



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, July 21st, 2026 @ 7pm

LOCATION: Ladera Ranch Middle School

LRCC ATTENDEES: J Ocana - Chair
John Gresko – Vice Chair
Lori McClaskey – Secretary
Kati McIlroy – Treasurer (NOT IN ATTENDANCE)
Tafa Jefferson – Councilmember

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

III. CALL TO ORDER – Comments from Chair

IV. REVIEW MINUTES – Secretary, Lori McClaskey (Submitted)

V. TREASURER’S REPORT – Treasurer, Kati McIlroy (Submitted)

VI. EXTERNAL REPORTS

- a. CHP UPDATE – Officer Brian Kinsey: Covers Ladera and RMV. New ebike laws starting Jan 2027(6)? 20 miles per hours max or can be impounded. Event next week at SJC Community Event Center. There will also be an event with Cate Sanchez Office in October. If we see something concerning, call their office.
- b. OCSD UPDATE – Captain Naomi Hernandez: They are taking proactive efforts for ebike enforcement and have been towing motorcycles and modified ebikes.
- c. Community Governance/ Legislative
 1. State Assemblywomen Sanchez: Heath concerns are deeply concerning. They are meeting with people to conduct investigations, independent testing of groundwater, air, pesticide use, etc. Examination of where children spend their times. Thanks to Mike Levin and others for supporting an investigation. Thanks to LARMAC for pausing herbicide use. Don’t jump to conclusions, but don’t dismiss legitimate concerns. Sent a letter to Governor Newson requesting an investigation. There will be various investigations.
 2. County Supervisor Foley: Pledge to support the community to understand what is happening in Ladera and how to change some of the practices here to have a healthier community. Last year, concerned citizens of Ladera requested an investigation. Their Office contacted the California Cancer Registry and the state determined there was not a pattern, but their data was limited to 2021. May of this year, they asked the state to re-institute their investigation and that is underway. The Agricultural Commission is

also involved. She is in favor of a dashboard. Whether or not the pesticides caused the cancers, we need to stop pesticides because its unhealthy for the community. They have paused pesticides in the County of Orange. They need alternatives, though they may cost more. She will continue to advocate for the state to investigate.

3. Kim Carr on behalf of Senator Blakespear: Senator remains committed to getting Ladera the answers it deserves. She is committed to environmental health. She is advocating for a thorough transparent investigation.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Economic Development – (no report)
- b. Safety & Security Committee – (no report)
- c. Infrastructure Committee - (no report)
- d. Community Governance/ Legislative - John Gresko: We sent a letter on July 10th to LARMAC requesting a moratorium. They responded with a 60 day ban on pesticides.

VIII. ADJOURNED at 7:30 p.m.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – OPEN FORUM