

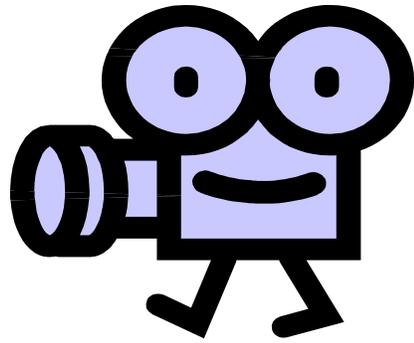
The City of Ridgecrest Monthly Report



October 2006

Short Takes

*Written and Directed by
Harvey Michael Reese*



-  Burger King is planning more than 400 new units globally, a net of 250 after closures, 1,050 of which will open in North America. That number is up from the 42 net new openings Burger King had in the last year. The chain now has nearly 9,900 units around the world, two-thirds of which are in North America.
-  Labor negotiations.
-  Fire services negotiations.
-  Meeting with RRA auditor.
-  Council briefings.
-  Meetings with potential industrial developers.
-  Council meetings, Council Committees, Staff meetings.
-  News media briefings, prepare and record radio commentaries.
-  Military-Civilian Affairs Committee.
-  Semi-monthly meetings with IWV Water District.
-  City-County Planning Partnership meeting.
-  Ridgecrest Hospital-City Partnership meeting (Drummond Medical Center business review).
-  Periodic meeting with Cal-Trans representatives.

Ridgecrest Police Department

RPD monthly report

Shelter Floats Receives 3rd Place in Parade

Special points of interest:

Officer Lawson in the Community Policing Report

On October 14, 2006, the Ridgecrest Animal Shelter participated in the fall parade. A special ***"thanks"*** to George and Judy Pommerenke and Lisa Roland, who offered their help with decorating the float and allowed the Shelter to use their pick-up to drive the float. We had members from the IWV Humane Society join us, and we took several shelter dogs. Sticking with the theme, we dressed the

animals up in western gear. The male dogs wore cowboy hats and gun belts and the female dogs wore feather boas. The dogs enjoyed getting out and the community members were more than supportive and amused by the four legged western gang.

a big smile on the faces of everyone who was involved.

We thought the exposure would be great for the shelter and its residents. Never did we expect to win 3rd place, but we did and that put

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Monthly Report regarding Community Policing

Inside this issue:

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911 Calls

During the month of October, 2006, Officers of the Ridgecrest Police Department initiated at least twenty new Community Oriented Policing contacts in their assigned districts. Some of the issues identified by the officers as problems were poor lighting (streetlights) and traffic problems in the area of Faller School. New graffiti was

located in another area of Ridgecrest and removed by PACT.

During this same month, Officer Kristen Lawson contacted an elderly female resident who was a victim of vandalism. Unknown suspects had knocked her mailbox over and pulled it out of the ground. Officer Lawson

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DESERT EMPIRE FAIR

"THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR CONTINUAL DEDICATION AND SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY"

From October 12th through the 15th, Ridgecrest Police Officers along with PACT Volunteers worked together at the **Desert Empire Fair** and also at the **Parade**. The Department had fourteen citizen volunteers assisting Officers to insure the safety of patrons at the fair-

grounds and during the parade. The total hours given by our volunteers on these days came to fifty-six hours.

The Police Department and the community are very fortunate to have such dedicated and passionate volunteers willing to help during such events.

I wish to commend our volunteers for their continual support of our community.



Monthly Report regarding Community Policing

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learned that the victim had no family in the area and that she was physically unable to do it on her own. In the true spirit of Community Oriented Policing, Officer Lawson went to the victim's residence on her day off to repair the mailbox for the elderly female. Sergeant Jon Wheeler, also on his own time, accompanied Officer Lawson to the residence.

While Officer Lawson and Sergeant Wheeler were working on the mailbox, two other Ridgecrest residents, Mr. Tom Lara and Mr. Mark Ball stopped and asked if they could assist in the repairs. This turned out to be a big event with a positive impact for the

Ridgecrest Police Departments' Community Policing project. It is with great admiration that I commend Officer Lawson, Sergeant Jon Wheeler, Mr. Lara and Mr. Ball, for showing us what "**community**" is all about.

