

City of Aliso Viejo-Aliso Viejo Community Association Standing Committee Meeting
Aliso Viejo City Hall
Council Chambers
12 Journey, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656

Action Minutes
Thursday, September 19, 2019
2:00pm
Meeting called to order by Mayor Ross Chun at 2:01pm

Attendees: Mayor Ross Chun
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Munzing
City Manager Dave Doyle
Stephanie Philips, Recreation & Community Services Manager
Quang Le, Associate Engineer
Mike Contreras, OCFA Division Fire Chief
Mike Rhode, OCFA Consultant with Rohde & Associates LLC
David Erickson, Wildland Resource Planner
President Jim Martin
Vice President Jason Stein
Marilyn Smith, General Manager

Minutes:

Agenda item:

1. Police Services support for AVCA events
 - a. AVCA to submit event plans to OCSD including attendance estimates. Once submitted, OCSD will determine necessary presence and City will provide a cost estimate to AVCA.
2. CA Climate Investments Department of Forestry & Fire Protection Fire
 - a. OCFA presented information about a severe infestation of shot hole borer beetles in Canyon View Park Sycamore trees and in the street trees along Canyon Vista. OCFA shared that they presented information about this problem to the sub-association responsible for the Canyon Vista street trees the previous night and that the HOA approved OCFA conducting a tree survey and potential tree removal utilizing State grant funds OCFA has secured for this purpose. City representatives stated that the OCFA grant is the same grant brought to AVCA by the City over a year ago with the concept of working cooperatively to secure the funds. Mike Rhode, consultant hired by the City to assist with procuring the grant, stated that the City and AVCA had different priorities for the grants funds. City wants to pursue city-wide tree survey, followed by the removal of select trees identified as needing to be removed by the survey, and finally the replacement of those trees with new, insect-resistant trees. AVCA wants to improve the portion of the fuel modification zone AVCA is responsible to maintain. Mr. Rhode explained that AVCA's priority presents more of a challenge for being successful since AVCA is legally responsible for maintaining the area and that AVCA currently receives other funds including HOA dues for this purpose. CITY express concern over the health of the trees in the park and along the street as a potential public safety issue and expressed the urgency of conducting a tree survey and the expediting the removal all tress identified by the survey as needing to be removed. CITY requested AVCA Board, at its next meeting, approve participation in the grant process. Further, CITY requested the

AVCA Board provide blanket authority to the Executive Director to provide any and all necessary documents required for submission of a grant application. CITY expressed frustration at the lack of progress to date and AVCA's historical resistance to provide documents to the City that they were "not legally entitled to provide". AVCA Board President expressed his surprise at the CITY's statement and reaffirmed AVCA's commitment to working with the City cooperatively. AVCA Board President stated that any tree in the park identified as a potential threat or possible public safety hazard needs to be removed asap. CITY and AVCA agreed to work together to contact the 10 largest sub-associations and inform them of the grant opportunity and solicit their support. (it's understood that this and other actions discussed under this topic may require full AVCA Board approval).

3. Pesticide and herbicides used in Aliso Viejo by AVCA
 - a. City informed AVCA of recent meeting with group called "Non-Toxic AV" and noted it was their understanding that organic pesticides may be more expensive and less effective.
 - b. Jim Marin stated that AVCA would be open to the desire of its members and noted that implementation of organic pesticides may result in an increase in member dues.
4. AVCA owned property adjacent to AV Ranch
 - a. CITY and AVCA discussed the need to relocate the existing fence between the Ranch and the homes along the AVCA owned slope between the Ranch and California Reflections HOA. The CITY expressed a desire to add fencing along the slope to provide enhanced security and safety of those homes. CITY requested AVCA approve the installation of a section of fencing, the material to match the new fencing to be installed along the perimeter of the Ranch, from the Ranch to the CA Reflections fence. This section would include a gate for landscaper access such access would be controlled by AVCA. CITY would fund materials and installation labor utilizing the contractor on the Ranch project. AVCA requests the City submit a formal request. AVCA requested an easement on the Ranch property for electrical lines that power the irrigation controller. The CITY response was to review their request and respond but it was not likely to be approved as the CITY's preference is for no outside agencies to have easements on its property. CITY request AVCA submit a formal request detailing the easement need. Also, discussed was AVCA maintained, CITY owned property just outside the existing fence line along the access road between CA Reflections and AV Middle School. There is a remnant parcel owned by AVCA adjacent to the City owned area. CITY requests AVCA approve a lot line adjustment so the City would own, and be responsible for maintaining, this entire section of property. CITY will provide a formal request outlining the area and a lot line adjustment agreement for AVCA Board consideration.
 - b. AVCA will be abandoning maintenance of the area outside the fenced in Ranch site adjacent to CUSD's emergency access road at the end of Park Avenue.
5. Slope landscape maintenance and replacement
 - a. AVCA to provide calendar of slope removal, replacement, and renovations. City to investigate inputting slope parcel and maintenance information into GIS. AVCA to assist with efforts by providing necessary information. Both entities agree to put a team together to pursue these efforts including AVCA to submit for board approval if required.
 - b. Marilyn Smith agrees to meet with the City in regard to the GIS as time permits.
6. AVCA Parks use agreement renewal

- a. City to submit new agreement to AVCA for board approval at the October 2019 meeting.
- 7. All is Bright Holiday Celebration & Tree Lighting and Jamfest
 - a. City to submit application for town center use for Jamfest on April 30, 2020.