

# **CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE**

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# **CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

#### **Administration**

#### **MVTV-3** Wins Awards

Every year members of the Southern California and Nevada chapters of the National Association of Television Officers and Advisors compete for the STAR Municipal Video Awards. MVTV-3 won several awards at the 2013 SCAN NATOA Event, competing against many other cities, including Santa Monica, Beverly Hills, Thousand Oaks, Monterey, and Fairfield.

Award Received:

- Public Service Announcement "Shop MoVal This Holiday" (First Place)
- Municipal Channel Promo (First Place)
- Economic Development "Shop MoVal This • Holiday" (Second Place)

#### Event Coverage

# Covered California Town Hall Meeting

Recently Covered California held a Town Hall Meeting at UC Riverside to provide information related to California's new health care exchange. MVTV-3 was on hand to provide video coverage of this event. Covered California is working hard to launch the Affordable Care Act-1 historic expansion of affordable health coverage in our state. The key to its success will be an education and outreach program scaled to match our challenge and opportunity.

#### Myers Park Apartment Ribbon Cutting

On Thursday May 30, MVTV-3 provided audio, video and photographic coverage of the Myers Park Apartments Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

#### Time for Tots Graduation Ceremony

On Wednesday June 5, MVTV-3 provided video coverage of the "Time for Tots" Graduation Ceremony. Parents, friends and family members of graduates will be provided a DVD copy of the event.

#### Nason Street Bridge Demolition

On Friday May 31, MVTV-3 provided video and photographic coverage of the Nason Street bridge demolition.

#### ASPCA & Rachel Ray Challenge

On Saturday June 1, MVTV-3 provided video and photographic coverage of the Moreno Valley Animal

Shelter's ASPCA & Rachel Ray Challenge kickoff event.

#### MVTV-3 Control Room Equipment Upgrade Project

The Control Room Equipment Upgrade Project Team has reviewed the submitted proposals and selected a vendor for this project. The project received City Council approval on June 25, 2013. The project begins on July 12 and will be complete in Mid-September.

#### New MVTV-3/YouTube Programming

- "Memorial Day 2013" http://youtu.be/vEiKC55YrXO
- "Neighborhood Budget Meetings" http://youtu.be/ePx3k3Fabwk
- "Movies in the Park" http://youtu.be/ TXKacvBozo
- "Covered California Town Hall Meeting" http://youtu.be/JUmNJbjbj2g
- "MoVal Rocks" http://youtu.be/VFb1zukTCYU
- "Spotlight on Moreno Valley Business: I.E. CUSTOMS" http://youtu.be/qSb1yse9EFM
- "Spotlight on Moreno Valley Business: Moreno Valley Ranch Golf Course" http://youtu.be/JDxr5uhHgzc

MVTV-3 provides video and audio coverage City Council Meetings and Study Sessions. The meetings are available on the City's Website at the following address

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

#### Library

#### Summer Reading Program Set to Begin

The popular Summer Reading Program kicks off at Moreno Valley Library on Monday, June 17 and runs until Thursday, July 25. This year's theme is "Reading Is So Delicious!" Prizes, activities and special events are planned for all ages, as participants track their reading progress. Each person must have his/her own library card to sign up. The Summer Reading Program is sponsored through the generosity of the Moreno Valley Friends of the Library and various local merchants. Visit the library or our website for more information.

#### Library Supports School District Event

Librarian Sharon Navarro represented the Library at Moreno Valley Unified School District's Reading Festival on June 1 at the Moreno Valley Mall. The goal of this festival was to highlight the importance of promoting reading success by third grade, through the support of teachers, schools, and community partners, which included the library. The school district hopes to make this an annual event.

Sharon handed out flyers and bookmarks about the Summer Reading Program, "Reading Is So Delicious!" and spoke to attendees about the library's services and about how to get a library card. Pictured are Sharon and the library's mascot, World-Wide Webster.



## Outreach Event at North Ridge Elementary

Librarian Sharon Navarro also represented the Library at North Ridge Elementary School's recent "Multicultural Family Fun Night." Many parents were interested in signing their children up for the Summer Reading Program, while others learned for the first time about the location and services of the public library. For both of these events, which took place over the same weekend, Sharon spoke with over 190 adults and 570 children.

#### Play and Learn Island Arrives

The "*Healthy Mind, Body & Earth*" Play and Learn (PAL) Island, which the Library was awarded from a State Library grant, has arrived and is now installed in the Children's Room (*see photo*). PALs promote early learning by providing interactive discovery spaces for



children and their families to explore and enjoy; they include interactive toys and related book materials to support the particular theme of each PAL. More details about the PAL can be found in the April 2013 City Manager's Report.

This PAL has already proven to be extremely popular with library visitors. The library has a strong commitment to promoting early learning, and we are excited to have an opportunity to provide this educational resource for the community.

#### Human Resources Division



On June 5, 2013 the City held a Lunch & Learn hosted by The County of Riverside Office on Aging. This was the 3<sup>rd</sup>

installment to a three-part seminar for care-givers. This seminar discussed the Financial & Legal Issues for aging parents or older adults. More information regarding this subject can be accessed through: <u>www.rcaging-caregiverslibrary.org</u> and <u>www.riverside.networkofcare.org</u>.

*Talent Management*: Robust recruitments are underway for several positions in the City workforce. Recruiting and/or selection processes are underway for the following openings:

- Administrative Services Director (EMG). Closes 7/19/13.
- Child Care Site Supervisor (PT/Temp Seasonal with Benefits, 53 applicants). Applications under review.
- Permit Technician-Land Development (FTC, 168 applicants). Applications under review.
- Payroll Supervisor (FTC, 90 applicants). Preliminary interviews conducted.
- Fire Safety Specialist (FTC, 64 applicants). Recruitment canceled.
- Management Analyst- CEDD/Land Development (FTC, 161 applicants). Candidate selected, recruitment closed.
- Engineering Intern I (2-PT/Temp, 171 applicants). Two candidates selected, recruitment closed.
- OEM-Program Manager (PAM, 74 applicants). Candidate selected, recruitment closed.
- Principal Accountant (FTC, 48 applicants). Candidate selected, recruitment closed.

#### Purchasing & Facilities Division

The Purchasing and Facilities Division has installed HVAC failure notification devices for the City Hall and Community Recreation Center buildings. A failure notification device is typically used on large HVAC units to alert staff to air conditioning issues. The notification system sends out email and text alerts to Facility staff in the event of a failure of the HVAC units due to power outage, part failure or other system issues. These alerts allow Facility staff to respond quickly and rectify the problem, ensuring the comfort of the public and City staff.

Facilities staff is exploring options to install a similar device at the Public Safety Building.

#### Animal Services

May 2013 Low Cost Rabies Vaccination & Dog Licensing Clinic Results

The Animal Services Division held a low cost rabies vaccination and dog licensing clinic at the Animal Shelter on Saturday, May 11, 2013. The response was very good as dog owners lined up their pets at the Animal Shelter's entrance just before 8:30 a.m.

preparing for their pets to be updated on their rabies vaccinations as well as have an opportunity to update other important pet vaccinations at discounted prices. Results of the clinic:

- Number of Dogs Receiving Rabies Vaccination 47 66
- Number of Dogs Receiving a 5 in 1 Vaccination
- Number of Bordetella Vaccines Administered 24 38
- Number of Dog Licenses Sold

#### Volunteer Julie Reed Goes the "Extra Mile"

Julie Reed attended the volunteer orientation at the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter on February 6, 2013 and she soon affiliated with one of our animal rescue partners and now helps rescue and transport Labrador retrievers and other dog breeds from the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter.



