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TO: ► Members of the City Council
► Planning Commission

FROM: Randal K. Bynder, City Manager

SUBJECT: City Managers Status Report

The following report represents a summary for various departmental activities as well as updates for ongoing COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS for the 2nd quarter of 2013:

ADMINISTRATIVE

RANCHO MIRAGE COPS

Staff continues to administer the COPS (Citizens on Patrol Services) program for the City. Meetings are held semi-monthly. Currently there are approximately 28 enrolled COPS. During the 2nd Quarter, the following activities took place:

- Terry Goodale was elected to Captain. The previous captain, Bill Borden, “retired” to Sergeant of Patrols.
- Staff purchased first aid kits for the COPS vehicles and worked with the Facilities & Fleet Manager to purchase a new COPS vehicle (Ford CMAX) through a grant.
- COPS provided traffic control services for the AMGEN bike race and visitor greeting services at City Hall and the Library during President Obama’s visit to the City.
- One citizen submitted an application to serve on COPS.
- Two new COPS were badged during this period.

Stats for COPS Patrols during the second quarter of 2013 are as follows:

- Total miles driven -6,808
- Total incidents – 85
- Total hours – 578

Patrol value - \$13,537 (using \$23.42/hour value)

HUMAN RESOURCES

- Following the first quarter busy recruitment activities Human Resources focused recruitment efforts on the Accountant position and were rewarded with the hiring of Rosie Bernal. Rosie brings a variety of many years of accounting experience and is currently working on her Master's degree. The City organized and participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event held at Marywood-Palm Valley. The City fielded several teams and through employees hard work raised a dollar amount over the original goal. Thanks to Sandra and Letty for spearheading our efforts.
- Orientation kick-off meetings were held with staff to go over the classification study, its purpose, the job analysis questionnaire and answer questions. Staff appeared to be interested in the study and we anticipate all questionnaires will be evaluated by the consultants during the month of August.
- Continuing education for HR and Payroll staff occurred in the area of PERS, benefits and safety.
- Participated in labor negotiation meetings with RMEA and their negotiator.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

Staff reviews agendas and attends (as appropriate) the following, regularly scheduled intergovernmental meetings to represent the City or to monitor activities that may have an impact on the City:

Sunline Transit Agency/Service Group – oversees public transportation in the Coachella Valley; administers/regulates taxi operations in the Coachella Valley

Coachella Valley Association of Governments – a council of governments including all the Coachella Valley cities and Blythe.

- Energy & Environmental Resources Committee
- Solid Waste & Recycling Technical Working Group
- Coachella Valley Conservation Commission
- Trails Management Subcommittee
- Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The following activities took place during the second quarter of 2013:

- Continued monthly inspections of AED units in City buildings.
- Continued monthly participation in County Office of Emergency Services Radio-net drill.
- Continued monthly radio drill by City's Emergency Preparedness Committee (primarily comprised of City staff).
- Continued staff liaison duties to the Emergency Preparedness Commission including facilitating the monthly HOA radio call.
- Coordinated with the City's emergency preparedness consultant to:
 - Conduct a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training class in May to train the public and staff. With the completion of this training, approximately 90% of City staff have been CERT trained.
 - Prepare for a July Functional Exercise for staff.
 - Conduct a National Incident Management System (NIMS) testing/training for staff.

- Conduct a “first-ever” CERT reunion meeting for CERT trained City residents. The meeting included a case presentation by Sun City on their emergency plan.
 - Conduct a WebEOC training for key City staff. WebEOC is a web-based software program used by the County and all the cities in the County to manage disaster response by cities.
- Reviewed City’s emergency radios including visiting repeater site on Indio Hill and ordering numerous under-dash and hand-held radios for staff.
 - Worked with County Office of Emergency Services to apply for a grant to teach a CERT class.
 - Stocked the alternate EOC radio room at the library with water, forms, and heater meals. Finished securing radio equipment and providing surge protectors.
 - Initiated/Activated the Agility Recovery Systems program which is a disaster recovery service offered at a deep discount through PERMA. Agility will come into the City during an emergency and provide office space, equipment, power and telecommunications for up to 48 people. This would be used in case City Hall or the Library were unusable during a disaster

ENERGY INITIATIVES

Staff attended the quarterly meeting of the Desert Cities Energy Partnership at CVAG offices.

Staff also worked with SCE to increase our rating in the Energy Leader Partnership (ELP). The ELP allows cities to earn energy rebates for energy saving projects or policies. The City is currently at the Valued level and it is working on going to the next level of Silver.

BIGHORN SHEEP/TRAILS ISSUES

Acting on observations from Mirada residents in the month of June, staff inspected the Cathedral City bighorn sheep exclusionary fence on the City’s western boundary with Cathedral City. Numerous gaps, cut fences and open gates were observed. Staff notified Cathedral City and wildlife agencies. A compromised fence in Cathedral City allows the bighorn sheep to access the non-habitat side of the bighorn sheep fence in Rancho Mirage. This was the cause last summer of sheep being seen on Frank Sinatra Drive and at the Ritz project. According to Cathedral City, the fence has been repaired.

The Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy reported on two homeless camps in the City’s bighorn sheep preserve. Some feel that the homeless may be cutting some sections of the fence to get at an artificial water source from irrigation run-off in the area. That information was passed along to the City’s Code Enforcement Department for appropriate action.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT-WIDE UPDATES

Development Services is comprised of the following divisions:

- Building & Safety
- Code Compliance
- Economic Development
- Housing Authority
- Marketing & Public Relations
- Planning

Future Budgets

Completion of the FY 2013-14 & FY 2014-15 budgets this past quarter required significant staff time to analyze potential cost savings, to determine anticipated revenues and expenditures, and to realign division account numbers to better track future activities. Due to the City's limited annual operating surpluses anticipated for the next two years, the GIS Analyst position recommended by the Matrix Study will not be filled at this time.

Redevelopment Transition

The Redevelopment Successor Agency received its Finding of Completion from the State Department of Finance ("DOF") on May 7, 2013 which will allow the use of approximately \$29.7 million in excess bond proceeds during the next two years or so (from bond issues completed prior to 2011) for public works and economic development projects. Specific expenditures must be listed on the semi-annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules ("ROPS") and in that context are subject to Oversight Board and DOF approval.

Considerable staff time has been spent this past quarter in working with the City's Finance Director and an outside consultant team to prepare the proposed 2013 Refunding and Bond Redemption Plan for approval by the Successor Agency on July 2, 2013 and the Oversight Board on July 9, 2013. The Plan, if subsequently approved by DOF, will allow for:

- Utilization of approximately \$22.5 million in excess bond proceeds to retire existing bonds;
- Redemption and refunding (i.e. refinancing) of approximately \$80.1 million in existing bonds; and
- Lowering future debt service payments by approximately \$28.9 million over the next 20+ years.

