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State of the City 2017

The City Manager's Office coordinated another successful State of the City event. On August 16, Mayor Yxstian Gutierrez delivered the State of the City address to more than 350 community stakeholders. This year's event also featured a guest appearance by former



Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the "Visionary Leader Award" presented to local business owner Iddo Benzeevi, and participants from the #ILoveMoVal photo campaign. The 2017 State of the City video is available here: <u>https://youtu.be/wwO1a_ILdqQ</u>.





Mayor's Minute - August

Mayor's Minute is a monthly news magazine series hosted by Mayor Yxstian Gutierrez. The "Mayor's Minute" is available on <u>YouTube Channel</u>.

This month's news items include:

- State of the City 2017
- Summer at City Hall Internship Program
- Moreno Valley's Youth Fest 2017

New Programming

Each week the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter highlights a cat and a dog available for adoption in the hopes of finding them a forever home. This week's pets are Comet and Halo. Episodes of Pets of the Week are available on the City's <u>YouTube Channel</u> and air daily on MVTV-3.



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Library Services

August Library programs:

- Preschool Storytime Tuesdays at 11 a.m.
- Teen Night Wednesdays at 5 p.m.
- Bilingual Storytime Thursdays at 11 a.m.
- Family Night at 6 p.m.
- Inland Scribes Sundays at 2 p.m.



General Library Statistics:

- Library patrons checked out 26,815 library materials
- Library patrons completed 83 Brainfuse tutoring sessions
- Library staff added 1,529 new books to the collection
- Library staff answered 3,421 library patron questions
- Library staff created 780 new library cards
- The library had 25,203 library patrons visits
- The library opened for 277 hours
- Volunteers provided 42 Veterans reference hours

Library Patron Trends:

- Library patrons completed 369 15 minute computer sessions
- Library patrons completed 186 30 minute computer sessions
- Library patrons completed
 3.338 60 minute computer sessions
- Library patrons completed 1,170 Children's computer sessions

Program Statistics:

- Bilingual Storytime hosted
 318 attendees
- Family Night programs hosted 144 attendees
- Preschool Storytime programs hosted 216 attendees



Human Resources Department

Recruitments		Workers Compensation	
New Recruitments:	10	New WC Claims:	2
Ongoing Recruitments:	3	Ongoing Open WC Claims:	28
Closed Recruitments:	10	Closed WC Claims:	3

Total Employees: 456

<u>Retirements</u>: Linda Bennett, Sr. Parking Control Officer, Community Development Department Patty Brock, Management Assistant, Public Works Department Ahmad Ansari, Public Works Director

New Hires



Melissa McClain Management Assistant Economic Development Department



Eric Menzies Park Ranger Parks & Community Services Department



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Animal Services

Results of Pet Adoption Events in July

Five Dollar Thursdays cat & kitten pet adoption promotion held at the Animal Shelter every Friday during the month of July resulted in a total of 63 cats adopted along with an additional 3 kittens being placed into foster homes. Cats were adopted for a \$5 all-inclusive adoption fee which covered the spay-neuter surgery, a HomeAgain microchip, and vaccinations. An additional 13 cats were transferred to our rescue partners.

The annual **Freedom Days** pet adoption promotion at the Animal Shelter was held for four days this year and the results reflect more positive outcomes for our furry friends. From Wednesday, July 12 through Saturday, July 15 a total of 42 pets were adopted (33 family adoptions and 9 rescues) along with 21 pets reclaimed by their owners. This pet adoption promotion offered adoption fees at \$50 for any dog and \$15 for any cat covering the pet's spay-neuter surgery, a HomeAgain microchip, and vaccinations.

The kick-off event for NBC 4 & Telemundo 52's "Clear the Shelters" pet adoption promotion held on Saturday, July 29 resulted in a total of 12 dogs and 6 cats adopted. Cats were adopted for a \$7.29 and dogs were adopted for \$29. These all-inclusive adoption fees included the spay-neuter surgery, a HomeAgain microchip, and vaccinations. This one day event was held to highlight the promotion of the upcoming "Clear the Shelters" annual adoption day held across the country on Saturday, August 19.

These combined pet adoption events resulted in **positive outcomes** for 160 pets!!

Update on Trap-Neuter Release Program

During the month of July 2017, thirty-six feral cats were altered and returned to the community. The goal of the program is to reduce the over-population of feral cats within the City.

Upcoming Events

The following upcoming events are planned during 2017 at the Moreno Valley Animal Shelter:

- "Labor of Love" Pet Adoption Event
 Tuesday, September 5 through
 Friday, September 8 from 10 a.m. –
 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, September
 9th from 10:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
- \$5 "Whisker Wednesdays" Cat &
 Kitten Adoption Event Every
 Wednesday during the month of
 September 10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
- Low-Cost Rabies Vaccination & Microchip Clinic – Saturday, October 14, 2017, 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Animal Shelter, Rabies vaccinations are \$6 and HomeAgain microchip with registration are only \$10 per pet. Other routine vaccinations will be offered at a discount.
- "Halloween" Pet Adoption Event –
 Friday, October 27, 2017 from 10
 a.m. 5:30 p.m. & Saturday, October 28 from 10:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.

