



Sun Valley Citizen Advisory Board

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** – Carmen Ortiz called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was determined.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge was recited.
- 3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** –

Elise Weatherly spoke about precision and doing what is right.

Graeme Reid, candidate School Board District F, which includes Sun Valley. Spoke about the school board and how he will listen to the parents. He said he has a common-sense voice. He said he had been a lawyer for 30+ years.

Susan Severt, Vice Chair of Sun Valley GID Board member, said we have some huge projects coming up. She asked for your vote to continue the good work that we are doing now.

Daniel Webber said the sheriff had been up in his neighborhood, littered with junk and abandoned cars. It doesn't look good. He said the property owners own up to the middle of the road. We can't get the road improved. The roads are washed out. You have to pay for improvements ourselves. How do we address this? It's bad for your home values.

Mark Neumann said he is running for a seat on the Sun Valley GID.

Michael Rider said he sits on the Sun Valley GID and is the Vice Chair of the Sun Valley CAB. He responded to a previous public comment regarding abandoned vehicles and trash. He said the Sheriff's Office has a program to get the cars removed. He requested a future agenda item to get an update on the program. He encouraged everyone to vote. If you don't like the way things are, get out and vote.

- 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF August 6, 2022** - (For Possible Action) – This item was postponed to a future meeting.

5. SHERIFF'S OFFICE: CATALYTIC ANTI-THEFT PROGRAM – Lieutenant Ryan Johnston or an alternate Sheriff's Office representative to provide a presentation and update on the Sheriff's Office Catalytic Anti-Theft Program. (NonAction Item)

Lieutenant Johnston showed a video.

He encouraged everyone to participate in the program.

Ms. Jung asked about the year of cars this program applies. The Lieutenant said it's any vehicle that has a catalytic converter.

Ms. Severt suggested involving car manufacturers, which could help fix the problem.

A public member asked how painting the converter prevents the thief from taking the paint off. The Lieutenant spoke about the labels melting onto the cover of the converter. The metal guy doesn't want it

painted.

A public member recommended putting a sticker on the window indicating the catalytic converter has been registered. He said it's a great idea and will return that suggestion to the office.

6. TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (TMFPD) UPDATE – Representative from TMFPD to provide a general community update. (Non-Action Item)

Battalion Chief Reid provided an update.

District 45 had the following service calls: 5 fires, 196 EMS/rescue, good intent calls, 50 service calls, and four false calls since the last time we reported.

Wildland fuels and burning request has been submitted to FEMA for sun valley regional park, which is pending.

Upcoming Greenwaste program: Spanish Springs Greenwaste program day, Oct. 22 in Palomino Valley Equestrian Center, and Oct 23 at Lazy 5 Park.

He said we had reprieved from the wildland danger for a while, but the danger is high. He spoke about the challenge of people who choose not to evacuate. He encouraged everyone to refrain from pulling over to take photos; it impedes ingress for the firefighters. Have a to-go back ready.

7. HIGHLAND VILLAGE - PHASE 2 – President of Krater Consulting Group Kenneth Krater to provide a presentation on Highland Ranch – Phase 2 development project; consisting of 73 single-home detached dwelling units located on the south side of Highland Ranch Parkway to the west of Midnight Drive, east of Klondike Drive and north of 9th Avenue. (Non-Action Item)

Mr. Krater provided a Powerpoint presentation.

Mr. Neumann asked if the revegetated area near Klondike will be the walking path. Mr Krater confirmed.

Ms. Ortiz asked when the traffic study was conducted. Mr. Krater said it was done September/October when the school was in session.

Ms. Ortiz inquired about crosswalk for kids to walk to school. Mr. Krater noted a pedestrian crosswalk with flasher beacon will be installed.

Mr. Neumann asked if there will be a school zone. Mr. Krater said we will have flashing Beacon and down on Midnight. They plan to signalize at Midnight and Highland Ranch Parkway. Ms. Severt asked why not take the tax credit. Mr. Krater said it's not warranted yet. He said we did an analysis for signalized intersection.

Mr. Neumann asked how many units per acre. Mr. Krater said around 4 units per acre. They are 4,000 square foot lots. There are additional open space lots.

Mr. Neumann asked if he had been working with 5 Ridges on the drainage canal. Mr. Krater said we did meet; we offered to have an easement for their waterline across our property. They didn't want to wait for our tentative map. We have been talking to them.