Desert Empire Fair Parade 2006

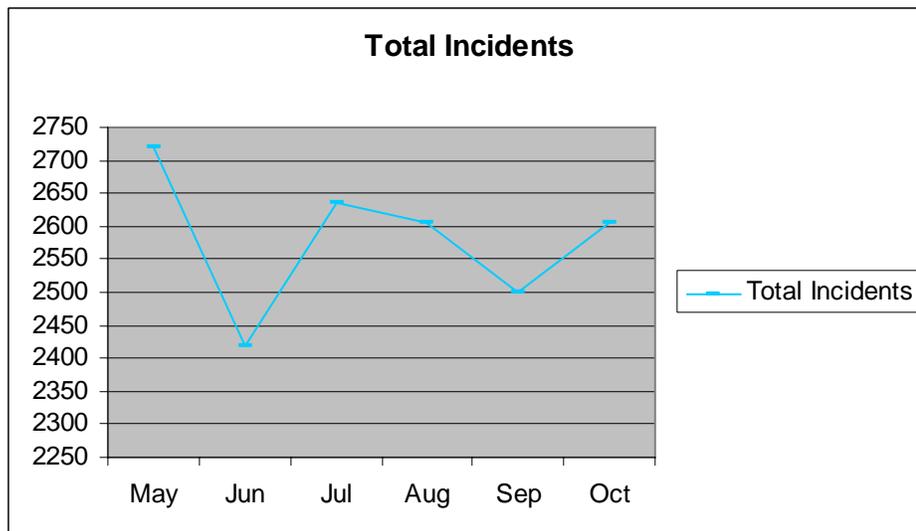
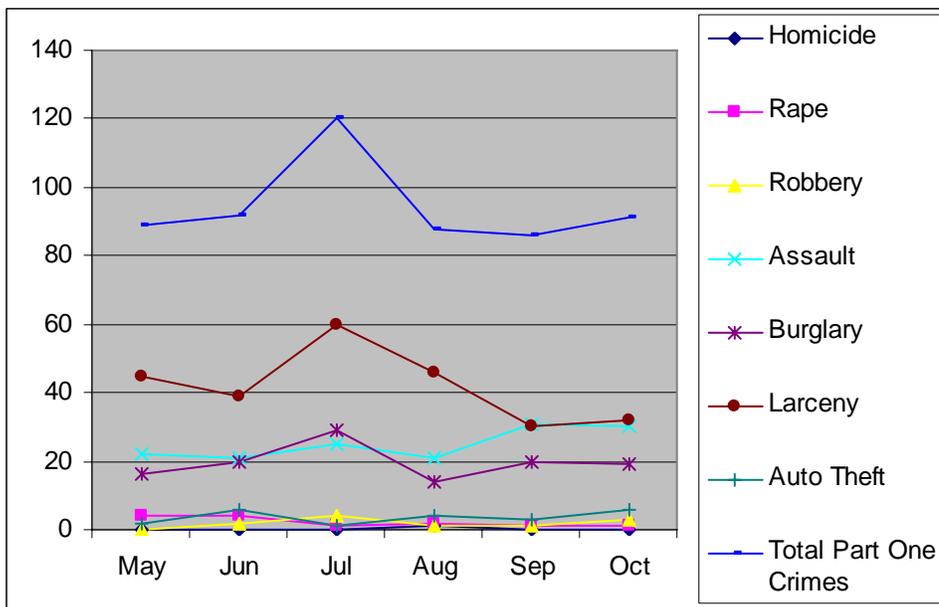


Ridgecrest Police Department

Prepared November 15, 2006

Crime for the Last Six Months

Crimes	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Total
Homicide	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Rape	4	4	1	2	1	1	13
Robbery	0	2	4	1	1	3	11
Assault	22	21	25	21	31	30	150
Burglary	16	20	29	14	20	19	118
Larceny	45	39	60	46	30	32	252
Auto Theft	2	6	1	4	3	6	22
Total Part One Crimes	89	92	120	88	86	91	566
Total Incidents	2719	2419	2636	2605	2501	2605	15485



**RIDGECREST POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT
October 2006**

	2006		2005		2006
	OCT	OCT	OCT	OCT	
	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD	YTD
<u>Crime/Reports:</u>					
Part-One Crimes	91	928	91	849	9%
All other Crime Reports	156	1707	200	1635	4%
Traffic Accidents	17	274	22	211	30%
Miscellaneous Reports	76	802	81	771	4%
Traffic Citations	339	2954	424	2882	2%
All other Reports	8	86	10	99	-13%
Total of all Reports	348	3797	404	3565	7%
<u>Arrests:</u>					
Part 1 Arrests	27	316	25	308	3%
Narcotic Related Arrests	14	325	28	286	14%
All other Felony Arrests	19	199	15	164	21%
Total other Misd. Arrests	110	1230	140	1057	16%
Total all Arrests	170	2070	208	1815	14%
Total all Juvenile Arrests	26	367	43	303	21%
Total all Adult Arrests	144	1703	165	1512	13%
<u>General Information:</u>					
Total Service Hours	1998	20104	2046	18447	9%
Total Activity Hours	1348	13917	1438	13051	7%
Total Patrol Hours	650	6188	608	5396	15%
Total Calls for Service	2605	24436	2782	26107	-6%
Total Value Prop. Stolen	71465	548755	96269	751315	-27%
Total Value Prop. Recovered	28867	284594	94105	438872	-35%

**RIDGECREST POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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**PATROL STATISTICS
REPORTING PERIOD: OCTOBER 2006**

