

Desert Edge Community Council Agenda
4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 2024
In-Person Meeting

70200 Dillon Road (Caliente Springs Resort, Ferris Hall), Desert Edge, CA 92241

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Approval of the Minutes:** January 9, 2024
5. **Councilmember Reports and Comments**
6. **Staff Reports:** *Presenters must direct their report to the council. At the conclusion of the presentation, Chair may allow questions. Each speaker must first be recognized by the Chair.*
 - A. Office of Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, Alexis Perez (760) 863-8211, AlexPerez@RIVCO.ORG
 - B. CAL Fire: Captain James Kinda, James.Kinda@fire.ca.gov
 - C. Code Enforcement: Kevin Bachant (760) 393-3344 <http://rctlma.org/ce/> , KBachant@Rivco.org
 - D. CHP: Officer Rafael Espinosa, (760) 772-5300, rafael.espinosa@chp.ca.gov
 - E. Sheriff's Department: Lt. Michael Tapp, mtapp@riversidesheriff.org
 - F. Emergency Management Department: Josh Holkesvig, joshua.holkesvig@RIVCO.ORG
 - G. Riverside University Health System – Public Health: Daisy E. Ramirez Bell, DRamirez@ruhealth.org
 - H. Other Departments and Public Agencies
7. **Old Business:**
8. **New Business:** *Presenters must direct their report to the council. At the conclusion of the presentation, Chair may allow questions. Each speaker must first be recognized by the Chair.*
 - A. Desert Edge Mobility Plan Interactive Workshop - Michael Nilsson, mnilsson@hwlochner.com
9. **Public comments:**

All persons wishing to address the Council on items not specifically on the agenda or on matters of general interest may do so at this time. Please limit your remarks to 3 minutes.
10. **Agenda Items for next meeting**
11. **Adjourn meeting**

2024 meeting schedule: ~~January 9~~, March 12, May 14, September 10, and November 12

Sharon Huddleston Vice-Chair wshud511@aol.com 760-992-4748 June 30, 2025	Ronita Taylor Member Ronitat25@gmail.com 760-422-9441 June 30, 2024	Vacant	Cindy Nance Secretary cyntheses@earthlink.net et 760-251-1955 June 30, 2024	Dick Madison Chair dmadisonjr@yahoo.com m 714-271-5049 June 30, 2025
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*Please visit Supervisor Perez' Web site to access more information: www.RivCo4.org
Accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act are available upon request. Please contact Alexis Perez 72 hours before the meeting at (760) 863-8211 or email: Alexperez@rivco.org*

Desert Edge Community Council Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2024, 70200 Dillon Road, Rudolph Roo

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Dick Madison at 4:38 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dick Madison.
3. **Roll Call:** all council members were present, there was a quorum.
4. **Approval of the Minutes:** November 14, 2023 minutes unanimously approved without revisions.
5. **Councilmember Reports and Comments:** Cindy inquired about school bus stop warning signs – Denis Acuna email response 2 in Desert Edge and 15 in Sky Valley, located per existing school bus stop locations established by Palm Springs Unified School District. Dick reported on grand opening with Desert Hot Springs mayor in attendance of 90-unit “tiny house” development, south of Corkill Park north of flood channel on 18th avenue – discussion followed about conditional use permits and council involvement. He encouraged community members in attendance to bring others to our council meetings with recommendations to be forwarded to Supervisor Perez. Ronita asked about speed bumps on residential roads with speed limits exceeding 25 mph.
6. **Staff Reports:**
 - A. Office of Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, Alexis Perez (760) 863-8211, AlexPerez@RIVCO.ORG. Invited all to attend 32nd Senior Inspiration Awards at Agua Caliente Casino Resort and Spa, Rancho Mirage – Sharon Huddleston former recipient. Invited participants to submit application to fill council vacancy. Announced Long Canyon road resurfacing project. Cindy asked about next Clean Up day, typically in February – flyers to be distributed via email. Crystal Craig, Assistant Executive Officer for LAFCO distributed an area map and presented options for Desert Edge incorporation as an urban place (current census designation based on resorts): 1) formation of Community Service District, possible expansion of boundaries, circulate petition, 25% required eligible voters or initiate Board of Supervisors resolution (or separate from the county (tax base) Independent Special District with five Board of Directors); 2) Create a Community Service Area, taxation and community membership with most residents seasonal and not illegible to vote addressed – 25% or registered voters to approve petition or may adopt a resolution with special study of what services will be offered (i.e., fire and police), may propose through disadvantaged communities (low or fixed income) for support/funding; and 3) Annexation with Desert Hot Springs which has funding mechanisms in place that they may implement. CSA or CSD will implement property tax on owners (Desert Crest individual parcel owners may oppose). Discussion ensued regarding hot water commercial resource for resorts and need to hook up to sewage system inside Mission Springs Water District’s sphere of influence.
 - B. CAL Fire - None
 - C. Code Enforcement Officer Bachant reported 49 open cases for which 9 were accumulated rubbish, 2 abatement/warrant, 7 construction without permit, 1 street vending, 16 zone violations, 4 substandard structure, and 9 vehicle abatement. Closed 21 cases. Public questions regarding food vending requirements (health department issue), street racing/noise on Langlois and Corkill (Sheriff or CHP issue), roadside dumping (report license plate when

