



**REAL COMMITTEE  
LOS MEDANOS COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020 – 3:00 PM

In compliance with Executive Order N-25-20  
**MEETING CAN BE ACCESSED TELEPHONICALLY:**  
Dial: 310-372-7549 Access Code: 975838

<b>Committee Members</b>	Lee Mason (Chair)	Patt Young
<b>Support Staff</b>	Nichole Gardner, Administrative Assistant	

***Note: Public comments are welcome before any agenda item is discussed.***

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – ***Lee Mason, Chair***
2. Public Comments
3. Review of March 4, 2020 Minutes
4. Review/Discuss previous gardener Charles Smith’s letter
5. Executive Director Administration Update – ***Lamar Thorpe, ED***
6. Adjournment



*“Advancing Solutions to Health Disparities”*

Agenda Item No. 3

# Committee

Community Garden  
  District Programs & Activities  
  Finance  
  Outreach  
  REAL

<b>Purpose:</b>	To Discuss LMCHD REAL Committee Issues.
<b>Meeting Date and Time:</b>	Wednesday, March 4, 2020 10 a.m.
<b>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</b>	

<b>Chair:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lee Mason
<b>Board Members:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patt Young
<b>Staff:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nichole Gardner, Administrative Assistant <input type="checkbox"/> Lamar Thorpe, Executive Director

Agenda Item #1 Call to Order/Roll Call	
<b>Discussion:</b>	The REAL Committee meeting was called to order at 10:22 am. All REAL Committee members and LMCHD Administrative Assistant were present. The Executive Director was not present.
<b>Action:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Staff Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to go to Full Board

Agenda Item #2 Public Comments	
<b>Discussion:</b>	There were no public comments.
<b>Action:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Staff Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to go to Full Board

Agenda Item #3 Review and Discuss Minutes of January 9, 2020 REAL Committee Meeting	
<b>Discussion:</b>	The REAL Committee reviewed the minutes of the January 9, 2020 meeting.
<b>Action:</b>	1. The minutes were approved as written.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Needs Staff Assistance <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to go to Full Board

#### Agenda Item #4 Review/Discuss REAL Committee moving forward and the role of the Committee

Discussion: The REAL committee recommended that the next meeting be scheduled in June. Director Mason will get back with a meeting date. Director Mason recommended that future meetings start at 10:30 a.m. instead of having evening meetings. The committee decided to meet quarterly unless something comes up. The committee questioned the purpose of the committee and stated that it doesn't state the roll of the committee in the bylaws. The committee questioned the ADMINISTRATION aspect of the committee. The committee also questioned the role of the committee such as the Operations Manual, Building Issues, Media Market and Website. The committee believes that all of these fall under administration and office staff.

Action: 1. Administrative Assistant, Nichole Gardner will address the concerns of the committee with Executive Director, Lamar Thorpe. He will then, contact the committee regarding their concerns.

Needs Staff Assistance

Needs to go to Full Board

#### Agenda Item #6 Adjournment

Discussion: The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Action:

Needs Staff Assistance

Needs to go to Full Board

Charles Smith's Letter:

BRIEF LETTER of QUESTIONS TO THE BOARD

Statement: The LMCHD garden is not the personal play toy of the CEO.

**Why have I been kicked out of the garden?** Ed told me today I was not allowed in the garden.

For many reasons, this is bad. Ed has more than once told new gardeners he was Charles Smith. This illegal portrayal has the potential harm my good garden standing. On the flip side, people expecting some efforts from Ed have mistaken me. When and if I should file for court relief, I will have to include the LMCHD board as his employer. **False impersonation is a crime.**

**Why was my check of March 11, 2020 not cashed, but instead, @April 20, 2020 Jasmine tried to return the check. See copy of Jasmine's letter and my draft response. I gave Jasmine a copy.**

What stated in the response is still my frame of mind.

Why was the **"staff volunteer Master Gardener"** given a key, when supposedly the garden was closed, due to county mandates. Federal says the county never issued such orders.

I request a letter of explanation to questions 1,3 and I demand to know the Board's response to question 2. I can also be reached at 925-518-4522.

Thank you,  
Charles Smith