Since inception of the Trap-Neuter-Release program in 2015 a total of 915 feral cats have been saved from being euthanized. Feral cats that are removed from areas in close proximity to schools and businesses are not selected as TNR candidates but are available to interested individuals as well as to animal rescue organizations.

Administration

First Nandina

The First Nandina project was approved by the Planning Commission in October 2014. No appeal was filed on the project. Demolition of the existing structures on the site was completed in April 2016. The project proposes to construct a 1.45 million square foot warehouse/distribution center on 73 acres located at the southwest corner of Indian Street and Nandina Avenue in the Moreno Valley Industrial Area. The developer, First Industrial Properties, has received strong interest from potential tenants prompting proposed modifications to add additional truck parking on the site.

March Business Center

Western Realco's March Business Center project at the southeast corner of Iris Avenue and Heacock Street, in the Moreno Valley South Industrial Area, is more than 80% complete to date. The project was approved for 1,484,000 square feet of warehouse/logistics space on the 75-acre site. The first two buildings, the larger of which encompasses 1,103,000 square feet, are complete. Western Realco has sold both buildings and the larger building has been leased to Floor and Décor with operations under way. Tenants are considering the second smaller structure.

Karma Automotive

The tenant improvement for Karma Automotive, at 17100 Perris Boulevard, is approximately 98% complete. The process of testing of all assembly and paint equipment, robots, computers, and procedures is complete. Karma has completed their "test" vehicles, attended auto shows, and is producing cars to be sold this summer.

<u>Prologis</u>

The 601,810 square foot Prologis industrial building on the corner of Graham Street and Brodiaea Avenue has been issued a building permit and construction is underway.

SimpliCity Kiosk – Doing Business Just Got Easier at City Hall

A new SimpliCITY kiosk is now providing members of the public with easy access to Development Services information in the lobby of City Hall.



The easy-to-use kiosk provides access to current Building, Code, Fire Prevention, Land Development, and Special District records – all with the swipe of a finger. Users can search records within a specific department/division or across all divisions, by record number, parcel number, address, and/or date range. Search results display basic record information including description, record and inspection status, and related records. Records are also available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the <u>SimpliCITY online portal</u>.

Online access is just the latest step to unleash the full power of SimpliCITY. It comes on the heels of a successful launch of the SimpliCITY system which significantly streamlined the development process and made it even easier to develop in Moreno Valley. Future enhancements are planned for the resident access SimpliCITY portal to provide users with an even greater range of record detail and e-government services.

Building & Safety Division

Quick Statistics

The following Building & Safety Division statistics are a comparison of July year over year (2017 and 2016) activity:

BUILDING & SAFETY	July 2017	July 2016
Customer Counter Visits-Total/Daily Average	724/36	653/33
Building Permits Issued	416	238
Construction Valuation	\$20,283,279	\$11,123,934
Construction Inspections Performed	1,316	1,340
Issued Certificates of Occupancy	20	32
Plan Check Activity	208	108
Monthly Revenue	\$273,909	\$118,910

CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY	Business Name			
BFC17-0017	Fitness 19			
Temporary Certificates of Occupancy				
FC17-0016 (renewal) Serta Simmons				
New Construction Certificates of Occupancy				
BFC16-0195 O'Reilly Auto Parts (Perris Blvd)				
Restaurant Certificates of Occupancy				
30017-0098 Divino's Bakery & Restaurant				
Towngate Mall Certificates of Occupancy				
BOO17-0105	Tobacco & Gifts			
BOO17-0129	Ashika Shoes			
Tract Certificates of Occupancy				
Lot #	Developer & Tract #			
43 & 44	Pacific Communities - Tract 30268			