Economic Development staff is currently drafting the Successor Agency's Long Range Property Management Plan which is due to DOF by early November 2013. The document is expected to be presented to the Successor Agency and Oversight Board in July 2013. Approval of this plan by DOF would clear the way for the long-awaited sale of the Agency-owned land located on Highway 111 adjacent to Mimi's Restaurant for future development.

BUILDING & SAFETY DIVISION

Building Permits Issued – Five-Year Comparison

CALENDAR YEAR TO DATE (Jan-June)	TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMITS	TOTAL VALUATION	SINGLE FAMILY HOME PERMITS	VALUATION OF DWELLINGS ONLY
2013	687	\$ 27,062,106	21	\$ 8,827,144
2012	528	\$ 15,813,084	8	\$ 3,650,856
2011	501	\$ 15,110,578	2	\$ 1,026,479
2010	550	\$ 16,411,328	2	\$ 4,687,889
2009	595	\$ 21,772,383	1	\$ 1,500,000

CODE COMPLIANCE DIVISION

Code Compliance Quarterly Activities

Highlights of the Division’s last quarter’s activities include:

- Received and processed **483** complaints with **722** violation types.
- Removed graffiti on public property and right-of-way areas on over 37 structures/fixtures and signs.
- Prepared special assessment liens for abatement costs incurred during FY 12/13 in the amount of \$10,112.37 for nine (9) properties.
- Integrated Property Courtesy Notices into the Rancho Mirage Cove Community patrols in an effort to optimize voluntary compliance of code violations. As a result of this new practice, appropriate corrective measures by property owners & occupants have increased by more than 50%.
- Humanely captured five (5) coyote pups in the area of DaVall and Gerald Ford and rescued (3) three migratory birds. Animal Services continues to work with the State and general public (including HOAs, property managers and golf course directors) in addressing various wildlife issues.
- Prompted the repair and restoration of the parking lot and exterior lighting at Rancho Las Palmas Shopping Center.

Code Compliance Fee Receipts

Abatement Fees	\$ 6,552.50
Administrative Fines	\$13,254.00
Business License	\$ 113.00
Document Releases	\$ 412.00
Massage Permits	\$ 600.00
Total	\$22,941.50

Inspections and Code Activities	Inspection Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 276 Initial Inspections • 541 Follow-Ups • 259 Phone Call Inspections • 31 Weekend Inspections • 210 Animal Control • 12 Business License Inspections • 37 Graffiti Inspections • 8 Massage Licenses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 444 Cases Closed • 35 City Abatements (includes graffiti and vacant properties) • 78 Documents submitted for County recordation • 60 Owner Abatements

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Car Wash - Highway 111/Frank Sinatra

Staff has worked with Quick and Clean Car Wash, a Scottsdale, Arizona company, on the purchase and reuse of the former Highway 111 car wash across from City Hall. The company owns several car wash locations in Phoenix and Dallas and will be opening its first California location in Rancho Mirage. The new owner has removed the underground fuel tanks and dispensers, installed new equipment and hopes to open the renovated car wash in July 2013.

Five Peaks

The owner of the previously entitled Five Peaks project (approved in June 2009) submitted a revised Final Development Plan to the Planning Division on March 19, 2013 for a first phase of two frontage buildings on March 19, 2013. Economic development staff has been informed that additional investors, joint venture partners and/or potential buyers for the project are being solicited which may or may not impact the development timeline in the immediate future.

ICSC

On May 19-22, 2013, Economic Development & Housing Manager Sean Smith attended the annual conference of the International Council of Shopping Centers (“ICSC”) in Las Vegas to promote Rancho Mirage development and leasing opportunities. The conference was attended by approximately 35,000 leasing agents, property owners, developers and City representatives. For the first year ever, staff participated in a Riverside County sponsored “trade booth” at the conference to offer a cost-efficient method of bringing higher conference visibility to participating cities. A new high-quality marketing brochure was developed by Economic Development and Marketing staff for distribution at the conference – both at the booth and during face-to-face meetings with developers and leasing agents.

Koffi

Staff worked with the owners of Koffi to open its third coffee bistro location in the Palm Springs Valley in May 2013 in the former Amici restaurant building across from Desert European Motorcars. The new location of this popular establishment provides a mid-valley presence to expand their customer base and to also roast, package and distribute their own coffee beans.

Rancho Las Palmas Shopping Center

The owner of the Rancho Las Palmas Shopping Center (Wells Fargo) recently completed a bid process for the property with a reported 30± entities submitting bids to acquire the center. The winning bidder is in a 30-day “due diligence” period during which a final purchase determination should be made. The prospective buyer will be announced if and when the property is transferred; staff remains eager to work with a new owner in repositioning this important center.

The Ritz-Carlton

Construction continues on the future Ritz-Carlton, Rancho Mirage which promises to be the premiere luxury hotel in the Palm Springs Valley upon its scheduled late October 2013 opening.

The Waterfront – Property Sale

Staff has drafted the Redevelopment Successor Agency’s Long Range Property Management Plan. Assuming it is positively received by the State Department of Finance; staff will attempt to finalize the sale of the Agency-owned property at the southeast corner of Highway 111 and East Veldt to the adjacent property owner who developed The Waterfront (which includes Mimi’s Restaurant). The site would be integrated into that earlier development and existing parking lot with a 6,000 square foot commercial retail building fronting Highway 111. The property management plan is scheduled for Successor Agency discussion at its July 18, 2013 meeting.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Housing Property Improvements

Included in the Successor Agency’s Recognized Obligation Payments Schedule (“ROPS”) for July through December 2013 was a provision for tapping into excess housing bond proceeds to fund future improvements at Parkview Villas and Whispering Waters scheduled to begin in July 2013 including:

- New cabinetry and flooring for 24 units at Parkview Villas
- New paint and exterior refurbishment at Parkview Villas
- Construction of a shade structure in the pool area of Whispering Waters
- Erosion/stucco repair and repainting at Whispering Waters

Due to immediate safety concerns associated with the dilapidated condition of existing cabinets, new replacement cabinetry and flooring was installed this past quarter in six units at Parkview Villas.

Funding for the Housing Authority's FY 2013-14 Home Improvement Program was also listed on the July to December 2013 ROPS but, due to the statewide elimination of annual housing set-aside funds, this program was eliminated for the immediate future during budget action by the Housing Authority pending further research into a long-term financial strategy for the Authority.

