



## **Vitality Advisory Council of Oceano,**

### **Meeting Minutes, Tuesday June 10, 2025**

Oceano Community Services District, 1655 Front Street, Oceano CA 93445

#### **1. Attendance and Opening**

Meeting called to order on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

Members Present: Karen White, Marios Pouyioukkas, Gina McMahn, Alyssa Sparling, Kim Rose

Members Absent: Linda Austin, April Paz, Cuco Hurrera

Flag Salute: Led by Kim

#### **2. Agenda and House Rules**

The agenda was reviewed and approved without additions.

#### **3. Law Enforcement and Safety Reports**

Call activity: approximately 10 calls per day (360 total), including:

- 6 battery reports
- 20 disturbances
- 1 petty theft
- 2 vandalism incidents

Fireworks enforcement:

- Safe and sane fireworks will no longer be legal in Oceano.
- New ordinance allows citations for property owners if fireworks are set off on their property.
- Drones and video evidence to be used; staffing and evidence challenges remain.

ICE enforcement:

- Focus on high-priority offenders
- Local cooperation restricted by state law
- Unintended consequences include more community-based apprehensions and increased needle use

Motorhome and illegal camping along 22nd:

- Concerns about long-term parking on streets and agricultural land. Recommend residents continue to report
- County code prohibits camping on roads
- Enforcement supported with signage and patrols



#### **4. California Highway Patrol (CHP) Report**

Presented by Lt. James Ferguson:

- 4 crashes in May (one minor injury)
- 8 DUI arrests
- Public encouraged to report unsafe driving
- Maximum enforcement planned for July 3–6 (80% of patrol staff on duty)
- Fireworks confiscation efforts ongoing
- Motorhome disposal is costly and complex
- Parking near schools discussed with requests for resident reporting

#### **5. Planning and Housing Updates**

Presented by Claire Marburger, Long Range Planning:

Housing Element 2020–2028 Actions 1 & 2:

- Action 1: updates development standards for multifamily and mixed-use projects, removing residential restrictions in visitor-serving areas.
- Action 2: creates a voluntary regional housing incentive program for affordable units or in-lieu fees, with incentives including minor zoning adjustments.

Affordable housing is defined as costing no more than 30% of household income, with levels updated annually.

Concerns raised about:

- Parking reductions
- High-density development
- Impacts on tourism and community character

Public hearings scheduled:

- Action 1: June 26 (Planning Commission)
- Action 2: public comment closes June 21; hearing July 24

#### **6. Community Projects and Updates**

- Bulletin board at Triangle Park installed; keys distributed
- New depot sign installed
- 'Welcome to Oceano' sign grant approved, pending funding
- Mural project moving forward (part of San Luis Obispo mural trail)

Upcoming events:

- Flea market fundraiser August 16–17 (\$25 per vendor)
- Spaghetti dinner fundraiser September 13
- Trunk-or-Treat event in planning stage

#### **7. Next Meeting**

Next meeting scheduled for July 08, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.