

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.

AGENDA

Wednesday, October 1, 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.

(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

Angela McClain Dianne Méndez – Present Teresa Escoto
Yvonne Delgado - Present Alejandro Mariscal – Present Joseph Silva – Present

3. AGENCY STAFF REPORTS (3-5 Minutes)

- a) Thanked everyone who attended the Sewer Project event and expressed appreciation to the West Valley Water District for their partnership. Reported that she has spoken with Code Enforcement regarding unpermitted big rig parking. Announced the upcoming Community Dump Day on November 1 at Kessler Park and noted that SEE will host a Community Fire Roundtable. She also extended an invitation to the community for their upcoming Holiday Open House.
- b) State Legislative Update- Provided an update on AB 753 and shared that Assemblymember Garcia currently has five bills on the Governor's desk, with three moving forward. He also invited the community to attend their upcoming Open House in Fontana.
- c) CHP
- d) Code Enforcement – Provided an overview of Code Enforcement's ongoing work and efforts within the community.
- e) Colton Joint Unified School District
- f) County Fire Department
- g) Sheriff Department- Shared recent crime updates within the community, including a recent arrest made possible through the use of new License Plate Readers (LPRs) in the area. Community members expressed concerns about ongoing fireworks activity, and the department encouraged residents to report incidents with specific locations to assist enforcement efforts.
- h) Special District
- i) West Valley Water District

4. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION

- I-10 Cedar Overpass Update- SBCTA
 - Provided an update on current challenges affecting the project. Shared that several components, including the retaining walls and a major portion of Phase 1, have been completed. The next phase involves construction over the railroad, and efforts are underway to coordinate progress while allowing railroad operations to continue. Although substantial work remains, SBCTA continues collaborating with partners to minimize delays. They plan to return with further updates as the project advances.
 - Questions from the public
 - *Gilbert* – Asked why approval for work wasn't obtained before starting the project. **A:** Construction and maintenance agreements were established prior to commencement; however, increased railroad operations have contributed to the current challenge.
 - *Question:* What is the estimated completion timeline? **A:** There is no confirmed timeline at this time, but updates will be provided after further discussions.
 - *Alejandro (MAC Member)* – Asked if meetings with legislators are currently taking place. **A:** Yes, meetings with local legislators are ongoing.
 - *Yvonne (MAC Member)* – Requested that a representative from the railroad attend a

future meeting. **A:** SBCTA will reach out to invite a railroad representative to a future session.

- AB98- San Bernardino County Land Use Department – Presented information on Assembly Bill 98, passed in 2024, which requires the designation of truck routes. Maps showing proposed new truck routes in Bloomington and surrounding areas were shared.
 - **Public Comment:**
 - *Tania* – Expressed that the need for truck routes arose from the increase in local warehouses. She stated the public should have been informed sooner and emphasized that routes should not be placed near schools or parks.
 - *Xochilt* – Shared concern that if Zimmerman Elementary’s location changes, it could fall within a designated truck route.
 - *Mia* –No comment provided
 - *Joaquin* – Questioned why a third-party consultant is determining truck routes instead of direct community engagement. He stated the proposed routes are illogical and requested a delay to allow for additional community outreach.
 - *Maria Morales* – Explained that she currently pays monthly to park her truck elsewhere despite having space at home. A 30-year resident, she purchased her home for that purpose and requested assistance in obtaining a permit to park on her property.
 - *Claudia Cuevas* – Asked how future approved warehouses will affect existing and proposed truck routes.
 - *Pam Gail* – community was no informed with enough time.
 - *Gilbert* – Truck driver shared that the problem will continue if DOT is not enforcing the laws.
- Bloomington Sewer Expansion Project- Department of Public Works - Presentation that went over project purpose and need, funding, project scope, roads that will be affected, timeline, and property owner responsibilities.
 - The Valley Corridor Sewer Project aims to expand sanitary sewer access for approximately 160 parcels in the area by installing new 8-inch sewer mainlines that connect to the existing trunk line along Valley Boulevard. Construction is projected to take place between January and June 2026, contingent upon the County securing grant funding. No immediate action is required from property owners at this time, though they will be notified of next steps once funding is confirmed. Property owners also have the option to pursue independent funding for sewer connections, with guidance available from the County. Project information and updates can be obtained through the Special Districts Department or directly from staff contacts provided.
- Value of Water Presentation – West Valley Water District –provided an update highlighting its role as a non-profit public utility focused on delivering reliable, high-quality water service to the community. Rates have remained unchanged for the past decade and continue to be below regional averages, with all state regulatory requirements met or exceeded. The district is investing heavily in infrastructure improvements, sustainability, and emergency preparedness to ensure long-term reliability. Current priorities include maintaining aging infrastructure, managing rising operational costs, and advancing major projects such as the Lord Ranch Facility and the Bloomington Water Line Replacement to strengthen system efficiency and resilience.
- Special Districts Presentation- Aaron Speer – shared updates - The Community Events and Memorials Update highlighted strong local engagement, with 200–300 children participating daily in activities such as Earth Day and Kite Day celebrations. A new Veterans Memorial has been installed at Kessler Park, transforming the area into a vibrant and meaningful community space. The park remains actively used and well-maintained, providing a safe and welcoming environment for families. Additionally, a community mural project was launched, allowing children to help paint and contribute creatively to the park’s beautification—demonstrating collaboration and pride in the community’s shared spaces.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- September 3, 2024, Meeting - Approved

6. PUBLIC COMMENT - Individuals who wish to address the MAC are requested to fill out a "Request to Speak" form and submit the completed form to Supervisor Baca’s staff. Each speaker is allotted a three-minute time limit. Please note that MAC Members will not engage in discussion or take immediate action on items presented during this public comment period.

1. Requested an update on the status of the project at Cedar Avenue and San Bernardino Avenue - the mini mall.
2. **Pat Holloway** – Requested assistance regarding a large truck illegally parked in front of her residence.
3. **Dave Jane** – Thanked Aaron for the recent park improvements, invited attendees to his rodeo event on October 25, and requested candy donations.

4. **Gilbert Everheart** – Expressed concern that semi-truck parking is being advertised on social media near a school, creating safety hazards for students and the community.
5. **Roxanne** – Thanked staff for the re-zoning of truck routes and voiced concerns about the deteriorating condition of Taylor Street.
6. **Patty Silva** – Asked where warehouse-related revenue is being allocated and encouraged the community to unite to ensure Bloomington is not overlooked. She thanked Supervisor Baca, Jr. for his continued efforts in Bloomington and expressed frustration over delays with the Cedar Overpass Project.
7. **Pam Gail** – Thanked the County for the new park vision and ongoing community improvements.
8. **Tania** – Recommended that interpretation services be provided for all presentations and urged the County to halt approval of new warehouses to reduce community impacts.
9. **Joquin** – Shared that his organization provided interpretation services for this meeting and requested that such services be included at all future Bloomington MAC meetings.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Old Business – None
- New Business – None

8. MAC BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Yovonne Delgado- No comments
- Dianne Mendez- thanked all who attended
- Joe Silva- urged the community to continue calling the Sheriffs department specially if its for the same issue so that they can create a team to address the concern.
- Alejandro – Thanked all who shared their frustrations

9. ADJOURN MEETING

NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 5, 2025, at 6:00 pm

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