Revisions to Property Rules & Regulations

Following extensive consultations with the Housing Authority's property management company, Hyder, revised Rules & Regulations for each property (including a Clubhouse Use Policy) were drafted by staff and approved by the Housing Authority Board on June 6, 2013.

Parkview Villas

Staff continues to address landscape issues at Parkview Villas. Tree trimming was recently performed property wide and Kirkpatrick Landscaping is scheduled to replace turf and replenish landscape rocks in several areas around the property in July 2013.

Rancho Palms Mobile Home Park

All of the purchased mobile homes in Rancho Palms Mobile Home Park have been vacated and removed. One unit remains to be purchased.

MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS DIVISION

Rancho Las Palmas Resort and Spa was recently sold by KSL to Omni Hotels with the hand over slated for July 2013. This announcement, coupled with the anticipated opening of the Ritz Carlton in October 2013, were included as a part of the sales messaging taken by the City of Rancho Mirage's Marketing Manager to Pow Wow (the world largest travel trade show) held in Las Vegas from June 10 through June 12, 2013.

During the three day Pow Wow event, over a billion dollars of contracts were negotiated for individual fly/drive visits and group tours to North America. The Palm Springs Valley fared very well at the annual trade show as the recent summit visits of Presidents Obama and Xi to Rancho Mirage and the general increase of positive destination stories in the global media have added significant value to the Palm Springs Valley's resorts and attractions. Buyers were keen to learn about The Ritz, soon to be the only five-star resort in the region, and guaranteed significant contracted high-end group and individual fly/drive contracts for the renovated property. This news, along with Omni's reputation and success in attracting corporate meetings, bodes well for future increased TOT revenues for the City of Rancho Mirage.

PLANNING DIVISION

Major Projects

AT&T Telecommunication Tower

AT&T Wireless submitted a Conditional Use Permit application CUP13001 for the installation of a 68' high telecommunication tower at 38-005 Vista Del Sol (at Frank Sinatra Drive). The tower is designed as a palm tree and is setback 54' from Frank Sinatra Drive. Any new electrical equipment will be housed in an existing AT&T building on the property.

Betty Ford Center

On March 18, 2013 the Betty Ford Center submitted an application for a Preliminary Development Plan for the construction of a Residential Day Treatment (RDT) center on two parcels totaling 6.54 acres at the eastern end of the campus adjacent to Vista Del Sol Drive. The RDT center would consist of six (6) buildings totaling 66,470 sq. ft. with a proposed gated/guarded access from Vista Del Sol. On July 3, 2013, subsequent to a letter of incompleteness sent out by staff requiring a Specific Plan Amendment to the Eisenhower Medical Center Specific Plan for the proposed access, the applicant indicated its intention to withdraw the PDP application. Staff is following up with the applicant for more information.

Escala (North and South)

Toll Brothers continues construction on both Escala South (11 lots), using detached single-story house plans that range in size from 3,163 sq. ft. to 4,085 sq. ft., and Escala North (20 lots), with detached single story house plans that range in size from 3,163 sq. ft. to 4,085 sq. ft.

Estilo Tract 34227 – Toll Brothers

On November 15, 2012, the City Council approved the project which consists of a 39 residential lot subdivision along with 8 lettered lots (including 3 retention basins), and a private cul-de-sac street with one main gated entrance at the northwest corner of the subdivision taking access from Victory Drive. There are four models ranging from 2,995 to 3,790 sq. ft. with optional casitas. To date, seven homes are either under construction or have been built.

Family Inn – Brian Buchan

On October 18, 2012 the City Council approved the proposed small boutique style hotel (18 rooms) for a 2.5 acre parcel located at 72-094 Via Vail, just east of Bob Hope Drive. The project will include on-site parking, recreational amenities and extensive landscaping. The site has been cleared in preparation for construction which should commence in the near future.

Five Peaks

On March 19, 2013, the project applicant submitted a Final Development Plan ("FDP") application for an initial phase of two buildings (16,000 sq. ft.), as part of a two-phase plan previously approved by the City Council on July 7, 2011. The phasing plan requires all frontage improvements and both pad buildings to be built simultaneously. The project as originally entitled consists of approximately 229,032 sq. ft. of buildings and a one-story parking garage with roof top parking constructed in a single phase on 24.5 acres of vacant land across from the City Library. Staff has requested numerous corrections and clarifications to the FDP from the project applicant who has not disclosed its anticipated timing of development/groundbreaking but has also submitted a time extension request for the original PDP entitlements. Staff is processing the request for Planning Commission consideration in August/September of 2013.

Magnesia Falls Office Building – Wendell Veith

At its meeting on April 25, 2013, the Planning Commission approved the Minor Conditional Use permit (which had been submitted on June 8, 2012 and received unanimous endorsement on March 11, 2013

from the ARB to re-establish an expired Conditional Use Permit for an existing office building totaling 4,235 sq. ft. The building currently has several non-conforming aspects that the applicant will eliminate through new landscaping, updating and remodeling the exterior of the building, and various other site improvements (i.e. new block walls, re-striping of the parking lot, etc.). The project applicant has submitted plans for plan check and building permits should be issued soon.

Marywood Palm Valley School

Marywood Palm Valley School submitted a Final Development Plan for its new 10,000 sq. ft. Middle School Building which staff has approved. The site is now being graded for the project.

Palm Desert Senior Living – Rick Johnson

On April 24, 2013, the Planning Commission reviewed the case and recommended that the item be tabled so that the applicant could work with staff to address five key concerns. The applicant proposes to build a one- and two-story, 66-room senior assisted living facility on ±2.04 acres located at 70-400 Country Club Drive adjacent to the Trojan Financial Plaza at Country Club and Highway 111. Currently, the developer is adding more parking spaces, changing the recreation amenities and reconfiguring the site plan to address the Planning Commission's concerns. An amendment to the Highway 111 West Specific Plan to allow assisted living complexes in District 5 (Trojan Financial Plaza) would also be required.

The project was previously reviewed by ARB on June 11, 2012 and August 27, 2012 and story poles were installed. The City Council's Commercial Development Subcommittee visited the site in January, 2013. A Development Agreement would be established to offset the fiscal impacts the project would have on Fire Department services (i.e., ambulance services) and to define other contractual obligations.

Revelle - Rudy Herrera

The applicant has submitted an application for a Preliminary Development Plan for the construction of five model homes with associated landscaping for the development of Tract Map 36235. The subdivision consists of 32 residential lots, multiple lettered lots (including retention basin), and multiple private cul-de-sac streets with one main gated entrance at the southern edge of the subdivision on Clancy Lane.

