

## Montecito Heights Improvement Association Minutes of General Membership Meeting

**Date:** November 15, 2007    **Time:** 7 PM    **Location:** Montecito Heights Senior Center

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
Attendance	The following individuals were in attendance per sign in sheet: R. Payan, M. Ferguson, T. Berg, R. Aleman, B. Benson, C. Colson, M. Gillette, L. Lott, C. Garrison, J. Dreager, S. Smith, R. Garten, J. Siverson, S. Rapak, J. Burdick, J. Baylor, M. Fong, B. Murray, J. Fenn, G. Thomas, R. Baker, M. Sanchez, E. Sanchez	
Call to Order		The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by R. Payan
Avenue 43 Off Ramp	Chris Atencio from Recreation in Parks presented his proposed design plan for this area. Selected planted taken from Arroyo Seco Parkway Master Plan Some plants are native, some are not, all are "California friendly" Visibility when entering/exiting the freeway was considered in design Plan includes possible sign wall for future project, funding not yet available, if approved, Rec. and Parks will price out the project and work with Councilman Reyes to secure funding A question and answer period followed the formal presentation with the following individuals asking questions and/or making	B. Murray moved that MHIA accept the design plan as presented, second by J. Fenn Yes 17 No 0 Motion carried

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<p>Minutes of 10-18-07</p>	<p>comments: J. Fenn, R. Payan, B. Murray, J. Siverson, M. Sanchez</p> <p>J. Fenn offered one correction (a misspelled last name)</p>	<p>Motion to approved minutes with correction by C. Colson, second by J. Siverson Yes 8 No 0 Abstain 1 Minutes of 10-18-07 approved as corrected</p>
<p>2007 in Review</p>	<p>R. Payan thanked all those who worked to make the association a success in 2007 Some accomplishments include adoption of new bylaws, adoption of a code of ethics, printing of the historical booklet, etc.</p>	
<p>Treasurer's Report</p>	<p>M. Ferguson reported that the Chili Cook-off made a profit of \$275, R. Payan reported this is the first time the event has made a profit Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Gillette for the use of their home and to all who worked on this event</p>	
<p>Elections: 2008 Officers and Board of Directors</p>	<p>Nominations were accepted, all were encouraged to seek a position, elections were held</p>	<p>President: R. Payan Vice President: S. Smith Treasurer: M. Ferguson Assistant Treasurer: C. Colson Secretary: position unfilled Board Members: R. Aleman, B. Benson, J. Fenn, R. Garten, L. Lott, J. Siverson, G. Thomas</p>
<p>Public Comment and Announcements</p>	<p>J. Fenn thanked neighbors for their patience while the wall in front of his</p>	

	<p>house was being reconstructed, also thanked M. Fong for facilitating this process</p> <p>R. Garten inquired about candles (memorial) on Griffin Avenue, M. Sanchez reported this was the site of a recent homicide</p> <p>M. Ferguson commented that the new walls on Montecito and Sinova look great</p> <p>M. Fong distributed information regarding open meetings sponsored by Recreation and Parks seeking public input about our park system</p> <p>M. Gillette inquired as to when Montecito Drive will be resurfaced. M. Fong stated project has been delayed due to wall projects.</p> <p>B. Murray reported on Teen Community Police Advisory Board meetings, LAPD Captain Chow has a community newsletter, encouraged all to sign up for e-newsletter</p> <p>M. Sanchez gave security report</p> <p>J. Fenn reported on Discovery Tour, tickets \$10 in advance, \$15 day of event, hours 9:30 AM till 6 PM</p> <p>B. Murray reported Alliance of Neighborhood Councils meets Saturday following this meeting at 9:30 AM</p>	
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<p>Community Liaisons</p>     <p>Adjournment</p>  <p>Minutes recorded by T. Berg, Secretary</p>	<p>R. Payan asked for volunteers to serve as liaisons to various community organizations, give report at MHIA meetings or in our newsletter</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM</p>
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