<u>Projects</u>

- A grading permit for "The Quarter" project has been issued and the project is underway. Plan check is
 in the last stage for a 104 guest room Holiday Inn Express, a four-story 114 guest room Residence Inn, a
 76 gas station and convenience store, and a multi-tenant retail building at the northeast corner of Day
 and Eucalyptus, the former site of Robertson's Ready Mix. These are the first four plan check submittals
 for the "Quarter Project" which will eventually also include a drive-thru fast-food restaurant and a
 second retail/restaurant building. Leases have been signed by both Fatburger and Zpizza to occupy
 spaces in the center.
- The Cactus Commerce Center, to be located at Cactus Avenue and Commerce Center Drive, has submitted plans for a 37,000 square foot warehouse building. The first phase of the project will include a diesel and gas station, car wash, and drive-through restaurant. Future submittals to complete the project will include two additional restaurant pads and a small industrial building.
- Lennar Homes "Meadow Creek" tract, located at Pigeon Pass and Old Lake Roads, north of the 60 freeway, held a grand opening in July. The sales office features five model homes for the public to walk through and view the features that "Meadow Creek" has to offer. The tract development includes 161 single family homes, each with roof-mounted PV modules (solar panels), a nearby community clubhouse, and a large community pool.
- Tenant improvements are nearly complete for CulichiTown. The sushi and Mariscos Sinaloa style restaurant, located on Sunnymead Boulevard between Graham and Heacock Streets, is expected to open in August.
- Construction at In-N-Out on Hemlock Avenue is now complete. The new improvements include new landscape, trash enclosure, and the signature In-N-Out palm trees on the corner of Hemlock Avenue and Frederick Street. The additional parking area and extended drive-thru aisle have been successful in alleviating the back-up in traffic along Hemlock Avenue and Frederick Street.
- A building permit has been issued and construction is now underway on a new retail building at Towngate Promenade. This building will house new locations for both "Café Rio Mexican Grill" and "The Habit." Tenant improvement plans for both have been submitted and are currently in review.
- Popeye's and Pieology are the two latest additions to the Towngate Promenade. These two new restaurants have both been granted occupancy and are open to the public.
- Permits have been issued and work is underway on a new speculative industrial shell building at Nandina and Hemlock Avenues. "Nandina A," a 793, 903 square foot tilt-up building is the latest in industrial structures attracting new business to Moreno Valley's growing industrial sector.
- A building permit has been issued and construction is now underway on a 6,000 square foot tenant improvement for an International House of Pancakes within Iris Plaza. The breakfast chain will be located in the building originally occupied by Fitness 19.
- Jerome's Furniture has completed the plan review process and has obtained building permits for the renovation of the vacant Sports Chalet building on Day Street. Jerome's Furniture will be a welcomed addition to the shops and center at Towngate Crossing.

Code & Neighborhood Services

Quick Statistics

The following Code & Neighborhood Services Division statistics are a comparison of July year over year (2017 and 2016) activity:

CODE & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES	July 2017	July 2016
Cases Initiated	405	562
Closed Case Investigations	335	456
Parking Citations Issued	2,530	2,326
Administrative Citations Issued	30	49
Counter Customers	415	365

Planning

Quick Statistics

The following Planning Division statistics are a comparison of July year over year (2017 and 2016) activity:

PLANNING	July 2017	July 2016
Counter Customers	316	287
Entitlement Major/Minor Applications	17	17
Plan Check Submittals	66	39
Application Fees	\$65,508	\$42,975

Planning Commission

July 20, 2017

- A Conditional Use Permit was approved for a one-story 57,000 square foot ninety room transitional care facility on a 7.12 acre site. The project site is located in City Council District 4 at the southwest corner of Oliver Street and Filaree Avenue.
- PEN16-0001 through -0007 The Commission took action to recommend to the City Council approval of a Specific Plan Amendment, four Plot Plans, and a Tentative Parcel Map for development of up to 1,736,180 square feet of warehouse space in four separate buildings. The 89.4 acre project site is located within Council District 4, at Krameria Avenue south to Cardinal Avenue between Heacock and Indian Streets.

Administrative Approvals

- An Administrative Plot Plan was approved for the installation of an eight foot high curved-top iron fence for the employee parking lot located at the Procter and Gamble Moreno Valley Distribution Center at 16110 Cosmos Street. The project site is located within City Council District 4.
- An Administrative Plot Plan was approved to modify the east, north and west elevations for a multi-tenant commercial building within an existing shopping center located at 14920 Perris Boulevard at the northeast corner of John F. Kennedy Drive and Perris Boulevard. The project applicant is Yaolong Chen. The project site is located within City Council District 3.
- An Amended Conditional Use Permit was approved for modifications to an existing AT&T monopine cell tower for upgrades to existing equipment, and modifications to hardware. The project site is located at 24931 Sunnymead Boulevard. The project applicant is Crown Castle. The project site is located within City Council District 1.
- An Extension of Time was granted for Tentative Tract Map 31206 for a 23 lot residential subdivision located north of Manzanita Street between Quincy Street and Redlands Boulevard. The project applicant is KDI Investment Corporation. The project site is located in City Council District 2.
- An Administrative Plot Plan was approved for two open trellis structures with exterior lighting, heaters and misters in front of the Skechers retail store located at 29800 Eucalyptus Avenue. The project applicant is Herdman Architecture + Design. The project site is located within City Council District 3.

Recent Case Submittals

- 12890 Day Street. The project site is located within City Council District 1.
- An Amended Plot Plan/Substantial Conformance application (PEN17-0103) was submitted for the First Nandina Logistics Center for modifications that include a guard gate and revisions to the drive aisle on northwest side of property. The project site is located on Nandina Avenue east of Heacock Street west of Indian Street. The project site is located within City Council District 4.
- An Amended Plot Plan/Substantial Conformance application (PEN17-0095) was submitted for the previously approved Walmart Store at the southwest corner of Gentian Avenue and Perris Boulevard. The proposal includes modifications to building square footage, building elevations, and addition of a Walmart pick-up area for groceries. The project site is located within City Council District 4.
- An Amended Plot Plan/Substantial Conformance application was submitted for the San Michele Industrial Facility located at 24960 San Michele Road at the northwest corner of Perris Boulevard and San Michele. The proposal is to increase building clear height to 36 feet and includes revisions to exterior colors and additional windows. The project site is within City Council District 4.
- An Administrative Plot Plan application was submitted to expand an existing building by 691 square feet to increase storage capacity. Other modifications include restriping of the existing parking lot. The project site is located at 13057 Perris Boulevard, within City Council District 1.