The Ritz-Carlton and Related Projects

Renovation work on the Ritz-Carlton, which had been non-existent since September 2008, resumed in January 2013 and the re-opening of the Hotel is anticipated by October 31st of this year in accordance with the TOT rebate agreement between the City and the property owners. Property owner representatives have stated their intent to pursue previously planned future phases of the property's development once the hotel is re-opened.

Siena Vista Estates - Ken Cokeley

On June 20, 2013 the City Council approved the applicant's Tentative Tract Map submittal for the subdivision of a 5-acre parcel into 10 single family residential lots and multiple lettered lots at the southeast corner of Landy Lane and Victory Drive. In conjunction with this application is a Preliminary Development Plan for the construction of 10 homes ranging in size between 3,500 and 3,800 sq. ft. plus three car garages. Some homes will have the ability for an optional casita.

Whitewater Park Expansion

Staff is currently working with Chris Hermann & Associates on the final design of the anticipated expansion of Whitewater Park. Based upon a survey completed by members of the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission, an architecture program for the amphitheater and preliminary floor plans were developed for discussion at a joint City Council and Parks and Recreation

Commission meeting on July 2, 2013.

Other Major Projects Not Yet Completed:

- Bella Clancy
- Mirada Highlands – 63 single family homes on 90 acres.
- Mirada Villas – Remaining lots purchased by Meriwether Management Co. n May 2011. Building permits for 3 homes have been issued
- Rancho Mirage Rehabilitation Center - 43,336 s.f. private rehabilitation hospital on 6.79 acres at the southeast corner of Ramon Road and DaVall Drive. Developer is still seeking financing for completion of the project.

Planning Applications Submitted - April through June 2013

SFP13004	Eric Olsen/ Peter and Kristin Taylor	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 3,888 s.f. (including 732 s.f. garage) on 19,275 s.f. lot.	70-650 Frank Sinatra Drive	04/01/2013
SFP13005	Bernard Investment Group, Inc.	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 4,989 s.f. (including 939 s.f. garage) on 16,800 s.f. lot.	105 Vail Dunes Court	05/10/2013
SFP13006	Wendell Veith/ Dealey	Single Family Permit to build toxic free single family residence with casita, caretaker unit and 3 car garage.	Via Vail	05/14/2013
SFP13007	Rick Holden/ Jonathan Kovler	Single Family Permit to add two-story element to current single family residence for a total of 5,951 s.f. on 15,679 s.f. lot.	4 Evening Star Drive	5/20/2013
SFP13008	Bernard Investment Group, Inc.	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 5,047 s.f. (including 870 s.f. garage) on 16,900 s.f. lot.	109 Vail Dunes Court	05/28/2013
SFP13009	Allen Sanborn/ Isser & Debra Rogowski	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 4,028 s.f. livable & 764 s.f. non-livable on 14,246 s.f. lot.	12-160 St. Andrews Drive	05/30/2013
SFP13010	Bernard Investment Group, Inc.	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 4,246 s.f. livable & 973 s.f. non-livable) on 16,800 s.f. lot.	108 Vail Dunes Court	05/28/2013
SFP13011	Lance O'Donnell/ John McGraw & Deana Bergquist	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 4,290 s.f. livable & 768 s.f. non-livable and 583 s.f. guest house on a 24,065 s.f. lot.	Lot 14 Sonora Road	06/05/2013
SFP13012	Mario Gonzales	Single Family Permit to build Single Family Residence of 4,243 s.f. livable & 1,228 s.f. non-livable on 22,355 s.f. lot.	34 Clancy Lane	06/24/2013
TPM36149	Katrina B. Heinrich-Steinberg	Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide 4.83 acres into 4 parcels.	38-705 Vista Del Sol	05/30/2013
PDPX13001	Dudek , Charles Greely	Preliminary Development Plan Extension for PDP07011 and MOD11009.	SW Corner Highway 111 at Mirage Road	06/17/2013
TTM1X34640	Newage Rancho Mirage, LLC / Emily Hemphill (Ritz Carlton)	1st Time Extension for Tract Map #34640. Subdivide Tract #34640 to subdivide Ritz Carlton property for hotel, spa, spa suites and future development.	68-900 Frank Sinatra Drive	06/17/2013

Use & Occupancy Permit Applications – April through June 2013

During the quarter, a total of 14 Use and Occupancy Applications were submitted for building space

ranging from 144 to 4,000 square feet.

Special Projects

Comprehensive Zoning Text Amendments

Staff completed 10 Zoning Text Amendments in the current zoning update cycle to correct minor errata, to provide greater clarification of definitions and procedures, and to add information related to the 2010 Building Code and emerging technologies. These Amendments were approved by the City Council in May/June 2013 and will become effective on July 6, 2013.

Desert Cities Energy Partnership Activities

In July 2012 the City Council approved CVAG's Voluntary Green Building Program drafted by Terra Nova Consulting as the first part of a two-part effort related to a \$4.9 million Southern California Edison grant for various energy efficiency planning and sustainability type activities related to the Desert Cities Energy Partnership. The second part of the grant effort related to Rancho Mirage is a greenhouse gas inventory and Climate Action Plan being developed by EcoMotion for the City. In April 2013 the City Council's Sustainability Subcommittee met to review draft documents with staff before circulation of the environmental documents in mid-June which will allow the project to move forward for Council consideration in September 2013.

Housing Element – 2014-2021

The 5th cycle of the Housing Element (2014-2021) is due to the CA State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) by October 15, 2013 and Terra Nova has been retained to assist Staff in updating the Element. The Draft Housing Element was submitted to the City Council on July, 2, 2013; approval was given to submit the Draft to HCD for comments. Once HCD's comments are received, the Element will be routed through the normal public hearing process for final City Council consideration prior to the October 15th deadline.

Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP)

To assist local governments in meeting the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan requirements of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2000), Riverside County Fire (RCF) is the lead agency in preparing the updated Multi-Jurisdictional LHMP which will include the City of Rancho Mirage. It is staff's understanding that CalEMA has approved the most recent updated LHMP document (City comments submitted to Riverside County Fire on November 1, 2011), but the document it is still being reviewed by FEMA at this time.

Staff Liaison Work

Historic Preservation Commission

The City Council has designated 51 historic resources to date; with the recent demolition of the Chart House; there are now 50 designated resources. Staff is working with the Commission to schedule several tours of homes for potential future designation.

Trails Commission

On April 3, 2013, the Trails Commission discussed the existing trail signage on the west Magnesia Storm Channel and Blixseth Mountain Trail and requested updates by the Public Work's Division and Fish & Wildlife Department concerning placement, signage content and sheep habitat closures. The next meeting will be July 3, 2013.

