



## **WOOD COLONY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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Lori Wolf, Secretary

Lina Ruggirello-Danzig, Board Member

Todd Heinrich, Board Member

### Minutes

**Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 7:00 PM**

Hart Ransom Elementary School, 3930 Shoemake Ave., Modesto, CA 95358

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: 7:00 pm
2. Invocation
3. Welcome and Roll Call: David Jones, Todd Heinrich, Lori Wolf and Lisa Braden present, Lina Ruggirello-Danzig absent..
4. Approval of Minutes for MAC Meetings
  - 4.1. July 13<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
5. Public Comments/Community Concerns – Terhesa Gamboa attended the COM Economic Development Committee meeting and was told they were going to approve funds to build the sound wall for her community.
6. Monthly Community Reports
  - 6.1. California Highway Patrol – Seth Renniker – there was a fatal traffic collision at Finney and North Ave. Driver was arrested but then walked out of the medical treatment facility. The passenger was the fatality and yes there was alcohol involved.
  - 6.2. Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Navarro with the Community Response Unit said that the Marijuana Enforcement team has been very busy. Illegal cultivations are causing a lot of problems in various neighborhoods. They have better staffing available now and a full time helicopter team. They have their own hangar. He also wanted to commend how helpful the MID and TID have been in coordinating electrical turnoffs as part of their targeted enforcement.
  - 6.3. Salida Fire Protection District – Mark Stone introduced himself as the Chair of the SFPD board. They anticipate responding to 2,000 to 2,200 calls this year. Riverbank is the only department busier than theirs. They cover 42 square miles. Their biggest problem is the lack of firefighters. They responded to a call for Tuolumne County with five reserves. It takes \$ 15,000 to outfit a reserve with the proper gear and it is not re-useable. Every turnover costs them \$ 30,000 so their solution is to contract with City of Modesto to provide employees.
  - 6.4. Woodland Ave Fire Department – no report.
  - 6.5. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors – Terry Withrow talked about how successful their recent board retreat was and thanked the Hart Ransom School

District for providing the location. Cannabis continues to be a hot topic and requires resources. In hindsight the County should have stayed dry. They issued 29 legal permits after a lot of time and resources and now the legal ones are saying the fee structure is too expensive. There are 1600 to 2000 illegal grows in; the county. The County is also experiencing a 17% personnel vacancy rate. Looks like a September opening for the new Hwy 132.

- 6.6. Modesto Irrigation District – no report
- 6.7. Hart Ransom Union School District – Matthew Shipley said the staff is showing up with optimism, joy and levity at the start of the new school year. Still working on filling a couple more positions. Also commended how much he appreciates his staff, Tuwen and Katie.
- 6.8. Department of Public Work – Andrew Malensia said that the average speed on most county roads is 57 mph. People just won't slow down. Last year there were far fewer fatalities compared to 26 so far in the first six months of this year. They performed a warrant analysis to add the three way stop at Finney and North and it just didn't meet the criteria. They are also planning on adding 'Mumble strips'. There is only in use on Patterson Rd. between McHenry and Riverbank. They have gave information about the different types of counter that are used and why.

7. Information Items or Announcement:

- 7.1 Todd Heinrich gave an update about the meeting that he and a few others had with COM planning division in regards to their GP 2050 update. Virginia Hammond stated that she had heard the when the Rumble family sold all the land to create the mall there was some type of agreement that the COM would not encroach any further on other Wood Colony land west of the railroad tracks.

8. Action Items – none.

9. Council Concerns/Comments/Suggestions for Future Agenda Items:

- 9.1 David Jones put in a formal request to Terry Withrow for the county to do the work necessary to designate Wood Colony as a historical district. He felt that documenting ten historical homes or other historical items be listed. This will be on the agenda as an action item for next months meeting.

10. Next Meeting: September 14, 2022

11. Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.

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