- An Administrative Plot Plan application was submitted to add a new 848 square foot game room with attached storage and patio cover to an existing single-family residence located at 9700 Camino del Coronado. The project site is located within City Council District 2.
- An Administrative Plot Plan was submitted for an Accessory Dwelling Unit located at 13866 Redlands Boulevard. The project site is located within City Council District 3.
- An Administrative Plot Plan was submitted for proposed exterior modifications to an existing building (previously Altura Credit Union) as well as the addition of a new outdoor patio and new driveway cutout. The project site is located at 23520 Cactus Boulevard within City Council District 1.
- An Administrative Plot Plan was submitted for a new 375 square foot pool house to be located at 23390 Western Ridge Road. The project site is located within City Council District 2.

Other Highlights

- The Division is reviewing the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed March Joint Powers Authority's Meridian West Campus-Lower Plateau project. The project proposes 1,845,000 square feet of Industrial/Warehouse, 362,000 square feet of Industrial/Business Park and 66,000 square feet of mixed-use and retail development on approximately 130 acres. The project site is located on Meridian Parkway, east of Interstate 215, south of Alessandro Boulevard, and approximately a half mile from the City of Moreno Valley limits.
- The Division is reviewing the City of Riverside's proposed Canyon Springs Medical Campus Draft Environmental Impact Report. The project proposes a new healthcare campus to include a hospital, medical office buildings, assisted living and skilled nursing facilities, and age restricted housing on a 50.85 acre project site within the Canyon Springs Business Park. The project site is located in the City of Riverside, east of Interstate 215, west of Day Street, north of Eucalyptus Avenue, and immediately adjacent to the City of Moreno Valley.

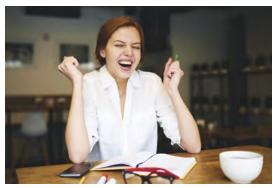
Economic Development Department

Attention MoVal Entrepreneurs!

Over \$75 Million in California Competes Tax Credit Funds are Now Available to Moreno Valley Businesses

The Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) is now accepting applications for the California Competes Tax Credit (CCTC). There are \$75 million in tax credits available during this application period for businesses that are expanding and adding full-time jobs in the state. The deadline to submit applications is Monday, August 21, 2017, at 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Time) and the online application website will automatically close once this deadline has passed. The online application can be accessed at <u>www.calcompetes.ca.gov</u>. If you miss this deadline, check back at the website as there are future opportunities.

Members of the CCTC team are available to provide technical application assistance. In addition, an application guide, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), and program regulations are available at <u>www.business.ca.gov/CalCompetes.aspx</u>. For applicants that are reapplying, the FAQs include instructions on how to copy information from a previously submitted application.



Businesses interested in learning more about the CCTC can also participate in free application webinars. For a webinar schedule and registration information, please visit www.calcompetes.ca.gov.

For more information about the Cal Competes Tax Credit or to learn how to grow your business in Moreno Valley, please contact the Economic Development Department at <u>EDTeam@moval.org</u>, call 951.413.3460 or visit www.morenovalleybusiness.com.

Unemployment Report

Unemployment in Moreno Valley has declined substantially since it peaked at 17.5% in 2010 to 5.2%. The latest release from the California Employment Development Department (EDD) indicates that employment in Moreno Valley and throughout Riverside County is consistent with seasonal trends.

The following table provides comparison unemployment data for the State, County, and several Inland Empire cities:

	June 2016 Rate	June 2017 Rate	June 2017 Unemployed Count
California	5.2%	4.7%	900,000
Riverside County	6.7%	5.7%	59,600
Banning	5.9%	5.0%	500
Beaumont	3.9%	3.3%	700
Corona	5.2%	4.4%	3,600
Eastvale	4.5%	3.8%	1,100
Hemet	9.2%	7.9%	2,300
Menifee	7.8%	6.6%	2,500
Moreno Valley	7.1%	6.0%	5,600
Murrieta	5.3%	4.5%	2,400
Perris	9.7%	8.3%	2,500
Riverside	6.4%	5.4%	8,100
San Jacinto	10.0%	8.5%	1,600
Temecula	4.8%	4.1%	2,200

Home Resale Market

Home sales information from CoreLogic (<u>www.corelogic.com</u>) indicates that Moreno Valley's average home resale value and volume experienced a slight decline.

Comparing year to year, Moreno Valley's average resale housing price has increased 5.4% since June 2016 - a \$15,205 increase in one year.