Valley-Wide Work

On an as-needed basis, planning staff attends meetings of the Coachella Valley Conservation

Commission (CVCC), which administers the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP) as well as CVAG’s Technical Planning Subcommittee which is currently chaired by Planning Manager Bud Kopp and plays an advisory role with CVAG in a variety of areas such as the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), Regional Transportation Plan, Sustainable Communities Strategies, Water Conservation, Alternative Energy Planning, and Regional Facilities (such as bike lanes and trails).

Other Projects Approved Yet Not Under Construction

- Ritz Carlton Residences and Villas
- Palms and Sands Subdivision (Santa Barbara 20) – South of Mirage Cove Drive, north of Highway 111. (Applicant received one year extension of time in September, 2009) Building plans were submitted in September, 2011 and the grading plan is being reviewed by Public Works. The PDP has expired.
- GHA Paloma Group – Tentative Tract Map to subdivide 10.08 acres into 19 single family residential lots in Section 30.
- GRV Mirage, LLC – Tentative Tract Map to subdivide 4.67 acres into nine single family residential lots.
- Bellavia – Construction of 18 single story single family homes on two 5 acre sites. PDP expired, Tentative Tract Map still valid.

PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

REPORT FOR APRIL, MAY, & JUNE 2013

LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR APRIL 2013

	<u>April 2012</u>	<u>April 2013</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>
Items Checked Out	52,679	47,469	-9.8%
Patron Visits to Library	30,014	26,613	-11.3%
Reference Questions	9,891	7,764	-21.5%
Holds/Reserves Filled	5,696	6,834	+20%
Total Website Pageviews*	34,539	81,854	
Library Cardholders	39,015	44,180	
+13.2%			
Cards Issued	588	298	-
49.3%			
Daytime Adult Programs		6 With	952 Attendees
After Hours Programs		6 With	1,117 Attendees
Tutorials		25 With	25 Attendees
Preschool Programs		22 With	378 Attendees
Family Programs		1 With	38 Attendees

*New method of counting with revision to library website

LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR MAY 2013

	<u>May 2012</u>	<u>May 2013</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>
Items Checked Out	54,917	48,601	-11.5%
Patron Visits to Library	28,042	23,328	-16.8%
Reference Questions	8,452	7,011	-17%
Holds/Reserves Filled	6,349	7,108	+10.6%
Total Website Pageviews	35,155	76,613	+118%
Library Cardholders +12.5%	39,533	44,471	
Cards Issued 44%	521	290	-
Daytime Adult Programs	2 With	300 Attendees	
After Hours Programs	2 With	312 Attendees	
Tutorials	20 With	20 Attendees	
Preschool Programs	22 With	413 Attendees	
Family Programs	1 With	64 Attendees	

LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR JUNE 2013

	<u>June 2012</u>	<u>June 2013</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>
Items Checked Out	53,770	43,505	-23.5%
Patron Visits to Library	29,850	23,631	-20.8%
Reference Questions	9,636	7,863	-22.5%
Holds/Reserves Filled	5,965	6,914	+16%
Total Website Pageviews	34,940	80,706	+131%
Library Cardholders 2.3%	40,154	39,212	-
Cards Issued 40%	625	372	-
Daytime Adult Programs	3 With	656 Attendees	
After Hours Programs	1 With	265 Attendees	
Tutorials	6 With	6 Attendees	
Preschool Programs	20 With	350 Attendees	
Family Programs	1 With	64 Attendees	

Note: In 2012, Palm Desert Library was under renovation, RMPL hit historic highs in use.

JUST FOR KIDS

The Library offers storytimes for children:

Book Babies birth-12 months: Mondays at 10 AM

Tiny Tot Tales for ages 1-3: Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10 and 11 AM

Preschool Stories for ages 3-5: Thursdays 10 AM and 11 AM

- Book Babies Storytime includes early literacy exercises
- The Preschool Storytime includes stories and an arts and craft project.

- The Tiny Tot Tales Storytime includes stories, singing and rhyming games.

EXHIBITS

The Annenberg Reading Room

Watercolors and Oils by Diane Morgan

Reference Room

Watercolors and Oils by Diane Morgan

Lobby Cases

Under renovation

Children's Room

The art from Newberry award winning children's books.

Lobby Corridor to Aspen Mills Café and Book Nook

Framed prints of book covers are in place for a lead-in for café and Book Nook patrons.

EVENTS

April 1	7 – 9 PM	Film: American Docs Presents <i>I Am Not a Rock Star</i>
April 2	7 – 8:30 PM	Film: <i>The Birdman of Rancho Mirage</i>
April 3	6 – 7 PM	Family Night: Sandi Castieberry Presents Singing the Way to Reading
April 4	4 – 5 PM	Lecture: The Natural History of the Peninsular Bighorn Sheep and Bighorn Institute's Conservation Efforts
April 6	4 – 6 PM	Music: International Classical Concerts of the Desert
April 9	10 AM – 5 PM	Film: American Docs Presents Best of the Fest
April 11	9 AM – 5 PM	Spring Book Sale Bonanza
April 12	9 AM – 5 PM	Spring Book Sale Bonanza
April 12	10 AM – Noon	Book Discussion Group: <i>My Life and Hard Times</i>
April 13	9 AM – 3 PM	Spring Book Sale Bonanza
April 16	7 – 8:30 PM	Film: Hollywood Behind the Scenes: The Critics Corner
April 17	7 – 8 PM	Lecture: Artists and Their Muses: Robert Mapplethorpe and Patti Smith
April 18	2 – 3 PM	Lecture: Sunnylands Gardens: From Planning to Planting
April 18	7 – 8 PM	Music: Ken Dahleen and His Big Band Staff
April 23	7 – 8:30 PM	Music: Idyllwild Arts Academy Presents Music From the Pines
April 24	2 – 3:30 PM	Lecture: Comedians with Class at Your Library
April 25	1 – 3 PM	Seminar: Creating a Manuscript and Having It Published
May 1	5:30 – 7 PM	Family Night: The Rad Hatter
May 4	2 – 4 PM	Palm Springs Writers Guild
May 6	3 – 5 PM	Film: American Docs Presents <i>Walking the Camino and Heaven</i>
May 7	7 – 8 PM	Music: Robyn Spangler, Cabaret Singer
May 10	10 AM – Noon	Book Discussion Group: <i>Running the Books</i>
May 15	7 – 8:30 PM	Film: <i>Steamboat Bill, Jr.</i>
June 1	2 – 4 PM	Palm Springs Writers Guild
June 3	3 – 5 PM	Film: American Docs Presents <i>Wampler's Ascent and Nyosha</i>
June 5	7 – 8:45 PM	Musical Lecture: Palm Springs Opera Guild Presents <i>Jewish Composers and the Creation of the American Musical</i>
June 5	5:30 – 7 PM	Family Night: Summer Reading Club Sign-Up and Craft
June 8	4 – 5 PM	Music: Desert Winds Freedom Band
June 14	10 AM – Noon	Book Discussion Group: <i>Falling Off the Map</i>

VOLUNTEERS

During **April 2013** 49 volunteers provided **751** hours of service.