11/08/2006

Statistic	Count
Total Incidents	2605
Calls for Service	1419
Officer Initiated Incidents	1186
Traffic Stops	559
Other OIA Incidents	627
Bus/Building checks	2
Veh/Ped Check	77
Total Officer Reports	348
Accident	17
Documentation Purposes Only	54
Felony	91
Information Only-no Crime	22
Infraction	4
Misdemeanor	149
Status Offense	3
Unclassified Reports	8
Total Misdemeanor & Felony Arrests	167
Misdemeanor Arrests	128
Felony Arrests	39
Total Citations	339
Bicycle	1
Felony	1
Infraction	117
Mini Bike	1
Misdemeanor	108
RMC Violation	6
Vehicle - Moving	94
Vehicle - Parked	7
Unclassified	4
FIs	0



ACCIDENTS INVOLVING DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE FOR 2006

11/08/2006

MONTH	NO. OF ACCIDENTS	DUI INVOLVED	FATAL DUI	NO. FATALITIES
JANUARY	31	0	0	0
FEBRUARY	31	4	0	0
MARCH	38	2	0	0
APRIL	44	2	0	0
MAY	35	0	0	0
JUNE	28	2	0	0
JULY	18	1	0	0
AUGUST	24	2	0	0
SEPTEMBER	41	1	0	0
OCTOBER	17	1	0	0
NOVEMBER	1	0	0	0
DECEMBER	0	0	0	0
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TOTALS	308	15	0	0



ACCIDENTS BY TYPE OF COLLISION FOR 2006

11/08/2006

MONTH	NO. OF ACCIDENTS	----- COLLISIONS INVOLVING ... -----			
		VEHICLES	MOTORCYCLES	BICYCLES	PEDESTRIANS
JANUARY	31	10	1	0	0
FEBRUARY	31	17	1	1	0
MARCH	38	17	0	0	3
APRIL	44	17	0	1	2
MAY	35	17	1	0	0
JUNE	28	14	0	0	1
JULY	18	4	1	0	0
AUGUST	24	14	0	1	0
SEPTEMBER	41	26	1	2	2
OCTOBER	17	17	0	1	1
NOVEMBER	1	1	0	0	1
DECEMBER	0	0	0	0	0
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TOTALS	308	154	5	6	10



ACCIDENT SUMMARY BY SEVERITY FOR 2006

11/08/2006

MONTH	NUMBER	--- ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION ---					--- INJURY TOTALS ---		
		FATAL	MAJOR	UNKNOWN	MINOR	NO INJ	FATAL	MAJOR	MINOR
January	31	0	1	2	7	21	0	1	3
February	31	0	1	6	11	13	1	0	9
March	38	0	2	3	12	21	0	2	4
April	44	0	1	7	9	27	0	1	7
May	35	0	1	7	10	17	0	1	10
June	28	0	1	5	8	14	0	2	5
July	18	0	0	3	1	14	0	0	4
August	24	0	0	4	10	10	0	0	5
September	41	1	2	8	17	13	1	2	10
October	17	0	1	3	13	0	0	1	4
November	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
December	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	308	1	10	49	98	150	2	10	62

1	2	3	4	5	6
CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	OFFENSES REPORTED OR KNOWN TO POLICE (INCLUDE "UNFOUNDED" AND ATTEMPTS)	UNFOUNDED I.E. FALSE OR BASELESS COMPLAINTS	NUMBER OF ACTUAL OFFENSES (COLUMN 2 MINUS COLUMN 3) (INCLUDE ATTEMPTS)	TOTAL OFFENSES CLEARED BY ARREST OR EXCEPTIONAL MEANS (INCLUDES COL. 6)	NUMBER OF CLEARANCES INVOLVING ONLY PERSONS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE
1. CRIMINAL HOMICIDE					
a. MURDER AND NON-NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE (score attempts as aggravated assault) If homicide reported submit Supplementary Homicide Report	11				
b. MANSLAUGHTER BY NEGLIGENCE	12				
2. FORCIBLE RAPE TOTAL	20				
a. Rape by Force	21	1	1	1	
b. Attempt to commit Forcible Rape	22	1	1	1	
3. ROBBERY TOTAL	30				
a. Firearm	31	3	3	2	
b. Knife or Cutting Instrument	32	2	2	1	
c. Other Dangerous Weapon	33				
d. Strong-Arm (Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc.)	34	1	1	1	
4. ASSAULT TOTAL	40				
a. Firearm	41	30	1	29	19
b. Knife or Cutting Instrument	42				5
c. Other Dangerous Weapon	43	1		1	2
d. Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc.) - Aggravated injury	44	1		1	1
e. Other Assaults - Simple, Not Aggravated	45	28	1	27	16
5. BURGLARY TOTAL	50				
a. Forcible Entry	51	19	19	7	
b. Unlawful Entry - No Force	52	3	3	1	
c. Attempted Forcible Entry	53	16	16	4	
				2	
6. LARCENY-THEFT TOTAL	60				
		32	1	31	10
7. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT TOTAL	70				
a. Autos	71	6	6	1	
b. Trucks and Buses	72	2	2		
c. Other Vehicles	73	4	4	1	
GRAND TOTAL	77	91	3	88	40
					5

CHECKING ANY OF THE APPROPRIATE BLOCKS BELOW WILL ELIMINATE YOUR NEED TO SUBMIT REPORTS WHEN THE VALUES ARE ZERO. THIS WILL ALSO AID THE NATIONAL PROGRAM IN ITS QUALITY CONTROL EFFORTS.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER KILLED OR ASSAULTED REPORT SINCE NONE OF THE OFFICERS WERE ASSAULTED OR KILLED DURING THE MONTH | <input type="checkbox"/> NO MONTHLY RETURN OF ARSON OFFENSES KNOWN TO LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT SINCE NO ARSON OCCURRED |

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October 2006

Month and Year of Report

CA0150600

Agency Identifier

23,000

Population

11/07/2006

Date

PAT RICHARD, Records Supervisor

Prepared by

Title

Ridgecrest Police Department, CA

Agency and State

MICHAEL AVERY, CHIEF

Chief, Commissioner, Sheriff, or Superintendent

**RIDGECREST POLICE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS
MONTHLY SUMMARY**

OCTOBER 2006

CATEGORY				TOTAL
DIRECT FILES	DA / COURT		90	90
CLOSE OUTS	INVEST.	193		193
	DIRECT	143		143
REFER TO D.A. / JUV. PROB.			16	16
DA COMPLAINT SHEETS RETURNED			73	73
SUBPOENA'S SERVED			11	11
TOTAL		336	190	526

PREPARED BY: JOYCE MARKWITH

APPROVED BY: *P. Wheeler*

Overtime Usage

Fiscal Year 2007

<u><i>Overtime Type</i></u>	<u><i>Total Hours</i></u>
55 Ridgecrest Patrol	26.5
56 Shelter Services	11.5
AM Administrative Duty Meetings	100.5
AR Administrative Duty Records	0.5
ARM Administrative Duty Repair/Maintenance	6
AS Administrative Duty Station Assingments	19
AT Administrative Duty Training	167.5
CA Court Appearance	71
CS Court Stand-by	6
IF Investigations Criminal Follow Up	137.25
II Investigations Interviews	30.25
IR Investigations Traffic Related	38.5
IV Investigations Vice / Narcotics	1.5
PB Prisoner booking	36
PT Prisoner transportation	92
RC Report Writing Criminal	228.25
RI Report Writing Information	21.5
RT Report Writing Traffic	23.25
SC Shift Coverage In Court	2
SE Special Events	293.5
SL Shift Coverage On Sick Leave	66
SS Shift Coverage Shortage	292.5
ST Shift Coverage On Time Off	214
<i>Total Hours:</i>	1885

Ridgecrest Police Department

Animal Control Section

Monthly Report of Activities
October 2006

	CITY	NAWS	KERN CO	SAN BERN	Current Year		Previous Year	
					MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD
Dispatched Calls	184	2	0	0	186	1699	214	1747
Field Calls	22	0	0	0	22	223	22	180
Emergency Calls	1	0	0	0	1	26	5	30
Impounded Dogs:								
Public	45	2	14	2	63	526	59	571
A.C.O.	26	1	12	4	43	540	56	485
Total	71	3	26	6	106	1066	115	1056
Impounded Cats:								
Public	70	5	24	5	104	1004	119	1082
A.C.O.	19	0	0	0	19	156	15	130
Total	89	5	24	5	123	1160	134	1212
Miscellaneous Animals:	6	0	0	0	6	63	1	41
Dead Animals:	4	0	0	0	4	79	11	100
Cumulative of Animals Handled:	170	8	50	11	239	1825	261	2409
Dispositions								
Dogs Adopted	16	1	6	1	24	251	38	248
Dogs Released	26	2	5	2	35	330	38	312
Dogs Euthanasized	16	0	13	3	32	384	31	387
Cats Adopted	6	0	2	0	8	117	22	222
Cats Released	7	0	0	0	7	39	3	31
Cats Euthanasized	69	5	20	4	98	856	98	804
Animals Euthanasized:	85	5	33	7	130	1240	129	1191
Fees Collected								
Licenses								
		MTD		YTD		Pre MTD		Pre YTD
		\$905.00		\$10,511.00		\$568.00		\$9,448.00
Vaccinations		\$205.00		\$2,020.00		\$270.00		\$2,200.00
Shelter Fees		\$2,665.00		\$31,050.00		\$3,660.00		\$30,395.00
Total Fees Collected		\$3,775.00		\$43,581.00		\$4,498.00		\$42,043.00

Prepared By: Mary Stage

Reviewed By: _____

RIDGECREST POLICE DEPARTMENT

RESERVE ORGANIZATION

MONTHLY SUMMARY

October, 2006

	Current Month	YTD Total
Reserves Hrs.	169.5	865.5

During the month of October, Reserve Officers worked the following hours:

Officer Kiren	2
Officer Dysart	48
Officer Schatz	9
Officer Robbs	8
Officer Dorrell	56.5
Officer Regan	38
Officer Mitchell	8
Total hours:	169.5

This month, members of the reserve organization augmented patrol, assisted with range, provided prisoner transports, provided security at BHS football games, and assisted at the fair and Grand Prix located at the fairgrounds. Reserve Ofc. C. Dysart also completed 32-hours of POST training.

