

MINUTES

Area 4 Community Meeting

December 12, 2024 6:30pm | Sequoia Middle School Area Commander Lt. Tracy Dills

In Attendance

Traffic Engineering Dave Teater, Engineering Shawn Matejcek, Officer Trujillo, Code Enforcement Officer Peggy Fonseca, Code Enforcement Supervisor Jason Barber, Community Policing Technician Amber Smith, District Attorney's Office Victims Advocate Sharleen Ormonde-Large, Landscape Technician

Lt. Tracy Dills

- Welcomed everyone.
- He is currently the new Area Commander for Area 4. He currently works weekends and Monday. If you need to get a hold of him, you can reach him via email at Tdills@fontana.org. Email is the best way to contact him.
- City staff introduced themselves.
- We are going to try a different type of format for this meeting. There is no presentation this time but if you would like a presentation next meeting, he can have one prepared. This meeting belongs to the residents, and we can run it however you guys would like the meeting to be ran.

Questions

- **Has been a resident for 24 years, many of the streets in this area need to be repaired.** Engineering Shawn Matejcek advised we are currently working on the 7 year plan to repave the streets in the area. Currently we are working on Southridge now, west side Sierra and Jurupa on Citrus/Cypress area. The next area will be Citrus and Beech and they are currently working their way west. If there are specific areas where you would like to request something be done, you can always report it on Fontana 311. Deputy City Manager Phillip Burum advised this project is costing the city 20 million dollars, but the goal is to have communities done within the next 5 years.
- **She is pleased with how the modifications at the McDonald's intersection turned out.**
- **They received a notice that a company will be coming out along Country Club Estates to repave but haven't seen anyone.** Shawn with Engineering advised they are going to be slurring the street. You should receive another notice within 48 hours of the project starting in your area because you won't be able to park on the street.
- **The street sweeper isn't doing a very good job. They fly by with no water and it just throws the dirt everywhere.** We will take the complaint back to Environmental Services, they oversee the Street Sweeper.
- **People who live in the apartments are parking in the neighborhoods blocking driveways or they leave their vehicle for 2 months or longer without moving.** Lt. Dills advised when that happens call our non-emergency dispatch number (909) 350-7700, especially when someone is blocking your driveway. We don't know it is happening unless you call us and let us know.
- **Lives next to a fire hydrant with a power box and a mailbox. Is it illegal to park in front of the hydrant?** Lt. Dills advised it is illegal to park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant.
- **Advised they have called non-emergency for diesel trucks parking in the center median, it does get better but then it comes back again, and he has to call again.**

- **He owns a business on Slover and every single day cars are blocking his driveway; he feels like when he calls the police they should actually make a report.** Officer Gossart will get his information and look into the call to see what happened and get a report number if a report was taken. We have a Commercial Enforcement officer who drives around all day dealing with the large commercial trucks who are in Fontana.
- **A lot of truck drivers are leaving their trash along the streets where they park, on the sidewalk along Hemlock and Live Oak it looks like a mess.** Lt. Dills advised if it is on the street that is something Public Works can pick up but if the trash is on private property the property owner is responsible to clean it up and that can be handled through Code Compliance, however, that is a lengthy process. City Manager Matt Ballantyne advised you can report illegal dumping on the 311 app.
- **On Elm at the barriers going up the hill, the goats were there over the weekend to help clear the brush. The problem they are having now is the gate is moved back and people go there and dump trash, wanted to see if a half gate could be installed and also an officer suggested maybe having the curbs painted red.** Lt. Dills advised he is in that area every chance he gets. We also have officers who frequent that area to make sure nothing is happening there.
- **The problem with that area is there are people who break the locks right at Elm and Loyola and by design it is a self closing gate but it has been broken.** Deputy City Manager Phillip Burum advised we will look at it to see what can be done and what alternatives or resources we can use to improve that area.
- **He is part of the Chief's Roundtable Committee, and they are hosting a meeting to notify the public regarding Internet Crimes against Children.** It will discuss what the Fontana Police Department is doing and how their unit is top notch not only in the area but across the country. He had a flyer for anyone who would like to sign up for that meeting.
- **The police department is also implementing a new program called the Blue Envelope Program.** The Blue Envelope program is designed to promote inclusivity and serve as an enhanced communication tool between law enforcement and the community members who have been diagnosed with a condition or disability such as Autism, dementia, anxiety or any other condition that might require additional accommodations or awareness during a law enforcement interaction.
- **Mentioned no one is stopping at the stop sign at Tamarind.** Officer Gossart will get the information.
- **Are there any sidewalk projects on Live Oak from Slover to Alico?** Shawn with Engineering advised as of right now there are no city projects in that area, however if people have been out there it could be public works working on something or if there is a new warehouse in the area usually, they are required to put in new sidewalks and do improvements on the street.
- **The fireworks stands are too close together.** Deputy City Manager Phillip Burum advised the city is able to limit the number of stands we have within the city and also the fire department is required to inspect each of the stands.
- **The water tower looks horrible. It looks like they started to paint it however didn't finish it and the gates are left open for people to walk in there whenever they want.**

Next Meeting

December 12, 2024 @ 6:30 pm, at Southridge Middle School (14500 Live Oak Avenue)