



# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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## OAK VIEW TASK FORCE Meeting Minutes - REVISED

Thursday, September 17, 2015  
4:00 p.m.  
Oak View Library  
17251 Oak Lane  
Huntington Beach, CA 92647

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chris Slama called the meeting to order at 4:06p.m.

### Attendees:

Brady, Al: Code Enforcement, City of Huntington Beach  
Clara, Virginia: Oak View Renewal Partnership  
Cruz, Fidel: Community Service Programs, Inc. – Gang Prevention/Youth Development  
Dale-Pash, Laura: Oak View School/Ocean View School District  
Gomez, Charlene: Community Services Dept., City of Huntington Beach  
Gordon, Sue: Rainbow Environmental Services  
Groeneveld, Art: Boys & Girls Club Huntington Valley  
Hidrogo, Minerva: Oak View Family Resources Center  
Hoxsie, Tanya: Boys & Girls Club Huntington Valley  
Medrano, Sherri: Ocean View School District  
Ochoa, Yesenia: Oak View Renewal Partnership  
Urashima, Mary: Historic Wintersburg

### City Staff Liaison:

Slama, Chris: Community Services Manager, Community Services Dept.

### Guests:

Almazan, Julita: Oak View Community Resident  
Arreola, Luz A.: Oak View Community Resident  
Bixby, Mark: Histori Wintersburg  
Briscoe, John: Ocean View School District  
Clayton-Tarvin, Gina: Ocean View School District  
Garcia, Juana: Oak View Community  
Garcia, Santa: Oak View Community Resident  
Marin, Maria: Oak View Community Resident  
Mendez, Maribel: Oak View Community Resident  
Moore, Tracy: Oak View Community Resident  
Rodriguez, Lucia: Oak View CommUNIDAD  
Rodriguez, Oscar: Oak View Community Resident  
Valledores, Victor: Oak View ComUNIDAD  
Whittaker, Susan: Ocean View School District

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Al Brady motion to approve the June 18, 2015 meeting minutes with the following corrections: Fidel Cruz and Sue Gordon were in attendance. Mary Urashima said that her report under New Business was incorrect. She said that she is the Chair of Historic Wintersburg Task Force and she explained preservation efforts, not that she “asked that the history of the site be preserved” as written. Furthermore, the statement that says” June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Urban Land Institute will look at site and challenges, interview stakeholders and talk with City officials.” Should read, “... interview stakeholders, which include property owners, residents and the City.” Corrections accepted. Gordon seconded. The motion passed unanimously with corrections.
3. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Chris Slama welcomed everyone. He introduced Charlene Gomez as the new Administrative Secretary for the City of Huntington Beach, Community Services Dept. Mrs. Gomez will record the minutes of tonight’s meeting.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
  - a. John Briscoe was introduced. He led the group in the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
  - b. Maria Marin is a resident of the Oak View community. Ms. Marin stated that there are problems with apartments in the neighborhood stemming from broken windows to deterioration, both on the interior and exterior. She would like to see someone from the City come out to do regular checks of the apartments so that residents don’t have to complain. Those who complain fear retribution from the apartment owners through higher rent or eviction. She went on to say that Nichols Street is dangerous for the children because there are no sidewalks and parked cars block where the children should be walking. There is also a parking concern throughout the area with people parking several cars per carport, which cause issues for others. Slama asked for her phone number and will pass it on to those responsible. Mary said that there is a need for explanation of code enforcement. PD Code Enforcement said that they are happy to go out but must be asked to first. They can’t just show up. Code enforcement is anonymous in residential cases. Another comment was that inspectors have to be invited into the house, but the City can inspect and cite for issues on exteriors without a complaint.
  - c. Victor Valladares said that he was going to address the same issues as Ms. Marin. He said that Anaheim recently passed a law to cite landlords who let apartments go. Mr. Valladares also announced that his group is hosting a protest against Rainbow on October 30.
  - d. Oscar Rodriguez said that there are many issues within the community, and more and more people will be coming to the meetings, so he suggests meeting in a larger area.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None to report.
6. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:** No report available.
7. **CITY STAFF REPORTS:**
  - a. **CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Al Brady reported that graffiti is at a low.

