

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Administration

Meeting with Mall Representatives regarding Public Safety On May 6 staff met with representatives from the Moreno Valley Mall to discuss the rates that the Mall pays for public safety services. The original 1991 conditions of approval for the Mall project require that the developer contract with the City for law enforcement services provided at the Mall. This requirement has been much discussed (even litigated at one time) since the Mall was developed. Since the Mall is required to reimburse the City for the officers assigned to that location, they requested that they be charged a lower rate, such as the rate paid by the school districts for SROs. Chief Anderson explained to Mall management that the Sheriffs Department charges a lower, unsupported rate to other governmental entities such as the schools. Such a lower rate would not be applicable to a for-profit business such as the Moreno Valley Mall. He also noted that having the SROs on campus benefits the Sheriff as well. These items were discussed at the May 10 Public Safety Subcommittee (PSCC) meeting at which the PSCC did not modify the current contractural arrangement with the Mall.

Memorial Day Ceremony

Staff from the City Manager's Office, City Council/City Clerk and Parks and Community Services Departments is finalizing plans for the annual Memorial Day Ceremony. This year's event will include the presentation of colors by the Sheriffs Mounted Color Guard, a special candlelight ceremony at sunset, as well as the presentation of a proclamation honoring a resident killed in action whose name is being added to the Memorial. The ceremony begins at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 30th, the traditional day to honor those lost during military service (as opposed to the "observed" day of the last Monday in May).

<u>Proposed Hazardous Material Mitigation Cost Recovery</u> Fee

Interim Assistant City Manager Rick Hartmann has been assigned to the Hazardous Materials Mitigation Cost Recover Fee ad hoc Committee. The Committee met for the third time on May 13th to review the formula to allocate the annual cost of Cal Fire's Hazardous Material Response Team program to the county, cities and special districts contracting for fire protection services. The cost allocation formula to be presented to the contracting entities later this summer consists of: 1) 25% of the cost would be based on a four year rolling average of Hat Mat calls, 2) 25% of the

cost would be based on the number of stations, 3) 25% of the cost would be based on the number of Cal Fire positions, and 4) 25% of the cost would be based on population of each jurisdiction (i.e., county, city and special district). Moreno Valley's share of the annual Haz Mat program cost is estimated to be \$205,363 or 11 percent of the total Haz Mat program cost of \$1,902,778. The formula will be reviewed annually to apportion the cost to all contract partners. The County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to take action on the cost allocation plan late this summer or early fall with imposition of the new fee to contract partners potentially being in January 2011.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Southern California Edison Grant

Staff has received notification from Edison that the City will receive a grant of \$375,000 to expand the scope of the Energy Efficiency and Climate Change Strategy effort currently underway using a Federal Stimulus Grant. The funding will expand the scope of the strategy and provide resources for implementation of the strategy, community outreach and staff training. The final scope of the grant will be negotiated with Edison with a grant acceptance anticipated for City Council review and action in August. The grant will be implemented by the Community Development Department in conjunction with the Moreno Valley Utility.

Planning

Planning Commission

At their meeting of May 17, 2010, the Planning Commission took the following actions:

- 1. Approved a master plot plan, plot plan and tentative parcel map to facilitate the construction of a shopping center on a 17-acre site at the northeast corner of Alessandro Boulevard and Lasselle Street. The plot plan includes a 95,440 square foot Winco Foods grocery store and 14,800 square foot multi-tenant shop building at the north end of the site. The master plot plan and tentative parcel map include four additional pad sites at the south end of the site for future commercial buildings. The applicant is Tait & Associates for Winco Foods.
- Recommended approval of a single-family residential subdivision of 135 lots on a 40-acre site located at the southeast corner of Heacock Street and Gentian Avenue. The subdivision is

accompanied by General Plan Amendment and Change of Zone applications to change the property from Business Park (BP) to Residential (Maximum 5 Units per Acre) (R5). The project is a follow up to a prior application for a large warehouse building on the same site that was denied by the City Council in 2004. The project is tentatively scheduled for review by the City Council on June 22nd. The applicant is Rados Companies.