During **May 2013** 42 volunteers provided **565** hours of service.

During **June 2013** 59 volunteers provided **738** hours of service

PERSONNEL/CONTINUING EDUCATION

Library Clerk, **Kelly Sinlao** graduated from San Jose State Univ. completing her Master of Library and Information Science Degree in May.

Librarian, **Melissa Bruecks**, now writes a monthly column for *Rancho Mirage Life* a broadly distributed free magazine. Melissa recommends new books our Library has acquired.

Staff continues to seek free or low cost webinars to provide continuing education on their computer screens. Most of these learning opportunities include live interchanges between participants, lively Q & A, and much sharing of what works...and doesn't.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Projects in Construction

CP 12-271: NEW ROLLED CURB AND PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION IN DESERT SUN RANCH (KERSTEN ROAD, DESERT SUN DRIVE, KEENAN DRIVE, KAYE BALLARD LANE)

Bid opening took place on June 20th. The City received a total of seven (7) bids, with Golden Valley Construction as the apparent low bidder at \$553,247.65. Awarding will take place at the July 18, 2013 City Council meeting. The project will construct wedge curb and gutter, full street reconstruction and installation of sanitary sewer on Kersten Road and the easterly portion of Kaye Ballard Lane. The project improvements are tentatively scheduled to begin in mid-August 2013 and take 60 days to complete.

CP 13-288: MONTEREY AVENUE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION (AVENIDA LAS PALMAS TO SOUTH CITY LIMITS)

This is a joint project with the City of Palm Desert, who is lead agency. Work includes roadway improvements and storm drains. The project is currently under construction with project completion by late August 2013.

Projects in Design

CP 06-225: FRANK SINATRA/HIGHWAY 111 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

This project will improve the safety and capacity of the intersection by way of additional left turn lanes and traffic signal modifications. The NEPA/CEQA environmental clearance process is complete and final design is complete. City staff is in the process of finalizing right-of-way certification with Caltrans and submitting the Request for Construction Authorization. The City received a \$900,000 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) State Grant, which will fund the majority of the project improvements. Construction is tentatively scheduled to commence in the summer 2014.

CP 12-269: FRANK SINATRA DRIVE BRIDGE AT WHITEWATER RIVER

The City received a \$35 million Highway Bridge Program (HBP) State Grant to construct an all-weather bridge to replace the current low water crossing that no longer serves its intended purpose. URS Corporation is the City's consultant analyzing Project Alternatives and preparing the Environmental Document (PA&ED) for the project. The PA&ED commenced on October 1, 2012 and will take 18 months to complete. If all goes as planned a bridge can be constructed starting in 2016 and be completed within 12-15 months thereafter.

CP 12-275: MEDIAN ISLAND LANDSCAPING REDEVELOPMENT ON HIGHWAY 111 (PAXTON DRIVE TO BOB HOPE DRIVE, INCLUDING THE PARKWAY ALONG FRONTAGE ROAD, FROM SAN JACINTO DRIVE TO BUTTON DRIVE)

This rehabilitation project will remove existing shrubs, portions of stamped concrete, and the old irrigation and electrical lighting systems. New drought-tolerant shrubs, drip irrigation and LED electrical lighting will be installed. Design plans are complete and construction is tentatively scheduled for spring of 2014, with a 90-day construction period and a 90-day maintenance period.

CP 12-276: MEDIAN ISLAND LANDSCAPING REDEVELOPMENT ON BOB HOPE DRIVE (FRANK SINATRA DRIVE TO COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE) & CP 12-278: MEDIAN ISLAND LANDSCAPING REDEVELOPMENT ON FRANK SINATRA DRIVE (MORNINGSIDE DRIVE TO BOB HOPE DRIVE)

This rehabilitation project will remove existing shrubs and the existing Robusta palm trees due to their increasing maintenance costs. The project will also remove the old irrigation and electrical lighting systems. Once the demo work is completed, new drought-tolerant shrubs and Filifera palms will be planted, as well as constructing a new drip irrigation and LED electrical lighting. Design plans are complete and construction is tentatively scheduled for spring of 2014, with a 90-day construction period and a 90-day maintenance period.

CP 12-284: WHITEWATER PARK EXPANSION

See the Planning Department Section of the Quarterly Report for details.

Other News

LOCAL AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PM10 CONTROLS

The City's new PM10 ordinance is in effect. All projects that require grading or demolition permits must submit a Dust Mitigation Plan, which we call the Local Air Quality Management Plan (or LAQMP) signed by the owner, contractor and a certified individual through the SCAQMD dust mitigation course. In response to the South Coast Air Quality Management District's "Guidelines for Dust Control Plan Review," and a growing concern that dust is not being controlled adequately, we have now updated our standard LAQMP forms. It is available as a 24" x 36" mylar to be attached with the grading plans or is available with the newly updated Standard Drawings by e-mail upon request. This way, the public is able to print their own.

RECYCLING NEWS IN RANCHO MIRAGE

- Document Shredding / Electronic Waste (e-waste) collection event at the City Library

The City conducted a paper shredding/e-waste event on Saturday, May 4, 2013 (the second of three we hold each year). This was the first time we held the event at the Rancho Mirage Public Library parking lot, as we recently outgrew City Hall's parking lot due to a growing number of residents using the event. The additional room at the Library's west-end paved lot provided the extra room we needed. As usual, the hours of operation were from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and residents were limited to five (5) boxes of material to be shredded. We also added a third shredding truck, which enabled us to accommodate every person who used the event.

- Recycling at Kraft-Nabisco Golf Tournament

The City provided recycling receptacle boxes at the Kraft-Nabisco Golf Tournament in early April. Redemption value of cans and bottles collected at the event totaled over \$2,000, which was deposited into our Recycling Fund 251 to be used for future promotion of recycling.

- Hazardous Household Waste (HHW) and Sharps (Needle) Collection

The City continues its free pickup of household hazardous waste (HHW) and sharps (e.g. needles) for the residents of Rancho Mirage. If a Rancho Mirage resident wishes to dispose of either HHW or sharps, an appointment must be made by calling 1-800-449-7587. Residents who have ordered a HHW/Sharps collection may also leave out e-waste on the same day, which will also be picked up at no charge.