Julie's volunteer efforts extended beyond the confines of the Animal Shelter, as she recently procured the shipment of 13 molded high density plastic containers that were donated by the manufacturer, Centrex Plastics located in Findlay, Ohio. Julie worked with company representatives in Ohio and she was able to convince the company to donate their containers that were identified as "seconds," not meeting the required standard to be delivered to retailers throughout the Unites States. Julie not only worked to successfully to acquire the dog beds but she was also able to have the company ship the containers directly to the Animal Shelter at no cost. The containers are used at the Animal Shelter as dog beds for the larger breed dogs. Pictured is Julie with several of the donated "dog beds." A big "Thanks" to Julie Reed for her support of the Animal Shelter and for her care and compassion of homeless pets.

#### Man's Best Friend

On Friday May 24, 2013, at about 4:30pm, Animal Control Officer Daniel Pacheco received a page from Moreno Valley Police Dispatch in regards to a Deputy who located a five year old boy who was lost and was being followed by a black Chihuahua wearing a Moreno Valley dog license tag. The police dispatcher told Officer Pacheco that the 5 year old boy did not know his name and was lost and unable to find his way back home. The police dispatcher told Officer Pacheco that the Deputy on scene was able to read the Moreno Valley dog license tag and provided Officer Pacheco the tag number. Officer Pacheco immediately ran the dog tag which came back as a female black Chihuahua by the name of "Tiny" with a Moreno Valley address. Officer Pacheco relayed the information to the police dispatcher, including the dog owner's name and a contact

number. The Deputy was able to transport the lost 5 year old boy and his pet Chihuahua "Tiny" safely back to their home.

This was great work performed by the Deputy who used all the resources available to obtain the information needed to safely return the boy and his dog back home safely. It also illustrates the value of having your pet licensed and how man's best friend can make the difference. If you're interested in adopting one of "man's best friends," visit the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter this summer and help us reach our goal to place more pets in good homes this year.

## ASPCA \$100K Challenge Special Adoption Events Begin

The Moreno Valley Animal Shelter is among 49 other Animal Shelters nationwide competing in the 2013 ASPCA Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge beginning June 1st and running through August 31st. On Saturday, June 1st the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter staff and volunteers held its kick off adoption event and successfully adopted 19 dogs, 2 cats and returned 4 lost pets back to their owners.



This was a 79% increase in the number of pets returned and placed into new homes as compared to the first Saturday of June 2012.

Animal Shelter staff and volunteers were also present with adoptable dogs on Friday, June 7th at TownGate Memorial Park during the City's Summer Concert Series. The following morning on Saturday June 8th, the Animal Shelter attended a special pet adoption event at Lasselle Place Apartments where 25 vendors were on hand to help support pet adoptions.

A special thanks to Danielle Benton and Gena Lint at Lasselle Place Apartments for sponsoring this successful event. During these two events, 22 dogs and 1 cat were adopted while 7 cats were placed into foster homes and 2 dogs were returned to their owners.

The Animal Shelter's goal of adopting 1,100 pets this summer is quite lofty, but you have to aim high to take advantage of every opportunity that allows the many homeless pets a second chance at finding a good home.

We encourage everyone to spread the word to adopt a shelter pet and take advantage of our special discounted adoption rates at one of our many adoption events planned this summer. Recent and upcoming events include:

June	Event	Time	Location
Thurs.6/13	Movies @ Park	5:30 -7:30 PM	CRC
Fri. 6/14	Concert @ Park	5:30 – 7:30 PM	TownGate Memorial Park
Sat. 6/15	Off-site – "Father's Day Event"	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	MV Mall – Sears Court Inside
Thurs.6/20	Movies @ Park	5:30 -7:30 PM	CRC
Fri. 6/21	Concert @ Park	5:30 – 7:30 PM	TownGate Memorial Park
Sat. 6/22	On-Site Adoption Event	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	MV Animal Shelter
July	Event	Time	Location
Thurs.7/4	City 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Celebration	TBD – Booth Only	Morrison Park
Wed. 7/10	Summer Concert Series	6:00 – 8:00 PM	MV Mall - Outside the Food Court
Thurs.7/11	Movies @ Park	5:30 -7:30 PM	CRC
Wed. 7/17	Summer Concert Series	6:00 – 8:00 PM	MV Mall - Outside the Food Court
Thurs.7/18	Movies @ Park	5:30 -7:30 PM	CRC
Thurs.7/24	Summer Concert Series	6:00 – 8:00 PM	MV Mall - Outside the Food Court
Thurs7/25	Movies @ Park	5:30 -7:30 PM	CRC
Wed. 7/31	Summer Concert Series	6:30 – 8:30 PM	MV Mall - Outside the Food Court

# COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# Administration

# Stoneridge Towne Centre

Development Services staff is working with corporate representatives from YUM Brands Inc. for the development of a new Taco Bell restaurant on the vacant pad next to US Bank—at the NE corner of Fir and Nason.

YUM Brands is the largest restaurant company in the world with more than 39,000 restaurants in 125 countries. YUM's brands include Taco Bell, KFC and Pizza Hut.

# ULTA and BevMo Coming to TownGate Center

Development Services staff are assisting in the development of two new business operations that will reoccupy the former Staples building in TownGate Center. ULTA Beauty is moving quickly on Tenant Improvements (TI's) to occupy ½ the building and BevMo is in plan check for TI's for the other half of the building. The Fritz Duda Company as the landlord is doing the exterior work to upgrade the look needed for the highly sought after retailers. Look for ULTA to open early this summer and BevMo is targeting an early fall opening.

## Aldi Foods

At the June 11, 2013, City Council meeting, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was approved for Aldi Foods. The MOU formalizes the incentives to be provided for the project. At the same meeting, the City Utility's economic development incentives were modified to provide a twenty percent discount on utility rates for an eighteen year period for projects similar to Aldi. The utility discount is the major financial incentive and key to Aldi's decision to locate in Moreno Valley.

Aldi will purchase the approved Westridge Business Park, located west of the intersection of Eucalyptus Avenue and Redlands Boulevard, and construct an 835,000 square foot warehouse facility which will include 200,000 square feet of refrigerated space and a 50,000 square foot regional office facility. Aldi will directly employ 200 workers and contractors providing service to the facility will employ several hundred more workers.

Aldi Foods is a national retailer with over 1,200 stores in the United States. The Moreno Valley facility will be built in conjunction with Aldi's move into California and the construction of several dozen stores in the State.

# Harbor Freight Tools

The Harbor Freight expansion to the existing facility on Cactus Avenue in the Centerpointe Business Park is in plan check. The 507,720 square foot expansion, when combined with the existing 779,016 square facility, will result in a 1,286,736 square foot distribution facility for the company.

# Economic Development Summary-June 2013

The Economic Development Summary has been updated for June 2013 and is now available on the City's website. For your convenience, the updated ED Summary for June 2013 is also attached to this City Manager's Report.

# **Building & Safety Division**

# **Quick Statistics**

The following statistics are for the Building & Safety Division for the months of May 2012 and May 2013.

	<u>May 2012</u>	<u>May 2013</u>
Cust. Counter Visits-Ttl/Dly Avg	592	526
Building Permits Issued	174	159
Construction Valuation	\$4,246,832	\$1,563,106
Construction Insp. Performed	726	677
Issued Certificates of Occupancy	17	21
Plan Check Activity	141	238
Monthly Revenue	\$82,608	\$66,651

#### Development Update

The following is a summary of current development activities being worked on within the Building & Safety Division:

# Graham Square

Work is moving quickly towards the opening of new businesses at the Graham Square project at the NE corner of Graham and Alessandro—next to the U.S. Postal Center. The 7-11 Store, Access Cash and The Flame Broiler have already opened. Look for opening for WashBank Express Carwash within the next few weeks.

