



# Salida Municipal Advisory Council

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Tom Burns

## Meeting Minutes for Virtual Meeting held on:

Tuesday – April 27, 2021 - 7:00PM

Members Present: Chairperson Leng Power, Vice-Chair Brad Johnson, John Martin, Bob Elliott, Tom Burns

1. Meeting was called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Chairperson Power welcomed the public and conducted roll call.
3. Approval of Minutes for the March 23, 2021 Meeting – Approved Martin/Second Elliott
4. Community Concerns – None were shared.
5. Monthly Community Reports
  - a. Stanislaus County Sheriff – Dep January was present and gave a statistical report of crimes since the last MAC meeting.
    - There were questions asked about a recent murder in Salida. No answers given, ongoing investigation.
    - Officer was asked to breakdown the nature of the Subpoenas issued. Breakdown given.
    - He was also asked about a breakdown of Property Crimes. Breakdown given.
  - b. California Highway Patrol – Officer Eric Moore provided stats. No questions or comments.
  - c. Stanislaus County Supervisor, District 3 – Terry Withrow gave a report on the County.
    - Talked about vaccination sites and commended the county staff on their efforts. Stated the county is fiscally strong.
    - County is now determining the best use of COVID relief funds that the county has been granted by State and Fed. Govts.
    - Informed us about the strategic plan for Behavioral Health, including Child Abuse prevention programs.

d. Salida Fire Department – Patrick Burns reporting.

- Shared about new equipment that they were able to install. Thanks to a grant that was received. Gave out the Fire Abatement number 209 522 3700.
- Question presented about the 3ft requirement before a property owner was to be notified. Comment was it should be a lower height. Response was that is the height set by county code.
- Patrick Burns was asked about a recent Media article regarding and illegal firing within the Salida Fire District. Official answer was “No Comment” Mr. Burns was pressed for more information. Supervisor Withrow stepped in and asked that the “No Comment” be respected and asked for understanding as this is an ongoing investigation.

e. Salida Sanitary District – Brad Johnson reported on April 8th meeting.

- Stated that the District has joined the Valley Water Collaboration.
- Reported that their recent Financial Report passed audit.
- Reported that there will be a minor sewer rate increase coming soon.
- He was asked if all comments during his report were reflective of the District. He stated that some of the comments were his personal opinions.

f. Modesto Irrigation District – No Report. They will be reporting quarterly.

g. Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library – Wayne Philbrook

Gave a very thorough reporting about the upcoming Library activities.

A request was made to have reports/stats, not just for library, be provided in written formats. It was stated that we can begin requesting that from presenters in advance, and during in-person meetings continue to provide handouts.

6. Information Items

a. Cal Sierra Financial Inc. Project

- Sup. Withrow informed that the CDFW has a hold on the project. After they complete their study, it will come back to the MAC. Kristin Doud with Stanislaus County Planning Department stated that a new report will be recirculated.

Public Comments:

- Let's wait to discuss this until we are in conducting in-person meetings.
- Questions about how the rezoning of the piece of land in question.
- Kristin Doud tried her best to cover the evolution of the zoning of this piece of land.
- Community member expressed concern over the legality of the zoning. Brought up zoning of that land regarding the Highway 219 corridor from a few years back.

7. Council Concerns/Comments/Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

- Chair Power addressed the in-person meeting requests that the MAC members had received from some community members. As of this meeting we could not accommodate in-person meetings, but an attempt was made.
- Some discussion about earlier cutoffs for agenda items. That prompted some discussion with no solid resolution.
- Agenda items was requested for the May meeting: Public Works, David Leamon provide insight about the drainage in the Viscaya Development.

8. Announcements

- Nets for Basketball hoops were requested. Supervisor Withrow, said he would purchase and install.
- Question asked when we would be holding our next Ethics Training for MAC Members. No dates given. Chair and Vice-Chair, Power and Johnson have been part of the Training Committee.

9. Adjournment 8:25 - Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 25, 2021