

SHOPPING CENTER: The area outlined in red indicates the location of Toscana Village at Temescal Valley, a proposed 27-acre retail complex at the corner of Indian Truck Trail and Temescal Canyon Road.

Environmental report released for proposed retail center

A retail center planned at the northwest corner of Indian Truck Trail and Temescal Canyon Road is a step closer to reality with the completion of the development's Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR).

Toscana Village at Temescal Valley is a proposed 27-acre commercial-retail center to be constructed in two phases and when completed will have a gas station, restaurants, supermarket, and 194,000 square feet of office and retail space. There will be 15 buildings and 1,138 parking spaces.

The 12-acre first phase will have six buildings – including an **ARCO station** with carwash, an **am/pm mini-mart** and two fast-food restaurants. Also planned are 4,500- and 6,000-square-foot restaurants, and a 39,000-square-foot, two-story building for offices and retail stores. Tenants are now being recruited by **Speedway Development**, the project's developer.

Condo density opposed by Jeffries is approved

The county's **Board of Supervisors** at the June 5 meeting approved the zone change and tract map that allows the controversial **Temescal Village** 80-unit condominium project to be constructed on Temescal Canyon Road just north of Campbell Ranch Road.

The 4-1 vote, with **Supervisor Kevin Jeffries** dissenting, ends seven months of debate and hearing continuances before the county **Planning Commission** and Board of Supervisors.

The board in April continued the hearing until June to allow the developer time to revise the tract map which Jeffries said was too dense for the location. Developer representative **Mike Naggar** was told the revision should address Jeffries' density concerns, including that 36 of the condo garages did not have driveways.

Other supervisors at the April meeting found nothing wrong with the plan as presented and disagreed with Jeffries, commenting in favor of the project. Jeffries told them that he or his staff had met with the developer nine times – each time expressing their concerns with the development and receiving no response to their concerns from Naggar. It wasn't until he reminded his colleagues that the project was in his district, did they agree to the request for a revision and the continuance.

The project when first presented to the planners in November called for 83 condos but eventually was whittled to 80 units. Two homes, to be built closest to the freeway, were removed at the request of **Commissioner Aaron Hake** who voiced concerns about emissions data cited in cancer infant mortality rates. Commissioners told Naggar that the two lots should be used for recreation area instead.

While Naggar's revised plan presented to the board earlier this month added additional driveways for most of the condos, he also had put back in two of the condos removed by the Planning Commission, placing them where the additional recreation area had been designated.

Jeffries told the board he had never experienced a developer who refused to negotiate in good faith and Naggar left him no alternative but to deny the project. Seconded by **Supervisor Manuel Perez**, Jeffries motion was defeated on a 3-2 vote.

Following discussion led by **Supervisor John Tavaglione**, who noted the cost to date incurred by the project's investors, and that "This is a good project," a motion was made, and the development was approved on a 4-1 vote.

Basically, 80 homes were approved – not 82; 72 of the 80 garages will have driveways; the recreation area Naggar wanted

AQMD to give residents 50 air-quality sensors

South Coast Air Quality Management District representatives visited Temescal Valley last month to explain a new program that measures air quality at the community level, instead of regionally, by using small, portable, low-cost sensors.

About 80 residents attended the meeting and heard how these small devices – about the size of a coffee mug, do a better job of measuring particulate matter than gases, and have about an 85 percent accuracy rate.

The AQMD was able to obtain the sensors through a highly competitive **Environmental Protection Agency** grant. There were 99 applicants for the grant nationwide – with only six recipients, the majority being universities.

The agency has purchased 550 sensors and identified nine communities within its four-county service area and will add Temescal Valley as the 10th community to receive sensors. Fifty Temescal Valley residents will be given the free sensors and at the end of the program, recipients can keep the devices.

