

SRMNA

GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH 2006

The regular general meeting of the SRMNA was called to order at 6:00pm at the cafeteria of the SRM Elementary school.

In attendance were Deaun Lewis, President, Annette Gonzalez, Vice President, Vicky Miera, Treasurer, Valerie Thurman, Board member and Renate Sanders, Secretary.

Welcome and Introduction of our guests by Deaun Lewis:

Kelly Sanchez, Assistant to Councilor Ken Sanchez - he was detained to vote for raise in wages
State Senator Bernadette Sanchez

Jerry Lovato with AMAFCA

Paul Lindberg and Dezaree Vega with Griffin & Associates, the public relations company for GRIP
Democrat Dan Serrano, running for the 16th district

The meeting notes of the last general meeting of August 2nd 2005 were read and approved.
The treasurer gave the report, with a current balance of \$ 273.92 in the account.

The President's report followed

Deaun Lewis stressed the need for an increase in membership.

The 2nd National Nite Out will be August 1st, 2006 at our park.

The Crime Alert on the Westside is working well, she encouraged members to sign up via e mail to be added to the list for updates from APD.

She complimented Jerry Lovato with AMAFCA for speeding up the completion of the construction.

She encouraged all to make use of the 311 number the city provides to help in all matters of concerns. The centralized system Mayor Martin Chavez created is a huge success and brings results fast.

Kelly Sanchez spoke for District One Councilor Ken Sanchez, expressing his desire to start working with and for us. He was voted in to replace Councilor Miguel Gomez.

State Senator Bernadette Sanchez talked about the upcoming completion of the I-40/Coors project, the upcoming completion of the Aquatic Community Center next to West Mesa High.

She is seeking funding for schools, asking for \$ 60 Mill for APS. APS will build the SRM elementary school as well as a new High School in 2 years on the West Side. She has asked for \$ 290.00 millions for schools, but only received \$ 90 millions so far.

Dezaree Vega from Griffin and Associates informed us of the June 1st completion date of the Coors/ I-40 project. We will be invited to the official ceremony with city dignitaries.

Regarding concerns about traffic problems around 57th and Quail unfortunately there is no change order. Deaun Lewis will check further into this matter.

A request for Councilor Ken Sanchez was made to check into the speed reduction measures on Miami. It continues to be a problem and is of even greater concern now that the Kimbar Park is complete. Kelly Sanchez made a note for him and advised we will get more information from Councilor Ken Sanchez

Jerry Lovato from AMAFCA gave an update on the project that had been in the works for 2.5 years due to the prior contractor having defaulted on the project. Completion is expected by June 30th.

Democrat Dan Serrano is running for the seat being vacated by Harriet Ruiz, House District 16. He stressed the need for more schools and better education for our children.

Concerns of the neighbors were expressed, such as cleaning up after dogs . Could a poop bag dispenser be installed ? Also, parking close to the mailboxes is a problem, the mail carrier will not deliver when he cannot get to the collection boxes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm