October 2009

Mountain View Community Council News

Mountain View Community Center
315 North Price Street
October 12, 2009

7:00 Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of September Minutes
Approval of Treasurer's Report
Approval of October Agenda
Introductions

7:20 Reports and Announcements

Assembly Report - Patrick Flynn
Legislative Report - Sen. Wielechowski/Rep. Gruenberg
Written Reports - Community Center, Mountain View Patrol, Job Center, Crime Committee, Code Enforcement, Neighborhood Plan, Other prepared by Amy Grant, ACLT

Guest Speakers for October 12, 2009:

8:00 Cook Inlet Housing Authority- Jeff Judd
8:10 Clark Community Health Clinic Update- Cessilye Williams
8:20 Student Art in Mountain View- Stacy Smith & Bruce Farnsworth
8:30 H2H Project- Julianne Hansen
8:40 Old Business-
8:50 New Business

Next Council Executive Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 5:30 PM
Anchorage Community Land Trust Building
This is an open meeting - You are welcome

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Police Introduce Crime Mapping System

Anchorage Police Department Crime Analysis Department in cooperation with Crimemapping.com, has made it possible for members of the public to be notified by e-mail about reports of crime occurring in their neighborhoods. This service is updated on a daily basis on regular work days.

In order to subscribe to this free service, go online to the Municipality of Anchorage website: www.muni.org . On the homepage, click on "Public Safety" in the blue banner line at the top of the page. When the Public Safety homepage comes up, click on "Police Department." On the Police Department homepage, click on the "Crime Statistics and Maps" tab in the left column. When the Crime Statistics Homepage comes up, in the right column under "Related Links," click on "Interactive Crime Map." This will bring up a dual banner for the APD Crime Map and CRIMEMAPPING.com.

Click on the words CRIMEMAPPING.com™ . On the following screen, choose "Receive Crime Alerts!" from the black banner at the top of the page, and follow the 5 step instructions. Subscribers can choose a Buffer Distance (that is a distance around the address they enter) of up to 2 miles to automatically receive notification of reports of crime occurring in that area. It is a great way for folks to keep up with what is happening in their neighborhoods.

If web surfers would rather miss out on experiencing the Municipality of Anchorage's new informative website, they can go directly to: http://www.crimemapping.com/subscriptions/Subscribe.aspx to subscribe. Please be sure to check out www.muni.org for information about the Municipality of Anchorage, its various municipal departments and current activities.

Natalia Soto from the Municipal Library & Don Crandall on the new MV Branch

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President's Message
Don Crandall, MVCC President

Mountain View rocks! You can say that literally about our Beach Boys Concert that took place courtesy of Lucky Strike Lanes on Septemb er 22. Our Vice President and Photographer, Glenn Howson, took the pictures on pages 4 and 5. In fact, Glenn's photos have really changed the appearance of the Mountain View newsletter. He has been able to capture great photos of our residents as well as speakers at our Community Council meetings and the special events that take place in our neighborhood. Glenn is one of literally an army of volunteers who make this neighborhood one of the best for living and working in this fine city which we all enjoy. The tickets to the Beach Boys, for example, were at no charge to the many residents who were able to enjoy the concert. Some of the pictures of our neighborhood residents shown on the Beach Boys pages were taken at the Mountain View Festival on August 8 which was put on by another great new neighbor, Credit Union 1 which is building a bank on the corner of Mountain View Drive and Bragaw. Credit Union 1, Lucky Strike, Dr. Rick Kunz, our new dentist, the Mountain View Diner with its great tasting food have made this a place you can really enjoy living!

City Refuse Utility Expands Automated Collection, Recycling

Solid Waste Services, the Municipal trash collection utility, is expanding its residential automated collection program from 3,400 to more than 7,000 customers next week.

Automated collections customers will receive utility-provided roll carts for trash and recycling. The rate structure is called "Pay-as-You-Throw" (PAYT) with the amount customers pay proportionate to their level of trash service. Most customers have chosen either a 48-gallon weekly service ($19.10/month) or 64-gallon weekly service ($26.56/month). All customers also receive every-other-week collection of a 96-gallon recycling cart.

"The initial move to automated trash collections was to modernize our vehicle fleet, reduce worker injuries and make trash routes more efficient," said Brian Vanderwood, SWS collection foreman. "The Municipality is seizing the opportunity of automated collections to provide better service for our customers with variable rates and recycling. The roll carts used by the automated trucks will also make our neighborhoods look better as they will replace the piles of cans, bags and loose trash that are currently set out at the curb." (article continues next page)

(Con't) Automated Trucks, Pay-as-You-Throw Trash Service and Curbside Recycling

- Automated trucks are more efficient and can pick up 710 stops per day while the routes served by manual collections pick up 440 stops per day.
- Automated trucks almost completely eliminate drivers getting out of the truck and lifting waste, thereby reducing the potential for injury and workers compensation
- When fully implemented, the program will employ the same number of drivers but will provide more service to customers – picking up both trash and recycling at the curb.
- Customers are able to choose the level of service they need and pay accordingly. Seventy-four percent of our customers responded to choose their cart size; 64% chose a 48-gallon trash cart and 17% of those customers chose every-other-week service, thus reducing their monthly SWS bills.
- One-third of SWS customers received automated service last fall. These customers are recycling an average of 22% of their waste stream.

Providing curbside recycling as part of the PAYT service provides residents with another option to reduce their trash volumes and monthly bills. Acceptable recyclables to be placed in the recycling carts include seven categories of recyclables including mixed paper, newspaper, cardboard, More information on the program can be found at *www.muni.org/sws*

The Solid Waste Services refuse collection utility provides residential waste collection services to approximately 12,500 Anchorage households.

Anti-Graffitti Campaign Has Many Volunteers

Led by Niki Burrows, Don Crandall and Clare Noll, a number of people have joined to resist and eliminated graffitti in Mountain View's new tunnel. The meetings have included Tech Pro's Scott Rees who records every image in the tunnel and Officer Scott Lofthouse who keeps a lid on graffitti throughout the city, Rob Wood from the Division ov Juvenile Justice, Nancy Beardsley, Barb Henjum from DJJ and David Alexander.

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Lucky Strike Lanes Brought the Beach Boys to Mountain View on September 22 and residents were admitted to a free concert by a neighbor which has improved the bowling alley and provided recreation and entertainment.

Photos courtesy of Glenn Howson