# **Business Support & Neighborhood Programs Division**

#### 2013-14 CDBG/HOME BUDGET UPDATE

The City Council recently approved the planning documents the Office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires in order to receive Community Development Public Hearing, Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding, including: the 2013-18 Consolidated Plan, the 2013-18 Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing Choice and Fair Housing Action Plan and the 2013-14 Annual Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan provides Moreno Valley's Five-Year Strategic Plan for addressing housing, homelessness, special needs and community and economic development.

The AI is a review of impediments, or barriers, that affect the rights of fair housing choice and serves as a basis assisting in fair housing efforts. The Action Plan is specific to the upcoming fiscal year and establishes the City's programs and projects benefitting low and moderate income residents or neighborhoods as defined by HUD.

Prior to the Public Hearing, HUD had notified cities that sequestration cuts could result in approximately 10% less in CDBG and HOME than what was received in the previous fiscal year. Fortunately, preliminary figures released on May 29, 2013 reveal that the City of Moreno Valley is currently slated to receive a small increase as compared to last year's allocation. The numbers are not yet final, but to date, the CDBG is anticipated to increase by \$56,739 to \$1,915,206 and HOME is now expected to increase by \$24,352 to \$493,326. Additionally, for the first time, the City has been allocated \$135,581 in a federal grant called Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The allocation is calculated based on census data and automatically issued to eligible jurisdictions. In the past, the County of Riverside, City of Ontario, and the City of Riverside had been the primary recipients for the region.

ESG is issued under the 2009 HEARTH ACT and has the main purpose is assisting individuals and families to regain stability after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness.

ESG funds are available for five activities only: emergency shelter, street outreach, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and data collection through the Congress-mandated HMIS, (Homeless Management Information System is a software system utilized to collect an array of data on homelessness, including unduplicated counts, use of services and the effectiveness of the local homeless assistance system), with a small amount reserved for administration.

Celebrating the Successes of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP).

# NSP1

# Single-Family Residential: Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale

The City continues to experience success with the NSP Program. In early May, the City closed escrow on the final single- family residential home in inventory.

During the tenure of the NSP 1 Program, 43 singlefamily properties were acquired as bank-ownedforeclosures, rehabilitated and resold. The City has since made the dream of homeownership a reality for 43 income-eligible households/families earning up to 120% Area Median Income (AMI).

Through the resale of the homes, the City has generated approximately \$4 million dollars in Program Income (revenue) which will be recycled into the program to continue the creation of affordable housing opportunities for income-eligible homebuyers and renters.

## Multi-Family Residential: Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Rental

On May 30, 2013, Mary Erickson Community Housing (MECH) and the City of Moreno Valley celebrated the

successful completion of the 27-unit affordable housing project known as Myers Park Apartments with a formal ribbon cutting ceremony. The ceremony was attended by Mayor Pro Tem, Marcelo Co; Councilmember Jesse Molina, who represents the project's district; City Manager Michelle Dawson, and Assistant City Manager Tom DeSantis, among various other distinguished attendees.

Utilizing NSP1 funds, MECH acquired the 13-unit and 14-unit apartment complexes located at 24410 and 24420 Myers Avenue in December 2009. Due to the cumulative effects of deferred maintenance over many years, both properties were extremely dilapidated and required significant rehabilitation.

MECH, partnering with Carmody Construction, was able to transform the properties into a jewel of the neighborhood. The construction of the units was completed in mid-April and all units were fully leased by May 1, 2013. Each unit will be rent-restricted for the next 55-years and reserved for eligible-households earning up to 50% AMI.

# NSP3

# Single-Family Residential: Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Resale

Since late February, the acquisition activity through the NSP Program has markedly increased. The City has acquired 9 single-family residential properties directly from Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through the National Community Stabilization Trust's First-look program.

As of early June, the rehabilitation process on one of the first NSP3 single-family residential properties was completed. The property is being marketed for resale, it is anticipated that the property will sell quickly. Below are before and after photos of the property:



# Single-Family Residential: New Construction

The City will introduce a new component of the NSP3 Program: new construction! On May 14, 2013, the City Council approved an Affordable Housing Agreement between the City of Moreno Valley, the Moreno Valley Housing Authority, and Habitat for Humanity- Riverside to construct a new subdivision comprised of 8-10 singlefamily homes. Habitat for Humanity - Riverside is partnering with the City to assist with creating homeownership opportunities for income-eligible households earning up to 50% AMI, though many of the purchasers will fall well below the 50% AMI level.

Just yards for the newly completed Myers Park Apartment project, the Habitat project will boast two floor plans ranging from 1,287 sq. ft. to 1,317 sq. ft., and 3 to 4 bedrooms, respectively.

Habitat for Humanity - Riverside will work closely with the City during the homebuyer selection and qualification process. As typical with other Habitat projects, each selected homeowner will be required to become invested in their home by contributing what Habitat has coined as "sweat equity".

Habitat for Humanity, Riverside, is currently working through the entitlement process.

# Multi-Family Residential: Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Rental

With the assistance and diligence of NSP Development Partner Riverside Housing Development Corporation (RHDC), the City also acquired a 4-plex located on Adrienne Avenue. Due to its extremely substandard condition, the property has been a continued eyesore, as well as a life, health, and safety hazard to the neighborhood for quite some time. RHDC, in partnership with the City, has pursued acquisition of the property from Fannie Mae for approximately 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years. In March 2013, Fannie Mae agreed to allow the City to purchase the property and escrow closed on the property at the end of May.

The City will begin negotiating and drafting the Affordable Housing Agreement with RHDC in the forthcoming weeks. The property will be completely renovated with comprehensive interior and exterior improvements. Construction is anticipated to commence late summer/early fall. RHDC will provide long-term operation and property management. Upon completion, the units will be rented to income-eligible households earning up to 50% Area Median Income. This property will be an addition to the 8 multi-family properties already owned and successfully managed and operated by RHDC.

# Business Spotlight

The Spotlight on Moreno Valley Business program seeks to increase the City's awareness of the many businesses that operate in Moreno Valley. The businesses that were showcased at the May 14 City Council were Moreno Valley Ranch Golf Club and Inland Empire Customs. The businesses that were spotlighted at the June 11 City Council meeting was Fix Auto Moreno Valley and Estates Furniture, Cabinets & Flooring.

The Business Spotlight program also wishes to inform the City Council of some of a new business in the community.

Water Washed Technologies —In April this business, specializing in environmentally sensitive vacuum cleaners, opened in the Festival Shopping Center at Hemlock Ave. The Business owners who live locally chose Moreno Valley because they see the growth potential.

## Code & Neighborhood Services Division

## **Quick Statistics**

The following statistics are for the Code & Neighborhood Services Division for the months of May 2012 and May 2013.

	<u>May 2012</u>	<u>May 2013</u>
Cases Initiated	365	302
Closed Case Investigations	302	326
Parking Citations Issued	1,960	2,071
Administrative Citations Issued	101	36
Counter Customers	105	105

#### Neighborhood Clean-up

The last Neighborhood Clean-up of the fiscal year was conducted on Saturday May 18, 2013. 10 bins were placed on Ninya Ave, Cobra Dr., Nan Ave., and Wedow Dr. Serving 138 residences. The total tonnage of the clean-up was 16.93 tons.

#### Land Development Division

#### **Quick Statistics**

The following statistics are for the Land Development Division for the months of May 2012 and May 2013.

	<u>May 2012</u>	<u>May 2013</u>
Plan Checks Processed	24	23
Grading Permits Issued	1	1
Number of Inspections	427	243
Counter Customer Visit	133	134

#### **Planning Division**

The following statics provided are for the Planning Division for the months of May 2012 and May 2013.

