



LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY FORUM

July 27, 2016

A G E N D A

Jim Vigdor, Presiding
8:00 a.m. Simi Valley Chamber Boardroom

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| I. | Call to Order | Jim Vigdor |
| II. | Self-Introductions | |
| III. | Approval of Minutes | Jim Vigdor |
| IV. | <u>Legislative Updates</u>
Congresswoman Brownley
Congressman Knight
Senator Pavley
Assemblyman Wilk
Supervisor Foy
City of Simi Valley
Rancho Simi Recreation & Park District
US Chamber of Commerce | Jason Barnes
Mary Bandini
Marie Lakin
Pam Campeau
Brian Miller
Brian Gabler
Elaine Freeman
Jennings Imel |

Other Agencies:

CalState Channel Islands, Job & Career Center, Metropolitan Water District,

- VII. Other Business

Candidate Forum: October 5, 2016 - Grand Vista Hotel

Next Meeting: August 24, 8:00 a.m.

- VIII. Adjourn

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Legislative Advocacy Forum Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 22, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 a.m. by Jim Vigdor

Attendees

Mary Bandini – Congressman Steve Knight
Melanie Vollbrecht - AXICOM
Pam Campeau – Assemblyman Scott Wilk
Denis Weber – California United Bank
Kathy Van Etten – Simi Valley Chamber
Jim Vigdor – ALCOA Fastening Systems and Rings
Linda Martinez – Simi Valley Chamber
Brian Miller – Supervisor Foy's Office

Legislative Updates - N/A

Mary Bandini – Congressman Steve Knight

Mentor Protégé Program: In order to qualify as a recipient of the program you have to be a woman owned small business, a disable veteran small business, severely disable or an historically unutilized zone. Packet includes step-by-step list which includes website that walks you through the process. Mentor and Protégé are solely responsible for finding their counterpart. Program has been in effect since 1991.

On the Federal Note, the Federal Appeals Court upheld the FCC net neutrality. ATT and Verizon were trying to prioritize the Internet, went to Supreme Court, Supreme Court said you cannot prioritize the Internet, this is a public resource.

Pam Campeau – Assemblyman Scott Wilk

Scott Wilk will be in Simi Valley at least one day in July (date undetermined). Pam will be putting together a schedule for Scott. If you know of any businesses that would like to have him, let Pam know. First Street Bridge clearance ARC134, hope to do this the same day, also will present Business of the Month. No date set for July just yet.

Proposition 47 loosen up the jails. Jails are almost at capacity and with that crime stats are up. Assemblyman joined with Assemblyman Tom Lackey who represents Palmdale also joined with Law Enforcement and small businesses to fight organized crime. AB2287, bill to fight organized crime.

Brian Miller – Supervisor Peter Foy

State of California was sued for not providing adequate long term mental health care to those who were in need. Our jails do not have the facility to take care of the mentally ill. Jeff Dean proposing a 61M expansion for the mentally ill and long term interim. Design being put together now, construction to take place in about 1 year, program to take approximately 3 years to build.

Board approved a 5 year contract with Taser International for 325 body cameras for Sheriff's department. 325 stun guns go along with this package.

County completed the weed abatement for the year, we must remove brush within 100 feet of our homes must be completed by June 1, if not met it will be completed for the homeowner and this cost they will see on their property tax bill.

Channel Islands Harbor, what to do about revitalizing the harbor, more apartments in that area, it will support shops, restaurants, residents against this, they have protested, a 320 unit apartment was approved mixed type of apartments 3,700 square feet of retail commercial space.

Approximately 2 Berry farmers that are laying off employees and moving their operations to Mexico, with high cost of land and minimum wage going up makes it difficult to compete with other areas that do not have those things.

County passed their budget on Monday \$2.17Billion, 6% increase from last year in health care service field.

Mary Bandini – Congressman Steve Knight

Congressman will be here on July 1st. Any businesses that would like to have him come by, let Mary know.

Jim Vigdor (closing)

Next meeting will be here on July 27, 2016

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Recorded by: Linda Martinez