

BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

The mission of the Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council is to engage the community and advise the County to solve problems, create solutions, and set a course for the future of Bloomington.

MINUTES

Wednesday, OCTOBER 2, at 6:00 pm

The Bloomington MAC will hold meetings pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, which suspends certain requirements of the Ralph M. Brown act. Members of the public may participate electronically in the meetings.

(1) In-person meeting will be held at the Ayala Park Community Center, 17909 Marygold Ave, Bloomington, CA 92316. Masks are optional for the entirety of the meeting.

(2) To participate via video, visit here: <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqCYbka4xnj198pxKAn3-ga88SWeui3tO>

(3) In lieu of making a comment in person, you may submit your comments via email to supervisor.baca@bos.sbcounty.gov. Your comments will be read into the record at the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLE CALL OF MAC MEMBERS

Gary Grossich- Not present Stephanie Santoyo- Not present Ana Paredes - Present
Angela McClain- Present Dianne Méndez- Not present Teresa Escoto – Present

3. AGENCY STAFF REPORTS

- a) Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr.'s Office – Shared information on upcoming events like the Senior Resource Fair.
- b) CHP – Officer Sandoval advised that he meet with Walmart regarding the traffic on Agua Mansa.
- c) Code Enforcement – Extended an invitation to the community for Dump Day on November 2nd, scheduled from 8 am to 12 pm.
- d) Colton Joint Unified School District – Superintendent Miranda and Board member Israel Fuentes emphasized the significance of Measure BB, which supports local funding for safe and modern schools. Dr. Miranda also invited participation in His Community Cabinet on October 23rd.
- e) County Fire Department
- f) Sheriff Department – Provided updates on the Line and Bridge Fire, as well as reported crimes in Bloomington, including a robbery of an elderly lady at a cemetery, an arrest of a Corona resident for theft, and apprehension of early morning robbers operating in Riverside County and Los Angeles by Fontana Detectives.
- g) Special District - Aaron Speer welcomed attendance at the Mural Unveiling at Kessler Park, encouraged residents to join the new soccer program, updated on the community garden, and invited participation in the Truck or Treat event at Ayala Park on October 26th.
- h) West Valley Water District – Presenter invited the community to the Succulent Pumpkin Class on 10/26.

4. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

- Union Pacific- Lupe Valdez – presented a PowerPoint presentation
- Bloomington Road Work Improvement Project- Bob Vezutto. - Road closures will be made during the winter holiday to avoid school traffic.
- Recognition of ARTS CONNECTION- Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr.'s Office – Presented a certificate of recognition.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- September 4, 2024, Meeting

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dave Jane invited to a special event on 10/26 from 9 am to 2 pm for children with special needs
- Maria Morales, a Spanish speaker, requested increased safety measures in Bloomington following a robbery at her home where the Sheriff's department failed to respond. She also expressed concerns about safety being neglected and the area being inundated with warehouses. Additionally, she asked for Spanish translators to be available at meetings.
- Francisco Morales advocated for new developments in Bloomington that are not warehouses, highlighting the necessity for a shopping center or medical clinics. He also raised concerns about public safety and unanswered calls.
- A male speaker inquired about where to find updates on ongoing projects in Bloomington.

- Efrain requested enhanced safety measures around the high school, especially regarding reckless driving in the vicinity. He also stressed the need for road improvements.
- Joaquin questioned the number of Spanish speakers present and criticized the county for funding new parks while failing to allocate resources for translators at meetings. He suggested that other residents would like to become MAC Members and would attend meetings if given the opportunity.
- Roxanne expressed a desire to receive updates on the State of the County and proposed that Supervisor Baca, Jr., deliver updates at MAC Meetings. She also called for the presence of Spanish interpreters.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Old Business – None
- New Business – None

8. COMMUNITY EVENTS –

- Trunk or Treat at Ayala Park on 10/26 from 5pm to 8pm.
- Dia de los Muertos Ayala Park on 11/2 from 10am to 5pm
- Olive Branch Carn-evil 10/31 from 6-9am
- Joe Baca, Jr's Veterans Resource Fair, Government Center 11/7 from 4-7pm

9. MAC MEMBERS REPORTS

- Teresa – Winter Ball starts on Saturday.

10. ADJOURN MEETING 8:12 pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm

All Board materials can be found at the San Bernardino County 5th District Website: <https://www.sbcounty.gov/baca>