

Virtual Meeting
via Zoom

Lesa Sobek, Committee Member
Dean Deines, Committee Member



City of Menifee
City & School District Committee
Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 26, 2020
4:00 PM Regular Meeting

INAUGURAL MENIFEE EDUCATION SUMMIT: *SERVING OUR RESIDENTS TOGETHER* MINUTES

Meeting Objective:

The purpose of this summit was for all participating agencies to collaborate in thoughtful discourse, share ideas and information, and identify opportunities that benefit Menifee residents.

1. CALL TO ORDER

City Manager Armando Villa called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Lesa Sobek and Dean Deines were present.

3. WELCOME MESSAGE

Committee Member Lesa Sobek thanked everyone for attending the inaugural education summit. She said she was excited to hear from the group today.

Committee Member Dean Deines said he was happy to exchange information and engage in discussions going forward.

4. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions included:

City Attorney Jeff Melching, City Clerk Sarah Manwaring, Senior Management Analyst Imelda Huerta, Economic Development Director Gina Gonzalez, Community Development Director Cheryl Kitzerow, Interim City Engineer Yolanda Macalalad, Principle Carlos Geronimo, Community Services Director Jonathan Nicks, Police Chief Pat Walsh, Assistant City Manager Jeff Wyman, Menifee Union School District (MUSD) Superintendent Jennifer Root, MUSD Public Information Officer Betty Cadmus, MUSD School Board Member Jackie Johansen, MUSD Bob O'Donnell, Romoland School District Superintendent Trevor Panton, Perris Union High School District (PUHSD) Candace Reines, Santa Rosa Academy Principals Aaron Capp and Margie McDairmant, Santa Rosa Board Member Scott Mason, Santa Rosa Board Member Kelly Welty and Santa Rosa Board Member Gina Gonzalez, Mt. San Jacinto College Board of Directors Trustee Area 5 Tom Ashley and Board of Directors Trustee Area 3 Vicki Carpenter, Mt. San Jacinto College Superintendent Roger Schultz, and River Spring Charter School Site Facilitator Lindsay Robson.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. CITY UPDATES

City Manager Armando Villa outlined the Strategic Plan adopted by the City Council and introduced the foundational goals.

Committee Member Sobek reported on the City's goals to be a Safe and Attractive Community, and Livable and Economically Prosperous Community.

Committee Member Deines reported on the City's goals to be a Responsive and Transparent Community Government, and to be an Accessible and Interconnected Community.

Mr. Villa reported on the City Executive team's mission statement and introduced the team.

Economic Development Director Gina Gonzalez reported on the City's growth and demographics, funding and budget, tax dollars divided, and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs).

Community Development Director Cheryl Kitzerow, provided a report on both private development projects and city capital improvement projects, development activity, residential development, an update on the County Courthouse and Library, the City's investment in infrastructure, the City's investment in customer service,

Interim City Engineer Yolanda Macalalad provided an overview of the Safe Routes to School projects and introduced Principal Engineer Carlos Geronimo. Mr. Geronimo, reported on sidewalk improvement projects as part of the Safe Routes to School Program. He provided the Menifee active transportation plan update, draft report to planning commission.

Community Services Director Jonathan Nicks reported on virtual classes for all ages, and outdoor youth programs. Mr. Nicks reported that parks are now open including the skate park and he announced some upcoming activities including Veteran's Day Art & Essay Contest. Mr. Nicks reported on current park projects in process.

Police Chief Pat Walsh provided a police department update including the regional dispatch center contract with City of Murrieta, police service delivery model and mission statement.

Assistant City Manager Jeff Wyman reported on City services provided during the pandemic including the "No Stop Shop" program, with all services online.

7. SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES

- *Menifee Union School District*
Dr. Jennifer Root, Betti Cadmus, and Bob O'Donnell presented on the path to reopening and guiding principles and essential questions related to safety, readiness & efficacy. Betti Cadmus reported on construction projects.
- *Romoland School District*
Trevor Painton introduced the board of trustees and provided a report on district information; modern school facilities; personalized learning; college and career focus; STEAM 4 all; visual and performing arts; student supports; and recognitions.
- *Perris Union High School District*

Candace Reines reported on PUHSD history including boundaries and grades covered; a list of schools; Paloma Valley High School updates; Heritage High School updates; and Liberty High School updates.

- *Santa Rosa Academy*
Aron Capp introduced Margie McDairmant, Scott Mason, Kelly Welty, and Gina Gonzalez. Mr. Capp reported on the school's values; school offerings; and the reopening plan.
- *Springs Charter School – Bear River Student Center*
Lindsay Robison introduced the school; grades covered; locations; update of Covid-19 distance learning and plans for re-opening.
- *Mt. San Jacinto College*
Tom Ashley reported on all of the campuses; board of trustees; facts about the school; record-breaking graduation; upward trends in degrees and certificates awarded; transfer increases; COVID-19 adjustments; Equity Initiatives; MSJC Promise; Future STEM Buildings; Student Center at Menifee Valley Campus; Kinesiology and Athletics Complex Menifee Valley Campus including new Stadium; 3000 Building open for administrative of justice and digital productions; Future Temecula Valley Campus Update; ranked high for online courses; nursing earns high praise; career education; eagle makerspace at Menifee Valley campus; nursing students lend support during covid-19 pandemic; and foundation awards scholarships to students.

8. FUTURE MEETINGS

Mr. Villa asked about the frequency of these meetings for future collaboration and success. The consensus from the group was to hold the meetings annually. Committee Member Sobek asked that everyone send in topics to Imelda Huerta for future agendas.

9. CLOSING REMARKS

Everyone was grateful for the opportunity to share information in this forum. They all said they look forward to future collaboration meetings.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm



Sarah A. Manwaring, City Clerk