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(FREE) Local News for the Highgrove Area

May 2019

Curved Railroad track makes Highgrove's straight track obsolete!



When the new curved track was built to connect the Perris Valley Line track to the BNSF main line for the new Metrolink trains, it also eliminated the freight train traffic on the straight track between Main Street and the east end of the curved track where it connects to the Perris Valley Line track. Today, there are no Metrolink trains or freight trains on this dead track.

On June 6, 2016, the first Metrolink train went into service between Perris and Riverside by going around the new curved track shown on the map. (2) Today this curved track is also used by freight trains to transport railroad cars from Los Angeles to and from the industries on the Perris Valley Line between Highgrove and Perris.

BEFORE THE CURVED

TRACK WAS BUILT: (1)

Before the new curved track was built, all freight cars for the Perris Valley Line were switched into a train in the San Bernardino BNSF railroad yard, and then the train came to Highgrove and entered the Perris Valley Line at the switch 35 feet south of Main St. in Highgrove. And after the grain cars were empty, the cars would be returned to the San Bernardino railroad yard using the same switch to enter the BNSF Main line at Main Street.

The unused Perris Valley Line straight track between Main St. and the curved track is still there, but it is no longer used for freight trains or Metrolink trains!

AFTER THE CURVED TRACK WAS BUILT: (2)

Today, there are no freight cars sent to the San Bernardino Railroad Yard

for industries on the Perris Valley Line because all of Perris Valley freight traffic is sent to the Los Angeles yard and switched into a train for industries on the Perris Valley Line. The cars are taken from Los Angeles to Porphyry (near Corona) and left for another train crew to bring them to Highgrove and go around the curved track and onto the Perris Valley Line for distribution. (2)

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

For 18 years the Riverside County Transportation Commission has refused to build a parking lot between the Perris Valley Line track and the BNSF Main line (3) so the existing daily Metrolink trains could be used by commuters between Highgrove and Oceanside and between Highgrove and San Bernardino in the opposite

direction. Since 2001, city resolutions from Grand Terrace, Colton, and Loma Linda have all supported a Metrolink station at Highgrove.

(Go to: www.highgrove-happenings.net/Supporting Docs)

The Highgrove Metrolink station is needed now more than ever due to all of the new homes being built in Highgrove. For many years we have requested that Spring St. be extended westward at Transit Ave. across the Perris Valley Line track and into the 17.22 acre property that is already owned by the Riverside County Transportation Commission. This new road would extend straight into the entrance of the Highgrove Metrolink parking lot and Villa St. (one block northward) would be used as the exit from the parking lot.

Metrolink Cont. on P. 3

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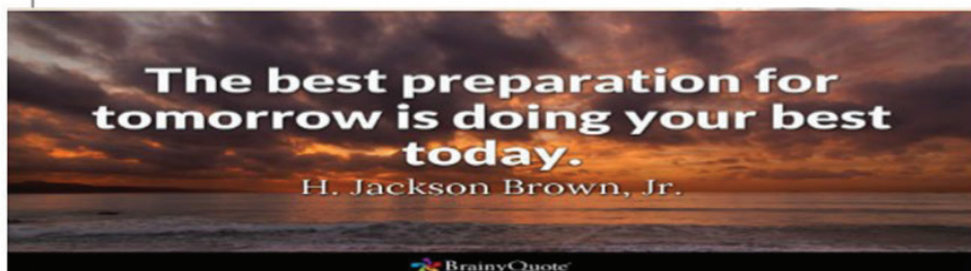
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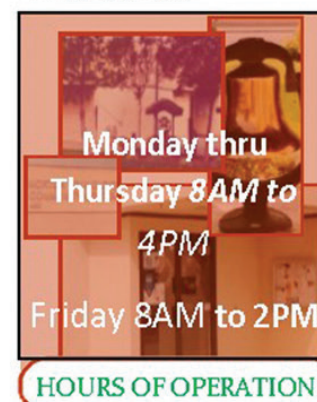


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Metrolink Cont. from P. 1

Things have changed since the new curved track has been added because the entrance into the parking lot at Spring St. and the exit from the parking lot at Villa St. would both be over ½ mile of track that has no Metrolink trains or freight trains.

