

**Minutes
Regular Meeting
Graffiti Task Force
Human Resources Activity Room
300 W. Third Street
Oxnard, Ca 93030
June 18, 2008
5:00 p.m.**

A. ROLL CALL

The meeting officially started at 5:05 p.m. Present were: Chairperson Holden, Vice Chairperson Flynn, Assistant City Manager Karen Burnham; City Attorney's Office: Julie Doi; Community Court Program: Lourdes Solorzano, General Services: Michael Henderson, Cyndi Hookstra and Jessica Keith, Police Department: Sandra Kujawa and Mike Thomas, Code Compliance: Rob Silverstein; Probation Office: Don Burton; and Beth Saringo, Recording Secretary.

Public Attendance: Pat Brown, Joe Avelar, Will Coulon and Michael Clark
Lara Anderson and Celia Cratch, Public Defender's Office

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SUBJECTS: Approval of minutes of October 17, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

ACTION: No Action taken

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joe Avelar mentioned that he is happy with the Graffiti Action Program; when he calls the crew gets there right away. His only request was for the crew to paint the whole wall with one color and not paint only the letters.

Pat Brown suggested not to patch paint the wall but paint the whole area instead.

Michael Clark from Hobson Park West agreed with Joe Avelar and Pat Brown's comments not to patch paint but to paint the whole area with one color. He also mentioned that he would appreciate a call back whenever he calls for concern.

D. TASK FORCE REPORTS

1. Task Force overview, community outreach, education and graffiti action kit volunteers – Cyndi Hookstra
 - a. Introduced Jessica Keith who helps coordinate with Graffiti Task Force.

- b. Requested to purchase a 12-month period advertising at the movie theater downtown for Graffiti Task Force. The cost is about \$8,000.
Advertisement will be presented to the Committee before putting it up.
 - c. Had the May 31st Operation Neighborhood Uplift at Cedar Court area.
 - d. Another neighborhood uplift coming up on June 28, 2008 at the east and west alleys of Terrace Avenue in the Terrace Estates neighborhood.
- 2. Graffiti Action Program (GAP) removal efforts. GAK distribution and hotline statistics – Joel Galaviz
Joel Galaviz was not present. No report.
- 3. Arrest and law enforcement issues - Police
 - a. Made 37 arrests for the month of May and 17 arrests so far for the month of June.
 - b. Arrested one of the RiverPark taggers.
 - c. Met with Capt. Aranda regarding RiverPark taggers from El Rio
- 4. Legal issues - City Attorney's Office
No report.
- 5. Code Compliance issues - Code Compliance

Rob Silverstein reported that Code Compliance collected \$17,500 for civil citations.
- 6. Community service update - Lourdes Solorzano
 - a. 93 youths did not complete community service hours at City Corps since the program started in 2005.
 - b. 296 hours of community service hours were completed in May 2008.

E. TASK FORCE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. Discuss the regular meeting schedule for the remainder of the calendar year and adopt a resolution setting forth the dates, times, and location of Graffiti Task Force meetings for the remainder of the calendar year.

The Task Force approved to hold the regular Graffiti Task Force meeting every other month beginning in September 2008 at 5:00 p.m. in the Human Resources Activity Room located at 300 West Third Street.

- 2. Discuss the revised restitution schedules.

Task Force will discuss item 2 in the next meeting.

3. Discuss revision to Oxnard City Code section 7-84 (B) from 5 days to 3 days for removal of graffiti on everything other than etched glass.

Discussion will continue in the next meeting.

Chairperson Holden left at 6:00 p.m. Task Force items for discussion and approval ended at 6:00 p.m.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. Staff meeting continued until 6:30 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on September 17, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

Michael Henderson, Secretary