

**MADNESS NEWSLETTER — January 24, 2021** 



Richard Stember of Science Heads will be our guest on Tuesday to update us on the group's many activities including the next High Altitude Balloon launch slated for February. You all know the three Kiwanians at right.



## Mayor Kelley sets goals for year



Trish Kelley outlined some goals and city programs as she starts her fifth term as mayor of Mission Viejo.

- —Possible license plate cameras to record vehicles entering the city.
- —Upgrade of Coronado Park in south Mission Viejo off Avery Parkway.
- —Make the city an Athletic Tourism Destination with a future eye to attract-

ing an Olympic event in 2028.

- —Continue upgrades at the Oso Creek Golf Course including an expansion of the restaurant under a newly hired Executive Chef. Many course upgrades have included turf replacement.
- —Reduction of expenses since sales tax revenues are down \$2 Million.

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- —Redevelopment of the shopping area at LaPaz and Marguerite which is complicated by having to coordinate with 13 property owners.
- —Supporting programs at the library including a new NASA grant to support STEM education, a comics festival and online music.
- —Development of a new City Council election process in time for the 2022 election. The choices are cumulative voting which allots each voter five votes to cast all for one candidate or split them. The other alternative is dividing the city into five voting districts.
- —Starting a housing needs assessment. A government entity has mandated the city add 2,187 housing units, half of which must be designated affordable.
- —Creating a regular public recognition of businesses and schools to focus on their contributions to the community.
- —New left turn lanes will be installed at Jeronimo and Marguerite.
- —Beginning of bridge widening on LaPaz between Muirlands and Chrisanta near Mission Viejo High School.
- —The city receives no sales taxes from the Amazon facility because it is strictly a warehouse with no sales to tax.
- —Residents get tee time preference at the golf course, but no fee reduction because the Council decreed that the course should pay for itself.
- —Despite evidence that speed is the cause of many accidents on Alicia the city does not have the power to set speed limits on local streets.



## At last week's meeting

**MEMBERS:** Larry, Stephanie, Warren, Bill, Kathy, Barbara, Jeff, Pat, Pete, Rod, Keith, Greg and Martha.

**SONG:** "Battle Hymn of the Republic" performed by Lee Horsley on a five-keyboard organ selected by Rod.

PLEDGE: Warren

"My wife tells me one day, 'I think you love baseball more than me.' I say, 'Well, I guess that's true, but hey, I love you more than football and hockey."

—Tommy Lasorda