witness, document and contact CHP, \$1,000 fine), Mountain View homeless encampment (not allowed to live in RV on your own property and property owner fined if others do), Long Canyon and Dillon Road squatters and two RVs destroyed by fire (active case no comment), abandoned mobile homes (need address or general proximity to inspect), “tiny homes” new development (report online).

D. CHP Officer Espinosa announced success of CHiPs for Kids, 10,000 toys donated and distributed at Acusure Arena, blood drive invite, and reported 18 accidents last year, 6 property damage collisions/6 injuries/6 hit and run no injuries but property damage. Requested community information on ATV accident resulting in death 12/30/23 and addressed street racing in our area.

E. Sherriff’s Department - None

F. Emergency Management Department Joshua Holkesvig invited attendees to participate in CERT classes. Desert Edge included in damage estimates for support from Federal Emergency Management Agency; Desert Hot Springs road improvements in progress over next few months. Described Thousand Palms mobile home park recurrent flooding over Christmas weekend, requested everyone be prepared to be self-reliant and use sandbags. EMD is involved in community outreach, including earthquake preparedness. Response to question regarding CERT qualification, CERT does not require pass an exercise test, everyone is invited to training.

G. Riverside University Health Services: Daisy Rameriz Bell addressed increase in respiratory illnesses, RSV, Covid, and encouraged vaccination. Announced mobile crisis health team and dial 988 for suicide hotline. Recent shift from communicable disease to behavioral health issues due to isolation. Provided information on where to get taxes done. Cindy inquired about AQMD’s rating of 2.5 particulate matter in one month at high risk for all persons (rating for a year), contact Environmental Health.

H. Other Departments and Public Agencies: None

7. **Old Business:** Riverside County Department of Transportation Traffic Division, School Bus Accident: Representative Jesse present, Dennis Acuna attended via phone to answer specific questions. ATP (mobility plan for Desert Edge) funding approved, consultant will be on board by our next meeting. Sharon asked about the process, raising concerns about recent pedestrian death on Langlois and need for sidewalks. Consultant will begin 2/1/24 with an ad hoc group meeting in February (council members Cindy and Sharon); consultant KOA wrote grant application, report, recommendation and will make recommendations from data collected which will then be forwarded for state and other funding for other transportation and circulation projects. In the meantime, Jesse announced road works in progress on Long Canyon. Public comments addressed concerns over Varner road damage since flooding, in need of immediate repair, emergency access and alternate route from communities north of the freeway, including High Desert, when Indian and Gene Autry are closed – Sharon requested County cooperate with Cathedral City (annexation included road maintenance between Edom Hill intersection and southern end of Mountain View). Storm drainage needs survey for access to hospitals, in and out of our area.

8. **New Business:** None.

9. **Public Comments:** Dick reported Citizens on Patrol for Desert Edge initiated 12 years ago, acquired new SUV 3 years ago, is no longer active. Vehicles recalled because cannot be left off premises, must return to sheriff’s Palm Desert station, require two drivers at all time, and

must patrol entire area. Suggested ATP funding finance new patrol car. Steve Daneman (Almar Acres park manager), property owner of 17 acres near Corkill on Dillon Road, described the possibility of water and sewer district, and how to develop Desert Edge, including branding. He and other park managers meeting at Sandy Cove this Saturday at 9 am. Ronita called for volunteers to apply to become a member on the council.

10. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting:** ATP presentation, LAFCO ad hoc committee, Citizens on Patrol update, Palm Springs Unified School District report on school bus stop locations, reroute, and signage.

11. Meeting Adjourned at 6:17 pm. Next meeting March 12, 2024.

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Join us for an Interactive Workshop!

Riverside County Transportation Department (RCTD) and Caltrans are working to create a safer environment for walking and biking in Desert Edge. The **County of Riverside Desert Edge Mobility Plan** will outline a list of pedestrian and bicycle improvement projects based on community input received and analysis of existing roadway conditions.