Prepared by


Justin M. Dampier
Detective

-PACT MONTHLY REPORT October 2006

<u>PACT Volunteer</u>	<u>Hours</u>				
Executive Director	2.0				
Financial	2.0				
Fundraiser	84.5				
Training	9.0				
Administrative RPD	167.0				
Administrative Org	52.0				
Vehicle Maint.	0.0				
Animal Welfare	254.0				
Child ID	47.0				
EOC	5.0				
Graffiti Task Force	7.5	# Sites	4	Sites YTD	121
Nuisance Abatement	0.0				
Patrol	236.0	# Houses	21	Houses YTD	185
Preventive Patrol	0.0				
Surveillance	0.0				
PACT HOURS	866.0		YTD Hours for 2006		8064.0
Non-member hours	0.0		YTD Hours for 2005		7825.0
Chaplain hours	9.0				
TOTAL HOURS	875.0		Total Hours for 2005		9,423.6

Volunteers served 7 subpoenas and attempted to serve 17 additional times.

Four evidence runs were made to Bakersfield.

Motocross on October 1st.

Overnight patrol at Burroughs High School October 12, 2006.

Volunteers patrolled the fair grounds October 12th-15th.

Eighteen volunteers worked the parade duty on October 14th.

Volunteers patrolled October 28th.

Volunteers patrolled October 31st.

Four graffiti sites were cleaned up with seven and a half volunteer hours being spent.

Seventeen volunteers attended the October 25th Coffee.

The Chaplain Corps logged nine hours.

Prepared by Virginia Smith, PACT Coordinator

RIDGECREST POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPLORER ORGANIZATION

MONTHLY SUMMARY

OCTOBER 2006

	Current Month	YTD Total	Last YTD	Percent Change
Explorers	256	613	2011	-328

During the month of October the Explorers worked a total of 256 hours. The hours were comprised of events (Indian Pow-Wow security and Relay for Life), meetings, and ride alongs. Recruitment for new people is currently on going. B.H.S. is currently running as part of their regular announcements information regarding joining the post. There are currently 8 active Explorers, including two new applicants.

Prepared by *A. Miller*
Officer A. Miller
Explorer Advisor

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

FLAG FOOTBALL IS A SUCCESS!!

BY JACOB WINEGARDNER

October 30th marked the opening day of our brand new youth flag football program. During the week the 16 teams met for their first practice, and on Saturday November 4th, the first games were held.

As a department we were very surprised as the turnout for this program. In the beginning we had hoped to have between 50 and 90 youth sign up. When registration ended, however, we

had doubled that amount, with a total of 150 kids participating. We had to scramble in order to find more coaches!!

Many parents expressed their excitement and were very thankful that the City put together a program like this. Parents throughout the community told us that they wanted their children to be able to play football and enjoy it, but not have to worry about the danger

of a full contact sport. Our flag football league was just the thing that many of them were looking for.

Next year we are hoping to increase the number of participants to 300. Being a new program it will take a few years to build up participant numbers, but we feel that once the word gets out through the community the program will explode.

Parks and Recreation Staff 2006



Back Row L-R: Jacob Winegardner, Lamarr Iva, Pam Pearson, Jim Ponek, Mindy Beck, Rick Bowen, Greg Clark, Randy Brown, Jim Kirwin

Front Row L-R: Paul Maschhoff, Chuck Hinson, Jeff Donnally, Harvey Royal, Andy Duff, Lane Ritchie

CITY OF RIDGECREST

Public Services

Telephone 449-5080 - Fax 499-1580

October Meetings

- Oct. 02 - CSTI Earthquake Course and Certification San Luis Obispo, 02-06
- Oct. 09 - Zipper Demonstration Reeves Ave.
- Oct. 11- Transit Operators Mtg. KernCOG, Bakersfield
- Oct. 16 - OPR, JLUS Advisory Comm. Mtg.
- Oct. 17 - OPR, JLUS Technical Comm. Mtg.
- Oct. 17 - US Air force Golden West Band Concert
- Oct. 20 - BRAC, IG Conference
- Oct. 20 - RWF Luncheon
- Oct. 23 - Planning Dir. Blueprint Forum, KernCOG
- Oct. 23 - Supervisor Barbara Patrick Mtg.
- Oct. 24 - General Plan Mtg.
- Oct. 25 - IWV 2000 Revisioning Mtg.
- Oct. 25 - General Plan Joint Mtg.
- Oct. 27 - Cal Trans Transit
- Oct. 27 - Kern County Roads
- Oct. 30 - State of the State . Milken Institute, Bev. Hills

CITY OF RIDGECREST

James McRea
Deputy City Manager
Joe Pollock
City Engineer

The Highway 178 Corridor Tourism Expo October 27-29, 2006

The October 27-29 Highway 178 Corridor Tourism EXPO was at the KMCC, in Ridgecrest, California. Attendance was a little over 200. The event did not reach our primary audience, but those in attendance were pleased. The travel professionals element was somewhat successful with one travel writer and eight agents in attendance. Next year's event is tentatively schedule for Bakersfield, followed by the Kern River Valley in 2008 and back to Ridgecrest in '09.

