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The Downtown Ventura organization meeting began at 8:10 on September 24, 2006

Members present: Christy Weir, Jason Collis, Gregory Smith, Ed Warren, Jerry Breiner, Linda Peterson, Jim Luttjohann, Mark Hartley, Glenda Lewis and Clarey Rudd.

Members absent: Keith Richardson, Dan Frederickson, Seana Weaver, Jack Carter and Chris Bennett.

Also present: Gerhard Mayer, Anthony Romero, Pat Miller, Ken Corney, Jaun Reynoso, Dave Wilson, Sid White, Dave Armstrong, Deborah Hazen and Kevin Kelerici.

Sargent Juan Reynoso, Supervisor of Beat 5 gave the board an update on activities in the Downtown area.

Ron Baldonado gave the board an update on the mission star pines Christmas tree lighting event and would like to see it be more of an event. Clarey will inform the DVO marketing committee.

Chris Velasco (WAP) gave the board an update on the Working Artist Project on Thompson and Ventura Avenue.

Officer Ken Corney gave a presentation on the Measure P-6 vote. They are taking volunteers at 543 E. Main St. to call voters. Anyone wishing to help or pick up vote yes on Measure P-6 signs go to the office on Main.

The DVO Newsletter is out - everyone is to take and distribute them to the merchants.

Jerry gave the DVO board an update on the police storefront rent increase- group discussion. Jim made a motion that Jerry meet with the landlord and negotiate the rent at the current rate DVO is now paying until the end of the year. Ed seconded, motion passed.

Greg reviewed the DVO budget of total liabilities and equity of \$9,519.11.

Jerry made a motion to approve the DVO minutes of 9-12-2006. Greg seconded. Motion passed.

Sid said the October 9Th presentation to the City Council is confirmed. Those who are making the presentation should be at the police storefront on October 2, 2006 at 8:00 for a review and Sid will be there.

All board members that have comments or changes on the draft on the Retail Strategy and Business Development Plan for Downtown Ventura contact Dave Armstrong immediately.

Dave Armstrong mentioned that the City council approved the contract to do a historic resource study