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Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association, Inc.

Minutes Annual Meeting January 13, 2020

The Annual meeting of the Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association was held at Mission Viejo Elementary School. Dave Goss, President, opened with a review of the state of the HOA in 2019. He reviewed the events hosted by the HOA, there were two "Dumpster" Days which took nearly 30 tons of trash and yard debris to the land fill saving residents collectively nearly \$10,000, had that been taken to the local DADS landfill.

The HOA also funds weed control on the perimeter of Mission Viejo, along Chambers, Quincy, Hampden and Buckley Rd. As well as on Mission Parkway and Alicia Parkway the areas between the fence and the sidewalk are sprayed to keep the weeds down. This saves many homeowners much backbreaking work to keep this area weed free.

The City of Aurora awarded \$1800 of the Beautification Grant to Mission Viejo to clean up the corners of S Chambers Way and Quincy. Weeds, shrubs, dead growth and trash was removed from that area. The monument walls were repaired and painted. The work was accomplished over several days through the Spring and Summer by many volunteers. The total cost of the project to the HOA was \$564.17 after deducting the Grant funds.

The perimeter walls of Mission Viejo are made of a unique type of masonry block, called slump block. This is only available now in California. Through a concerted effort by Shelby Lay, Rob Tate and Kris Wilcox, a shipment of blocks was delivered December 11. They are stored in Seville Townhomes. These are now available to homeowners to make repairs as needed to their walls and fences supports. HOA members get a good discount on these blocks.

HOA funds were well used again for the Annual Holiday Hayride this past December. Approximately 220 people attended. The carriages were provided by Blue Moon Carriages in Parker. They bring two large hay wagons and teams of beautiful Draft Horses. The route goes through the neighborhood to enjoy the Holiday lights and decorations. Refreshments and crafts are offered before and after the ride.

Throughout the year there are several groups of volunteers at work in the neighborhood. Volunteers deliver over 2000 newsletters every month. Thank you to Kathy Bitzer for coordinating and getting the letters to each volunteer. The Welcome committee greets those new to the neighborhood. The Garden Committee takes care of a flower bed in Mission Viejo Park near the play area. There is a dedicated group that every year puts up Holiday lights at the entrances to the neighborhood. Special thanks to Elaine Lay, without her Mission would not look nearly as tidy.

Quorum was established. Board members present Dave Goss, Elaine Lay, Barbara Ferris, Fiona Biggs, Brenda Tompkins and Twila Filipiak. Standing for election Barbara Ferris, Twila Filipiak, Dave Goss and Jonathan Taylor.

The 2020 budget was presented as printed in the annual report. The minutes of the 2019 Annual meeting are presented as on the website for approval. Voting remained open until 7:30 pm.

Guest speakers:

- Sandy Roberts standing in for Andre Pearson, Principal of Mission Viejo Elementary School. Ms. Roberts has been office manager for 13 years. Traffic problems around the school were discussed. They have worked with Aurora PD and participate in a program called STOP where traffic and driving issues can be easily communicated. Good news for the school as it topped the list of most improved in literacy, they have improved over 10 points. MV Elementary is officially recognized as a Purple Heart School for their involvement with military families and the wonderful Veterans Day program. All are invited to attend Bingo nights; next date is Feb 7. The proceeds go to a specific grade level. Ms. Roberts reports that enrollment is up slightly from last year, over 500 now.
- Scott Campbell Neighborhood Liaison spoke about the importance of participating in the 2020 Census. Those numbers are used when funds are being allocated for numerous programs to benefit the community. He mentioned that some homeowner's information was compromised on the online water bill payment system for a short time. Those involved will be notified and given access to credit monitoring services. The information for the Beautification Grant is pending. There is a possibility of a program to help fund neighborhood events, such as block parties. He will keep us posted on that information. Mr. Campbell stressed using Access Aurora for issues such as Graffiti.
- Erin Todd of Mission Viejo Library reviewed the many programs available at the Mission Viejo Branch. She noted that it is #1 in donations for the many outreach programs they sponsor. Ms. M. Clark Director of the City of Aurora Library cited the numbers of books checked out, library visits and increased growth in programs attended.
- Scott Bauman Parking manager for Park Aurora noted the most complaints that come to his office have to do with trailers on the street, abandoned vehicles and vehicles with expired plates/tags. Clarification on where vehicles may be parked. A vehicle may be parked in front of the address it is registered to, within the property lines, not overlapping driveways etc. An RV may be in front of the property for 5 days, then must be off city streets for 72 hours. A utility trailer may be in place only 24 hours, then must move. Call Access Aurora with concerns.
- Barry Dombrowski Senior code Enforcement officer reports the city is in the process of revising the Zoning codes. The information pamphlets are not yet printed. If anyone

witnesses graffiti being applied please call the Police department, if already done Access Aurora is there for reporting. The city will send a crew for removal. He mentioned that there is some grant money available for tree removal if certain financial criteria are met.

- Cathlyn Depaiva from Pro Disposal/Waste Connections reviewed the merging of the companies. In the very competitive business of Trash removal Waste Connections was the best option for Pro Disposal. At this time the company will honor the current agreement for returning \$2.00 per household/month to the HOA. She recommended setting the Waste Connect App for updates to pickups. Also, good information there on recycling, what can and cannot be recycled. There will probably be changes in the pickup days and the type of trash receptacle may be changed as well.
- Todd McMahon gave information about Mission Viejo being designated as a Cultural Heritage Site. There will be more information at the next regular HOA meeting in February.

Election results showed 74 votes cast. All those standing for election were elected. The Budget was approved as was the minutes of the Annual Meeting 2019.

The voting percentage was 7%, slightly up from last year, and met the required number, which is 3%.

Next regular meeting February 3, 2020, Mission Viejo Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ferris, Secretary