Welcome
Highway 178 Corridor Travel Expo



Kerr McGee Community Center
100 West California Avenue
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
Including the 125 mile California State Highway 178
through California's Kern County

October 27-29, 2006



California Specialized Training Institute CSTI Earthquake Course

A one week training course on Earthquake preparedness and the principals of Emergency Management, SEMS & ESF's held at Camp Roberts, CSTI of OES , State of California. Course included a desktop and actual EOC Activation for a 7.1 magnitude earthquake at 11:15 am approximately 8 mi. N/E of the central coast virtual City of Santa Luisa Del Mar. A course certificate was issued upon completion of the training. Course Manager was Mr. Joe Costello with additional CSTI staff.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

Waste Water Headworks and Digester Cleaning

This project is essentially complete. The final item is installation of the heat exchanger on the digester which should be delivered in the next month.

Private Sector Projects

The demand for inspection and plan checking is still increasing primarily in the commercial and residential sectors. There are currently about 38 new residential subdivisions being processed with a total of more than 3200 new lots. In addition to these there are about 1500 lots in the Ridgecrest Heights area that are vacant and buildable.

Street Projects

Work on the Mahan, Graaf and Reeves projects is on schedule, with Mahan about 90% complete and the project overall should be completed in mid December.

WASTEWATER REPORT

The City of Ridgecrest WWTF operated within design and compliance directives issued under Board Order No. 6-00-56. The treatment facility operated with no discharge violations for the month of October.

The department inspected and passed 18 new connections to the sanitary sewer system.

The reclamation department reclaimed 4 million gallons of secondary effluent for use as fodder crop irrigation.

	Plant Influent - v - Rated Design Capacity		
	2006	DESIGN	% Cap.
JAN	77.894	111.6	69%
FEB	66.199	104.4	63%
MAR	72.219	111.6	65%
APR	76.92	108	71%
MAY	80.737	111.6	72%
JUN	81.962	108	76%
JUL	85.643	111.6	76.00%
AUG	85.83	111.6	77%
SEP	80.624	108	75%
OCT	78.321	111.6	70%
NOV		108	
DEC		111.6	
TOTAL	786.349	1317.6	

The department hydro flushed 3,000 ft of main line sewer as preventative maintenance

BUILDING REPORT

A total of 61 permits were issued in October. Of the permits issued in October, nine were for Single Family Residences.

Community Economic & Development Director's Report



This month was one of work on the Wal-Mart EIR and the Rite-Aid project as the community awaits the Base Business Plan, most developers are also on hold as well. Projects in construction are the Taco Bell and the new five



store retail building at Bowman and China Lake. Searles Lake Federal Credit Union and two new developments are now being planned for China Lake which will become public by the first of the year providing more retail space the community.



A new 24,000 sq. ft. office building will soon be under construction with yet more space being developed in the near future both in and out of the business park to total over 50,000 sq. ft.



Despite the new retail space being developed, the purchase of Sierra Vista Mall by Sierra Sands Unified School District, we will see a further reduction in vacant retail space in the community, as low as 8%, a big change from the bad days of the late 90's.

The viewfinders event was again a great success this year bringing more visitors than last year to the community.

Attached is a report of some of the many activities the city has been involved with as economic development shows great growth and success. This has resulted in excellent gains in sales tax and TOT as well as one time money with sales of land in the business park now totally over two million dollars.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY FROM 2000-2006

PROJECT NAME	Private Sector	City Project	Begun Talking	Project Complete	Project In Process
NDTI		X		X	
Walgreen's		X		X	
Rite-Aid		X			X
Marriott		X			X
Hilton		X			X
2 Office Buildings		X			X
Restaurant		X			X
Taco Bell		X			X
Grand Stay & 7 Retail Outlets	X				X
Home Depot		X		X	
4 Store Complex	X				X
Wal-Mart	X				X
5 New Stores in Old Walmart	X				X
Econo Lodge Remodel		X		X	
Ridgecrest Cinemas		X		X	
Globe Project		X			X
National Health Services		X			X

PROJECT NAME	Private Sector	City Project	Begun Talking	Project Complete	Project In Process
Navy Credit Union		X			X
Beanster's	X			X	
Starbucks	X			X	
Ashley Home Furnishings	X			X	
Dart	X			X	
Rose Garden Inn		X		X	
Farris Restaurant	X			X	
China Express	X			X	
China Lake Buffet	X			X	
Lugos Restaurant	X			X	
Community Action Partnership Child Care	X			X	
Great American BBQ	X			X	
Toyko House	X			X	
Hospital Expansion	X			X	
Alta One	X			X	
Immanuel Daycare & Church	X			X	
Pizza Factory	X				X
Storage on Norma	X			X	
Relocation of Ridgecrest Motorcycle Shop (RMC)	X			X	

