

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, AUGUST 7, 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 - Present	Stephanie Santoyo	Ana Paredes - Present
Angela McClain	Dianne Méndez	Teresa Escoto - Present

3. AGENCY STAFF REPORTS

- a) Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr.'s Office
 - a. Provided a budget overview – PowerPoint presentation attached.
- b) State Legislative Update
- c) CHP – Officer Sandoval reported on a fatal incident that took place on the I-210 and emphasized the importance of wearing seatbelts. He urged the community to avoid drinking and driving, refrain from arguing while driving, and stay focused on the road. He also expressed gratitude to Supervisor Baca Jr. for his support during National Night Out.
- d) Code Enforcement – Handouts were distributed regarding building and safety, which included contact information. Dates for Dump Days were also shared. Teresa requested increased patrols near Zimmerman Elementary School due to recent dumping issues, and they mentioned plans to coordinate with the school about adding locks to the current dumpster.
- e) Colton Joint Unified School District - Israel Fuentes noted that CJUSD is now in its second week of school, expressed enthusiasm about the new paint at various schools, and invited parents to the open houses. Teresa raised concerns about confusion regarding the combined lunch schedule, indicating that some students are not receiving sufficient time to eat. A resident highlighted the need for a crossing guard at El Rivinio Rd and Hall Avenue due to speeding drivers. Another concern was the rise in homelessness near the new Zimmerman Elementary School, with a request for a fence to ensure children's safety.
- f) County Fire Department
- g) Sheriff Department – Introduced new Deputy Valencia. July was particularly busy, and details were shared regarding crimes in Bloomington. He expressed excitement about National Night Out and mentioned an upcoming operation, though he could not disclose further details. He encouraged residents to stay hydrated and manage their tempers. The Sheriff's department will present at the next Bloomington MAC meeting.
- h) Special District – Aaron Speers thanked the community and vendors for their participation in National Night Out, which was a great success. He announced that 18 new benches will be added to Kessler Park on August 26th and invited everyone to the groundbreaking of the Kessler Park Dream Field. Aaron is also optimistic about acquiring an electronic sign for posting upcoming events and meetings.
- i) West Valley Water District – Announced a drawing contest and invited participation in the 2025 Earth Day Event on Saturday, April 19th.

4. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

- Bloomington Budget Overview- Supervisor Joe Baca, Jr.
- Bloomington Road Work Improvement Project- Bob Vezutto.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 5, 2024, Meeting

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Dave Jane expressed gratitude to Supervisor Baca Jr., the Sheriff's department, and the MAC members for their efforts. However, he voiced concerns about the funding that Bloomington is missing out on and mentioned he would search for a previous letter from former Supervisor Gonzalez. He also requested additional parking at Ayala Park.
- Donna - No longer in attendance.
- Pam thanked the Sheriff's department for their hard work and expressed her appreciation for their efforts in addressing illegal dumping. She also shared her personal experience with a Fontana resident who was caught dumping in front of her home; although he was arrested, he continued to return to dump in the same location.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Old Business –
 - Gary would like an update on Union Pacific of the updates and how it will affect the community.
- New Business -
 - Teresa would like an Open Item List that will include questions asked that are pending an answer.
 - Gary mentioned residents being concerned on the # streets being sold to create warehouses and expressed they are just rumors. He also suggested organizing an item to have a moratorium on industrial zone properties.

8. COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Kessler Dream Field Groundbreaking on August 13th at 6PM.

9. MAC MEMBERS REPORTS

- Ana expressed her gratitude to everyone who attended the meeting.
- Gary extended his thanks to the community for their attendance and participation. He mentioned that the warehouse on Slover was intended to fund Safe Routes to school, and from what he knows, this has not yet been accomplished, so he would like an update on its status.
- Teresa addressed the status of the warehouse and also thanked the community for their presence.

10. ADJOURN MEETING

NEXT BOARD MEETING: September 4, 2024, at 6:00 pm

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