	<u>May 2012</u>	<u>May 2013</u>
Counter Customers	337	348
Major Case Submittals	7	9
Minor Case Submittals	79	68

Plan Check Submittals	17	53
Application Fees	\$89,072	\$79,408

#### Planning Commission

At the meeting of the Planning Commission on May 23, 2013, the following actions were taken:

• Recommended approval by the City Council of Plot Plan for a 141-unit affordable multiple family housing development on property located at the southeast corner of Lasselle Street and Alessandro Boulevard.

The proposed project to be called Boulder Ridge Apartments includes a General Plan Amendment and Change of Zone from Community Commercial (CC) and Residential – up to 15 units per acre (R15) to Residential – up to 30 units per acre (R30) and Open Space (OS), as well as a variance related to reducing the amount of covered parking required for the project.

The project is proposed to build on the graded portion of the site with the steep hillsides on the balance of the site retained as permanent open space. In order to meet the application deadline for Federal Tax Credits, staff expedited the review process and approved it by the City Council at their June 11, 2013, meeting. The City Council approved the project at that meeting.

- Found the City's Capital Improvement Program in conformance with the City General Plan, as required by State Law.
- Received annual Brown Act (conflict of interest) training for the Planning Commission, which was provided by the City Attorney.

# World Logistics Center

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the World Logistics Center was released on Monday February 4, 2013. Comments on the DEIR were due on or before April 8, 2013. Approximately 140 comments were received from local residents and property owners, responsible agencies and environmental groups, including a number received after the due date. The due date provided for a 60 day public review period for the DEIR, well in excess of the 45 day review period required by State Law.

The EIR consultant will review all comments received during that period and provide written responses for final review by City staff and the City's peer consultant. Those received shortly after the due date will also be provided with written responses, including a notation that they were late. The draft EIR and Response to Comments will constitute the final EIR (FEIR). The FEIR will accompany the Specific Plan for the World Logistics Center for formal review by the Planning Commission and City Council.

The World Logistics Center is a Specific Plan for up to 41.6 million square feet of high cube logistics warehouse space. High cube warehouses are large, high ceiling buildings built to accommodate modern, high efficiency logistics operations.

The proposed Specific Plan includes nearly all of the property encompassed by the SR60 Freeway, Redlands Boulevard, Gilman Springs Road and the southerly City limits.

In addition to the Specific Plan, the project includes a General Plan Amendment, a Zone Change, an Annexation for an 85-acre parcel at Alessandro Boulevard and Gilman Springs Road, a Development Agreement, a Tentative Parcel Map for financial purposes and an Environmental Impact Report.

## SR 60 East Corridor Area Overlay Plan

The contract for the preparation of an Overlay Plan for the SR 60 East Corridor Area has been executed with the firm of Raimi and Associates. The firm is based in Berkeley, along with a field office located in Riverside.

A kick-off meeting was held on April 23rd between the consultant and staff and the consultant has begun their review process. A joint Study Session discussion with the City Council and Planning Commission was conducted on June 19th.

### Homes Listed for Sale

Information available from the Realtor.com website indicates an increase in the number of homes for sale in the City, along with an increased strength in median asking prices. As of June 1, 2013, 297 homes were listed for sale, compared with 269 at the start of the prior month, and 711 in the same month last year. This is the first increase in homes listed for sale since June 2011.

January 2010 marked the prior low point for inventory in recent years when 806 homes were listed for sale. Inventory fell sharply in 2009 from a high of 2,068 in January 2009, and increased throughout 2010 and early 2011 to a peak of 1,230 in March 2011 before steadily declining since that time to a new lows.

The current inventory of homes for sale is less than a three month supply. Anything less than a six month supply of homes for sale is considered a limited supply. At less than half of a normal inventory, the current situation indicates a shortage of homes for sale.

The median asking price was \$200,000, compared with

\$190,000 in the prior month and \$160,000 in the same month last year.

The trends are shown in the chart below:

	June 2013	May 2013	Change	June 2012	Change
Homes					
for Sale	297	269	+10%	711	(58%)
Medium Asking					
Price	\$200,000	\$190,000	+5%	\$160,000	+25%

#### Proposal Summary

Planning has submitted a grant proposal to Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) Sustainability Program to develop the Nason Street Corridor Plan. The Sustainability Program grant covers consultant services costs and technical assistance from SCAG.

The goal of the Nason Street Corridor Plan is to enhance mobility and quality of life by expanding potential lifestyle, employment, shopping and entertainment opportunities, improving coordination of transportation services, expanding modal choices and creating a safe environment for pedestrians and cyclists along Nason Street.

The proposed Nason Street Corridor Plan will incorporate and build upon the previous work completed with Alessandro Boulevard Corridor Plan Phase I and II (SCAG Compass Blueprint Demonstration Projects) and Public Work improvements and plans along Nason Street, Highway 60 and Moreno Beach Drive as well as coordination with new projects such as the City's Bike Plan Update.

Awards will be announced in Summer 2013, with work on awarded planning projects to begin shortly after.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

#### Fire Department

Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE Firefighter Kino Suarez, who is assigned to Morrison Park Fire Station 99, began the six-week CAL FIRE permanent fire academy in Ione, CA on June 17. During the academy, students receive over 300 hours of classroom and manipulative training in all facets of firefighting and rescue activities. The final week of the academy is reserved for testing. Congratulations Kino!

#### Relay For Life

On May 18, Moreno Valley Fire Explorer Posts 906 and 958 participated in the Relay For Life



event at Valley View High School. The Fire Department had 23 participants in this event which included 14 Fire Explorers, numerous on and off duty fire department personnel, and three parents. Overall, the Fire Department finished second in



team fund raising with a total amount of \$4,000. During the event Kino Suarez who successfully fought a battle with Leukemia last year walked for several hours.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to Fire Captain Chris Tate, Fire Apparatus Engineer Don Norton and Firefighter II Paramedic Dallas Smith who coordinated this event for the Fire Department.

We would also like to thank everyone who donated money to this worthwhile cause as well as everyone who participated in the Relay for Life.

#### Fire Prevention

The Fire Prevention Bureau said goodbye to Fire Prevention Technician Rick Nunez on June 4. Rick has served in the Fire Department's Multi-Family Residential Housing Inspection Program for the past 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years. We would like to thank Rick for his contributions in making this program a success.

Fire Inspectors Frank Martinez, Paul Villalobos, and Fire Safety Specialist Carlos Rodriguez attended the annual Aerial Fireworks training class offered by the Orange County Fire Prevention Officers Association at Anaheim Stadium. This class is a great refresher for our inspectors who worked with the fireworks vendor at the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration at Morrison Park.

Fire Inspector Paul Villalobos and Fire Prevention Technician Edgar Gonzalez have completed all reinspections of vacant parcels in Moreno Valley for compliance with our hazard abatement guidelines. Our hazard abatement contractor began abating parcels that were not compliant with our guidelines on May 29.

The goal of the Fire Department was to have all abatements completed by June 10 in preparation for the hot dry weather that comes with the summer months.

## Office of Emergency Management

The Moreno Valley Fire Department's Office of Emergency Management has been renewed as an official Training Center by the American Heart Association. As and authorized Training Center, Moreno Valley is able to coordinate the courses taught by certified CPR Instructors in the region. If you are interested in becoming certified in CPR, please contact the Office of Emergency Management at 413-3810.

Emergency Management Program Specialist Bobbie Duval attended a three day Emergency Operations Center course at the Ben Clark Training Center. The course was offered by the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service. This course was new to the region and included functional role play exercises and response to real life disasters.

Fire Marshal Randy Metz and Management Assistant Cindy Owens attended a grant management workshop on May 22 that was offered by the Riverside County Fire Office of Emergency Services (OES). Riverside County OES is responsible for administering the Emergency Management Program Grant and the State Homeland Security Grant Program. Both of these grant programs provide funds to local cities for the purpose of providing staffing, equipment, and training for emergency management, disaster preparedness, and Community Emergency Response Teams.

