

Mira Mesa Town Council Minutes

February 4, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

1) Call to order – MMTC President Ted Brengel

2) Flag Ceremony by Girl Scouts troop 4535.

3) Recognition of First Responders (SDPD/SDFD)

- a) San Diego Police Department – Christina Santos. 12 stolen vehicles, 2 recovered. 16 car break-ins, 5 commercial burglaries, 7 residential burglaries. Windsong, afternoon. Sliding glass door broken while family on vacation. Compass Point Drive, resident home sleeping, burglars took prescription drugs and ran off. Hydra lane, unsecured rear bedroom window; rear window, took jewelry; Phone alert notified out of town homeowners; Camino Ruiz, treasurer for church, had money from fundraising event, stolen.

4) Approval of Minutes from January MMTC Meeting – approved.

5) President’s Report – Ted Brengel

- a) Mira Mesa streets are in bad shape. Defects in street grow, damage accelerates. Report as soon as found. Some streets need to be dug up are foundation replaced. Should let Councilman know, but it is actually the mayor who is responsible. Report with Get It Done app, call mayor and council. Fix before they get bad.
- b) Some people in the City are trying to disable or disband Planning Groups. Planning Groups are very important for getting community input into local development.

6) Dockless Scooters Presentation

- a) Sophie Beckerman, Bird Scooters Community relations manager: affordable and environmentally friendly transportation. Parking is difficult – scooters can address problem. 100+ cities, 14.3 million miles. Particularly useful for 1-3 miles from transit. \$1.00 + \$.15/minute. Chargers pick up scooters and charge them. Contract workers pick them up. Users must be 18+, driver’s license, credit card on file. Safer than bicycles. Community mode: use app to report wayward scooters. Scan scooter. hello@bird.co. 866-205-2442. Currently no penalty for leaving them in wrong place. Encourage helmets, but not required. Students have found lots of ways around age restriction. No designated spaces for scooters. No infrastructure. Working on safety and hoping that fees will go to improving infrastructure. Capped at 15 m/h.
- b) Luis Pallera, Representative for San Diego City Councilmember Chris Cate. City Council is considering proposed regulations. Text online.
- c) Ann Marie Council, Deputy San Diego City Attorney. Mayor started proposing regulations when scooters were first put out.

7) Government and Community Resources

- a) Mira Mesa Library – Ina Gibson, Branch Manager. HVAC will be replaced. New clean walls. Repainted. Patio tree trimmed. Water issues. Chess and Legos. 130 chess players. 87 Lego constructors. Museum council partnering with library. ½ off museum tickets. HVAC will stay on for our meetings! Hazel is new youth services librarian. Carpet cleaning is scheduled. A tree grows in Brooklyn is next Banned Book Club book.
- b) Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – Jeff Stevens, Chairman. Last meeting – approved another MPF. Asked for traffic study for problems caused by new stop sign and Flanders and Dancy. Next meeting, another MPF, Housing Commission presentation. March meeting elections. To run for a position or vote, sign up as “eligible member of the community” at any meeting. To run for position, must have attended two out of last 12 meetings.
- c) Mira Mesa Recreation Advisory Group – Joe Frichtel, Chairman. Issue with Overlook at the end of Parkdale – 5 acre park shrunk to patio deck. Had meeting with Public Works – delayed three parks for 6 months. Meeting on Jan 25 told them this is unacceptable. Delays cost money. Meeting second Tuesday. Q: maintenance at Hourglass needs improvement. Ans: using recycled water with high salt content. Trying to fix.

- d) Scripps Mesa Fireworks – Michael Spencer, President. T-Shirt contest. All Mira Mesa and Scripps Ranch schools are participating. Library is drop-off point for applications. 3Roots is title sponsor. Vulcan and Casa Mira View have donated. Will be Fireworks this year.

8) Open Forum

- a) Friday 5 pm - Sunday Tet Festival Dennis from VAYA. Free admission. Lots of Food. Arts and Craft. Beer Garden starting Saturday. Miss Viet Nam pageant. Fashion show with traditional Vietnamese gowns. Lion dances at 3 and 5. Sdtet.com for schedule.

9) Elected Officials – standing reports

- a) City Councilmember Chris Cate, District 6 - Luis Pallera. Approved phase 2 of Mira Mesa Community Park. First workshop in April. Tet Festival this weekend. Year of the Boar.
- b) County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar, District 3 – Jason Paquio. Supported County grants for senior center repair. Using more reclaimed asphalt for roads. Increasing to 20%.
- c) Assemblyman Brian Maienschein, District 77 - Rob Knudsen. Assistance centers throughout state. Getting common infrastructure so can work together. Special needs students will be allowed to take equipment they need home. Became a Democrat. Works for Community. Not partisan.

10) Other MMTTC Board and Committee Reports

- a) Preliminary MMTTC Budget for 2019 – Jonathan Lea, Treasurer. Will discuss at Board meeting next week.
- b) Volunteers Needed at MMTTC Booth at Tet Festival Feb. 8 – 10 – Membership Chair Brandy Ludwick. Have had a rise in membership.
- c) Volunteer of the Year Dinner Honoring Jeanne Christensen March 29 – Programs Chair Pam Stevens. 6:30 PM, Friday. Mexican buffet. Jeff will get form on website by tomorrow.
- d) Fourth of July Committee [Parade and Fun Day] – Ted Brengel. John Horst will chair.

11) Adjournment 8:45pm

Next meeting Monday, March 4, 2019!