The monthly and annual volume and value trends are summarized in the chart below:

	May 2017	June 2017	Monthly Change May '17 v June '17	June 2016	Annual Change June '17 v June '16
Number of Resale Transactions	234	222	Down 5.1% 12 less units sold	206	Up 7.7% 16 more units sold
Home Resale Value	\$304,090	\$299,176	Down 1.6% \$4,914	\$283,971	Up 5.4% \$15,205

Economic Development Summary

Curious about new businesses coming to Moreno Valley? Be the first to know! Check out the monthly update of the <u>Economic Development Summary</u> to learn more about Moreno Valley's business location advantages on the dedicated Economic Development website: <u>www.morenovalleybusiness.com</u>.

Moreno Valley Employment Resource Center – Service Update

During the month of July 2017, the ERC provided the following services:

	July 2017
Total Number of People Assisted	1,099
Number of Workshops	2
Number of Hiring Events	7

The ERC is located at 12625 Frederick Street, Suite K-3, in the TownGate Center and is open Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, residents and employers are encouraged to call 951.413.3920 or email erc@moval.org.

In the market for a new job? Join the <u>Hire MoVal Job Seekers' List</u> today!



Financial & Management Services Department

Electric Utility Division

School program

Last fall, MVU partnered with Southern California Gas Co. and March Middle School (an MVU customer), to provide 6th grade students the opportunity to learn about electricity, natural gas, and conservation. The conservation program, called LivingWise, consisted of an energy/gas savings kit with a student guide, student workbook, and a teacher guide. The five-day teaching plan provided lessons, hands-on classroom experiments, teaching ideas, and activities to help students understand the basics of electricity, natural gas, and conservation. As a result, 60% of participating students and their families changed the way they use energy, saving a total of 101,954 kWh per year. This equates to a savings of approximately \$70 per family per year.



Facilities

Animal Shelter Dog Run

The Animal Shelter Dog run is now complete. This addition includes artificial turf and a two sided run to keep dogs separated when necessary. This area is a much desired addition to the facility giving our furry friends the ability to romp around in the fresh air and meet their potential new owners.



Fire Department



The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and Fire Prevention Division were pleased to participate in the Mayor's "Summer at City Hall" and ASTERIK student internship programs. These programs allow teenagers to gain work experience and workplace ready skills while earning community service hours to enhance college applications. The OEM interns were introduced to the different tasks, roles and responsibilities associated within Emergency Management and Fire Service. They had the opportunity to experience firsthand, the operations of the Office of Emergency

Management in addition to learning the need for strong leadership skills, planning and project management discipline necessary to manage day-to-day operations, and respond to the City's emergency service needs.

The Fire Prevention intern became familiar with the Division's various responsibilities, program goals, and new construction plan submittal process. She provided valuable assistance in establishing and maintaining accurate records and keeping project files updated. Additionally, she also had the opportunity to shadow Fire Prevention Inspectors during field inspections to learn about the critical importance of Fire Prevention efforts toward maintaining the health and safety of the community and its residents.

Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention welcomed David Abbott as the City's Fire Prevention Technician. In addition to his City duties overseeing the Hazard Abatement Program, and assisting and supporting the Fire Prevention Inspectors, he is currently taking courses in fire prevention. David's duties include follow up on hazard abatement issues, processing citizen complaints regarding vacant properties in the Fire Prevention Hazard Reduction program, and assisting Prevention staff both in the field and administratively.

Office of Emergency Management

In July, volunteers from the Emergency Response Force (ERF) participated in several City events including MoVal Rocks, MoVal Movies, and Hike to the Top sponsored by the Recreational Trails Board. ERF was onsite to provide basic first aid, hydration and a cooling center for the participants. No aid was required, however several participants from each event utilized ERF's services to rest, hydrate and get cool.

Fire Operations

On July 7, Engine 99 responded to a reported single family structure fire located in Council District 3. Upon arrival, firefighters reported a significant fire in the rear and side yard of the initial structure. A second, neighboring structure was also involved with significant damage to the exterior. Firefighters were able to contain the fire with an aggressive attack and controlled the fire within 20 minutes. Due to the extreme temperatures a second alarm was requested for firefighter safety.

One firefighter sustained minor injuries and was transported to an area hospital for evaluation. Resources were committed for four hours for salvage and overhaul.

On July 13, Engine 65 responded to a residential structure fire located in Council District 3. Upon arrival, firefighters reported the fire was initiated by the property homeowner who was backing up his motorhome and hit a residential gas line. The impact caused a large explosion with fire to the motorhome and extended into the owner's residence. The fire also extended to the neighboring home and vehicle. Firefighters were quickly able to initiate an aggressive fire attack limiting the fire to the motorhome and two residential structures.

On July 16, Engine 2 responded to a reported residential structure fire located in Council District 3. Upon arrival, firefighters confirmed a 1,200 square foot abandoned single story residence with heavy smoke and fire showing. An aggressive fire attack quickly contained the fire to the building. There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters reported. The fire is currently under investigation by Cal Fire and Riverside County Shefiff Department.