- 3. Approved a conditional use permit for a 50-foot tall telecommunications facility disguised as a pine tree. The proposed site is at the west end of Cottonwood Park, located on the north side of Cottonwood Avenue, west of Redlands Boulevard. The applicant is T-Mobile West Corporation.
- 4. Determined that the City's annual Capital Improvement Plan was consistent with the General Plan, as required by State Law.
- 5. Elected Planning Commission Officers for the next twelve month period. The new Chair is Rick DeJong and the new Vice-Chair is Ray Baker.

Administrative Approval

- 1. Plot plan for 2,270 square foot Day Care Center in an existing shopping center at 22445 Alessandro Boulevard. The applicants are Janaka and Radika Ratnayake.
- 2. Plot plan to expand the roof top screening of equipment for the Ayres Hotel that is finishing up construction at 12631 Memorial Way.
- 3. Plot Plan to establish a martial arts studio at 24318 Hemlock Avenue. The applicant is Daniel Taylor.
- 4. Plot plan to establish a retail store, Best Deal Closeout in the former indoor swap meet located at 14920 Perris Boulevard. The applicant is Sumruey Roy Aueyong.
- 5. Plot plan to construct a 2,400 square foot detached garage at 13622 Stacy Lynn Drive. The applicant is Mark Williams.

Foreclosures and Homes Listed for Sale

Information available from the RealtyTrac website for April shows a sharp decrease in foreclosure activity in the City and region, essentially erasing the sharp increase reported last month. For April, the website reported one in 87 housing units in Moreno Valley were in some stage of foreclosure. This compares to a rate of one in 62 units in March, a 29% improvement between March and April. The

April rate was nearly the same as in February of this year. Foreclosure activity decreased significantly throughout the region, with the highest rates in communities with the highest levels of single family housing construction during the past building boom. Moreno Valley is in the middle of the list of local communities with Temecula, Corona and Wildomar. Slower growth areas such as Riverside and Banning have much better rates, and faster growth areas such as Beaumont and Murrieta have much worse rates. Calimesa had the lowest rate locally (1 in 291) and Winchester had the highest rate (1 in 15). By zip code, area 92555 had the highest rate in the City (1 in 29) and area 92557 had the lowest rates (1 in 136). Foreclosure activity decreased in all four zip codes in the City.

Information available from the Realtor.com website indicates a small decrease in the number of homes for sale in the City and continued stability in median asking prices. As of May 1, 2010, 957 homes were listed for sale, compared with 985 on April 1st, and 1,298 in May of last year. The median asking price in May was \$156,000, compared with \$159,000 in April and \$149,900 last May.

Alessandro Boulevard Corridor Study

The two community meetings for the Alessandro Corridor Study were held on April 22nd and May 6th in the City Council Chambers. All property owners along Alessandro Boulevard were invited to the meeting. Various stakeholders were also invited to participate. Attendees were presented with base data and concepts for the corridor. The input at the meetings will be used to generate a draft plan for presentation to the City Council and Planning Commission at the Joint Study Session scheduled for June 15th. The grant funds the consulting services to analyze land use, street and bus rapid transit improvements to enhance Alessandro Boulevard from the future March Field/Moreno Valley MetroLink station to the Riverside Regional Medical Center as a transit corridor.

Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Study

The Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) conducted a community meeting in Moreno Valley on April 29th to elicit input on a draft neighborhood electric vehicle (NEV) plan. NEV's are electric vehicles that may be legally driven on public streets with a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less and in designated NEV lanes on higher speed roads. The plan, funded by a grant from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is intended to encourage the use of non-polluting NEV's by providing designated routes between Moreno Valley, Corona and Riverside and to activity centers in each community. No members of the public attended the community meeting, an indication of limited interest in the proposal.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Administration

ICSC Recap

Staff from Moreno Valley pursued business opportunities for the City at the recent International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) trade show in Las Vegas. ICSC events remain important networking opportunities for the City to showcase Moreno Valley, along with the ability for staff to support a number of developers who have shopping centers in the city. Many other Inland Region local governments sent staff to ICSC-Las Vegas including Chino, Corona, Hesperia, Indio, Loma Linda, Montclair, Murrieta, Ontario, Palm Desert, Palm Springs, Rancho Cucamonga, City of Riverside, County of Riverside, City of San Bernardino, County of San Bernardino, Temecula, and Victorville.

At the ICSC event, staff participated in 25 meetings with a variety of developers, real estate professionals and representatives from retailers/restaurants. Meetings with retailers and restaurants included Anna's Linens, BevMo, Buffalo Wild Wings, Chipotle, Corner Bakery Café, Gottschalks, Fresh & Easy Markets, Henry's Market, Jerome's Furniture, Lowe's, Red Lobster, Rue 21, Sprouts Market, Stater Bros., TJ Maxx, Texas Roadhouse Grill, and UFC Gym.

General Growth Properties Bankruptcy Update

General Growth Properties Inc. (GGP)—the owner of the Moreno Valley Mall at TownGate, has secured approval from the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the bidding procedures and issuance of warrants related to the financial commitments for the \$6.55 billion equity investment being placed into GGP by Brookfield Investment, along with two partners—Pershing Square Capital Management and Fairholme Funds. The approval by the U. S. Bankruptcy Court paves the way for GGP to conclude its transaction with the Brookfield equity team and has stopped the takeover attempt by Simon Property Group Inc. (the largest real estate company in the U.S.). GGP's Board of Directors believes the proposal from the Brookfield team provides GGP with the best terms for securing the capital needed to emerge from bankruptcy. GGP officials are looking for a mid summer emergence from Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

Besides the Moreno Valley Mall, GGP owns several other mall properties in the Inland Region including the Galleria at Tyler in Riverside, Montclair Plaza, and the Redlands Mall. General Growth Properties, based in Chicago, is the 2nd largest shopping center ownership group in the U.S. and its portfolio includes more than 400 commercial properties including 200 malls in 43 states.

Buffalo Wild Wings

Planning continues for a new Buffalo Wild Wings (BWW's) restaurant in Moreno Valley. The new designated Franchisee group for BWW's that controls the area of Moreno Valley, Redlands and San Bernardino has fully negotiated a Letter of Intent (LOI) with 99 Cents Only Stores to occupy 6,000 sq. ft. of the 14,000 sq. ft. of the unused space next to the recently opened 99 Cents Only location in the TownGate Crossing shopping center at the SE corner of State Route 60 and Day Street. Anna's Linens will occupy the remaining 8,000 sq. ft. of this building which 99 Cents Only Stores acquired from Circuit City when they went bankrupt over a year ago.

The new 6,000 sq. ft. restaurant for Buffalo Wild Wings will require processing an Amended Plot Plan through the City's Planning Division because of the exterior building elevation changes and the adding of a patio space for the new BWW's. The new site at TownGate Crossing for the new BWW's restaurant has received 'preliminary' corporate approval, but it still requires final approval of the floor plan and building façade changes to ensure adherence to Buffalo Wild Wing's corporate requirements. At the recent ICSC event in Las Vegas, City staff met with corporate officials from BWW's who expressed a willingness to work closely with the Franchisee and the City to quickly move this project forward.

BWW's is based in Minneapolis, Minnesota and presently has over 650 restaurant locations in 43 states. BWW's has an aggressive national marketing plan with plans to expand in California through franchise agreements.