- Bulky Item Pickup

The City continues to offer free bulky item pickup for Burrtec's residential customers that live in the City. Residential customers need to call Burrtec at 760-340-2113 to make an appointment. Bulky items are picked up on the same day the customer's trash is picked up.

- Construction and Demolition (C&D) Debris Recycling

Gary Calhoun, a contract Resource Conservation Consultant with Evergreen Recycling Solutions, continues to monitor all construction sites in Rancho Mirage and assist contractors in their efforts to recycle. In the past, this type of waste was taken to landfills, but that practice is no longer allowed.

- Food Waste Recycling

There are thirty-six (36) Rancho Mirage restaurants, resorts and country clubs successfully recycling food waste. It has been estimated that food scraps comprise up to 20% of the waste stream going to landfills. With State mandates to reduce waste going to landfills, Rancho Mirage's food scrap program helps the City reduce its waste stream. Also, residents can help by composting food scraps in their own backyards. Residents are also allowed free drop offs of yard waste at Burrtec's facility in Palm Desert.

PERMITS ISSUED DURING APRIL - JUNE 2013 (as of 6/28/13)

Grading	11
Encroachment	32
Transportation	22
Pool Drainage	7
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL:	72

If the public wishes any additional information on any projects, please contact the Department of Public Works at (760) 770-3224

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS

The following chart is an up-to-date list of ongoing Council Subcommittees with work in progress. Subcommittee members include Council members and others completing work on City projects. This chart provides a progress report for the established subcommittees and the status of the projects:

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS			
GROUP	MEMBERS INCLUDE	STATUS	SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT
<p>Affordable Housing Design Subcommittee</p> <p>Originally formed at 10-16-03 Council meeting and tasked with redesign of Santa Rosa Villas; reconfigured 9-14-04 by Ron Meepos.</p>	<p><u>Council:</u> Mayor Kite Councilmember Weill</p> <p><u>Staff Assistance:</u> Econ. Dev. and Housing Mgr. Smith City Engineer Enos City Manager Bynder</p>	<p><u>Assignment:</u> To assist in the site planning and unit design for sites held by the Housing Authority for affordable units.</p> <p><u>Status:</u> Subcommittee met in July with a developer wishing to substitute 40 acres on Ramon Road. The project is being redesigned based on input from staff.</p>	<p>Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.</p>
<p>Audit/Budget Subcommittee</p> <p>Formed 7-14-05 by memo from Alan Seman.</p> <p>On 05-18-06 combined Audit with Budget Subcommittee.</p>	<p><u>Council:</u> Mayor Kite Councilmember Hobart</p> <p><u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Finance Dir. Hagerman Other Dept. Dir. or staff as needed.</p>	<p><u>Assignment:</u> Subcommittee to: 1) Specifically review the procedures concerning the process of the annual (financial) audit; 2) Meet with City Manager and Dept. Directors to review mid-year and year-end budget adjustments (as needed), the two-year budget and ten-year budget projections.</p> <p><u>Status:</u> (7-09-13) 1) CAFR and related reports were received by Council at the June 6, 2013 City Council meeting. 2) The FY 13-14 and 14-15 budget was approved by City Council at the June 20, 2013 meeting. The ten year projection is schedule to be completed in August/2013. Finance is currently reviewing the way information is presented as part of the 10 year projection to make it a more relevant projection.</p> <p><u>Photovoltaic Solar Projects</u></p> <p>Since the February 21, 2013 City Council approval to move forward with the design and feasibility phase of the proposed solar projects for the City Yard, City Hall and Section 19, staff has had several discussions with the subcommittee to provide updates on the progress of the consultant. Financing options have been the primary topic of discussion, and a final staff recommendation on project feasibility and financing is anticipated in the Fall.</p> <p><u>Burrtec Solid Waste and Recycling Contract Negotiations</u></p> <p>Staff and the city's consultant have provided several updates on the contract negotiations currently underway between staff and Burrtec. Several more discussions will be necessary prior to staff presenting the contract to the full city council for approval, which is anticipated in the Fall. In June, the City Council extended the existing Burrtec contract on a month-to-month</p>	<p>Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.</p>