On July 25, Engine 2 and Engine 65 responded to a reported vehicle on fire with explosion. While enroute the Emergency Command Center (ECC) notified there was a severely burned victim from the fire. Truck 2 was requested to assist in this incident. Upon arrival, firefighters found no active fire to a passenger vehicle but located a patient with injuries. The patient was working on a vehicle when something ignited the fuel, causing a flash fire which engulfed the victim. Initial assessment by Fire Department Paramedics found the patient alert with visible second degree burns to his entire upper body. The patient was immediately loaded into an ambulance for immediate transportation to Riverside University Health System (RUHS). While enroute, Fire Department Paramedics administered pain medication and provided advanced life support treatment for his injuries. Upon arrival to the Emergency Room (ER), the patient started experiencing some shortness of breath and increased respirations. Care was transferred to the ER staff and the patient was immediately sedated and placed onto a ventilator. The ER staff indicated the patient was going to be flown to the burn center at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center for further treatment. The patient sustained second degree burns to approximately 60 percent of his body with first degree burns to an additional 20 percent of his body.

On July 23, Engine 91 and Engine 58 responded to a drowning incident located in Lake Perris recreation area. Upon arrival, Engine 91 crew encountered the State Park life guards rendering Cardiovascular Resuscitation (CPR) on a patient. Firefighters immediately engaged and initiated Advanced Cardiac Life Support(ACLS) securing an airway and delivering cardiac medications and electrical shocks to assist the patient to regain pulse. The patient had a Return of Spontaneous Circulation (ROSC) and following further assessment determined that the patient had suffered a heart attack. While the patient was being loaded into the ambulance, the patient lost pulses and CPR was provided during transport to Kaiser Moreno Valley. While enroute to Kaiser, the patient again, regained pulses and a blood pressure (ROSC) following continued advanced life support care. Patient care was transferred to Kaiser Emergency Department staff where he maintained a strong pulse and blood pressure.

Police Department

Case of The Month

On July 2, 2017, officers from the Moreno Valley Police Department responded to the 2400 block of Bay Avenue to look for a stolen vehicle. Officers found the vehicle in a garage being stripped for parts. Further investigation of the garage revealed a large quantity of car parts, which indicated the residence was the site of a vehicle chop shop operation. Officers obtained a search warrant for the residence and recovered the stolen vehicle and stolen vehicle parts. One suspect was arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle and operating a chop shop.

Patrol

Patrol officers responded to 14,808 calls for service during the month of July.

On July 29, 2017, the Sheriff's Helicopter was on patrol in the City of Moreno Valley in the area of Cottonwood Avenue and Graham Street assisting with a burglary investigation. While searching the area, the helicopter was illuminated with a red laser by a suspect who was seen in the 24000 block of Cottonwood Avenue. Officers converged into the area where they located the suspect who was in possession of the laser. The suspect was booked into jail.

Community Services Unit

In July, the Community Services Unit (CSU) participated in four Explorer meetings, one Reserve meeting, one Neighborhood Watch meeting, and hosted a Coffee with a Cop meeting in Zone 1.

The Moreno Valley Police Department sent 11 MVPD police explorers to the 20th Annual Explorer Academy. The Explorers spent a week living at the Ben Clark Training Center where they learned basic law enforcement skills and techniques. The explorers trained in law enforcement scenarios, firearms, self-defense, and academics. MVPD Explorer Navarro received the Overall Achievement Award, and MVPD Explorer Brown Received the, Top Physical Fitness Award.

Volunteers

The Moreno Valley Police Department relies heavily on volunteer forces to assist with providing valued service to the residents of Moreno Valley. During the month of June, volunteers provided over 2,700 hours of service to the Moreno Valley Police Department. Volunteers conducted Citizen Patrols, assisted the Business Office, assisted with incident call outs, assisted with city events, and assisted with monitoring the City Wide Camera System.

Traffic Team

The Traffic Unit participated in the annual Fourth of July Parade and Festival. The unit provided road closures and traffic control for the parade, provided high visibility patrol within the festival and traffic control at the completion of the fireworks show.

Office of Traffic And Safety Grant Operations

During the month of July, the MVPD Traffic team conducted several Office of Transportation and Safety (OTS) directed enforcement operations consisting of one DUI Saturation Patrols, one DUI/DL Checkpoint, two "Know Your Limit" DUI Awareness/Educational Operation, three Primary Collision factor Enforcement Operations, two Distracted Driver Enforcement Operations, and two Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Operations.

Traffic Stops/Citations Issued

The MVPD Traffic Team conducted 579 vehicle stops, wrote 488 hazardous/moving violation citations, 56 non -hazardous violation citations, and 121 parking citations. In addition, the team arrested 17 people for driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs (six involved a traffic collision), and made three misdemeanor arrests.

Traffic Collisions

The MVPD Traffic Team responded to 41 Minor-injury collisions, 110 Non-injury property damage only collisions, nine Injury hit and run collisions, 75 Non-injury hit and run collisions, one major-injury collision, and one fatal collision. In addition, the MVPD Traffic Team responded to 44 reckless driver calls, 46 traffic hazard calls, 76 abandoned vehicle calls, and 15 disabled vehicle calls.

Special Enforcement Team

This multi-focus team consists of the MVPD Gang Team, Narcotic Enforcement Team, Problem Oriented Policing Team, and Burglary and Robbery Suppression Team.