Ayres Suites Opens

Ayres Hotel & Spa is expected to be open any day. Management at Ayres is planning for a soft opening with a grand opening coming soon. The four-story, 127 guest room hotel in TownGate Promenade features a spacious lobby with fireplace, a business center, meeting or event space for up to 150 guests, a state-of-the-art fitness center, and a heated swimming pool and whirlpool spa. Guestrooms include pillow-top mattresses with triple sheeting, plus flat screen televisions, complimentary high speed Internet access, microwaves, refrigerators, luxurious-sized bathrooms, and full breakfast daily. Ayres will also feature a full-service luxury spa facility.

The Ayres in Moreno Valley is the 8th Ayres Hotels property in the Inland Region. Ayres Hotels is a family owned and operated business based in Costa Mesa with 17 European-style boutique hotels in Southern California.

Bob's Big Boy

Since it opened on May 3, the new Bob's Big Boy restaurant at Stoneridge Towne Centre has performed

extremely well for its owners-which also are the ownership group for the shopping center. The Moreno Valley Bob's Big Boy is owned by the Stoneridge Partners, through a Franchise Agreement with Big Boy Restaurants International LLC. In the first week of operation the new Bob's Big Boy in Moreno Valley did more than \$100,000 in business and this was accomplished with a 'soft' opening and no advertising. According to corporate officials with Big Boy Restaurants, this was the strongest opening ever of a new Bob's Big Boy restaurant.

Bob's Big Boy was started in 1936 in Glendale, California and the restaurant chain still abides by the pledge to provide the 'finest quality food & best service'. Bob's Big Boy is best symbolized for its iconic Big Boy character. Today there are 120 Bob's Big Boy restaurants nationwide, with 20 restaurants located in California. Other Inland Region locations include Calimesa, Colton, Norco, and Temecula.

The owners of Stoneridge Towne Centre hope the new Bob's Big Boy restaurant will provide more dining options for not only the shopping center, but the east end of Moreno Valley. With continued strong sales from Bob's Big Boy, along with the success of the Chili's at Stoneridge Towne Centre, there will be a push to attract more sit-down restaurants to this shopping center. If you haven't checked out Bob's Big Boy yet—please do so. The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Breakfast includes cinnamon French toast, Belgian waffles, hotcakes, omelettes and more. Signature classics include the original double-decker hamburger, onion rings, fries, shakes & malts; the menu also includes an array of pasta and seafood dishes.

Alessandro Car Wash Reopens

The Alessandro Hand Car Wash at 23615 Alessandro Boulevard has re-opened under new ownership. The new owners are based in Maywood, California and are pleased to be operating a business in Moreno Valley. The Alessandro Hand Car Wash presently employs 20 people, but hopes to add more workers as the business grows.

National Street Rod Association to Open Office in Moreno Valley

The National Street Rod Association (NSRA) will open its West Coast office at 14161 Elsworth Street in Moreno Valley. NSRA is a 40-year old, national car organization, with more than 52,000 members, serving the needs of street rod enthusiasts across the U.S. During the year, NSRA undertakes ten street rod events across the Country, including two in California. NSRA is based in Memphis, Tennessee but previously had a West Coast office in Simi Valley. Relocating the office to Moreno Valley provides an outstanding location in the Southern California marketplace

for NSRA and Moreno Valley is also home to the editor of NSRA's monthly magazine—Streetscene.

The editor--Tom Vogele is excited with NSRA moving its West Coast office to Moreno Valley because of its convenient proximity to his residence in Western Ridge, but also because he believes Moreno Valley is a great place to do business. Mr. Vogele was named editor for Streetscene in June 2009 after the untimely death of NSRA's long-time editor—Joe Mayall. Tom Vogele has 30-years of experience in the car magazine business having worked on Rod & Custom, Popular Hot Rodding, Super Chevy, and many other popular car magazines.

Economic Development Summary

The Economic Development Summary has been updated for May 2010 and is available on the City's website or via hard copy in the information rack near the Economic Development Department on the 2^{nd} floor of City Hall.