Crossing gates may still be required at these locations because the track is still there, but the cost of building a parking lot on property already owned by RCTC makes more sense than widening the freeways due to increased traffic congestion.

Park and Ride

A Metrolink Station at Highgrove would allow commuters from both counties to park their cars and get on existing Metrolink trains that go through Highgrove 7 days a week in both directions. The Highgrove Metrolink station would only be 1/2 mile east of the I-215 freeway exit at Center Street.

\$5.3 million already invested in Highgrove!

RCTC paid \$8,625,000.00 for 17.22 acres at Highgrove but they had to stay under the \$250 Million limit for the entire Perris Valley Line. They had to reduce costs so they only charged 38% of the \$8,625,000.00 they paid for the property at Highgrove to the Perris Valley Line because they said they only needed the width of the curved track to connect the two railroads.

(38% of \$8,625,000.00 amounts to \$3,277,500.00). But the remaining 62% of the property RCTC did not need for the curved track amounts to \$5,347,500.00 that RCTC already has invested in their un-used vacant property that is the same property needed for the parking lot that is just growing weeds.

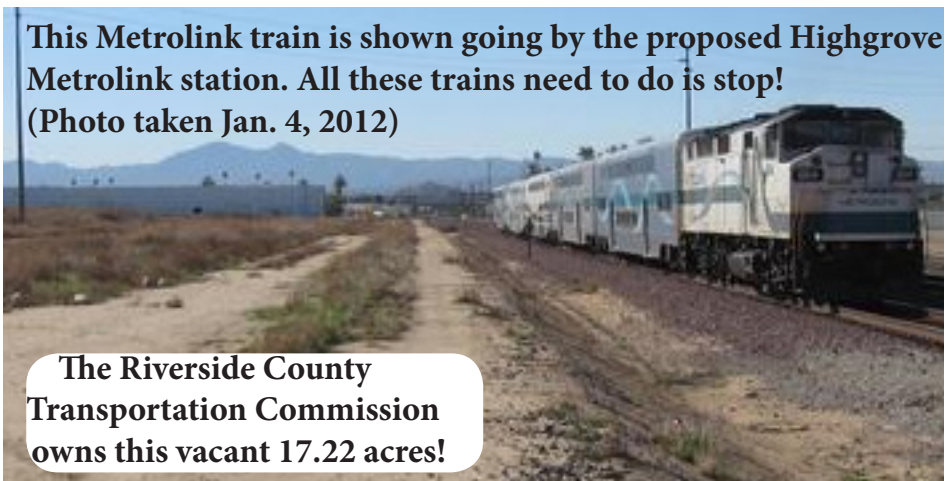
Then RCTC labeled the 62% of the property they did not need an “uneconomic Remnant” (See: www.highgrovehappenings.net Metrolink/Uneconomic Remnant).

But RCTC’s excess property is not an “Uneconomic Remnant” because the surrounding communities need RCTC’s un-needed property for a parking lot.

A parking lot and access to it is all that is needed for a Highgrove Metrolink station. No additional expenses are needed because the daily trains are already on schedule, the engines and coaches are already there, and the Metrolink train crews are on board.

Metrolink’s Inland Empire Orange County Line (IEOC) is right next to the BNSF number 3 main line where the Metrolink trains pass by every day of the week including weekends. All that is needed is for these existing trains to stop momentarily at Highgrove.

This is an ideal location for you to park your car, get on the train and go to the beach or to Oceanside where you can catch a Coaster train to San Diego.