PROJECT NAME	Private Sector	City Project	Begun Talking	Project Complete	Project In Process
Nickolette		X		X	
2 Doctor's Offices		X			X
Searles Lake Federal Credit Union		X			X
Pony Express (Norma)	X			X	
Mon Reve	X			X	
Dollar Tree	X			X	
3 New Light Industrial Buildings in Inyokern Industrial Park	X				X
USO		X			X
New Defence Contractor Building		X			X
Remodel of Albertson's	X			X	
New Small Commercial Building @ Wal-Mart Center	X				X
Guns 4 Us	X			X	

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS	Private Sector	City Project	Begun Talking	Project Complete	Project In Process
1800 Units of Housing (ENTITLEMENT)	X			X	
300 Units of Housing (BUILT)				X	
BRAC Support		X			X
Reduction in existing vacant Retail Space by 20%		X		X	
New Event - View Finders		X		X	

Color Code

Currently Under Construction

Currently Development Negotiations Phase

CITY PLANNING

During the latter part of October and first half of November, the Planning staff has been busy with the following projects:

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

The P&Z Committee met on October 25, and November 16, 2006:



1) October 25, 2006 Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting:

DISCUSSION OF PLANNING PROCEDURES / NAWS / CITY OF RIDGECREST

John O’Gara gives a brief overview of the NAWS process for a project proposal. John O’Gara would asked to bring everyone’s attention to Senate Bill 1468

FOLLOW UP REPORT ON GENERAL PLAN ZONING CONSISTANCIES

Staff reported to the committee that letters and maps have been distributed to Real Estate Agents in anticipation that many will be able to assist with their knowledge of the zoning issues. There have been no responses as of yet.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING

Jerry Taylor requests that an item be added to the agenda for the next meeting – Outdoor Lighting Control Ordinance.

2) November 16, 2006 Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting:

GENERAL PLAN UPDATE PROGRESS REPORT

Staff reported that they anticipate five qualified Planning and Environmental Consultants to submit proposals for the Ridgecrest General Plan / EIR and new Zoning Ordinance, (the proposals are due on

November 20th). The P&Z Committee agreed to serve as the oral review board to screen the consultants in order to make a recommendation to the City Council. Friday, December 15th was selected as the date to hold interviews.

REPORT ON RECOMMENDED ROLE FOR P&Z EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

The following position description for the ex-officio member(s) was approved by the Committee:

An ex-officio member of the P&Z is a member or representative of an agency (or interest) that is invited to participate in an advisory role to the voting members of the P&Z (city representatives).

An ex-officio member has the opportunity to provide and receive comments in a timely fashion in matters involving their agency and the City in pertinent matters pertaining to growth, zoning, and other matter of interest.

An Ex-Officio member can provide information and/or recommendations that could be of value to the full Committee within the decision making process.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING CONTROL ORDINANCE (DARK SKIES)

The Committee considered the Dark Skies Ordinance enacted by the City of Tucson and Pima County, Arizona. Jerry Taylor indicated that the Dark Skies Organization was coming out with a model ordinance that should be less complicated and less rigorous than the Tucson/Pima County ordinance. The model ordinance should be available in early 2007. The Committee agreed to wait and see how the model ordinance might fit the City of Ridgecrest.

HOME OCCUPATIONS

Staff reported that they had received a request by a resident to amend the City's Home Occupation Ordinance to permit Beauty salons to be operated at home under certain restrictions. Two beauticians with beauty shops located at commercial locations protested such an arrangement. The unanimous consensus of the Committee was to maintain the City's current prohibition on commercial beauticians operating from home.



PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission met on October 24, and November 14, 2006:

1) Planning Commission actions on October 24, 2006:

APPROVED a request by PAM Companies to change the zoning from RMH and CG to R-1 and change the general plan from C to LD and TTM 6927: A request to create a 56 lot Single Family Density (R-1) subdivision Tentative Tract Map 6927; Project is located on 13.04 ac at the SW corner of Upjohn Ave and Richmond St. APN: 343-070-24.

APPROVED a request by Miguel, LLC, Dru Hawkins by Superior Construction - Site Plan Review SPR-06-19 A request to build a 8,075 sf single story office building, in a CG-General Commercial zone on .72 acres located at the SW corner of South China Lake Blvd and Miguel Ct, 555 So. China Lake Blvd. APN: 480-010-07

2) Planning Commission actions on November 14, 2006:

ACTIONS taken on behalf of a General Plan Amendment, Re-Zoning, and Tentative Tract Map for 79.6 acres located at the Northwest Corner of Mahan Street and Springer Avenue, (APN 508-010-04 thru 08), Carole Vaughn, applicant are as follows:

- 1. Approve a recommendation to the Ridgecrest City Council to DENY a General Plan Amendment to the Land Use Designation on the subject property from Rural Density to Estate Density,**
- 2. Approve a recommendation to the Ridgecrest City Council to APPROVE a Zone Change on the subject property from Urban Reserve, (UR) to Estate Density, (E-1), 40,000 sq. ft. minimum residential lot size, including the approval of a Mitigated Negative Declaration on behalf of the Zone Change, and,**
- 3. Continue the application for the Tentative Tract Map.**

APPROVE an application by AMG & Associates for TPM 11562, a request to create a redesigned 10 lot General Commercial (GC) subdivision on 4.60 ac. located at the SW corner of Ridgecrest Blvd and Downs St. APN 508-020-06.