- b. **COMMUNITY SERVICES:** Chris Slama reported that funding has been approved for a module for the FRC. It will be used for after-school through the Children's Bureau agreement. He is looking forward to it in the next few months.
- c. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** No report available.
- d. **LIBRARY SERVICES:** No report available.
- e. **POLICE:** Charlene Gomez reported on behalf of Nilda Patiño de Berndt. The Tip-A-Cop event is tonight. Tips officers receive in acting as waiters at California Pizza Kitchen will benefit local Orange County Special Olympics athletes. A newsletter was distributed.
- f. **PUBLIC WORKS:** No report available.

**8. ROUNDTABLE:**

- a. **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB:** Tanya Hoxsie and Art Groeneveld reported that school is back in session and their Twilight program is up and running. The building on Goldenwest is going down and the new one isn't ready, so children will be going back to Oak View until the end of the year.
- b. **CSP:** Fidel Cruz reported on fieldtrips taken during the summer and that services are continuing.
- c. **GOALS:** Laura Dale-Pash reported on the after-school program that runs through Oak View School District for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, and covers such things as homework assistance and field trips. She introduced Gina Clayton-Tarvin to give an update on the school district. Ms. Clayton-Tarvin is happy that the kids are back together at school in HB. She gave an update on the School Districts ongoing issues with Republic Trash Service aka Rainbow Environmental. She provided an overview of cases that have been settled and those that are ongoing. She would like to see a park developed – preferably a heritage park. Some of their grievances includes excess noise, the smell, and asking Rainbow to cover their facility. Cases are ongoing.

John Briscoe reported that the City has received a block grant from HUD. He gave examples of what happens when areas are broken or not maintained. He stated that there are no parks in the Oak View community. He continued that parking enforcement for Republic trash dump needs to be a priority.

Susan Whittaker is here on behalf of the Ocean View School District to learn about issues discussed at the Oak View Task Force meetings.

- d. **OAK VIEW LIBRARY:** No Report available.

- e. **OAK VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** The food program is starting up now that school is back in session. Sherri Modrano with Oak View School reported that the holiday basket giveaway will take place at St. Bonaventure and she's glad to see it back. There are 10 portable buildings at Oak View so that kids can attend school while they continue with abating the rest of the school.
  - f. **OAK VIEW FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER:** Minerva Hidrogo reported on their upcoming Halloween event. Their annual Christmas event is scheduled for December 19. They are expecting 200 families. This year parents can shop for their own children's gifts instead of the gifts being preselected.
  - g. **OAK VIEW PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION:** No report available.
  - h. **OAK VIEW RENEWAL PARTNERSHIP:** Virginia Clara reported an academy program in partnership with the Police Department. It includes tours of PD's dispatch and how it works, the CSI division and truth vs. myth.
  - i. **OCEAN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL:** No report available.
  - j. **RAINBOW ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:** Sue Gordon reported that school has started and so has Rainbow's Reduce, Reuse and Recycle assemblies put on by the nationally renowned Discovery Cube. She hopes Oak View Elementary School will continue to avail themselves of these free assemblies as they have in the past. In speaking to the comments from Ms. Clayton-Tarvin, Ms. Gordon reported that Rainbow has worked to address the issues by putting in dust screens, vaporizers and misters to reduce dust and odor. They are also running vacuum street sweepers throughout their campus for 16 hours a day and also on Nichols Lane during the day, but it's difficult to remove all the debris because of the parked cars. However, Rainbow will continue to work diligently to reduce the impacts to the school.
  - k. **SALVATION ARMY:** No report available.
  - l. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Mark Bixby, a volunteer with the Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force, introduced himself. Mary Urashima, chair of the Historic Wintersburg Preservation Task Force, requested that if city staff cannot attend the Oak View Task Force meeting that they send an alternate or provide a report to keep everyone up-to-date. Mary Urashima added the Urban Land Institute report will be released and will provide information to begin discussions on the alternatives for Historic Wintersburg. A primary recommendation is a collaborative process with the property owner, Historic Wintersburg, residents, non profits, and the school district, to discuss concepts and suggestions.
9. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 17 at 4:00 p.m.  
Location to be determined.