These “Transportation” issues should be addressed by the Riverside County “Transportation” Commission. Highgrove is in Riverside County but the Highgrove Metrolink station will benefit commuters in both counties.

Not only will this reduce freeway congestion but remember- a parked car emits no air pollution! RCTC needs to use their excess property for transportation purposes and build a parking lot for Metrolink commuters.

Who supports the Highgrove Metrolink Station?

Highgrove CSA 126 (1-8- 2002), City resolutions from Grand Terrace (12-13-2001), Colton (4-15-2015), Loma Linda (1-24-2002), Congressman Mark Takano (10-24-2014), Senator Jeff Stone (2-11-2015),

Senator Mike Morrell (2-25-2015), former Assemblyman/ Senator Bill Emmerson (8-14-2006), Riverside Land Conservancy (10-18-2005), Northside Improvement Association (2-28-2015), University Neighborhood Assn. (11-17-2009), Highgrove Project Area Committee (1-8-2002), Former Supervisor Ashley (10-14-2009), Springbrook Heritage Alliance plus other letters of support. Please go to: www.highgrovehappenings.net/Supporting Docs, and double click on each item of support and the original letter will appear. There is also a short video made on Feb. 11, 2009 on our web site.

Daily Metrolink trains have operated through Highgrove 7 days a week since July 15, 2006. Before that, since 1995 Metrolink trains went through Highgrove 5 days a week. The Highgrove Metrolink Station would be 7 rail miles to San Bernardino and 3 1/2 rail miles to Riverside.

What about costs?

RCTC spent \$22.4 Million at Highgrove and Marlborough Ave. (one mile away) and Highgrove still has no Metrolink station. Here are the details:

Cost of vacant Highgrove property:	\$8,625,000.00
Cost of vacant Marlborough property:	\$8,146,000.00
Cost to build Marlborough Ave. Station:	<u>\$5,651,810.00</u>
	\$22,422,810.00

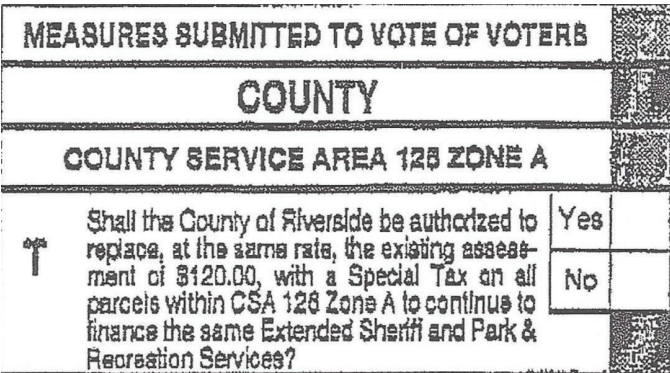
These figures can be seen on our web site www.highgrovehappenings.net under station costs.

Press Enterprise publishes article about Highgrove’s lawsuit against Riverside County On Jan. 14, 2019, I met with John Bender from the Press Enterprise and supplied him with documents about Highgrove asking where the money collected from the CSA 126 Special Assessment has been spent by Riverside County for the last 9 years.

I have been waiting for this article for over 3 months but on April 20, 2019 the article was published on the front page of the Local section of the Press Enterprise. The article was well written and truthful and mentions several responses from Riverside County in their efforts to defend themselves. You are encouraged to read the Press Enterprise article on April 20, 2019. Here is a copy of the “Impartial Analysis” that proceeded the 1997 Ballot by Riverside County Council that states:

“The tax will be retained in the CSA 126 fund to be used only for purposes of continuing Extended Sheriff, and Park & Recreation Services and improvements.”

And here is a copy of the 1997 Ballot mailed to Highgrove voters



No “Landscaping” on ballot (Lawsuit Cont. on P. 5)

HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS

A short road across this field in Highgrove will connect two cities in two different counties.



The above intersection is at Spring St. and Michigan Ave. in Highgrove looking southward toward the city limits of Riverside.

If Michigan Ave. were to be extended southward across this field and connected to the area between the buildings near Palmyrita Ave. in Riverside, this would make

Michigan Ave. a new north/south road all the way from Barton Road in Grand Terrace, through Highgrove, and connect to Columbia Ave. in Riverside.

This vacant land is part of the 183 acre Springbrook Estates property. A new road is needed while this land is still vacant.

“You Can Quote Me “ by Cynthia Williams, DC

Spring has ****finally**** arrived and I am so excited! There's tiny buds on the trees, leaves for tulips and irises have pushed up through the warming soil, and the squirrels are racing around with great joy. We have just a few months to “make hay while the sun is shining.” Mother's Day is the height of Spring displays. The flowers are at their best and seem to be the finest gift to bestow on a mother who's dearly loved.

We mothers want the best for our children and will be fiercely protective regardless of how

old we or they are. For millennia women have been regarded as weak in mind and body. Women knew better; we knew we are strong, incredibly intelligent, and brave. Unfortunately too many don't accept that. Some women don't know how to find their own strength, their own innate intelligence. There are men who refuse to acknowledge or allow the God-given abilities of women to thrive. A group of men prefer to focus on what they see that excite them or prefer to speak and act in a way that makes themselves feel stronger, smarter, and more powerful than women.

This has become the fuel for the #metoo movement.

I've had many #metoo moments. My first year at RCC I rode a 10-speed to get to classes, work and home. I lost track how many times men offered to put my bike in the back and give me a ride. I never once considered it and thought they were idiots. I suppose if my dad had known about it he would've had a different reaction! In 1982 my divorce attorney made a pass at me, wanting me to sit on the sofa in his office close to him. I was shocked, confused and disgusted. I had no idea what to do so I made a scene right there and he stopped and got down to business. I had no idea who to tell so it went nowhere. Years later at the college where I was teaching a very senior tenured professor gave me swat on the butt in front of his group of old cronies- all very senior tenured professors; they all got a laugh out of it. I told my department head as a kind of “can you believe what he did?” thing. She was furious and told the division dean. Ordered by the dean, he gave me a very sincere apology. The only reason that professor wasn't fired was because I didn't press charges. If it had been done to one of my students I would have had him fired. I didn't feel like it needed to be done for myself. Women of my age were used to being touched, patted, oogled-at, and abused and having no recourse. We were taught to just put up with it. Now women come together

to share their stories of abuse, harassment, and fear and give each other encouragement to fight it.

Female family members have been #metoo victims. Physical and mental abuse, stalking, sexual harassment, and intimidation have been inflicted on them. In one instance the women in my family had gathered in a public house as a kind of wake for the passing of our beloved grandmother. My eldest daughter came back from the Ladies; as she was standing by her chair a young guy walked by; suddenly she yelped “He pinched my butt!” This Mama Bear was out of the chair in a heartbeat, ready to bring him down. I literally got nose to nose and threatened him with bodily harm if he ever touched another woman like that again. Everyone, including myself, was stunned as this is not my normal demeanor but a mother will do anything to protect her children, no matter the age. As maturing young women, I taught my daughters it's not ok to be touched or talked to in any way that makes them feel unsafe or uncomfortable and not to accept it. My grandchildren are being taught the same. It's not ok to give or receive inappropriate treatment.

It's 2019 and it's still an issue. The use of another person, particularly women, to bolster an ego or increase one's sense of strength and power has been going on for thousands of years. Even now it's inherent in many cultures and religions. (Cont. on P. 11)

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Lawsuit

Here are some of the county's statements that appeared in the Press Enterprise followed by my comments. Riverside County statements are shown in *Italics* and Highgrove Happenings responses in **bold**.

County: "Citizens don't understand how CSA agreements were designed to work and how the funds were managed".

