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2025 Achievements

Oak Park Municipal Advisory Council

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The following represents the 2025 achievements of the Oak Park Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) directly or by collaboration and influence from the public and with other entities. Focus was on increasing community engagement, disaster preparedness and planning, communications and outreach, Medea Creek and CSA 4 landscaping issues.

Public Safety

- Encouraged Oak Park Unified School District to develop a more comprehensive community disaster evacuation and communication plan.
- Continued to monitor and raise concerns to The City of Agoura Hills regarding their housing density planning specifically as it relates to emergency evacuation for the Oak Park community.

Budget Oversight

- Provided input on community priorities for the FY26 CSA 4 budget, resulting in continued funding from the CSA 4 annual budget for Oak Park school crossing guards and the Kanan Shuttle.

Legislative, Administration & Operations

- Assisted in the developed and refinement of a Geographic Information System (GIS) map of Oak Park, including working with IT to improve data layers and accuracy.
- The Legislative Committee (comprised of the Chair and Vice Chair) reviewed and provided input to Supervisor Gorell for the 2025 Ventura County Board of Supervisor regular and special meetings. The Legislative Committee reviews the County Board of Supervisors (BOS) agendas for their regularly scheduled meetings and advises Supervisor Gorell on legislative matters that may affect or benefit Oak Park.
- Partnership Development: Initiated discussions and explored partnerships with various community organizations to build collaborative relationships.

Rancho Simi Recreation & Parks District (RSRPD)

- Progress in the long-term management plan of Madea Creek in collaboration with the Ventura County Watershed Protection District and Fire Department, Rancho Simi Recreation & Parks District, and Friends of Oak Park Open Space.

CSA 4 Landscape Area

- Addressed major and multi-year long landscaping and irrigation issues in west Oak Park (e.g., Hawthorne) and maintenance issues, specifically pine tree needle removal throughout Oak Park which posed pedestrian and cyclist safety.
- Continued discussions on a possible "Welcome to Oak Park" gateway monument near the Oak Park/ Agoura Hills border (estimate was provide and was deferred to possible inclusion in the 2026 CSA 4 budget).

Community Outreach and Communications

- Improved community outreach and awareness strategies by establishing and/or refining comprehensive communication channels including, Instagram account, Facebook page, and articles in the Acorn newspaper.
- Continued efforts to increased awareness regarding monthly OP MAC meetings by placing lawn signs throughout the community prior to the monthly meetings.
- Communicated / announced information of interest, such as the community open house at the OP Fire Station, MAC and RSRPD community meetings, via social media (e.g., Oak Park Public Facebook, Nextdoor and personal Facebook) to announce information of interest.
- Hosted Community Information Presentations including:
 - Oak Park Community Garden
 - Ventura County Sheriff and Fire departments
 - Oak Park Unified School District (VEX Robotics Competition)

End of Report