



**OJAI VALLEY MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
18 Valley Road, Oak View  
Monday, January 26, 2026, 7:00PM**

**Chair:** Barbara Kennedy **Vice Chair:** Marilyn Miller  
**Council Members:** Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright, Vacant

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**1. Call to Order**

Executive Assistant Lori Key called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Announcing Gracy Malloy has resigned via email.

**2. Roll Call.**

Council Members Present: Barbara Kennedy, Vice Chair  
Terry Wright  
Joseph Westbury  
Marilyn Miller

Also in attendance: Supervisor District 1, Matt LaVere  
Lori Key, Executive Assistant  
Ana Melgoza, District 1 Chief of Staff

**3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.**

**4. Nomination and Election of Ojai Valley MAC Chair and Vice Chair for 2026.**

Motion to appoint Barbara Kennedy as Chair  
Moved by: Terry Wright, seconded by Joe Westbury

Vote: 4-0  
Yes: Barbara Kennedy, Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright, Marilyn Miller

Motion to appoint Marilyn Miller as Vice Chair  
Moved by: Barbara Kennedy, seconded by Terry Wright

Vote: 4-0  
Yes: Barbara Kennedy, Marilyn Miller, Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright

**5. Approval of the Draft Minutes of the Ojai Valley Municipal Advisory Council Meeting Held, November 17, 2025.**

Motion: approval of the meeting minutes of November 17, 2025

Moved by: Terry Wright, Seconded by: Joseph Westbury

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Barbara Kennedy, Marilyn Miller, Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright

**6. Adoption of the Agenda.**

Motion: adopt the agenda as presented

Moved by: Barbara Kennedy, Seconded by: Terry Wright

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Barbara Kennedy, Marilyn Miller, Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright

**7. Public Comments for Items Not on the Agenda.**

Ron Solarzano comments on the strategic plan surveys for the Ventura County Library.

Teena Broumand comments on focusing on the flow of traffic; comments on moving forward collectively with the City of Ojai to find solutions to traffic.

Kasiana McLenaghams comments on being supportive of opening the conversation of traffic in the Ojai Valley.

Bill Miley comments on being a resident of Ojai since 1968; and comments on being an advocate for two lanes through Oak View.

California Highway Patrol (CHP) officer Christian Givens comments on being the new Public Information Officer for the Sheriff's Department; Comments on concentrating on the enforcement of speeding throughout Ojai Valley; and comments on adding a radar trailer in the Ojai Valley.

Captain Taylor Abbott introduces himself as the new Chief of Police in the city of Ojai, continuing the city's commitment to public safety and community-focused policing.

**8. City of Ojai Planning Commission Update – Any items to share.**

No one is present

**9. Assignment of 2 Ojai Valley MAC members to the Stakeholders Traffic Policy Committee.**

Motion: Assign Barbara Kennedy and Marilyn Miller

Moved by: Terry Wright, Seconded by Marilyn Miller

Vote: 4-0

Yes: Barbara Kennedy, Marilyn Miller, Joseph Westbury, Terry Wright

**10. Review of Forest Home Minor Modification to Conditional Use Permit No. 3929 (Case No. PL21-0019) and Variance to Maintain Historic Camp Population Levels.**

Presentation by Kristina Boero with Ventura County Planning Division.

Susan Curtis, Ventura County Planning Manager, comments on the Policy of the Ojai Area Plan.

Teena Broumand comments on the parameters of the Ojai Traffic Policy and the direction of the Board moving forward.

Troy Avery with Forest Homes comments on the project.

**11. Executive Staff Comments.**

Lori Key comments on the upcoming Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training starting March 19 – April 30, 2026, from 6-9 p.m. at Kent Hall in Ojai.

**12. Councilmember Comments.**

Barbara Kennedy comments on Food Share at the Oak View Park and Resource Center the second Thursday from 12-1 p.m.; and comments on Oak View having a Memorial Day Parade this year, on Monday, May 25, 2026, details to follow.

**13. Adjournment.** 8:05 p.m.

Next Meeting is **Monday, February 9, 2026**, at 7:00PM in the Kunkle Room at the Oak View Community Center, 18 Valley Road, Oak View.