During the month of July, the Special Enforcement Team served 14 search warrants, made 54 felony arrests and 29 misdemeanor arrests.

In May, 2017, officers responded to a robbery in the 15000 block of Lasselle Avenue. During the robbery, the suspect approached the victim who was sitting in a vehicle, brandished a gun, and took the victim's property. A forensic technician responded to the robbery and obtained several fingerprints where the suspect came in contact with the victim's vehicle. On July 5, 2017, SET officers assumed the investigation after one of the fingerprints collected identified the suspect who was on probation. The victim was shown several photographs and was able to identify the suspect. SET officers arrested the suspect for the robbery.

Investigation Bureau

During the month of July, the MVPD Investigations Bureau investigated 185 crimes related to a variety of property and person's crimes. The Investigations Bureau also authored and served 12 search warrants, arrested six suspects, and filed ten cases with the District Attorney's Office. In addition, detectives interviewed 94 individuals required to register as sex registrants and conducted one business check of a massage parlor.

Public Works Department

Capital Projects

Alessandro Boulevard/Elsworth Street Intersection Improvement

O'Duffy Brothers Incorporated, started work in early July. The contractor has completed all drainage pipe installation, potholing (exploratory digging of holes), new water line installation and hydrant replacement. This project includes upgrading existing traffic signal, removal of signal poles with the median on Alessandro Boulevard, and installation of new poles and cameras. In addition, the project also includes an extension of the existing storm drain system and elimination of the existing cross-gutters.

Construction is expected to be completed by the end December 2017.





Heacock Street Improvements from Iris Avenue to Gentian Avenue

Sequel Contractors, Inc. has completed the installation of new asphalt concrete pavement on the east side of Heacock Street from Revere Place to Gentian Avenue. The contractor continues the roadway improvements on the west side of Heacock Street with new pavement scheduled to be installed in mid August 2017. Construction is expected to be completed by October 2017.





Cycle 6 ADA Pedestrian Ramp Improvements

CT&T Concrete Paving Inc. continues with the construction of the Cycle 6 ADA Pedestrian Ramp Improvements project. Twelve (12) access ramps and a bus bay have been reconstructed to meet American with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The locations of the completed ramps are at:

- Cottonwood Avenue and Cheshire Drive
- Cottonwood Avenue and Heacock Street
- Perris Boulevard and Filaree Avenue
- Perris Boulevard and John F. Kennedy Drive

Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of August.





Special Districts

City Completes Annual Fixed Charge Process

Over \$15,000,000 in parcel charges were successfully submitted to the County in time for inclusion on the 2017/18 property tax bills. The qualified electors approved collection of the parcel charges on the annual property tax bills to fund operation of the street lights, landscape maintenance districts, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program compliance, Parks & Community Services programs/services, and to finance debt which funded public infrastructure improvements. The parcel charges also include recovery of costs the City incurred for private property fire and nuisance abatement and secures payment of delinquent solid waste charges on behalf of Waste Management.

Parks & Community Services Department

Community Events

MoVal Rocks! and MoVal Movies was held on Fridays from July 7 through July 28. Hundreds of people turned out every Friday to listen to music, dance, and enjoy a movie with their families. The Parks and Community Services Department offered a free Kids Zone, which included two bounce houses, popcorn, cotton candy, and face painting. A number of food vendors participated including LaJay's Italian Ice and Funnel Cakes, Riverside Spanish Church, La Plaza Mexican Grill, and Kona Ice.



These events were graciously sponsored by: Guitar Center, John's Incredible Pizza, North County Health Services, Inland Empire Health Plan, Excellence Empire Real Estate, and Les Schwab Tires. Sandal's church of Moreno Valley kindly provided volunteers for each event.

Special Event Permits

- On August 5, Youth Direction Program held a barbeque banquet for their mentorship program at TownGate Memorial Park. There were nearly 300 people in attendance with a guest appearance by Council Member Ulises Cabrera. The banquet included food, music, awards to the mentors, a jumper, and obstacle courses for youth to enjoy.
- Also on August 5, *Dancing Images* held its annual Dance Day in the Park at Ridgecrest Park. This was an informal event where the Dancing Images youth put on a show for their family and friends in the park.



Administration

On August 3, the Parks and Community Services Department held its annual Staff Appreciation Summer Chillin' and Grillin' Barbecue at the Cottonwood Golf Center. Hats off to our hard-working barbecue team: Mel Alonzo, Dean Ristow and Tony Hetherman who barbecued in the 103 degree heat for this event. Juan Martinez won the sudden death putting contest.