Residents applying for a sensor must have a backyard source for electrical power (they are not battery-operated), access to wi-fi and make a commitment to participate in the program for 12 to 15 months. Additionally, residents must attend a **mandatory meeting** in Temescal Valley to be held at **6 p.m., Thursday, July 26**, when the sensors will be distributed, and instructions given on how to install and monitor them. The data collected by the devices easily can be accessed via a dedicated website.

The sensors cannot determine from where the particulate originates, so if readings show high levels, it is the responsibility of the community to determine the source, not the AQMD.

About 30 people attending the meeting signed up for the sensors. Because the goal is to obtain valley-wide readings, additional residents are being sought in communities east of the 1-15.

If interested, send an email stating your name and the community in which you reside to: WeAreTV.org@gmail.com



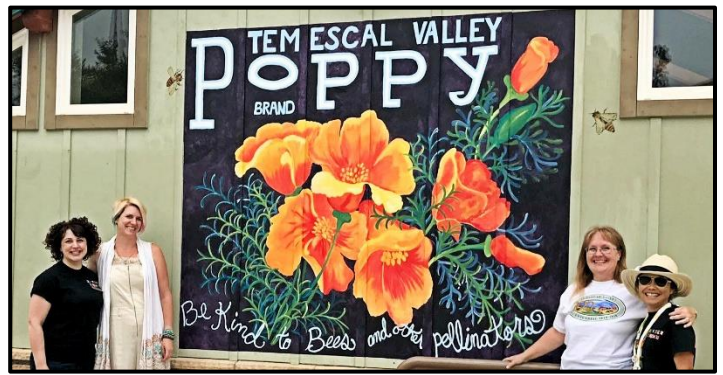
Just say 'No' to all fireworks!

All fireworks, including sparklers, are illegal in Riverside County.

According to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, "Individuals who cause fires by using illegal fireworks will be held responsible for all suppression costs. These costs can run into the millions of dollars. Those caught with illegal fireworks will be subject to fines, citation and/or arrest; including confiscation of all illegal fireworks."

Each year an online form is available to report neighborhood fireworks abuse. This year the form will be available between 6 a.m., **Saturday June 30** and 6 a.m., **Thursday, July 5** or call 951-776-1099. Access the form here:

<https://www.riversidesheriff.org/fireworks/>



MURALS SPOTTED AROUND TOWN: Above, the unveiling at the Faire of mural painted on the Community Room at Deleo Park. Pictured, from left, Joan Tyler, El Cerrito Public Library; artist Kathryn Duncan; Tracy Davis, mural coordinator, and Nancy Reiter, Home Gardens Public Library. Below, the new citrus crate label mural painted on the front of Temescal Valley Elementary School.

WeAreTV is painting murals

Murals are appearing on public buildings in Temescal Valley, thanks to the **We Are Temescal Valley Beautification Committee** and a group of dedicated volunteers.

Long-time Cal Meadows resident **Gena Osborne** for many years has wanted murals in Temescal Valley. With the Bicentennial birthday in progress, the committee decided to act now.

It was fitting that the first mural was painted on the front wall of **Temescal Valley Elementary School**. It was Gena, with other members of the early **Temescal Heritage Foundation**, that proved to the **CNUSD** board of trustees the name chosen by the district (Temescal Canyon), was geographically incorrect.

Working under the direction of committee member **Tracy Davis** and artist **Kathryn Duncan**, the mural was painted by volunteers **Priscilla Zarata, Shruthi Rajamani** and **Melanie Johnson**.

The next mural came about as a partnership with **El Cerrito Public Library** and a **Books to Action** grant that paid for books to educate people on the importance of bees.

Volunteers working on this mural, painted on the wall of the **Community Room at Deleo Regional Sports Park**, were Tracy, Kathryn and Shruthi, joined by **Krista Brantsma, Rob Mucha, Jennifer Runnings** and **Bob Hafner**.

Anyone interested in the mural program should contact Tracy: tracycyto@yahoo.com



1-15 lane closures, detours upcoming

As the city of **Corona** continues construction work on the **Cajalco interchange**, be prepared for lane closures with detours on the I-15.