Ms. Ortiz asked if the trails would be preserved for motorcycles and equestrian use. Mr. Krater said pedestrians and kids bikes. She asked where they would be riding if this access was taken away. Mr.

Neumann said this is the access for horse riding down to the open land. Mr. Neumann said he is referring to just the trail system we are building.

Mr. Neumann said Idlewild has slowing mechanisms. Mr. Krater said the County didn't want more than what is proposed. The speed humps slow down TMFPD response time. The County feels this will take care of the issue. Reno fire are accepting them in some locations. This will be a big improvement.

Mr. Neumann asked about traffic improvements at Highland Ranch at Midnight. Mr. Krater showed the proposed changes.

A public member asked the reason why the School District. He said the safety officer didn't feel it wasn't warranted with the sidewalks, crosswalks, and crosswalk beacon.

A public member asked if the project would get off the ground. Mr. Krater said yes because these are more affordable homes. There is still great demand. Ladera has slowed down making their \$800,000 homes.

Mr. Neumann said he isn't against construction and appreciates this. He said he has concerns with no school zone. He said for the safety of the children, it needs to be a school zone. He thanked Ken for his time and efforts. Mr. Krater said he could see if he could come back to the CAB and bring the safety officer and County to have a discussion.

Ms. Ortiz said she was originally opposed to a crosswalk from the park to the field on a 45 mph. They aren't paying attention a 45 mph. She said this is on a great track. Mr. Krater spoke about the safe route to school plans. He said he would love to see more education.

Mr. Krater said we have committed to working with the Parks Department and helping with the Sun Valley's existing parks.

8. BOARD MEMBER/COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS/DISCUSSION — This item is limited to announcements and/or requests for future agenda items by CAB members and/or Commissioners Kitty Jung and Jeanne Herman (Non-Action Item)

Kitty Jung announced Battalion Chief Reid's 501c3 program for suicide prevention for first responders. 988 number for a mental health crisis. It replaces the 1-800 number. They can de-escalate the issues. Because of this outcry, we have a mental health committee to open more beds for substance abuse and mental health.

She introduced Ms. Garcia District 3 candidate.

She spoke about the response to unaccepted roads. The planning out here was old. She recommended doing an overlay. Waste Management trucks won't go down the roads. It's a public health and safety issue with these roads. You pay a gas tax.

Mr. Neumann, between RTC and other funding, will that can be used towards 7th Street? It would help improve our major thoroughfares because more development is coming. A lot of these private dirt streets could turn over the Street to Washoe County. She asked if it was up to County standards. You have to get the homeowners to do it. Ms. Jung said she worked hard to improve the area that wasn't in her district.

Michael Rider spoke about illegal dumping. There are ways to get the cars removed. He requested a

presentation on that. He appreciates the people zooming into the meeting.

Ms. Burns asked if the developer of the Chocolate Drive has offered any concessions or improvements to our community. Commissioner Herman said it's been quiet but will ask.

Ms. Burns said there were a few days in March 3 when we had 26,850, and on March 2 we had 27,050. It's a race track in Spanish Springs. It was about 6 p.m. He said he spoke with the County Engineer. He asked him to make a right-turn lane and he said they couldn't do that. She requested NDOT or Road department to talk to us. Mr. Neumann spoke about the future projects on the 395 corridor and Pyramid Highway. He said NDOT didn't have Sun Valley Drive on their agenda. We are far down on their list. Ms. Burns said this is state highway 433 from 7th to McCarran. This is our main street. Ms. Burns spoke about the squatters behind her. They are on a timeframe. She said she asked the fire department about statistics on services that they provided to Spanish Springs.

Mr. Neumann said he was appointed as an alternate for Senior Service Citizen Advisory Board. He was quickly appointed as a full member. He was asked by the Advisory Board chair to be a spoke person at the CABs. He said there is an organization that will make home improvements for seniors. He said two full-time lawyers provide free services for Washoe County seniors.

A public member announced the new health center is open out here. They had 3x more people. There are more services. Get the word out.

Susan Severt said she has worked on Sun Valley Blvd for 20 years to get it what it is now. She said you have to deal with RTC and Washoe County Roads. We've repeatedly asked for improvements for the runs up by 7-11. She spoke about a road down to the gully that has made it a popular dumping site. She said she called and got the trash removed. She said there is now red tape because it has to go through the EPA because it's a watershed. She said a lot of the items in the dirt is now in the watershed and won't drain well when we get water. She asked everyone to report anyone who is down there. We need to restrict access down there.

9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.