#### Significant Events

On May 17, Sunnymead Ranch Engine 48, Towngate Fire Engine 6, Battalion Chief Silvio Lanzas, and AMR responded to a report of a 41 year old male who was in cardiac arrest in the primary response area for Sunnymead Ranch Fire Station 48. Upon arrival, the fire crew assigned to Engine 48 located the patient and began aggressive CPR while the firefighter paramedic utilized an advanced endotracheal airway device to establish an airway and started an IV. Engine 6 arrived on scene moments later and began administering cardiac medication through the IV.

Following the efforts of both fire crews, the patient regained a viable pulse and blood pressure. During transport to the hospital the patient maintained strong vital signs but was still not breathing on his requiring the firefighter paramedics to continue rescue breathing for him via the endotracheal tube and bag valve actions. The patient was transferred to hospital staff and the final outcome of this patient is unknown.

On May 17, Moreno Beach Engine 58, Morrison Park Engine 99, Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE units, and March Air Reserve Base (MARB) Water Tender 11 responded to a report of a structure fire with a threat to the wildland in San Timoteo Canyon. Engine 58 arrived on scene to a modular home that was 75% involved with fire and threatening to spread to the dry vegetation near the home. With aggressive actions by the fire arriving engine company, the fire was contained to modular home. Due to the water supply challenges in the area, water tenders from both Riverside County Fire/CAL FIRE and MARB were needed to keep the fire from spreading to the vegetation. The cause of the fire was a child who had been playing with matches.

On May 25, Sunnymead Engine 2, Moreno Beach Engine 58 and AMR responded to a report of an adult male who had fallen. Upon arrival, the fire crews located an adult male who was pulseless and not breathing. Fire personnel began administering CPR while the paramedic firefighter established an IV and intubated the patient. The EKG monitor showed that the patient did not have a heart rhythm. CPR was continued while several rounds of cardiac medication were administered along with the use of the defibrillator. The patient was transported to the local area hospital accompanied by two firefighter paramedics who continued their resuscitative efforts as well as the administration of cardiac medication. Prior to the arrival at the hospital, a weak pulse was established. After working on the patient at the hospital for almost 20 minutes, the patient's heart began to beat on its own. The final outcome of this patient is unknown at this time.

On June 6, Towngate Engine 6 responded to a report of an adult male who was experiencing chest pains in their primary response area. Upon arrival at the residence, the fire crew met with the patient who had pale, cool, and clammy skin. He reported that he was experiencing severe chest pain which radiated to his left arm. The firefighter paramedic began a 12 lead EKG on the patient which showed that the patient had a ST elevation in their heart rhythm which is an indication of a liftthreatening heart attack. The firefighter paramedic administered lifesaving cardiac medication and accompanied the patient in the ambulance to the local area STEMI center. The final outcome of the patient is unknown.

# FINANCIAL & MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# FMS Administration

# Final Determination Letter for Successor Agency ROPS 13/14A

The Final Determination Letter for Successor Agency ROPS 13/14A denied debt service payments for the 2005 Lease Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$600,000 annually with a remaining total value of about \$13 million.

Staff conducted a Meet and Confer meeting with the State DOF on May 30, 2013 to preserve this Enforceable Obligation and protect the General Fund from this debt. The DOF issued its final determination letter on Friday May 31, 2013, denying the City's request to approve this enforceable obligation. Staff are conferring with Meyers Nave attorneys regarding a legal strategy for the City to pursue.

### Finding of Completion for the Successor Agency

Staff received a Finding of Completion for the Successor Agency on May 24, 2013. This will allow the City to reinstate certain loans, establish a repayment plan for those loans, and will allow the City to spend remaining Bond Proceeds. Staff will advise the City Council as these opportunities take shape.

#### <u>Total Road Improvement Program Financing</u> (Certificates of Participation) for the Nason Street Widening

Oral arguments were heard in State Appellate Court on Tuesday May 7, 2013. The Final Ruling has been received in the City's favor and will be final on June 13, 2013. The appellant will have 10 days to appeal to the State Supreme Court, or the ruling is final. If appealed, the State Supreme Court has 60 days to determine if it will hear the appeal.

### Financial Operations Division

### <u>Financial Operations Welcomes New Principal</u> <u>Accountant</u>

After an open/competitive recruitment, the Finance Team welcomed Debbie Rosales on June 24th as our new Principal Accountant.

Debbie brings with her a vast array and decades of accounting knowledge including experience with capital projects, grants, fund financials, and an excellent customer service style. We look forward to Debbie joining our team and being an integral part of our processes.

The Payroll Supervisor recruitment is moving swiftly and we anticipate welcoming a team member to this position by August 1st.

# Special Districts Division

# Council Considers Landscape Maintenance Agreements Based on Total Potential Value

At the June 11<sup>th</sup> and June 25<sup>th</sup> Council meetings, the City Council (CSD Board) was asked to consider approval of its landscape maintenance agreements for CSD zones and for the NPDES basins that Special Districts staff provide assistance in monitoring. This required an extensive review and preparation of agreement history and preparation of 12 City Council staff reports. Historically, determination to seek Council approval of the agreements was based on the annual value of each agreement, with Council approving only three-five agreements every year. This year, however, the Council was asked to consider extension or award of agreements based upon a total potential value of the agreement over the 5 years (agreement terms are for 12 months, with the possibility of extending them for four additional 12 month terms). Council approval of the total potential value qualifies a greater number of agreements to be considered by the Council (currently 12).

Approval of the agreements as submitted authorizes the City Manager to execute the annual extension agreements, provided the Contractor's performance is satisfactory, both the Contractor and the City agree to extend it, and the Council has approved and funded the program as part of the budget process.

Next year, the Council only will need to review original agreements for those contractors having been selected through a recent RFP process, which will be required if the previously-approved agreement was not eligible for an extension.

As a result of this new process, there will be an increase in efficiencies and a decrease in the expense of preparing and reviewing Council agenda items. In addition, it will relieve staff of the administrative responsibility of agenda preparation for each agreement each year. Further, it will allow for more opportunities to identify cost efficiencies (e.g. whether or not economies of scale can be achieved by combining areas to be maintained under one agreement) that can be passed on to the property owners within the benefiting CSD zones.

# Technology Services Division

# City's New GIS Intranet Website Available Now

The City's Geographic Information Systems' newly designed Intranet website is unveiled. The project required over a year of detailed work and we are very proud of the result. The Intranet and Internet sites will provide staff and citizens with an intuitive, easy-to-use portal to the City's GIS. Frequently used features from the old site are simpler to use and generating exhibits could not be easier. Combine this with a complete redesign and an improved toolset and you have a GIS that is a great reflection of the city it represents. Early feedback has been extremely complimentary.

We believe that transitioning from the old site to the new will be easy. We're touting this new website as "intuitive" and we believe you'll agree. The old Intranet site will remain available for a while, but we encourage you make a clean break.

Training sessions were conducted the week of June 24th with a roundtable discussion where users were encouraged to provide candid feedback prior to making the site available to citizens. We are proud to design and deliver GIS applications that help you do your job. Your engagement is crucial to our efforts and we greatly appreciate your input.

The schedule:

- Monday, June 10th Moreno Valley Intranet GIS website went "live"
- Week of June 24th System Critique and Advanced Functionality Training
- Monday, July 15th Moreno Valley Internet GIS website goes "live"

We are very excited to complete this project and we believe the final product is every bit as good as we hoped it would be. Let us know if you agree!