APPROVE a request for a 1 year extension by Neil Christman TTM 6221 to the approved TTM 6221 dated November 18, 2003. TTM 6221 is a request to create a 51 lot subdivision with lots ranging from 20,000 s.f. to 40,000 s.f. in size located west of College Heights Blvd and east of Warner St. between Springer Ave. and Dolphin Ave on 40 acres. Original APN 509-020-12 and 13.

APPROVE a request by Desert Willow Apartments, (TPM 11557), to create a (2) 1.26 ac parcel subdivision on 2.5 acs. Zoned R-3 located at the north end of El Prado Street which is north and east of Inyo street and Ward Ave. APN 453-013-11.

APPROVE a request by Katie Slater, (TPM 11650), to create a 2 Estate Density (10,000 sf min) subdivision on .5 acs. located at 724 S. Allen ST. APN 479-051-06.

HOUSING UNIT STATUS REPORT:

Please be advised that the City has approved 1,539 residential subdivision lots and 227 apartment units for a total of 1,766 dwelling units during 2006. By comparison, the total number of dwelling units approved in Ridgecrest between 2002 to 2005 was 540.

This means that during 2006, the number approved housing units were up 1,308 % over the average annual rate during the past four years.

Code Enforcement Office Monthly Status Report

Date: November 7, 2006
To: Gary Parsons, Karen Gamble
From: Bob Smith
Re: Month of October 2006 Statistics

<u>Complaints:</u> 27	YTD 235
Initiated: 8	YTD 50
<u>Site Inspection Days:</u> 17	YTD 128
<u>Site Inspections:</u> 99	YTD 657
<u>Correspondence:</u> 9	YTD 259
<u>RV/Oversized Warnings:</u> 2	YTD 85
<u>Contacts:</u> 94	YTD 1380
Telephone Received: 61	YTD: 654
Citizen Phone Contacts Made: 8	YTD: 474
Citizen Walk-in: 0	YTD: 6
E-Mails: 0	YTD: 5
U.S. Mail: 0	YTD: 0
Field Contacts: 25	YTD: 241
<u>Pre-Abatement/Public Hearing Scheduled:</u> 0	YTD 0
<u>Abatements:</u> 0	YTD 0
<u>Demolitions/Voluntary Compliance:</u> 0	YTD 0
<u>Training:</u> 0	YTD 80
<u>Clean Up Projects:</u> 0	YTD 1
<u>Clean up pounds/tons:</u>	YTD 1
Total Cost:	YTD: \$269.80
<u>Miscellaneous Service Reports Opened:</u> 35	YTD 222
<u>Miscellaneous Service Reports Closed:</u> 89	YTD 172
<u>MSRs Percentage Closed</u> 474 of 519	91.3%
<u>CEO Cases Open:</u> 0	YTD 0
Cases Still Open: 0	
<u>Cases/Reports Closed</u> 0	YTD 1
Percentage Closed: 100%	
<u>Percentage of Compliance with no Citations:</u> 100%	
<u>Citations Issued:</u> 0	YTD 0

Key Locations for Open Cases:

500 Blk Oasis; 200 Blk Fire Opal; 1700 Blk S. China Lake; Carolyn at Inyo; 1200 Blk Mariposa; Ridgecrest at Downs; 1100 Blk N. Randall; 200 Blk Mesquite; 600 Blk E. Church; 200 Blk E. Wilson; 900 Blk N. Norma; 1000 Blk Canejo; 1600 Blk S. Mayo; 200 Blk W. Upjohn; Ward at Downs; 900 N. Randall; 100 Blk S. Norma; 600 Blk Maryann; Las Flores at Downs; 1100 Blk Yorktown; 600 Blk E. Ridgecrest Blvd.; 600 Blk S. China Lake; Ridgecrest at China Lake; 400 Blk N. China Lake; 500 Blk Suzanne; 2000 Blk Coral Sea; 600 Blk Calvert; Benson at Alvord; 300 Blk E. Church (3); 600 Blk E Church; 100 Blk W. Church;

Synopsis:

Code Enforcement will step up efforts to enforce major blighted area

With the end of the year approaching and the BRAC process picking up steam, the code enforcement efforts in the city will be stepped up across the city. Among the areas to be focused on will be the major blighted business areas in the industrial, north and downtown sections of town. These efforts will provide a long-lasting effect on the City of Ridgecrest and the perspective residents who will soon be coming to make a home. Also on the radar will be the planning and implementation phase of the sign ordinance that was passed three years ago and goes into affect in January 2007.

WORK CONTINUES ON MOBILE HOMES IN BOULDER POINT COMMUNITY



While work is being completed, some homes have been cleared to live in, proving the enforcement effort is strong when compliance is voluntary.

BLIGHTED AREA OFF BALSAM A CONCERN TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES

