



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 17, 2010 CONSENT

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE SUBMITTAL OF ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES AND MEMBERSHIP LISTS FROM CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS

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SUMMARY

In 2009 the City of Palm Springs had 22 certified neighborhood organizations that were required to submit a report from their annual meetings and their membership lists. Twenty-one of the 22 organizations submitted the information as required and it is on file in the Office of Neighborhood Involvement.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Receive and file the following report.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

Of the 22 neighborhood organizations required by Ordinance No. 1666 to submit a report of their annual meetings and their membership lists, 21 submitted a report. The one that did not is Chino Canyon, which currently is not an active organization. However, residents in that area will be contacted to see if there is interest in reactivating the organization.

Membership in the 21 neighborhood organizations was 2,563 people, which is a decrease of 90 from what was submitted the previous year. Part of the reason for the decline may be attributed to a change in how some organizations count members.

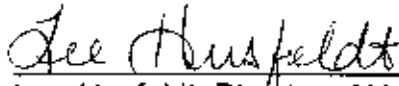
By the end of 2009, the City's Office of Neighborhood Involvement was working with 24 neighborhood organizations with membership of 2,918. The neighborhood organizations are listed with their membership counts:

Araby Cove Neighborhood Organization -- 50
Baristo Neighborhood Organization -- 227
Chino Canyon Neighborhood Organization -- currently not active
Desert Highland Gateway Estates Community Action Association -- 27
Deepwell Estates Neighborhood Organization -- 274
Demuth Park Neighborhood Organization -- 93
Desert Park Estates Neighborhood Organization (formerly Desert Vista) -- 68
El Mirador Neighborhood Organization -- 113
Four Seasons Neighborhood Organization -- 131
Historic Tennis Club Neighborhood Organization -- 92
Indian Canyons Neighborhood Organization* -- 264
The Mesa Neighborhood Organization -- 57
The Movie Colony Neighborhood Organization -- 100
Old Las Palmas Neighborhood Organization -- 271
Racquet Club Estates Neighborhood Organization -- 115
Racquet Club South Neighborhood Organization -- 50
Racquet Club West Neighborhood Organization -- 57
Movie Colony East Neighborhood Organization (formerly Ruth Hardy Park) -- 186
Sunmor Neighborhood Organization -- 119
Sunrise-Vista Chino Neighborhood Coalition -- 33
Tahquitz River Estates Neighborhood Organization -- 243
Vista Las Palmas Neighborhood Organization -- 205
Vista Norte Neighborhood Organization* -- 91
Warm Sands Neighborhood Organization -- 52**

*Joined in 2009

Some neighborhood organizations do not collect dues nor have people fill out a membership form. In those cases, they opted to submit meeting sign-in sheets, which is how Desert Highland Gateway Estates and Sunrise-Vista Chino reported.

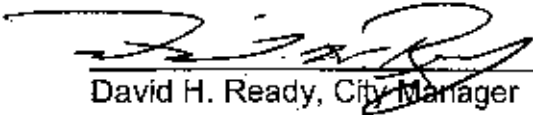
**Warm Sands communicates to 134 people even though 82 of them did not return a membership application in 2009



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