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS			
GROUP	MEMBERS INCLUDE	STATUS	SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT
		bases until the new agreement is ready to be finalized.	
Chamber of Commerce Subcommittee	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Smotrich Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts Econ. Dev. and Housing Mgr. Smith	<u>Assignment:</u> Coordinate with members of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber's Executive Director related to services provided to the City by the Chamber. <u>Status:</u> Subcommittee meets with Chamber officials on a bi-monthly basis. The subcommittee last met on January 8, 2013 to discuss the future schedule for Team Rancho Mirage meetings and other upcoming events. The March 5 th meeting was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts.	Subject to the Brown Act as a standing committee.
Commercial Development Subcommittee Formed 9-20-07 by memo from Mayor Hobart.	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Kite Councilmember Hobart <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts Planning Mgr. Dev. Kopp	<u>Assignment:</u> To review proposed and recently submitted commercial development projects. <u>Status:</u> The subcommittee met on March 13, 2013 to discuss future projects in Section 19 and again on March 19, 2013 to receive an update on the Ritz-Carlton.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Eisenhower Medical Center Subcommittee Formed 4-19-07 Council meeting	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hobart Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts Planning Mgr. Kopp <u>EMC Representatives:</u> Aubrey Serfling, President & CEO Ali Tourkaman, VP, Facilities & Construction	<u>Assignment:</u> To work cooperatively with representatives of Eisenhower Medical Center to ensure an effective partnership between EMC and the City on various concerns and topics of interest. <u>Status:</u> EMC notified staff that many proposed projects have been eliminated or scaled back. Staff met with Eisenhower Medical Center in October and they do not have any major projects scheduled for 2013.	Subject to the Brown Act as a standing committee.
Golf Club Subcommittee Formed 9-19-02 Council meeting Per an email of 9/8/08 from then Mayor Meepos.	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Hines Councilmember Kite <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Contract Specialist Griego	<u>Assignment:</u> Golf Club for residents implemented January 1, 2003. Reconvene periodically to consider program modifications, terms and conditions of contract with provider, fees charged, etc. <u>Status:</u> The subcommittee met on June 21, 2013 to discuss the program. Negotiations are ongoing. The 2013 Golf Club has a total of 912 members.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
McCallum Theatre Subcommittee Formed 11-21-02 Council meeting	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Kite Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Mgt Analyst Wilson	<u>Assignment:</u> Provide direction in implementation of a funding agreement with McCallum Theater. <u>Status:</u> No action to report this quarter. The City budgeted \$40,000 for the McCallum Theatre in FY13-14 and FY14-15. The subcommittee met with Mitch Gershenfeld and chose three programs to sponsor. As part of the City's sponsorship, residents will receive a discount on three shows and the City has advertising at the McCallum Theatre during the shows.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Mobilehome Liaison Subcommittee Formed 03-17-05 Council meeting. At 04-21-05 Council meeting it was noted that Ron Meepos	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hobart Councilmember Weill <u>Community Member:</u> Mobilehome Park representative(s) to be invited as necessary.	<u>Assignment:</u> Promote communication and develop a productive working relationship between mobilehome park HOAs, mobilehome park owners and residents of mobilehome parks. Also develop an enforcement system to carry out the Mobilehome Fair Practices Commission decisions and findings.	Subject to the Brown Act as a standing committee.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS			
GROUP	MEMBERS INCLUDE	STATUS	SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT
had replaced Harvey Gerber.	<u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Attorney Quintanilla Econ. Dev. and Housing Mgr. Smith	<u>Status:</u> No activity to report.	
Public Safety Subcommittee Formed on 6/16/13 Council Meeting	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Smotrich Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Svc. Dir. Malcolm-Valente	<u>Assignment:</u> To meet, discuss and advise on public safety issues, programs, matters and fiscal matters. <u>Status:</u> No meetings have been held.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Section 19 Specific Plan Subcommittee Formed 12-15-05	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hines Councilmember Hobart <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Planning Mgr. Kopp Dir. of Public Works Harry Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts	<u>Assignment:</u> To meet with staff, consultant and invited property owners for the development of a Specific Plan in Section 19, which has now been drafted. <u>Status:</u> The Subcommittee met on June 20, 2013 with City staff and representatives from CVWD and Quorum Realty Funds to discuss the status of infrastructure development in Section 19. The next update will be in the Fall.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Section 30 Planning Subcommittee Formed 5-20-10 Council Meeting	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hines Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Planning Mgr. Kopp Dir. of Public Works Harry Econ. Dev. and Housing Mgr. Smith	<u>Assignment:</u> To review future development alternatives in Section 30, including property owned by the City of Rancho Mirage. <u>Status:</u> No recent meetings have been held.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Section 31 Subcommittee Formed 9-14-04 by memo from Ron Meepos	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hobart Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder City Attorney Quintanilla Planning Mgr. Kopp City Engineer Enos Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts	<u>Assignment:</u> To discuss terms and conditions of a settlement agreement and development agreement between the City and property owners to allow a Partition Agreement to proceed. <u>Status:</u> No recent meetings have been held.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Senior Citizen Advisory Subcommittee Formed 9-20-07 by memo from Mayor Hobart	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hines Councilmember Weill <u>Community Member:</u> Resident(s) of Housing Authority projects <u>Staff Assistance:</u> Econ. Dev. and Housing Mgr. Smith	<u>Assignment:</u> To continue the Council's liaison with the senior community. <u>Status:</u> No activity to report.	Subject to the Brown Act as a standing committee.
Special Assistance Funds (SAF) Subcommittee Formed 7-18-02 Council Meeting 10-26-04 Ron Meepos appointed Harvey Gerber to serve in his place.	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Smotrich Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> Contract Specialist Griego	<u>Assignment:</u> Review and recommend changes in policies and evaluation criteria. Review submitted applications for funds and report back to Council with funding allocation recommendations. <u>Status:</u> The FY 13/14 SAF Application and Guideline packets were mailed out on June 21, 2013, and deadline to submit is July 22, 2013. The subcommittee will reconvene thereafter to	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES WITH WORK IN PROGRESS			
GROUP	MEMBERS INCLUDE	STATUS	SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT
10-20-05 Council appointed Richard Kite to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Gerber.		prioritize requests.	
Sphere of Influence (SOI) Subcommittee Formed 06-07-06 Special Council Meeting	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Smotrich Councilmember Hobart <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Planning Mgr. Kopp Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts	<u>Assignment:</u> Review and analyze information and data related to City's Sphere-of-Influence (SOI). <u>Status:</u> A meeting of the subcommittee was held on March 28, 2013 to discuss a potential future project for Section 24 and annexation	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Sustainability Subcommittee Name changed from Solid Waste/ Recycling Subcommittee to Sustainability Subcommittee at 6-25-09 Council Meeting. Formed 6-17-04 Council Meeting	<u>Council:</u> Councilmember Hines Councilmember Weill <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Manager Bynder Project Mgr. Viegas	<u>Assignment:</u> Meet on an as-needed basis to discuss issues related to sustainability. <u>Status:</u> The Subcommittee met on May 28 th to discuss the solar project at the City Yard. The primary purpose was to update the subcommittee on the consultant's progress and to fine-tune some of the deal points. A meeting was held on April 18, 2013 to discuss the Draft Greenhouse Gas Inventory (GHG) Sustainability Plan and Energy Action Plan. Staff will be circulating the Environmental Assessment for the project in July and bring the plans to the Council for final Consideration in September.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee.
Tourism, Marketing and Special Events Subcommittee Formed 1-2005 by Ron Meepos; modified in conjunction with Marketing Plan approved by City Council in 12-2007.	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Pro Tem Smotrich Councilmember Hobart <u>Staff Assistance:</u> City Mgr. Bynder Dev. Svcs. Dir. Watts Marketing Mgr. Barrett	<u>Assignment:</u> Develop a theme for Rancho Mirage tourism; create an effective and user-friendly format to market Rancho Mirage tourism opportunities via the Internet; pursue group marketing of Rancho Mirage tourism; and promote Rancho Mirage hotels as a place to hold conferences, business meetings, and other special events. <u>Status:</u> The subcommittee last met on April 10, 2013 to discuss design and security up-grades to the City's website as well as proposed enhancement for MirageScape.	Exempt from Brown Act as an advisory committee; related Tourism Advisory Committee subject to the Brown Act as a standing committee.
Zoning Ordinance Update Subcommittee Formed 11/08/10 by then Mayor Kite	<u>Council:</u> Mayor Kite Councilmember Hobart <u>Staff Assistance:</u> Planning Mgr. Kopp	<u>Assignment:</u> To meet with staff pursuant to Municipal Code Section 17.02.030 to discuss a list of potential corrections, clarifications, interpretations and recommended updates to the Zoning Ordinance (Municipal Code Title 17) <u>Status:</u> A Zoning Ordinance Subcommittee meeting was held on May 16, 2013 to discuss a proposed development in the Tamarisk area that may require a Development Agreement. The City Council approved a new group of zoning amendments at their June 6, 2013 meeting.	