Highgrove: The Special assessment was for only two specific purposes as stated in the "Impartial Analysis" and the funds were supposed to be "Retained" in the CSA 126 account and used only for those two purposes.

County: "Riverside County insists the fee money is being spent properly and the residents can get information about the fee through several avenues, including from County Service Area staff members who attend public meetings."

Highgrove: No County representative has attended a Highgrove Municipal Advisory meeting since November of 2016 because we did not meet in December 2016 and no one from the county attended our Jan., Feb. or March 2017 meetings. Then on April 11, 2017 Supervisor Tavaglione abolished the entire Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council at a public hearing.

There have been no Highgrove MAC meetings for over 2 years.

Note: When the County responded to Spring Mountain Ranch residents having to pay more than the annual \$120.00, here was their



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response as reported in the Press Enterprise:

County: The higher assessment covers costs associated with regular maintenance for more than 7 million square feet of landscaping, street lighting, enhanced sheriff services, Spring Mountain Ranch community park, community trails and water quality basins"

Highgrove: No provision for "Landscaping" was on the 1997 ballot (See 1997 ballot on page 3), the "enhanced sheriff services" were eliminated by the county on Dec. 30, 2009, and "Spring Mountain Ranch community park" was paid for by KB Homes. "Trails" and "water quality basins" were not on the ballot.



Here is a portion of the 7 million square feet of Landscaping in Spring Mountain Ranch. Was our CSA 126 Special Assessment money paying for "Landscaping" instead of our sheriff?

Landscaping was not on the 1997 ballot.

To see what was actually on the 1997 ballot turn back to page 3.

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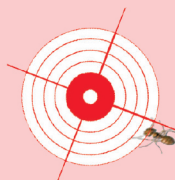
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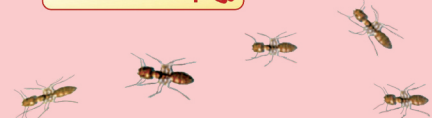
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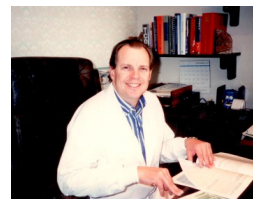


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HIGHGROVE HAPPENINGS

Highgrove Elementary School Kindergarten enrollment

Highgrove Elementary School is accepting enrollment for Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten students. To enter kindergarten, students must be five by September 1st. To enter Transitional Kindergarten, students must be five by December 1st. The first 50 students to register receive a free backpack filled with school supplies for summer learning.

On Monday, May 13th at 8 a.m. Highgrove will be hosting a Kindergarten Round Up for incoming Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten student with their parents. Parents will learn about our school attendance policies, hear about the upcoming school renovations that will impact kindergartners and meet and see our kindergarten teachers in action on a school tour. Please come to our school at 8:00 a.m. on May 13, 2019.

Crime Stats for HIGHGROVE

Crime stats Received April 24, 2019

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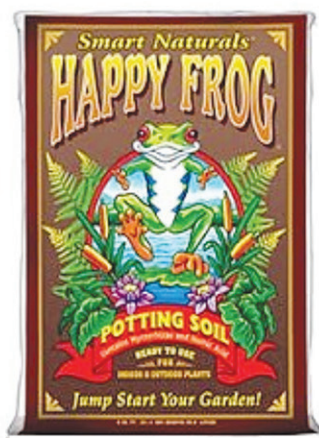
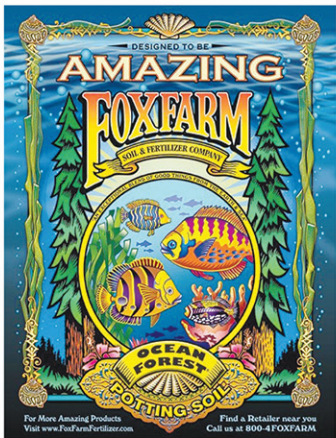
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One on One meeting with Riverside County's new Sheriff, Chad Bianco



On March 29, 2019, I had a meeting with our new Sheriff, Chad Bianco and here are some of the things we discussed that I left with him.

