



DVP Board Meeting Board Meeting Minutes, Oct. 28, 2015

- 1) Call to Order & Introductions.
 - a) President David Armstrong called the meeting to order at 8:38am.
 - b) DVP Directors Present: President Armstrong, Jeff Becker, David Comden, Debbie Fox, Secretary Mark Hartley, Mike Merewether, Treasurer Greg Smith, Jeff Smith, Christy Weir. **Quorum met.**
Other attendees: Executive Director Kevin Clerici, Deputy Director Meredith Hart, Operations Manager Robert Vasquez, Peter Brown (City of Ventura), Barbara Evans (Parking Advisory Committee/Downtown resident), Mayor Cheryl Heitmann (City of Ventura), Sheri Long (Vista Real Academy of the Arts), Cmdr. Ryan Weeks (VPD), Sid White (Ventura Realty Co.).
- 2) Approval of September DVP Minutes:
 - a) Motion made by Mike Merewether, seconded by Jeff Becker. Passed unanimously.
- 3) Approval of September DVP Financials:
 - a) Motion made by Mark Hartley, seconded by Christy Weir. Passed unanimously.
- 4) DVP Action Items:
 - a) Approved staff taking leadership role in the formation of a countywide Housing Endowment Fund to provide on-going gap funding for individuals to obtain and retain housing. Motion made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Christy Weir. Greg Smith voted No. Passes 8-1.
 - b) Consent approval vote for DVP to become a partner agency in county managed Homeless Management Information System.
 - c) Consent approval vote to cancel November meeting and schedule special November/December DVP board meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 9.
- 5) Reports:
 - a) Police Report:
 - i) Recent sweep in Ventura River bottom found one camp. Will continue monitoring area as rains arrive.
 - ii) Property crimes up slightly.
 - b) Parking Report:
 - i) Committee discussed possible capital projects for roughly \$170K in surplus meter funds. No formal decision was made. City staff to bring back proposed improvements to wayfinding and other signage.
 - c) City Report:
 - i) County Sheriffs to post camps in Santa Clara River bottom on Nov. 18 and return for clean-up on Dec. 4.
 - ii) Ashkar apartment project on Santa Clara Street project entitled by City Council. 16 affordable units.
 - iii) Staff and Council continuing settlement negotiations for Santa Clara parking garage that would result in no paid parking.
 - d) Director's Report:
 - i) Halloween Spooktacular a success, with over 2,500 kids trick-or-treating. Now making push for holiday events, decorations, promotions.
 - ii) Park Ambassadors continue to shine. Recently hired two new Ambassadors, who are doing well.
 - iii) Trolley bids are in line with budget. Will order as soon as FTA/VCTC award letter arrives.
 - iv) Hiring bookkeeper. Will prepare 2016 work plan and budget, to be considered at Dec. 9 special meeting.
- 6) Public Comment:
 - a) City's 150th Anniversary kick-off at the Museum on Nov. 8th from 2-4pm.
 - b) Ventura Kindness has started. Goal is to get 1 million acts of kindness by City's anniversary on April 2, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25am.

Minutes submitted by Kevin Clerici & Meredith Hart.