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SVTC MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 14, 2017

7:00 pm

Courtyard by Marriott Sorrento Valley

- I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm
Present were: Anthony Nguyen from Scott Peters' office; Jimmy Neil, Boy Scout from Carmel Valley; Susan Carolin, SVTC President; Julia Schriber; Lil Nover; and Juta Birkenthal. Wayne Cox and Ayca Efe were absent.
- II. Susan opened the meeting at 7:00 by asking for a Pledge of Allegiance. Then she asked if there were any additions/deletions to the agenda.
- III. Representative for Scott Peters Office, Anthony Nguyen, relayed that U.S. Congressman Peters had called out the Trump Administration for ending DACA. He reported that Rep. Peters, working with Rep. Stefanik, had introduced the Bipartisan STRONG Act to Increase Community Resiliency to help communities better prepare for natural disasters, in the wake of Hurricane Harvey and before Hurricane Irma. Anthony also reported that during Peters' tenure in Congress, his office has helped recover more than \$3 million in federal funds owed to San Diegans. Rep. Peters and his San Diego staff have helped more than 3,700 constituents who were having trouble getting answers and funds they were owed, including military and veteran benefits, and other Federal funds.
The SVTC was very honored that Anthony then presented the SVTC with a framed *U.S. House of Representatives Proclamation for the Sorrento Valley Beer Festival* from Congressman Peters.
- IV. Susan introduced Jimmy Neil and thanked him on behalf of the SVTC and the Sorrento Valley neighborhood for building the park bench and split rail fence at Overlook Park. CFO Lil wrote him a \$250 check to show our appreciation and help cover some of the costs of the project. Susan said that the SVTC would mail him the Certificate of Recognition.
Action Item: Julia volunteered to mail framed certificate to Jimmy.
- V. A Sorrento Valley couple spoke during Public Comment about the continuing problem with speeding on Sorrento Valley Blvd. Their concern is amplified by the impending population boom due to the new development at Carroll Canyon. The SVTC stated that we have been working on this issue for years, and have accomplished getting speed beacons installed. However, the problem remains. The different possible solutions include the use of roundabouts, traffic signals or increased police presence. Consensus at the meeting was a preference for a roundabout.
Action Item: Julia to contact City Traffic Dept to investigate our options.
Action Item: Lil to bring up topic of a traffic study with Park and Rec Council at next meeting.

Action Item: SVTC to ask Chris Cates Neighborhood First Coalition to add one of these traffic-controlling measures to our wish list after we find out which one is the most feasible and most effective.

Action Item: Julia to draft a survey for residents to weigh in on which traffic-slowing measures they would prefer. Council will review and approve it, and then vote on sending it out.

VI. Susan began the topic of the Sorrento Valley Beer Festival wrap up. Julia reported that it had been a financial success and that the preliminary numbers from the beer fest were very good. It was a sold-out event with ticket sales coming from the SVBF website, at the door, and through Groupon.

Action Item: Julia to prepare and submit final financial report on the beer fest.

VII. Susan began the topic from the agenda of marijuana dispensaries in neighborhood. The SVTC is working with the Northwestern Police Dept. to help shut down the illegal dispensaries in the neighborhood.

VIII. Susan announced that the meeting had adjourned at 8:30 pm.

_____ Susan Carolin, President, Dated: 09/16/17