1-15 Northbound: 11 p.m. to 5 a.m., full lane closure **Sunday, June 24** through **Tuesday, June 26**.

1-15 Southbound: 11 p.m. to 4 a.m., full lane closure **Wednesday, June 27** and **Thursday, June 28**.

The closures are tentative and subject to work schedule and favorable weather conditions.

FAIRE PHOTO WINNERS!



BEST OF SHOW: (selected by popular vote of attendees to the faire): Rob Mucha "Trilogy Sunset"



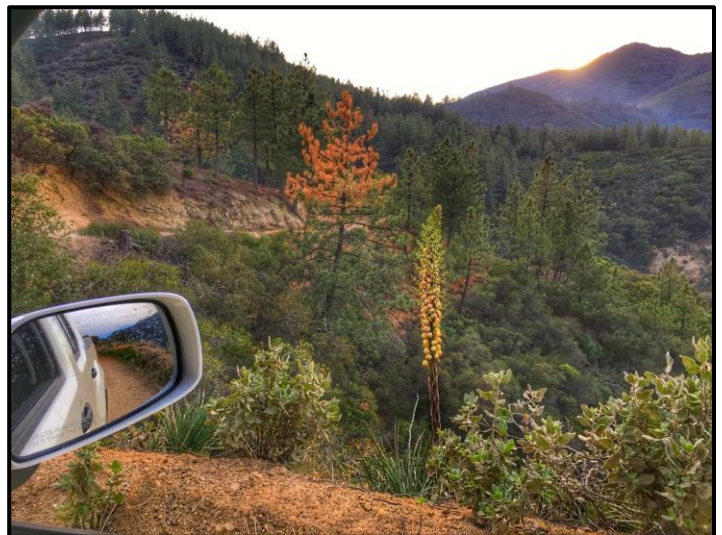
FIRST PLACE ANIMALS: Rob Mucha, "Coyote at Sunrise"



FIRST PLACE LANDSCAPE: Rob Mucha, "Double Rainbow"



FIRST PLACE ARTISTIC EXPRESSION: Rob Mucha, "Historic Temescal Valley Trestle"



FIRST PLACE THINGS TO DO: Elliot Lim, "Taking the Scenic Route Through Temescal Valley"

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Proposed for the 15-acre second phase, to be constructed after completion of the first phase, are nine buildings totaling 133,000 square feet. Planned are two additional restaurants, office and retail space, a supermarket, and possibly a bank and pharmacy.

The DEIR took 10 months to complete following an initial study and scoping meeting held last August to receive public comment. Environmental issues addressed in the report include the “potentially significant” areas of Air Quality, Cultural Resources, Land Use Planning, Transportation/Traffic, Biological Resources, Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Noise.

The DEIR can be viewed at:

<http://planning.rctlma.org/Home/PlanningNotices/EI/RforToscanaVillage.aspx>

Public comments on the DEIR are now being accepted until **Monday, July 9** and can be emailed to county planner **Russell Brady**, rbrady@rivco.org

After all comments are reviewed and evaluated, the project will be processed for a public hearing before the county **Planning Commission**.

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to remove was added back, and 13 parking spaces on the east side of the main entrance street were removed. The developer also will be required to construct a crosswalk and 5-foot wide sidewalk on the west side of Campbell Ranch Road to connect with the existing sidewalk, and to pay for any necessary traffic signal modifications.

Jeffries after the meeting posted on the **We Are Temescal Valley** Facebook page: “Thank you for coming out today to witness that! I don't consider myself to be a NIMBY no-growther or an anything goes pro-growther, and when it comes down to it, my primary goal is to support new or expanded local businesses with good paying jobs, and to try to keep development compatible with its neighbors and mitigate its impacts.

“So today when my fellow Board members decided to override my motion to deny an 80 unit condo project (largely because the density was too high for the location) in my district, it was both humbling and frustrating. It appeared that the politically connected developer team had masterfully lined up the support needed to get what they wanted, and it was sad to watch my fellow Board members openly side with the developer's desires over my concerns for the community.”