Neighborhood Preservation Division

Youth Opportunity Center

The County of Riverside currently funds five Youth Opportunity Centers (YOC's) in the County (through independent agencies) to provide intervention and vocational training services to youth ages 16 to 21. Proposals were recently sought for a sixth site. A total of five proposals were submitted including two agencies that identified a YOC location in Moreno Valley – Arbor Education & Training (Arbor E&T) and Family Services Association. While both organizations are experienced in working with youth, Arbor E&T's proposal received the higher rating from Riverside County because of its prior YOC experience and program components.

Arbor E&T is a leading provider of workforce development services to job-seekers, workers, employers and communities nationwide. Founded in 1968, Arbor E&T, which is based in Austin, Texas is the largest single supplier of job-related education, counseling and employment assistance under federally funded programs such as the Workforce Investment Act and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families programs. Arbor E&T has nearly 3,000 employees and operates facilities in 20 states.

Economic Development staff is working with Arbor E&T to locate the youth opportunity center in one of the office buildings in Moreno Valley at the southwest corner of Alessandro Blvd. and Veteran's Way. This site serves a dual purpose. It will provide a quality site, near public transportation within a large area of the target population. Furthermore, the location will also enhance the application for the development of an affordable housing project at the northeast corner of Day Street and Alessandro Blvd. Arbor E&T's YOC site will also include an extension of the

City's library book check out and drop off system similar to using a vending machine. This will enhance library service delivery in this area of the community. The City's CDBG Program for FY 2010/11 includes a budget allocation of \$50,000 for the Arbor E&T YOC project.

Expansion for the Employment Resource Center

The Moreno Valley Employment Resource Center (ERC) continues to provide resources and job leads for residents who are either unemployed or under employed. Daily attendance is averaging nearly 200 patrons with the single highest daily count at 234 patrons. Over 19,000 citizens have requested services at the ERC since it opened last August. The 3,123 sq. ft. facility opened nine months ago with a classroom, 19 computers (complete with resume and typing tutorials), two copiers and a fax machine to assist with job search and resume creation. Several new businesses in the community have utilized the ERC for employment recruitment including O'Reilly Automotive, Frazee Paint, Burlington Coat Factory and the U.S. Census Bureau. In June, iHerb, Inc. will have its Job Fair at the ERC.

The increase in patronage and expanded services necessitates expanding the ERC into the vacant 1,400 sq. ft. suite situated next door. Additional services with the expansion include weekly workshops for interviewing skills, resume development, skills assessment and career coaching. A full-time Business Solutions consultant will be located in the new space to assist in developing and expanding relationships with the local business community to promote available hiring incentives and tax credits for selected training programs through Riverside County Workforce Development. Representatives from the State of California Employment Development Department will also provide full-time services to newly discharged veterans in an effort to successfully enter the civilian workforce.

The expansion of the ERC will continue the partnership between the City of Moreno Valley and Riverside County Workforce Development. Both agencies will help with the needed furniture, fixtures and equipment with the expansion. The City's share of costs for the ERC expansion will be funded through the CDBG program. The Fritz Duda Company will also graciously provide the additional space at no-cost for the first-year, plus options for an additional lease period at a discounted rate.

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Update

The NSP activity has been moving along nicely. To date, the City has obligated \$8.7 million of the nearly \$11.39 million in NSP funds. With 76% of the City's NSP funds already obligated, the City of Moreno Valley is significantly ahead of where many NSP partners are presently at in terms of program performance. The City's

HUD representative for NSP has reported that the national average at this time for NSP obligation activities is 52%.

<u>Single-Family Residential Acquisition, Rehabilitation and</u> Resale (SFR-ARR)

The City's four Development Partners for SFR-ARR continue to close escrow on new acquisitions and rehabilitate properties already acquired. Rehabilitation has been completed at several of the NSP properties and marketing efforts have begun for resale on many. Utilizing the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) and other resources standard to the real estate industry, NSP properties are being listed by the Development Partners and/or their real estate listing agents. Currently, five of the City's NSP properties are in escrow. City staff is working with the lenders of each prospective homebuyer to verify the homebuyer's income eligibility. As a requirement of the NSP, purchasers of NSP-funded properties must be income-qualified buyers earning up to 120% of the Area Median Income (AMI). The present market is strong enough for the Development Partners to not experience challenges reselling the properties to homebuyers. It has been reported by the Development Partners that in just a few days after being listed--multiple offers and many above list price – have been submitted on the properties.

In accordance with HUD's NSP guidelines, the price points of the resale properties are established by the City in conjunction with the Development Partner (and their real estate professionals). The resale prices are confirmed with a post-rehabilitation appraisal of the property performed by a HUD-approved appraiser. Per NSP guidance, the City is not permitted to make a profit on any of the properties. In other words, the resale price may not under any circumstance exceed the value of NSP dollars contributed to the property. However, the City does endeavor to recover as much of the NSP investment as possible. The recovery of the funds is considered program income and under NSP may be used toward program longevity as long as the funds can be recycled with other acquisitions, rehabilitation and resale of foreclosed homes.

<u>Multi-Family Residential Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Rental (MFR-ARR)</u>

Unlike the single-family residential market, the City's Development Partners for MFR-ARR are encountering difficulties acquiring multi-family foreclosed properties. Unfortunately, the City's two MFR-ARR Development Partners have not been able to commit to any multi-family residential acquisitions since December 2009, when one Development Partner—Mary Erickson Community Housing (MECH), acquired two apartment buildings totaling 27 units on Myers Avenue. The other Development Partner—Riverside Housing Development Corporation (RHDC) has made several purchase offers on bank-owned

multi-family properties in the Sheila and Allies neighborhoods, but each time they have lost out to higher offers by private investor groups who do not have to adhere to NSP requirements—including the challenge of showing a discount from the appraised value of a property. City staff continues to work with both Development Partners—MECH and RHDC on pursing future multi-family acquisition opportunities.

Meanwhile, MEHC continues on its Myers Avenue project. Rehabilitation activities are scheduled to begin by the end of May. The start of rehabilitation had been delayed while City staff worked in collaboration with MECH to procure the HUD-NSP required consultant specializing in Davis-Bacon requirements to provide compliance monitoring services. Due to the size of the project and the usage of NSP monies to fund the project, prevailing wages are required to be paid for the all rehabilitation work that will be completed at the project. In accordance with NSP and the City's procurement policy, AmeriNational, a wellknown prevailing wage consultant with a strong presence in the Inland Empire, has been retained to perform the prevailing wage compliance monitoring. Upon completion of the rehabilitation, MECH will operate and manage both apartment buildings, 26 units will be income-restricted and rented to qualifying residents earning up to 50% AMI; one unit will be reserved as a manager's unit.

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Data Connection to the City Yard Upgraded

On Thursday May 14th, the Technology Services Division upgraded the data connection between the City Yard and City Hall. Before the upgrade, City Yard staff was experiencing significant delays with e-mail, accessing data and the Internet. Full backups were taking up to 21 hours to complete. The existing connection was a single T1 line running at a speed of 1.5 MB. Technology Services added another T1 line and the two lines were combined to create a 3 MB connection. The extra T1 line was provided by utilizing the existing City microwave system at no additional cost. This upgrade has decreased the time it takes to back up the server by 58%. City Yard staff will now experience significantly improved response times for their e-mail, file retrieval and the Internet.