# Treasury Operations Division

# Annual Update of City Fee Schedule

It's that time of year where the City's Fee Schedule is reviewed and updated. The primary revisions this year are as follows:

- Most fees were increased by 2%, which reflects the increase in the CPI for the year (Los Angeles/Riverside/Orange County region)
- Land Development Fees were revised to reflect activity performed by Planning staff
- Inspection Invoice Processing fees are being added for NPDES
- Planning fees were revised to include costs related to activities performed by Building & Safety and Special Districts staff
- Multi-Family Housing Residential Inspection fees were added for Fire
- Athletic Field Lighting–Adult Groups at Moreno Valley Community Park fee added for Parks & Community Services
- Golf Course fees revised to reflect Twilight Rates

The revised fee schedule was presented to the Finance Sub-Committee on June 26, 2013 and was held for a public hearing on July 9, 2013. The revised fees will be implemented in a two-step process. Non-development related fees will take effect Monday, July 15, 2013, while development related fees will become effective Monday September 9, 2013. This will meet the 60 day waiting period required by Government Code Section 66016-17 for development related fees.

# PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### Special Events

### Concerts in the Park

These free concerts are part of the exciting eight-week concert series that concluded at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Family Fun Fest Celebration that featured different genres of music for residents of all ages.

## Summer Movies in the Park

Summer Movies in the Park is back! The free moves will be held at dusk on Thursday evenings beginning on June 13 in the grass area of the Conference and Recreation Center located at 14075 Frederick Street. This exciting eight-week movie series features both animated and live-action movies for residents of all ages. Bring your dinner, beach chairs and blankets for summer fun, which includes kid-friendly pre-show activities.

# July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebration

It's back! The City of Moreno Valley's July 4th Celebration took place on July 4. The Independence Day Celebration kicked off with a parade from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The parade route began at Alessandro Boulevard, headed north on Frederick Street, west on TownGate Boulevard and ended at the TownGate Plaza at approximately 12:00 noon. The parade theme this year was "A Tribute to Stars and Stripes." Organizations and community groups are invited to enter a float.

The festivities continued at Morrison Park and Mountain View Middle School, located at the corner of Dracaea and Morrison. Gates open at 1:00 p.m. with the festival beginning at 2:00 p.m. There was food, arts and crafts, game booths, clowns and entertainment. This year there was also a beer and wine garden.

As the day progressed, we provided excellent entertainment on two stages: At 2:00 p.m., the excitement began on the community stage with local performances throughout the day. At 4:00 p.m. a performance by "Mrs. Jones Revenge" with a tribute to classic rock followed by a performance from "Ghost in the Machine" with a tribute to Police and Sting, and concluded with the "Hollywood Stones," which is a tribute to the Rolling Stones. As a grand finale, the event concluded with a fireworks extravaganza at 9:00 p.m., which was simulcast with patriotic music by KOLA (99.9 FM). This was one of the best Fourth of July shows ever.

# Parks Maintenance Division

The following projects were completed: Trimmed trees at park sites and contract park sites; painted arena fencing at Equestrian Center; installed gate in arena at Equestrian Center; renovated #7 green at Cottonwood; and purchased seed to overseed tees and greens.

Projects in progress include: Remove old and install new ET irrigation controllers at 19 park sites (75% complete); R&R concrete at Morrison Park; repair shelter post at Weston Park; install new restroom exterior doors and frames at Weston; fertilize parks; install new exterior doors at Pedrorena and Weston Parks; finish weeding and spraying all trails; add DG to trails; trim hedges at all parks; EMWD irrigation checks at Ridgecrest and Fairway Parks; repair playground rubber pads; clean city yard pallets, etc.; aerate and overseed tee boxes at golf course; spray all parks and golf course for weeds; adjust irrigation at parks and golf course; and put up handicap door at Bethune Park.

Vandalism and graffiti have been reported at the following areas in May: Community (\$147), Shadow Mountain (\$19), TownGate (\$22), Valley Skate (\$20), and Westbluff (\$30). The total cost for vandalism/graffiti was \$238. Total labor hours for vandalism/graffiti were 4½ hours, approximately .5 full-time work days.

The mobile stage unit was used on May 5 for the Hispanic Chamber – Cinco De Mayo Celebration and for the Concerts in the Park on May 3, 10, 17, and 31.

Court referrals performed a total of 279 hours during May. The total hours for court referrals in 2013 are 2,577 which equates to approximately 322 full-time work days.

In May, the Park Rangers patroled 2,271 areas, had 5,930 public contacts, and reported 76 violations such as curfew, vandalism, parking, and alcohol violations in the parks.

# **Recreation Division**

May was busy for each of the three Time for Tots sites. New registrations of children ages three to five years continued to increase as summer approached. All three sites were consistently full of children preparing for kindergarten as the 2012-2013 school year concluded. The registered participants enjoyed fun-filled, educational, and creative themed curriculum during the month of May. In addition to the curriculum, special activity days were held throughout the month including cultural Cinco de Mayo Celebrations, a festive Mother's Day Celebration, exciting Sports Day, an educational field trip to the Fire Station, and the annual End of the School Year Celebrations.

More than 100 mothers/grandmothers/aunts joined the Time for Tots children and staff for the annual Mother's Day Celebration on May 8. The Conference and Recreation Center ballroom was full of music, multiple crafts, hot dogs barbequed by the program's fathers, raffles, and a song performance by the program's participants.

On May 16 the children took a walking field trip from TownGate Community Center to Fire Station #6 at TownGate. More than 100 children and parents visited the station and had first-hand tours of the various trucks, equipment, kitchen, and sleeping quarters of the local fire fighters. We thank Fire Station #6 for being such gracious hosts and answering the many (many) questions our little ones asked.

The end of the regular school year finally came to a close on May 30. The children enjoyed a day of crafts, games, and a potluck.

The Time for Tots summer sessions began June 17.

May was once again a busy month for recreation program and classes. Many of the dance and martial arts classes were filled with children and adults students learning a new art or skill. Several of these classes were also featured at the annual Spring Contract Class Performance.

The annual Spring Contract Class Performance was held on May 15 at the Conference and Recreation Center. The Grand Valley Ballroom was filled with more than 750 family members and friends to support more than 180 contract class participants.

With summer quickly approaching, recreation staff busily recruited contract instructors for a variety of new classes and programs to begin in the summer sessions. New classes being introduced include Engineering Fundamentals with Legos, Ballet Folklorico for youth and adults, Camp Fusion Performing Arts, Nimpo for Kids, Women's Self Defense, and Challenger Soccer Academy.

Sunshine Social's annual prom was held at the Senior Community Center on May 22. This year's theme was "Rock of Ages." Participants came dressed in their favorite "Rock" attire and danced the night away to the music hits. A royal court was crowned and announced during the event. It was an exciting event too special to miss! During the month of May, Recreation staff attended various school events to promote City programs. Staff would like to thank Box Springs Elementary, Northridge Elementary, Honey Hollow Elementary, and Vista Heights Middle Schools for the opportunities.

The men's softball league began on June 6 and there were 11 teams registered to play. The co-ed league began on June 16 with 12 teams registered and more expected.

May was busy with staff planning for Summer Valley Kids Camp that began on June 3. This summer will be action-packed with field trips, arts, crafts, lightly competitive games, and other fun-filled activities. Attending children are sure to enjoy the newly revamped program designed to entertain. Summer Valley Kids Camp will run until the children return to school in August.

# Child Care Grant

"A Child's Place" has kicked off 2013 with fun and new activities for the children enrolled in the summer program. Staff has been busy preparing new curriculum and lesson plans to keep the children learning and involved all summer break. All sites will be learning about the solar system and ocean. Staff has created lesson plans filled with arts and crafts, journal writing, science activities, and hands on projects. Children will be enjoying weekly field trips to the Orange Empire Railway Museum, Harkins Theater, Round Nine for bowling, and Glen Helen Regional Water Park.

