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REGULAR MEETING

DRAFT AGENDA

July 24, 2025 7:00 PM

Municipal Advisory Council Somis, California

Somis Elementary School Multipurpose Room 5268 North Street Somis, CA 93066

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OPENING

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Roll Call and Oath of Office Krista Nowak
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
- 4. Approval of the Minutes from the Somis Municipal Advisory Council held on April 24, 2025

- 5. Agenda Review
- 6. Consent Agenda Items (A. through C.)
 - a. California Highway Safety Report
 - b. Ventura County Fire Department Safety Report
 - c. Ventura County Sheriff Safety Report
- 7. Public Comments Citizen presentations regarding Somis Municipal Advisory Council related matters NOT appearing on this agenda. (See Guidelines above).
- 8. Office of Ventura County Supervisor Jeff Gorell's Comments Brief announcements and report on County activities.
- 9. Council Comments Comments by Council members on matters they deem appropriate. A Council member may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. A Council member may also provide a reference to staff or other resources for information, or request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter. The Council may also direct staff to place a matter of business on the future agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

Regular Agenda items are heard at the Council's discretion and may be heard at any time during the meeting. (Continue to the Next page for the items under the Regular Agenda)

10) Alternative Revenue Opportunities for Ventura County Farmers

Dave Ward, Planning Director for Ventura County, will be presenting on county approved alternative revenue sources for farmers. These alternatives sources include:

- Review of the County's Ag Tourism Program
- o Farm Stays
- o Onsight Farm Food Processing
- Battery Storage
- 11) <u>Preparedness Community Presentation Office of Emergency Services & Ventura County Fire Department.</u> The purpose of this presentation is to provide an overview of the wildfire problem within the county, and the mitigations that can reduce the impact of fires in the County and Casa Conejo.

- <u>12) Sub-Committee and Ad-Hoc Committee Reports</u> MAC members to provide an update on work being done within the subcommittees and Ad-Hoc committees since the last MAC meeting in the following areas:
 - Public Safety
 - Public Health
 - Planning & Public Works
 - Community Welfare & Relations

CLOSING

13) Adjournment of the Somis Municipal Advisory Council meeting to the next meeting, October 23, 2025, at Somis Elementary School, 5268 North Street, Somis, CA 93066