<u>US Census Bureau Formally Accepts 100% of City's Census Data</u>

The Technology Services Division has received official US Census Bureau acceptance of the 10,383 additional addresses and 579 data corrections revealed in the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) Program and the address appeals process. After receiving the LUCA materials for review, GIS staff discovered that a number of

addresses were removed during the Census's canvassing process. The address appeals process was only open for 30 days. GIS staff performed the required spatial analysis and then further field verified their results to ensure accuracy. GIS staff then created and submitted, for each address, an exhibit map containing three-inch aerial orthophotography that was flown in June 2008, plus 2009-10 tax property records obtained from the Riverside County Assessor's Office. In the case where homes have been built since June 2008 and aerial imagery was not available, building permit information from the City's Building & Safety Division was submitted.

Current census data is important to our community in a number of ways. In addition to the constitutional requirement for the decennial census to apportion seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, census data is used to allocate federal monies to states and local governments. Additionally, significant amounts of state-generated funds are distributed on the basis of population data. Census data drives redistricting decisions and directly affects the distribution of more than \$300 billion in federal funds each year. Statistical census data supports grant applications that fund community, social, economic, and environmental programs and other needed improvements enhancements. Census data also helps our community plan for its future needs. Given the significant population growth that Moreno Valley has experienced since the 2000 Census, it was imperative that we were not under-counted.

Citywide Storm Water Utility Mapping Project Completed The GIS section of the Technology Services Division has completed the Storm Water Utility Mapping Project. This comprehensive GIS map is foundational to the management of our City Storm Water Utility resolution, which was adopted by the City Council in 2003. The GIS databases include information about the location, size, type, and other relevant information about the City's and County's storm water network. The Storm Water Program utilizes this GIS data to meet the digital requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) MS4 Permit and ensure the City has comprehensive information available during the state and federal regulatory NPDES program audit.

To view updated visit the maps, http://harare/mapsonline/default.asp and click the Storm Water Tab. This updated interactive map is easy to use, saves time, eliminates duplicate efforts, and increases staff productivity. The information can now be shared across all departments for better planning, infrastructure management, and use in existing and future Storm Water Management Program applications. The storm water map is also utilized to support a variety of facility and infrastructure management needs within the City, including street sweeping, catch basin inspections, and emergency response to a hazardous spill. This GIS map visually displays underground utilities, allows staff access to detailed infrastructure databases, as well as links to scanned construction drawings. The scanned drawings are now available to all City staff through an internet map browser, bypassing the need to locate and research paper documents.

PARKS and COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPT

Projects

Construction of Patriot Park is complete, and the site has entered into its maintenance period. The dedication of the facility is scheduled for June 14 at 2:00 p.m.

Parks Maintenance

The following projects were completed during April: fertilized sports fields; installed new tables at Fairway Park; removed fencing at Morrison Flats; re-aligned and re-filled warning tracks with mix at ballfields; weed abated March Field, Markborough, Poormans and Equestrian Center; installed fibar playground to Sunnymead, Bethune, Gateway and Weston Parks; installed gate on north stair entrance at Shadow Mountain Park; and repaired vinyl fence on Sunnymead Ranch Parkway from car accident.

Vandalism and graffiti was reported at the following areas for April: Adrienne Mitchell (\$69), Aqueduct (\$1,699), Bayside (\$48), Bethune (\$284), Community (\$93), Edison (\$465), El Potrero (\$222), Gateway (\$24), John F. Kennedy (\$377), Morrison (\$25), Pedrorena (\$27), Ridgecrest (\$25), Sunnymead (\$198), Towngate (\$547), Victoriano (\$43), Westbluff (\$24), Weston (\$41), and Woodland (\$176). The total cost for vandalism/graffiti during April was \$4,387.

Total labor hours for vandalism/graffiti were 96½ hours, approximately 12 full-time work days.

Court referrals performed a total of 1,062 hours during April. The total hours for court referrals in 2010 are 4,767 which equates to approximately 596 full-time work days.

The Mobile Stage Unit was rented on April 4 for the Calvary Chapel Church Easter Service.