# Senior Community Center

On May 9, the Center held its annual Mother's Day Garden Party. The event was sponsored by Kaiser Permanente. About 80 mothers attended and enjoyed teas, lemonade, sandwiches, desserts, and prizes.

On May 2, the seniors held their annual Cinco de Mayo BBQ. There were more than 100 seniors joining us for grilled chicken, rice, beans, and soda. The seniors enjoyed a performance from our line dancing class. Health Net and Heritage California ACO sponsored the event

The May Senior Birthday Party was celebrated on May 23. This event was sponsored by the Friends of Moreno Valley Senior Center, which provided a free meal and a box of candy, and Miller Jones Mortuary donated the cake and ice cream.

Additional events included a Father's Day BBQ on June 6 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and a Texas BBQ on July 11 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Citywide Camera System Update:

The MVPD is excited about the CCS Project progress. Currently, the MVPD Monitoring Room is receiving video from one hundred and forty cameras. In total, two hundred cameras have been installed at various locations in the City. These locations include fifty-four intersections and eight parks. The CCS contractor, Avrio, is hard at work getting all the system parts calibrated and working together. The MVPD plans to start training personnel and manning the CCS Monitoring Room in the near future.

# Community Services Recruiting Volunteers:

The MVPD Community Services Unit is actively recruiting Moreno Valley Citizen volunteers. MVPD volunteers enjoy a range of volunteer police service opportunities including:

- Citizens Patrol Uniformed high visibility patrol in marked patrol units.
- Anti-Graffiti Patrol Non uniform patrol in unmarked vehicles to assist in surveillance and reporting of graffiti vandalism.
- Mounted Posse
- Neighborhood Watch
- Front Office Assistant Assist front office personnel with day to day activities.
- Incident Call Out Respond to major incidents within the city to assist with perimeter security, road closures, and searching for lost hikers/missing persons.
- Citywide Camera System volunteer monitors.

#### Construction at the front lobby of the Public Safety Building

Construction to bulletproof the Public Safety Building lobby is completed. The MVPD business office continued to offer all regular services during construction.

#### Case of the Month

Officers responded to a shooting at residence located in the 13000 block of Pattilynn Dr.; where they located an adult male suffering from multiple gunshot wounds, lying on the floor of a garage. While the man received emergency lifesaving first aid, he told one of our officers who shot him. Our officers secured the crime scene for investigators and our Forensic Technicians responded and processed the scene for additional evidence. When our investigators assumed the investigation, they located a witness who provided a description of the suspect. Thanks to the Citywide Camera System, our investigators identified the suspect vehicle and eventually located it parked at an apartment complex.

Since the shooting, the victim has undergone several surgeries and remains hospitalized in stable condition. Our investigators have positively identified the shooting suspect and are actively searching for him. They have also filed charges for attempted murder with the District Attorney's Office.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

#### **Capital Projects**

#### Gilman Springs Road Improvements

The project includes the repaying and drainage improvements along Gilman Springs Road, as well as modification to the Gilman Springs/Alessandro Boulevard intersection. The Project will be designed and constructed by the County of Riverside as part of its extended Gilman Spring Road Improvements project covering both the County and City's jurisdictions. The County has offered assistance to the City to complete the design, environmental clearance, advertising/award, and project contract administration at no cost to the City. The City is only responsible for the construction and construction engineering costs for the City-owned portion of Gilman Springs Road. The County has completed the design and advertised the project for bids mid June 2013. Construction is tentatively scheduled to start in late September 2013 a head of the original planned schedule.

Perris Boulevard Widening from Perris Valley Storm

#### Drain Lateral "B" (Southerly City Limits) to Cactus Avenue

Construction for the Perris Boulevard Widening from Perris Valley Storm Drain Lateral "B" (Southerly City Limits) to Cactus



Avenue project has been completed. The contractor, Hillcrest Contracting, Inc., recently completed the restriping of the roadway to accommodate six lanes of through traffic. Final cleanup and project closeout will be completed soon.

To date, all utility poles have been relocated to allow for the widening of the roadway. Other improvements already constructed include curb, gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, cross gutters, driveway



approaches, storm drain, paving for the street widening, slurry sealing the existing roadway sections, and relocated all necessary traffic signals. Considering the magnitude of the project, cooperation with all the owners and residents has been excellent.

## Fire Station No. 6 Multipurpose Annex

The project will construct a new annex building, 17'x32' in size, in the back parking lot of Fire Station No. 6 to replace an old shed. The new annex will provide space for hoses, equipment and oxygen recharge station. The project construction will include relocation of the existing gas and water line, new electrical line installation for inside lighting, and installation of a rolling access door. The project construction is scheduled to start in July 2013. Construction will finish by end of October 2013 (weather permitting).

## State Route 60/Nason Street Overcrossing Bridge

The west side of the new bridge was completed and striped, allowing traffic to be shifted to the new bridge during the week of May 27<sup>th</sup>. The old Nason Bridge was demolished during two nighttime periods on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>. The public and media were invited to view the demolition and approximately 70 people witnessed the event on May 31<sup>st</sup>. The demolition went as planned without incident. The concrete and steel have been recycled which will benefit the City's recycling program.

The contractor has also completed part of the new concrete pavement for the east-bound off-ramp and shifted traffic onto it. The traffic shifts allow the contractor to start building the east side of the new bridge, the east side of Nason Street, and the remaining portions of the ramps. When the project is complete, there will be new lanes, sidewalks, street lights, and a median on Nason. The construction is expected to be completed in late winter 2014, with landscaping to follow.



# State Route 60/Moreno Beach Drive Interchange - Phase 1

In May and early June, the contractor completed the import and paving of the permanent eastbound off-ramp. Once completed and opened to traffic, he is removing the temporary and existing eastbound off-ramp. A traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of the new ramps and Moreno Beach Drive,



replacing the temporary stop condition.

Eucalyptus Avenue is expected to be partially closed for five days just north of the Wal-Mart area to build the new median and portions of the roadway necessary to eliminate the gap connection to Moreno Beach Drive. Eucalyptus Avenue is expected to be fully opened to Moreno Beach Drive by mid-July, approximately one month earlier than planned.

The goal of the project is to realign the eastbound ramps and eliminate the gap closure at the easterly terminus end of Eucalyptus Avenue, thereby providing better traffic circulation. Final acceptance of the project by the City and Caltrans is expected to be in October 2013.

## EOC Family Care Center Emergency Generator

The project's objectives are to construct a new generator set and fuel tank located at the Conference and Recreation Center, which is designated as the EOC Family Care Center,



and add a new 5,000 gallon fuel tank at the existing generator at City Hall. This new tank at City Hall will bring the adjacent existing generator into compliance with the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) code 110-5.1.2 which requires adequate fuel capacity to run the generator for 96 hours.

Construction work commenced in November 2012. The new generator set and the accompanying fuel tank were delivered to the site on January 18. The new tank for the existing generator at City Hall was



delivered in February. Both tanks have been installed with an automatic fuel circulating system. A new trash enclosure was constructed on the northwest corner of the City Hall parking lot after the old trash enclosure was demolished to provide space for the new tank enclosure. The new generator set is wired to the power system feeding the Conference and Recreation Center via the Automatic Transfer Switch (ATS). All systems have been completely installed, inspected and commissioned. The project construction finished on-schedule and under budget by end of May 2013.

#### Moreno Townsite Area Storm Drain and Street Improvements

The City has just received an approval from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with validation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to proceed with the design for this joint project with the Riverside Flood Control District and Water Conservation District (RCFC & WCD). The project is to install an underground storm drain in Redlands Boulevard from Alessandro Boulevard to the existing drainage facility line F, to mitigate flooding in the Moreno Townsite Area.