In 1992, the small community of Highgrove was the first un-incorporated community in Riverside County to contract with the Sheriff's Dept. for its own Sheriff Deputy assigned exclusively to Highgrove's 3 ½ square miles east of the I-215 freeway.

In 1992, Ballots were mailed out by Riverside County to the property owners who approved a self-imposed annual parcel assessment of \$120.00 per parcel to pay for the extra Sheriff.

In 1997 another ballot was mailed out by Riverside County due to Proposition 218 and was again approved by 75.8 % of the parcel owners that voted to: **"continue to finance the same Extended Sheriff and Park & Recreation Services"**.

Since 1992, property owners have been paying the \$120.00 special CSA 126 Assessment with their property tax bills but when I was Chairman

of the Highgrove Municipal Advisory Council, I discovered that the sheriff car seen in Highgrove was not the "Extended Sheriff" we were paying for.

The "Extended Sheriff" Deputy's position had been eliminated on Dec. 30, 2009 by Riverside County Supervisor Ashley, the EDA, and the Sheriff's Dept. without notifying any of the Highgrove voters or current property owners by mailing out another ballot to tell them our Deputy had been eliminated.

Another ballot should have been mailed out by Riverside County to determine if the property owners wanted to:

(1) Reduce the hours of the deputy to stay within our budget

(2) increase the amount of the parcel fee or

(3) Cancel the "Extended Sheriff" entirely.

But none of these options were given to the Highgrove voters. And over 9 years and 5 months after the Deputy was eliminated, Highgrove property owners still have to pay the special CSA 126 assessment with their property taxes for our exclusive deputy that we no longer have.

Then, instead of notifying the property owners by ballot, an agreement was made between Supervisor Ashely, the EDA, and the Sheriff Dept., to provide extra patrols to Highgrove. The agreement states: **"This agreement does not include**

the use of CSA funds for the patrols".

(A copy of this agreement was given to Sheriff Bianco.)

Later when Supervisor Tavaglione replaced Supervisor Ashley due to re-districting, under Supervisor Tavaglione's jurisdiction, a total of \$60,000.00 was taken out of our CSA 126 Fund instead of Riverside County's General Fund as per the Ashley Agreement.

(See page 2 of Highgrove MAC minutes dated Nov. 9, 2009; page 2 of County Service Area 126 Report on Sheriff Patrol Services; and a copy of the Sheriff Dept. receiving \$25,000.00 for YF 15-16 and \$35,000.00 for FY 16-17 for a \$60,000.00 total.

Summary:

Since Highgrove residents have been paying for their own deputy that we have not had since Dec. 30, 2009, Highgrove's exclusive deputy's position should be restored without removing any more money from our CSA 126 account because the Special Assessment has already been paid for through our property taxes that were collected by Riverside County that were supposed to be **"retained"** in our CSA 126 account.

The money collected by Riverside County was for only 2 purposes that was stated prior to the 1997 ballot that was written by Riverside County Council, William C. Katzenstein, that stated:

"The tax will be retained in the CSA 126 fund to be used only for purposes of continuing Extended Sheriff, and Park & Recreation services and improvements. The tax cannot be increased except by a 2/3 vote of the electorate."

(A copy of this Impartial Analysis is included)

Highgrove only has one 5 acre park and there have been no Pony League games, or other sports programs in the Highgrove Community Park for several years.

Highgrove's "Extended Sheriff" is **"over and above"** the sheriff's coverage that is provided to other county residents who pay their regular property taxes. Our "Extended Sheriff" is **in addition to-not instead of**.

To pay for the cost of re-establishing the Highgrove Deputy, Riverside County should pay the Sheriff's Dept. from their General Fund and not from our CSA 126 account.