Residents had attended the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors hearings to voice concerns that the project was too dense for the acreage, the roads too narrow for fire-fighting equipment and that there is only one road for access to and from the development. The safety of children walking to and from school was questioned, as well as the proximity to adjacent mines and the I-15, and the creation of more traffic on area streets.



BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Join us at 9 a.m., **Saturday, June 16** in the Temescal Room at the Trilogy

Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway. Find out what's going on as we celebrate our 200th birthday. History buffs welcome!

CALENDAR

EVENTS

- **Flag Day:** Fly Old Glory — Long may she wave! **Thursday, June 14.**
- **Father's Day:** Do something nice, **Sunday, June 17.**
- **Sycamore Summers Science Program:** For grades 1-6 at the Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center. 10 a.m., **Friday, June 29**, “Where Am I? Intro to Maps and Compasses.” Preregister: 951-277-0219 or scic@rcrcd.org. 11875 Indian Truck Trail. **FREE!**
- **Movies in the Park:** “Peter Rabbit,” **Saturday, June 30**, Deleo Regional Sports Park, 25655 Santiago Canyon Road. Family fun and activities start at 7 p.m.; movie starts at dusk. Bring blanket and lawn chairs.
- **Glen Ivy Hot Springs:** “Hey, Neighbor Twilight Special,” \$29 general admission after 4 p.m., every **Thursday** and **Friday** in June. Must show proof of 92883 residency.
- **Sycamore Creek Interpretive Center:** A hands-on learning center where all ages can study the local ecology and natural history of Temescal Valley through exhibits, displays, activities and touch tables. The center is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., **Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays**,
- **El Cerrito County Library:** 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or check out the June activities and Summer Reading Program on facebook.
- **County Bookmobile:** 9 to noon, **every Monday** and 2 to 4 p.m. **every Tuesday**, Deleo Regional Sports Park, 25655 Santiago Canyon Road.
- **Tom's Farms:** **FREE!** Every weekend — **Craft Faire**, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; **Magic Show**, noon and 2 p.m.; **live music**, 12:30 to 5 p.m.

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- **Temescal Valley Disaster Response Team:** General meeting, 6:30 p.m., **Wednesday, June 20**, Sycamore Creek Clubhouse, 25420 Mayhew Canyon Road. Topic: Public Information Officer (PIO) training.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Education Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Thursday, June 21**, Senior Tom's restaurant.
- **Temescal Valley Disaster Response Team:** Team leaders meeting, 6:30 p.m., **Monday, June 25**, Horsethief Canyon Ranch Clubhouse, 13289 Mountain Road.
- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, June 26**, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road. **Public hearing: Proposed rate/charges increase.**
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity and Beautification Committees:** 6 and 7 p.m., **Thursday, July 5**, Senior Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, July 7**, Trilogy Lake Center, 24477 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council Meeting:** No meeting in July; next meeting, 6 p.m., **Wednesday, Aug. 8**, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, June 19** and **26**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Corona-Norco Unified School District:** Business meeting, 7 p.m., **Tuesday, June 19**, 2820 Clark Ave., Norco.
- **Riverside County Planning Commission:** 9 a.m., **Wednesday, June 20**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Lake Elsinore Unified School District:** No board meeting this month.
- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, June 28**, 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.



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On the back of this flyer are just some of the cool things you can do this summer. Some require a short walk, skateboard or bike ride to and from the bus stop. And yes, you can take your bike or skateboard on the bus. If you're going to the beach, you can also take your surfboard.

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Students ride for a quarter from June 1 through September 3. To ride for a quarter, students in grades 1-12 just need to show a school ID from the most recent school year, an RTA Youth ID card, or a California driver's license or state ID showing the student is under 19 years old.

**PETER
RABBIT**
June 30th



COCO
July 21st



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