley

Supervisor Parks said the Planning Division will be coming to the Board of Supervisors to approve the Dark Sky Overlay in Malibu, which Van Vibber discussed at the May MAC meeting. In addition, the Board put a list of priorities for this overlay and the next area in line is around the

Naval Base. If Santa Rosa Valley would like to pursue this, they could get in line for adding an overlay. The ordinance can be customized to fit the needs of the community. She said the MAC should educate the public to see if it is something they would support since the community survey response on this matter was lukewarm.

Rosemary Allison mentioned lights on courts being directed downward.

Michael Adams discussed similarity of Santa Rosa Valley to an area in the northern California's Portola Valley that has a Dark Sky ordinance in place. He commented that Santa Rosa Valley should move forward on getting this in place.

Kevin Cannon asked about customizing an ordinance possibly grandfathering in existing conditions or having HOAs take a lead.

Supervisor Parks said the wildlife corridor does curtail some lighting by ensuring lights are turned off if not in use. She said the overlay would need community support to move forward.

Vanise Terry read a public comment in support of adding a Dark Sky overlay in Santa Rosa Valley from Cyndi McAuley and showed photos provided.

Rosemary Allison asked for this to be placed on the next agenda for further discussion.

b. MAC Consideration of a Temporary Rental Unit (TRU) Overlay in Santa Rosa Valley to Restrict TRUs

Supervisor Parks said the best way to pursue a TRU overlay is to amend an existing TRU overlay to include MAC boundaries. The overlay would need support from the Board of Supervisors to have it implemented. She said it would be helpful to know how many TRUs there are in the community and show there are complaints in the community about TRUs. To date, Code Compliance has not received any complaints on properties in Santa Rosa Valley. She said the only TRU overlays in Ventura County are in Ojai, and mentioned there could be pushback as experienced when the Ojai overlay was were passed.

Rosemary Allison moved that this item be added to the next agenda and that the MAC receive the Ojai TRU overlay ordinance and any requirements needed for moving this forward. **Mark Burley** seconded the motion, it was approved 4/0.

10. Written Communications

There were no written communications.

11. Future Agenda Items

- a. Residential Treatment Centers
- b. Dark Sky Overlay Zone
- c. Temporary Rental Unit Overlay Zone
- d. Santa Rosa Valley Park Options

12. Adjournment at 7:40 pm to Thursday, September 15, 2022.