The RCFC & WCD has agreed to join this project by combining its existing storm drain in Redlands Boulevard with the City's proposed storm drain into one larger storm drain pipe to avoid having two parallel storm drains in Redlands Boulevard. The RCFC & WCD will provide additional funds in an amount up to \$1.5 million to add to the federal grant amount of \$1.5 million the City has received from FEMA for the project. The City's consultant will be proceeding with design for this joint project in the next several months and anticipates design completion by November 2013. The construction is tentatively scheduled to start in March 2014.

# City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Floor Rehabilitation, Seismic

<u>Retrofit, and Roof Restoration</u> Progress on the Construction Phase of the City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Floor Rehabilitation, Seismic Retrofit, and Roof Restoration Project is advancing quickly. To date, the demolition work which includes disposal of the existing



carpet, the top <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch plywood and the deteriorated concrete floor below the plywood have all been done. The contractor has also installed the seismic straps on both the 1<sup>st</sup> floor trusses and roof supports and, completed installation of the new acoustic concrete floor.

The roof restoration work is currently underway. The second primer coat of sealer and protective fabric are being installed on the roof, and the final two top coats of sealer will be applied next. This would then complete the restoration of City Hall's roof by June 14th.

As you can see from the picture, the new acoustic concrete has been poured and is now in the curing/drying phase. In two weeks, the new concrete floor will be tested to confirm the surface has dried



sufficiently for the installation of the new carpet. Once the carpet is installed, the re-installation of cubicles can follow, and then staff can anticipate moving back to the  $2^{nd}$  level floor by end of July or early August. The exact date for the installation of the carpet has yet to be determined since it is based upon the results of the moisture vapor test.

The remodeling of the two, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor restrooms are also well underway with the demolition of both restrooms complete. To date, all fixtures, flooring, and walls have been demolished and are ready for a facelift. The bathroom remodeling work is anticipated to be completed at the end of July or early August. When completed, these restrooms will be ADA compliant.

The noise associated with this phase of construction should be far less than the removal of the acoustical concrete floor so, the next few weeks should be much less distracting. All Department/Division staff on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor are to be commended for bearing with the noise during the course of construction thus far. The cooperation of Staff has been a great help and has lent to a smooth Construction Phase of the Project.

# Wayfinding Signs Project

Traditionally, the City has installed Wayfinding and "Welcome to Moreno Valley" signs as part of streetscape and traffic operations. Wayfinding signs are placed at key locations throughout the City to direct the community and visitors to various public buildings and sites. "Welcome to Moreno Valley" signs provide a friendly and positive message to motorists that the City welcomes all visitors and encourages them to stay and patronize City businesses, plus "Welome" signs enhances the overall image of the City.

In an effort to enhance the overall functionality of signage, the image of the City, as well as reduce motorist confusion, the City has undertaken a new Wayfinding Signs Project. City staff created conceptual designs and identified key locations for the new signs and replacement of existing signs throughout the City. On January 8, 2013, the City Council awarded the contract to Fusion Sign & Design, Incorporated. The Project is officially underway with the submittal of shop drawings by the Contractor, which were based on the City's approved conceptual design for the signs (as can be seen below).



Once the final design is approved, the contractor will fabricate and install a total of thirty three signs. Six of these signs will be "Welcome to Moreno Valley" signs at key entrance points, primarily located at or near major freeway off-ramp locations. A total of twenty-seven Wayfinding Signs will also be fabricated and installed at various locations along major roadways to direct the community and visitors to various public buildings and sites including the Civic Center, Animal Shelter, Library, Corporate Yard, Social Security, March ARB, and the Post Office.

### Moreno Master Drainage Plan Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Project

On March 13, 2012, the City Council approved the construction contract for the Cactus Avenue/Nason Street Improvement project. This project included flood control facilities of storm drain Lines which included the Moreno Master Drainage Plan (MMDP) Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Improvements. Unfortunately, the MMDP Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Improvements had to be omitted from the Cactus Avenue/Nason Street Improvement project due to lack of funding. Since that time, the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) was able to identify funding for the Project.

On February 26, 2013 the City Council approved the Cooperative Agreement with the District for the MMDP Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Improvements and authorized the appropriation of the \$4,000,000 provided by the District to fund the construction phase of the project. Per the Agreement, the City is responsible for the construction administration of the project and upon completion, the District will take over the ownership and maintenance of the improvements.

The limits for the proposed MMDP Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Improvements project are approximately 4,500 feet long, starting at 800 feet west of Oliver Street to join the existing improved channel in the proximity of the Grande Vista Drive and Iris Avenue intersection. The work involved will fully improve the existing earthen trapezoidal flood control channel with a concrete lining. The construction will also provide access roads, maintenance ramps, and storm drain lateral stubs.

This project will complete a majority of the public infrastructure in the City Center area to help the City promote and attract new developments, furthering and building upon the expansions underway by surrounding medical facilities. This infrastructure project is consistent with the City's Economic Development Action Plan approved by the City Council in April 2011.

On April 23, 2013, City Council awarded the construction contract for the proposed MMDP Line "F", Stage 2 Channel Improvements project to Bedon

Construction, Incorporated. The project will be under construction soon with grading starting as early as next week (mid-June) now that the bird nesting and owl surveys have been completed.



# Maintenance & Operations – Solid Waste and Recycling Program

# School Recycling Message Presentations

In coordination with the Moreno Valley Unified School District (MVUSD) and Waste Management of the Inland Empire, the City continued to implement the school recycling presentation program in the 2012-2013 school year. The program includes all 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes from schools within MVUSD. Each school was offered either a classroom setting or assembly style presentation. During the 2012-2013 school year, 22 elementary schools were provided recycling presentations. The presentations were attended by approximately 2,700 students.

The presentations included education on the topics of trash, recycling, green waste, and household hazardous waste. The interactive presentation included a chance for the students to test their knowledge by participating in a Recycling Sorting game. The winning participant received a recycling themed t-shirt and the winning team received bookmarkers with an environmental message. Magnets detailing what materials are accepted in the three residential bins (trash, recycling and green waste), upcoming recycling event flyers, and recycling teaching tools were distributed to each attending class, to help keep the recycling message alive in the student's home, school and community.

The program continues to receive positive feedback and, therefore, City staff will continue the program during the 2013-2014 school year.

#### Used Oil Payment Program Funds for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

The City of Moreno Valley, Public Works Department received a \$55,541 grant from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 to administer the Used Oil Payment Program (OPP). The Used Oil Payment Program grant is aimed to fund local used oil and used oil filter collection and recycling programs. The funds will be used to support Used Oil Certified Collection Centers, provide oil drainers and oil rags at community events, host used oil filter recycling events, provide storm water pollution prevention education tools advertised in local publications, and help support recycling presentations at elementary and middle schools

# Electric Utility Division

# Solar Program

To date, the MVU Solar Electric Incentive Program has provided over \$500,000 in rebates. The MVU grid has over 1 megawatt of connected solar generation. MVU is proposing to update the Program to follow the requirements of SB1 and the California Solar Initiative and create an equitable rebate system to benefit MVU customers. The proposed updates to the Program include the following:

- For solar installations under 30 kW, the rebate will be reduced from \$2.25 per AC watt installed to \$2.00 per AC watt, installed.
- 2) For solar installations under 30 kW, the rebate amounts cannot exceed \$14,000 for residential systems or \$50,000 for small commercial or 50% of the total cost of the project;
- 3) All systems over 30 kW will have Professional Engineer's (Electrical) approval before submittal;
- Customers will only receive rebates for systems installed that are sized at 100% of the maximum average historical usage for the past 24 months. For customers with less than 2 years account history, the average will be based on available data;
- 5) MVU reserves the right to request the customer's solar generation data;
- 6) MVU reserves the right to determine program eligibility.