

# **Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association**

## **General Meeting (via Zoom)**

**May 13, 2021 6:00 PM**

### **Present:**

Michael Adjemian

Michelle Adjemian

Armando & Ceci Renteria

Ruben Franco

Santos Padilla

Rudy Macias

Elsa & Gary Chacon

Jo Barr

Armando "Dino" Medina

John Perches

Josh Herrera (Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3)(546-2170, jpoffice3@epcounty.com)

Cassandra Hernandez (District 3 City Representative)

David Stout (County Commissioner, Precinct 3)

Carlos Martinez (works with Commissioner Stout)

Ricardo Isias, (EP Parks & Recreation, Live Active El Paso Team)

Pedro Partida (Live Active El Paso Team)

Diana Cepeda (Live Active El Paso Team)

Mary Kirschenbaum

Michael Adjemian, President of the Cielo Vista Neighborhood Association, called the meeting to order at 6:00 and welcomed everyone to our May Zoom meeting. He asked for a moment of silence for those lost to COVID-19 and those suffering now. All participants then introduced themselves.

The agenda was shared on-screen.

He welcomed our primary guest speakers, Rick Isias from Live Active El Paso, County Commissioner David Stout – Precinct 3, and City Representative Cassandra Hernandez – District 3

**Guest Speaker #1: Rick Isias, Public Affairs Coordinator – Live Active El Paso,** joined by team members Pedro Partida and Diana Cepeda, [liveactiveep.com](http://liveactiveep.com) ; The goal of the program is to make El Paso the healthiest city in the United States; they shared a PowerPoint that stressed they are a community-wide initiative, open to everyone, in-person and virtual workouts for all levels of fitness, health & fitness webinars, prizes & giveaways, calendar on their website; Audience questions: Do you have exercises for wheelers – yes, some are archived on Facebook, they will do more; Call for direct help, senior exercise programs are available on Facebook; Mike will contact them for the Health & Wellness Fair at the Multipurpose Center

**Guest Speaker #2: County Commissioner David Stout – Precinct 3** [Commissioner2@epcounty.com](mailto:Commissioner2@epcounty.com) , 915-546-2111; Historic preservation – El Paso has over 1,000 historic buildings; during the COVID pandemic, the county responded to help El Pasoans weather the storm, multitude of partnerships, new grant money coming in to fund recovery and resilience efforts; working on mental health issues with the Sherriff's Department, less detention – more appropriate treatment; increase tourism; increase economic development; increase heritage & sports tourism – working to add Hueco Tanks to UNESCO Heritage Sites; work on infrastructure; digital library system; strengthening financial health of the county; redistricting – opportunity to serve on a committee, link in his quarterly newsletter

**Guest Speaker #3: City Representative Cassandra Hernandez – District 3** <https://www.elpasotexas.gov/district-3/> , 915-212-0003; A PowerPoint was shared that discussed raising the homestead exemption; El Paso rent Help – 4 million dollars still available; provided the COVID Status Report – 49.4% of county residents are fully vaccinated; Questions addressed concerned the repaving of WH Burges, city pools & water parks, proposed gun legislation at the state level, and CAD issues

## **Association Business – Mike Adjemian**

**Neighborhood Improvement Project:** Dog Park @ Vista Valle Park, need 15 signatures by June 4<sup>th</sup>

**Wish List of Needs:** street resurfacing; lighting on Juniper by Burges HS – the residents affected need to make the request

**Texas Tech Walk the Walk Challenge:** (Mary Kirschenbaum) Shared results and reminded all the challenge will return in July

**Plastic Bottle Cap:** donations increase every month

**Burges HS Adopt a Senior:** 82% are covered; can still sponsor for \$15/senior

**ECO El Paso:** will be planting trees in Cielo Vista area on May 29<sup>th</sup>

**Wal Mart Memorial Clean Up:** Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, Ponder Park, morning, shifts Girl Scouts, Burges Baseball team

**Edgemere Linear Park Kiwanis Flag Initiative:** still need a few more sponsors, \$30/flag

## **Open Forum Announcements**

Josh Herrera (Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3): stressed EPRent, his court cases continue via Zoom

Mike Adjemian: Father's Day Concert at Memorial Park on June 19<sup>th</sup>

Mary Kirschenbaum: Friends of the Cielo Vista Library Bookstore, Little Free Edgemere Porch Library

**Treasurer's Report** – Mando Renteria

Beginning Balance:     \$2581.25

Deposits:                 \$3090.00

Debits:                  \$288.96

Ending Balance:         \$5747.29 (on 5/13/2021)

Elsa Chacon moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, Mary Kirschenbaum seconded

**Raffle** questions, based on presentations during the meeting, were asked by Elsa Chacon

Winners: Michelle Adjemian, Mary Kirschenbaum, Rudy Macias

**Motion to adjourn** made by Elsa Chacon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dino Medina at 8:02 PM.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Mary Kirschenbaum, Secretary, on May 30, 2021.