

**CITY OF FONTANA
FONTANA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: All attendees of the Area 2 West Community Meeting

FROM: Lieutenant Gary Aulis

DATE: August 25, 2015

SUBJECT: **AREA 2 WEST COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES OF August 10, 2015**

Lt. Rodriguez

Covering for Lt. Aulis who was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Introductions- Councilmember Lydia Wibert, Councilmember Michael Tahan, Public Works Erik Garwick, Public Works Sonia Montgomery, Public Works Sergio Quiroz, Traffic Engineering Dave Teater, and Sgt. Burton.

SCE Jennifer Shaw-Region Manager

- The San Bernardino County cities Fontana and Rialto and surrounding areas of Rancho Cucamonga and Devore have experienced rapid growth in recent years. The Falcon Ridge Substation will provide increased electrical capacity and delivery to meet the region's growth needs.
- Improving the flexibility of the electrical distribution system and providing the ability to transfer electrical demand between other distribution substations within the region will help increase reliability.
- The main components of the Falcon Ridge Project are:
 - Construction of a new 66 kV Falcon Ridge Substation in the city of Fontana.
 - Construction of two 66kV sub transmission source lines: 1) between SCE's Etiwanda substation in Rancho Cucamonga and the new Falcon Ridge Substation in Fontana. 2) Between SCE's Alder Substation in Rialto and the new Falcon Ridge Substation in Fontana.
 - Construction of three underground 12kV distribution lines
 - Modification of current telecommunications facilities and installation of new telecommunications facilities and fiber optic cable.
- The project timeline:
 - December 2010: SCE Filed permits to construct application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

- January 2012: CPUC issued Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
- October 2012: CPUC issued Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)
- January 2014: CPUC issued Decision approving the Falcon Ridge Substation Project.
- Spring 2016: Construction is expected to begin.
- August 2017: The project is expected to be operational.
- If you have any questions or comments about the project, please contact Jennifer Menijvar-Shaw at (909) 357-6515 or Jennifer.shaw@sce.com. Or you can try the toll-free project information line at 1-888-226-9916.

Councilmember Michael Tahan

- Baseline Construction is going good. It should be completed within the next 6 to 8 months.
- Duncan Canyon overpass is almost complete as well.
- The Ontario Airport is going back to Ontario, which will help us here in Fontana in the long run.
- The city has plans to duplicate the Fontana Park in the south end of town
- The housing prices in Fontana are increasing and there are lots of exciting things happening in the city.

Erik Garwick-Public Works

- The city manages over 23 million square feet (530 acres) of irrigated landscaped area
- 459 water meters
- 489 irrigation controllers
- The city knows how much water to use at a park by figuring out how much water we lost due to evapotranspiration. Then they have to determine which sprinkler system would be better to how many inches of water a set sprinkler at that location can apply to the property.
- The city only wants to apply the amount of water needed, so we created a water budget for each meter.
- The city has programmed the field controllers to come on based on how many minutes it takes to meet the water budget for a particular day.
- To help us manage water we also use GIS technology to create a tool that compares water budget targets to actual water use.
- What can you do as a resident:
 - Visiting your local water agency's website to take advantage of rebates and offers that might be available for residential homes.
 - Follow all drought regulations as described on your local water agency's website
 - Pay close attention to your water usage and minimize water use wherever possible.
- The city is currently working with Lowe's on a Hero Project getting plant material around the fountain in Heritage. This is still in the design phase so no plants are set in stone as

of yet. Right now because it is so hot we won't replant anything but if there are plants that are dead we will remove them and they will probably be replanted in September or October sometime.

Questions and Concerns of the Residents of Area 2 West:

What is the cost impact to the residents of Fontana for the Falcon Ridge Project? SCE Jennifer Shaw advised there is no cost impact to the residents of Fontana. The cost is already in the rates and is not specifically charged to only Fontana residents.

Will there be an increase of rates for electricity? Jennifer Shaw advised as of right now there will be no increase; however, every three years the rates are evaluated and taken to the Public Utilities Commission if there is going to be an increase.

Is there going to be a temporary access road for the construction that is going to happening with the Falcon Ridge Project. Jennifer advised at Etiwanda and Foothill there might be a staging area right there.

If there happens to be an increase in rates, how much notice will people get before the increase? Project costs don't mean your rates will go up. There are funds put away for projects and repairs etc. The rates for the project have been shared by all rate payers not just the ones in Fontana.

He is concerned with the mailboxes in east Heritage, they have been broken into several times. The post office mentioned they could upgrade the mailboxes but the residents would have to pay for it. Councilmember Michael Tahan said to send him the information and we will look into it, it is considered public but private property. There is dual responsibility with the city and the post office to maintain those mailboxes.

There are lots of absentee landlords who are not monitoring their properties. Lt. Rodriguez advised it is not a new problem. If it is problems with maintenance of the property you can call Code Compliance.

Can people go online to see what exactly Code Compliance can deal with. Yes you can go on the police department's website and there is a link to Code Compliance.

There is a home behind him. They have lived there for about 5 years now and they smoke pot, there are lots of people there, who live there, people living in the garage, stealing water out of the fountains. The PD has been called several times and nothing has been done. Do they have to stay dressed when they are in their own backyard? Lt. Rodriguez advised we do not promise we will fix everything but we promise to do the best we can do. And technically it is their own property, however, there are certain limitations. If that happens, please call officers out to handle the situation.

Advised she has a drug house on her street. They smoke weed all the time and there is about 20 vehicles going through her neighborhood all day long. Lt. Aulis told her to get her neighbors together and get an attorney to sue them for diminishing their property value. Lt. Rodriguez advised to speak with him after the meeting so he can get the information and look into the issue. If it is something we can deal with we will. We have lots of resources we can use.

How many people can live in a household? There are people living in the garage. That would be a code compliance issue. You can call them and give them the address of where this is and they will take a look into it.

Advised he has lived in Heritage for 26 years, he has had a problem with a neighbor. They drink, do drugs, they broke into his house. He has called Code Compliance and nothing has ever got done with the property. He has talked to the lieutenant and to the captain and still nothing has been done. When an officer went out to his house the officer told him he was the bad one and told him to buy earplugs or move. Lt. Rodriguez advised he couldn't speak on the circumstances of this instance without knowing the background of it however he can do some research into it and get back with the resident.

Advised when she has called Code Compliance for a problem in her neighborhood they took care of the issue.

Advised he lives on the corner of Brandon Court and West Constitution and along the north side of his property there is a palm tree and an ash tree which is on city property. The ash tree is completely taking over his palm tree, can it be trimmed? Erik Garwick with Public Works yes we can send someone out to look at it and if it needs to be trimmed we will get that done.

Is the city going to replace those metal blockers on the paseo? Erik Garwick with Public Works advised they have been replaced; however, if there are any missing let us know so they can be replaced again. They might have been stolen.

Does the city find homes that are junk yards and make them clean them up etc. She works for the school district and there are several homes right around the district main office that are full of junk, there are also some properties that are by schools and children are exposed to that all the time. Lt. Rodriguez advised yes that is what Code Compliance does. If we get a complaint on a property, Code Compliance will respond and handle those issues. Councilwoman Lydia Wibert advised she works with the school district as well and she calls all the time when she sees those houses.

Recently there has been a family of raccoons and coyotes in the area, can anything be done with them. If the coyotes or raccoons are being bold then call our animal control. Usually those animals are scared of humans and will run away but if they don't there maybe something wrong with the animal.