Please join us for an interactive workshop to learn more about the Desert Edge Mobility Plan as part of the Desert Edge Community Council Meeting in the Spring and Fall:

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

(To occur as part of the scheduled 4:30 PM meeting)

70200 Dillon Road Desert Edge, CA 92241

Caliente Springs Resort, Rudolph Room

If you have any questions about the Desert Edge Mobility Plan, please contact the Project Manager, Frank Barrera, at fbarrera@hwlochner.com and at (714) 573-0317.



COMMUNITY CLEANUPS 2024

APRIL

27 DESERT HOT SPRINGS

Bubbling Wells Elementary
67501 Camino Campanero.
Desert Hot Springs

MAY

4 NUEVO LAKEVIEW

Valley View Elementary
21220 Maurice St.
Nuevo

18 MEAD VALLEY

Mead Valley Landfill
22376 Forrest Rd.
Perris

AUGUST

31 WINCHESTER

Double Butte Landfill
31710 Grand Ave.
Winchester

SEPTEMBER

28 CABAZON

James A. Venable Community Center
50390 Carmen Ave.
Cabazon

OCTOBER

5 WOODCREST

Sandals Church
17421 Van Buren Blvd.
Riverside

12 MECCA

Mecca II Landfill
95250 66th Ave.
Mecca

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

JANUARY

20 INDIO HILLS

Indio Hill Community Center
80-400 Dillion Rd.
Desert Hot Springs



****TIRES WITH RIMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED****

27 MECCA II

Mecca II Landfill
95250 66th Ave.
Mecca

FEBRUARY

3 CARVER TRACT

Martin Van Buren Elementary
47733 Van Buren St.
Indio

3 MESA VERDE

Roy Wilson Community Center
13341 Mesa Dr.
Blythe

10 HIGHGROVE

Sandals Church Parking Lot
150 Palmyrita Ave
Riverside

17 BERMUDA DUNES

Bermuda Dunes Airport
79880 Avenue 42.
Bermuda Dunes



MARCH

2 NORTH SHORE

North Shore Beach and Yacht Club
99155 Sea View Dr.
Mecca

2 RIPLEY

Cotton Gin
24300 Neighbors Blvd.
Blythe

9 DESERT EDGE SKY VALLEY



Sky Valley Transportation Yard
19003 Bennett Rd.
Desert Hot Springs

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23 LAKELAND VILLAGE

Lakeland Village Community Center
16275 Grand Ave.
Lake Elsinore

APRIL

6 MEADOWBROOK GOODHOPE

Highway 74 and Meadowbrook Ave
Perris

13 GAVILAN HILLS

Gavilan Hills Ranch Market
22060 Gavilan Rd.
Perris

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COMMUNITY CLEANUPS 2024



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12 EL CERRITO

El Cerrito Transportation Yard

19355 E. Ontario Ave.
Corona

19 MEADOWBROOK GOODHOPE

Mead Valley Landfill

22376 Forrest Dr.
Perris

26 MEAD VALLEY

Mead Valley Landfill

22376 Forrest Rd.
Perris

NOVEMBER

2 THOUSAND PALMS

Della S. Linley Elementary

31-495 Robert Rd.
Thousand Palms



9 MEAD VALLEY

Mead Valley Landfill

22376 Forrest Dr.
Perris

DECEMBER

7 HOMELAND ROMOLAND

Double Butte Landfill

31710 Grand Ave.
Winchester

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Furniture	Computers
Appliances	TV's
Tree limbs and branches	Monitors
	Printers
(bundled, not to exceed 3ft in length.)	Bagged trash

EVENT HOURS 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

PAPER SHREDDING EVENTS



Limit of 5 boxes of documents.
Staples and paperclips are allowed.
Binders will not be accepted.
Only residents served by Edom Hill transfer station.
For more information, contact Burrtec at 1.866.Burrtec.

NON ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Auto Parts	Household Hazardous Waste	Paint
Dirt		Oil
Rocks		Solvents
Concrete		Pesticides
Manure		Concrete
Propane Tanks		Batteries
Florescent Bulbs		Loose Trash

For additional information, call 951.486.3200

TIRE INFORMATION



Transport no more than 9 tires, per State law.

Tires must be less than 4ft in diameter and weight less than 200lbs. Tractor tires will not be accepted.

Tires will not be accepted by business or nonprofit organizations.

Tires with rims will not be accepted at Indio Hills, and Sky Valley events.



***Residents must unload their own vehicles.
*Residents with trailers will be redirected to the landfill.
*Residents must bag loose trash materials.**

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