

Cathedral City HOA Council

Recap of Meeting June 21, 2012

HOA Members Represented

Aldea – the Vistas
Candelwood Villas II
Canyon Shores
Cathedral Canyon #1
Cathedral Canyon #5

Cathedral Canyon #17
Cathedral Canyon #18
La Pasada
Montage at Mission Hills

Legal Counsel: Jennifer James, Attorney at Law – Epstein, Grinnell & Howell

Speakers Present

Lt. Glenn Haas – Cathedral City Police
Diana Garcia – Account Executive Community Solutions, Time Warner Cable

Welcome: Al Hallinan, Chair

Treasurer's Report – To be distributed

Guest Speaker – Lt. Glenn Haas – Cathedral City Police – “RAIDSONLINE.COM”

Information presented supplemented with information from the website:

www.raidsonline.com

Lt. Haas provided an overview and demonstration of the RAIDOnline (Regional Analysis & Information Sharing) – crime statistics information system. The system has information on crimes reported within Cathedral City since August 16, 2010. Cathedral City is the only city in Riverside County to participate in the system currently. There are 35 other Cities and Counties within California currently participating.

The system is provided by BAIR (Behavioral Analysis & Intelligence Resources) Analytics. They have over 20 years experience in providing such information world wide for participating agencies.

The system provides icons indicating reported crimes in map and table formats. There are 27 selectable categories of crimes. Date ranges may be selected for analysis. You may zoom in to block level areas for analysis.

The Police Department has lost their Crime Analyst due to budget cuts so they will be using RAIDOnline as their primary information and analysis source.

Lt. Haas said that Cathedral City typically has a lower crime rate than all other Coachella Valley Cities. About 5% of the people are the principal crime element – the number of crimes committed at any point in time is most dependant on who is in jail.

Police work is a people job, talking to people to get information. Growing up and working in the City provides him with the ability to find the people, that know the people that commit many of the crimes.

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Cathedral City receives 5500 to 7000 calls per month.

Crimes have gone up due to all the prisoner releases. Burglars have virtually no consequences today – maybe a day or two in jail before released on probation.

The Cathedral City Police receive about 5800 residential alarms per year. Less than 0.2% are for valid problems.

Law enforcement is behind the curve on identity theft. He described a scenario of a group that moves into an empty house in foreclosure, begin furnishing it, they pay the owner a trivial short sale amount, they go to court and get a judge to validate the sale. Then the bank holding the trust deed finds out and tries to evict the squatters from their house. They ask the police to help them get possession. The DA wont press charges because they cannot figure out who owns the house – a judge has declared that the squatters own the house, not the bank.

The squatters sell the house and move into another vacant foreclosed house.

Guest Speaker – Diana Garcia – Account Executive Community Solutions, Time Warner Cable – “Packaging for Bulk Associations”

Diana handed out “A Rich History of Vision, Innovation & Leadership” by Time Warner Cable that describes the history of accomplishments of the company.

They provide a hybrid fiber optics/coax cable network. Each fiber optic strand is capable of carrying 1 analog channel or 6 digital channels.

She is responsible for the bulk business – bulk discounts are available for HOAs or apartment complexes with greater than 10 units.

Most contracts are for 5 years. They must cover 100% of the units, 100% of the time.

An example of the savings:

- Standard fee for channels 1-72 is \$70 per month
- A HOA with 100 units the bulk fee would be \$36

The larger the number of units, the larger the bulk discounts available.

Bulk pricing is also available for internet and phone services.

Individual homeowners may pay directly for everything over and above the contract bulk services.

Bulk rates are guaranteed to have no more than a \$1 per unit per year increase during the term of the contract.

63% of gated communities currently have bulk contracts.

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Most communities get started by putting several available alternatives to a vote by their membership. The community must pay for the contracted bulk services for 100% of the units, but not every unit needs to participate. Kind of like the community fitness center or pool – it is a benefit available and you pay for it in you dues, but you don't have to use it.

Email her and she can provide analysis of what discounts might be available.

Diana.Garcia@twcable.com

Open Forum – None

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Handouts – in addition to those mentioned above:

None

Website – <http://hoapresidentscouncil.com> , Click on “Cathedral City”

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 19, 2012 at the Salvation Army Headquarters, 30400 Landau Blvd., Cathedral City (between Ramon & Vista Chino)

Tom Tousignant, Recorder