Community Services

Recreation Programs

- Summer Time for Tots has come to an end. The sites ended the summer with a potluck and their last field trip to Harkins Theatres to watch Storks. In August, the staff decorated their classrooms, prepared curriculums, and prepared for the August 10 open house.
 Families met the teachers, learned about the new program sites that have been added, and enjoyed face painting, crafts, and sensory activities. The first session began August 14 with a sensory fair theme, including sensory activities, worksheets, crafts and more.
- Valley Kids and Teen Camps ended the camps with fun and exciting activities. Both camps participated in a mini carnival that included games, inflatables, and relay races. Following this, participants enjoyed a field trip to the California Science Center in Los Angeles and finished the week with a talent show, a summer camp slideshow, and an ice cream party. There were more than 170 camp participants.
- Participation in the *contract classes* are picking up with many new courses being offered. New classes include BollyX, which is a Bollywood-inspired dance and fitness program that combines dynamic choreography with the hottest music from around the world, and additional fitness and pilates classes starting this month.

Sports Programs

- The *Pee Wee/Junior Basketball Clinic* is underway with nearly 100 players. This specialized clinic caters to participants new to the world of basketball. Children between the ages of 3 and 7 will learn the fundamentals of a new sport with the help of the experienced staff.
- The successor to the aforementioned basketball clinic, the Pee Wee/Junior Basketball League begins in September. Participants can expect three weeks of practice followed by three weeks of fun-filled games. More than 160 participants between the ages of 3 to 7 will learn the sport of basketball and most importantly, learn to work as a team and have fun.
- The summer season of the *Adult Softball League* is underway. More than 190 participants make up the coed and men's divisions this season.







- Registration for the *Adult Kickball League* is now open. The league is scheduled to begin in October. Staff is working to spread the word and gain interest. Registration is open to coed teams.
- The *Summer Youth Basketball League* came to an exciting end with championship games taking place the week of July 27. More than 250 youth participated.





• **Open play sports** are offered nightly at various locations for community members and athletes of any age and skill level. The open play sports allow community members to stay active by participating in recreational activities at their leisure. Last month, there were more than 1,800 participants who enjoyed playing, basketball, volleyball, arena soccer, golf, and skate.

Senior Community Center

- On July 14, Smile Primer provided *free teeth cleanings* to seniors at the Senior Center who have Medicare. Thirteen seniors participated.
- The *Texas BBQ* was held on July 13. The seniors had the choice of BBQ chicken, hot dogs or cheese burgers, with the sides of French fries and salad. The seniors also enjoyed donuts and hula hoop contests. Approximately 120 seniors attended.



- The Senior Center offered Active Shooter Response training to the seniors on July 19. Deputy Brooks
 from Moreno Valley Police Department taught the seniors what they should do if an active shooter
 entered a building. Fifteen seniors participated in the training.
- The Senior Center had their monthly Family Feud game on July 27. Humana sponsored and hosted the game, with 12 seniors participating. The winners received prizes from Humana.

Sunshine Social participants celebrated all the July birthdays, held a fitness class with the Center's Fit
 After 50 instructor, watched movies, and played games.

Parks Maintenance

Park Maintenance staff completed the following projects:

- Repaired irrigation at all parks
- Installed new benches at CRC
- Repaired the surface playground Parque Amistad
- Installed two tee markers at the Cottonwood Golf Center
- Repaired mound, irrigation, aerated, and fertilized infield on Remy Field at Sunnymead Park
- Sprayed annual weeds at park Zones 1 and 2
- Leveled infields at baseball fields Miles and Salas Fields at Sunnymead Park
- Aerified and fertilized Lasselle and El Potrero Parks
- Removed four trees at the Cottonwood Golf Center

The following projects are in progress:

- Add wooden fibar to Adrienne Mitchell Memorial and Pedrorena Parks (ongoing)
- Fertilize sports fields (south, JFK Park, Woodland Park, and March 1 and 2)
- Level infields at various baseball fields (ongoing)
- Repair irrigation at all parks
- Work and install tee marker and seven signs at the Cottonwood Golf Center
- Weed abate Equestrian Center property
- Weed abate March Field Park
- Fertilize sports fields at Morrison, Sunnymead, Shadow Mountain and TownGate Parks
- Paint snack bar building at Morrison Park
- Install new shade screen on bleachers at Sunnymead Park
- Install upgraded Calsense controllers at Vista Loma and Celebration Parks
- Repair areas of artificial turf on playgrounds at Celebration and Vista Loma Parks
- Rip and level baseball infields at Morrison Park
- Trim infield arcs and warning tracks at Sunnymead Park baseball fields



Vandalism and Graffiti

Parks Maintenance staff spent 21 hours abating vandalism and graffiti at 15 sites.

Park Ranger Statistics

Park Rangers patrolled 937 areas, engaged in 5,208 public contacts, and issued three citations including curfew, vandalism, parking and alcohol.

Court Referral Workers

Court referrals worked 816 (102 work days).

Parks Projects

The following park projects were completed:

• Installed new benches at the entrance and installed a new patio outside the Garden Room at the Conference and Recreation Center

Conference and Recreation Center Rentals

In addition to church services and various meetings in July, the following notable rentals were held at the *Conference and Recreation Center*.

- *Riverside University Health Systems/Public Health* hosted a Public Health Forum set for 200 guests.
- **New American Funding** hosted a conference for local realtors focusing on the role of the emerging market of The Hispanic Millennial Generation. Mayor Pro Tem Victoria Baca was a guest speaker for the event.