Recreation

During the month of April, the Time for Tots program continued to welcome new and continuing students. Both morning and afternoon sessions are filling to capacity weeks before those sessions begin. Parents joined the children for a potluck and watched their children find hundreds of fun-filled eggs for the Spring Celebration and Egg Hunt held on April 2. On April 8 the Time for Tots children took a walking field trip from TownGate Community Center to Fire Station #2 at TownGate. More

than 80 children and 20 parents visited the station and had a first-hand look at the various trucks, equipment, kitchen and sleeping quarters of the local fire fighters. We thank Fire Station #2 for being such gracious hosts and answering the many (many) questions our 3 to 5 year olds asked. All the children in the Time for Tots Program got their spring/graduation pictures taken at the end of April. The Time for Tots staff is also continuing to create and implement new and creative curriculum daily. The Time for Tots Mother's Day luncheon was held on May 6. The children performed a song and made a craft for their mom's special day.

The Recreation Contract Classes' Spring Performance featuring performers from the youth and adult dance classes was held at the Conference and Recreation Center on May 19 at 6:00 p.m.

The Spring Valley Kids Camp concluded on April 9 for local children in kindergarten through seventh grades. The children enjoyed their spring breaks from school by spending their days at camp playing exciting recreational games, watching movies, playing video games, and utilizing their individual creativity with arts and crafts. Staff is currently preparing Valley Kids Camp's summer session featuring fun-filled field trips, arts and crafts, and cooling games and activities.

The Winter Adult Softball league has come to a close and teams are now gearing up for the summer league. Games began on May 24, and will be held on Sundays, Mondays, and Thursdays at March Field Park and Sunnymead Park. The summer season will run through August.

The Women's Soccer League is in the middle of the season. The competition is still fierce as all teams are fighting for the championship. The next season of women's soccer will begin in early July.

The Youth Basketball Clinic begins this week with more than 60 participants registered. The clinic is a prelude to the second annual Youth Basketball League. The clinic will include coaches and players from local high schools and staff and will be held for two hours on Mondays and Wednesday for three weeks.

The Pee Wee/Junior Basketball Clinic began in May on Monday through Thursday nights at the CRC. The program is already filled.

The Summer Youth and Teen Basketball League will begin on June 5 with skills day. Games will begin in mid June and last for eight weeks.

Senior Community Center

On April 2 the Center held a swap meet with more than 30 vendors participating. Approximately 100 seniors attended.

On April 6 the annual Easter Bonnet Parade was held. This event was sponsored by Health Net.

On April 14 the seniors dressed in crazy outfits in order to receive a free bingo card with the purchase of a bingo card.

The April Senior Birthday Party was celebrated on April 29. This event was sponsored by the Friends of Moreno Valley Senior Center, who provided a free meal and a box of candy. Miller Jones Mortuary donated the cake and ice cream.

On May 29, the seniors can go to Spotlight 29 Casino. The cost is \$25 with \$54 free play at the casino.

A day trip to Gene Autry Heritage Center was held on May 11. The fee was \$35 and included lunch.

A trip is scheduled on May 27 to Morongo Casino. Cost is \$20.

Past events included the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on May 5 and the Mother and Daughter Spa Party on May 7. An upcoming event is the Father's Day barbecue on June 17.

Grant Programs

"A Child's Place" is currently busy preparing for the summer camp that begins June 1. This year's summer camp will be filled with lots of different activities varying from cooking club to sports club. Children will also be attending weekly field trips to Bethune Park, John's Incredible Pizza, and a special trip to Harkins Theatre.

"A Child's Place" and STARS program just completed the William R. Batey, II Reading Contest. The top 20 readers from the programs were recognized on April 27 in front of the City Council and were given a certificate for being the top readers. The winning schools (Red Maple, March Middle, and Sunnymead) went to the movies with Councilman William Batey III on May 6 to watch the movie, "How to Train your Dragon" as a reward for being the top three schools with the most points.