# **Knightsen Town Advisory Council**



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The Knightsen Town Advisory Council serves as an advisory body to the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors and the County Planning Agency.

# 2015 Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors

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Submitted by: Linda Weekes, Chairperson

# **Activities and Accomplishments**

The primary goals of the Knightsen TAC in 2015 were to increase community awareness and participation at the monthly TAC meetings and to represent the community's interests, concerns and voice for the Board of Supervisors.

The TAC received informative presentations and provided thoughtful feedback on matters that impact Knightsen and look forward to receiving additional updates in 2016:

- Feb: Chris Lau, Contra Costa County Public Works Department regarding local roads and culverts
- Feb: Joe Losado, Contra Costa County Code Enforcement Officer regarding 2015 Code Enforcement Priorities List
- Feb: Monish Sen, Contra Costa County Public Works Department regarding signage in Knightsen community
- Mar: Mark Whitlock, Emergency Coordinator for Bethel Island regarding Heart Safe Community Program
- Apr: Christopher Coelho, Bay Area Air Quality Management District regarding Burn Days
- Apr: Larry Tolson, Contra Costa County Enforcement Officer Introduction as new Code Enforcement Officer for Knightsen
- June: Joe Losado, Contra Costa County Code Enforcement Officer regarding 2015 Code Enforcement Priorities List
- Aug: Officer Donnie Thomas, California Highway Patrol and the Office of the Sheriff, Tony Fontenot, Crime Prevention Specialist regarding School Traffic Concerns

- Oct: Greg Gillis, PG&E Community Pipeline Safety and Tree Removal Program
- Oct: Jeanie Linden, East Contra Costa County Integrated Regional Water Management regarding Grant Funding for Water Related Projects

The TAC's activities and efforts have resulted in improvements and changes in 2015:

- A successful Community Clean-Up Day was held June 27, 2015. The Brentwood Disposal Company donated dumpster bins and staff time for the event. The community cleanup was free of charge to all Knightsen residents.
- Participated in the Third Annual Knightsen Holiday Parade
- Voted a Councilmember to attend monthly East Contra Costa Fire Protection District meetings
- Worked on Truck Traffic signs on Knightsen Ave. and Delta Road
- Worked on the PG&E Street Light Replacement Project
- Worked on the PG&E Community Pipeline Safety and Tree Removal project
- Continuing to work on railroad overlay asphalt project on Knightsen Ave.
- Continuing to monitor Heritage Tree on Delta Road and annual maintenance
- Continuing to promote and expand the Heart Safe Communities program
- Continuing to work on reflective address signs throughout community
- Continuing to work with the Sheriff's Department, East Contra Costa Fire Protection District and California Highway Patrol on safety concerns within the Knightsen community.

The TAC receives monthly reports from the following agencies:

- California Highway Patrol Officer Donnie Thomas
- Contra Costa Sheriff's Department Tony Fontenot, Crime Prevention Specialist
- East Contra Costa Fire Protection District Fire Chief Hugh Henderson
- Office of Supervisor Mary N. Piepho Lea Castleberry, Deputy Chief of Staff

The TAC has become a place where Knightsen residents can receive updated information on services provided by Contra Costa County and/or other local agencies such as public health, safety, welfare, public works and planning.

#### 2015 Membership

Chair, Linda Weekes Vice Chair, Al Simas

# Knightsen TAC 2015 Annual Report and 2016 Work Plan

Councilmember, Steve Ohmstede Councilmember, Greg Williams Councilmember, Juliana Wyman (August 2013 – January 2015) Councilmember, Kim Carone (June 2015 – current)

## Attendance in 2015

January – Meeting Cancelled
February – Councilmember Williams Absent
March – All Members Present
April – All Members Present
May – All Members Present
June – All Members Present
July – All Members Present
August – All Members Present
September – Meeting Cancelled
October – All Members Present
November – Meeting Cancelled
December – Chair Weekes Absent

### **TAC Work Plan and Objectives for 2016**

The Knightsen TAC priorities for 2016 will continue to provide the community with the opportunity to communicate with the various County Departments.

We will work to schedule pertinent and informative speak presentations at the monthly meetings.

We will continue to work on items including:

- 1. Reflective Address Signs
- 2. Code Enforcement Priorities
- 3. Heart Safe Communities Program
- 4. Transportation Outreach
- 5. Public Safety Outreach
- 6. Neighborhood Watch Program

The Knightsen TAC is scheduled to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00p.m. at the Knightsen Garden Club located at 3067 Knightsen Avenue.