The Highgrove people deserve to get their deputy back at no additional expense because we are tired of paying the special assessment for over 9 years for a service that was eliminated by Riverside County.

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More County Transportation officials visited Highgrove!

On March 12, 2019, Riverside County Traffic Engineer, Dennis Acuna came to my house for a tour of Highgrove and discuss some of our traffic problems. Then on April 19, 2019, the County Administrative Services Analysis Michael Maldonado, County Ombudsman Wendell Bugtai, and Second District Representative Matthew Maldonado also came to Highgrove to discuss how to address some of the following transportation issues:

TRANSPORTATION RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDED IN HIGHGROVE:

Hundreds of acres of orange groves have been replaced with new homes in the Highgrove area of Riverside County and it is not over yet!

Spring Mountain Ranch is a project being built by KB Homes that is adding 1,409 new homes to Highgrove. And another builder, D R Horton, recently finished 36 new homes by the Highgrove Elementary School and 69 more new homes at the base of Blue Mountain in another project and Lennar homes is building 72 more single family homes on the N/W corner of Mt. Vernon and Palmyrita Avenue.

Highgrove will continue to grow because there are 183 acres of vacant land that is known as the Springbrook Estates project that has room for over 600 homes.

And in another part of Highgrove that used to be orange groves and is right in the middle of Highgrove, is 68 acres of vacant land that is owned by the Lansing Land

Developers in San Diego. One 40- acre parcel of vacant land by the Elementary school has boundaries of Center St. on the north, Spring St. on the south, Garfield on the east and the former UP RR track on the west. In addition to these 40 acres, just south of Spring St. is another adjacent 28 acres owned by Lansing that extends southward all the way to the Springbrook arroyo.

Traffic congestion has already impacted Highgrove but more transportation related infrastructure is needed to accommodate Highgrove's new and future growth.

Here are some challenges listed in random order facing Highgrove and some suggestions for a solution and a plan for the future:

MAIN STREET:

Traffic from warehouse construction in Grand Terrace will impact Highgrove residents.

The north side of Main St. is in Grand Terrace in San Bernardino County and the south side is in Highgrove in Riverside County. A developer is planning to build warehouses

on the Grand Terrace side which will create new truck traffic onto Main Street.

Southbound traffic from Grand Terrace should have "Right turn only" signs posted to prevent trucks from going eastbound onto Main St. past the residential section on the south side of Main St. in Highgrove. "Right turn only" signs for southbound traffic on Taylor St. will direct truck traffic toward the I-215 freeway and away from the Highgrove resident's homes. **MICHIGAN AVE.**

EXTENSION:

A new southward extension of Michigan Ave. at Spring St. is needed through the vacant field in the proposed Springbrook Estates project that could connect to the south side of the arroyo between the existing warehouses in Riverside that are along Palmyrita Avenue. This new short extension will connect two cities in two different counties (Grand Terrace in San Bernardino County and Riverside in Riverside County) as it goes through un-incorporated Highgrove.

Extending Michigan Ave.

by approximately 1/2 mile through this vacant field will create a new north/south road all the way from Barton Road in Grand Terrace southward through Highgrove to Columbia Ave. in Riverside. Paperwork for a new road through the Springbrook Estates property needs to be in place in this vacant property before any new construction.

(Photo on P. 4)

SPRING ST. EXTENSION:

After Spring St. is extended into the Metrolink parking lot, maybe in the future this road could also be connected to the Iowa Ave. overpass. There is already a paved road from the base of the overpass at Citrus St. that extends northward that was built in 2008 but has never been used. This would allow access to the overpass when freight trains block traffic like it did for 18 hours in 2006 when both Main St. and Center St. were blocked due to a derailment.

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This Mother's Day, if you are fortunate enough to have your mom, show your appreciation for the strength and intelligence she has and promise her that in her honor you will shut down anyone who is inappropriate to another person, be it man or woman. Promise her you will be part of the solution.

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