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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Town Hall Meeting – 26 Aug 09

1. Purpose: To document the issues from the Garrison Town Hall Meeting conducted in conjunction with the AAFES/Commissary Council Meeting on 26 Aug, 1800-1845, at the Murr Community Center. A list of attendees is enclosed (Encl 1).
2. Issues/Status: There were no issues/questions for the Commissary.

*Issues from the 26 Aug 09 Town Hall Meeting*

*Issue 1:* Where did the scale go for the Buffalo Corral? Some of the older horses can't handle the heavier riders. Will younger horses be brought in? Trail rides are starting late because staff are not there early enough to feed the horses, can this be looked into?

*Answer - MWR:* (15 Sep 09) Scales were moved to a private location in the back of the facility. If they see that someone's weight is in question they will bring them back to the scales. As the budget allows, new horses will be purchased. We have looked into the trail rides starting late. This did happen once because the horses had been scattered at night by what we believe was a predator and had to be rounded up. This delayed their feeding. Normally they are waiting at the fence to be fed. Since that isolated incident, all trail rides have started at the scheduled time.

*Status:* Closed

*Issue 2:* There's a 4-6 foot deep and 6-10 foot wide ditch running through the access road by the soccer (multipurpose sports) fields behind CDC near Smith Middle Schools. Many small children are scrambling into and through this hazard to get to their team's practice fields. a. When/ where/how was this publicized? I saw and heard nothing about it, thus parking in a place that meant we went through the ditch. c. What's the plan as soccer season is in full swing to prevent accidents? Plus, all the big kid - attracting earth-moving construction equipment is scattered to get use as illicit jungle-gyms. Where's the corral?

*Answer - DPW:* (14 Sep 09) This is part of a construction project to provide better drainage. The ditch is part of a canal being dug and the contractor has been advised that he is required to have a fence installed for safety during construction. The fence is in the process of being installed. The contractor has also been advised that the fence should be around his equipment.

*Status:* Ongoing

**Issue 3:** When is the TMAC going into renovations for A/C replacement and installation of insulation?

**Answer - DPW:** Work started on 8 Sep 09, the first part will conclude 3 Nov 09, and then the 2<sup>nd</sup> part will begin and is scheduled to be complete by 31 Dec 09.

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 4:** Who made the decision to move the dry cleaners from their building to inside the PX building? The new space is too far for many elderly patrons carrying more than two sets of ACU's to the nearest parking spaces. The new location is too small for the dry cleaners. There seem to be some safety issues as well. The dry cleaner was moved for a private business selling games (WII, X-box, and computer) to occupy it. Isn't this business in direct competition with AAFES? Does AAFES intend to not sell these items? And then the dry cleaners were moved, but the co-located alterations were left behind.

**Answer - AAFES:** (8 Sep 09) We are working on a new location for the Laundry & Dry Cleaning (LDC) facility. The perspective location will be in the launderette building #52045. The AAFES administrative office will relocate to a space in the bank. The alterations and LDC are two different contractors' which were occupying one space. GameStop will be occupying the prior LDC location at bldg 52025. GameStop will be an AAFES operated concession.

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 5:** Speed bumps in front of Murr Center. Soldiers fly through the front area in between the building and parking lot. One set or two could slow them down.

**Answer - DES:** (8 Sep 09) DES will place barriers across the main roadway in front of Murr Recreation Center to deter traffic from speeding in front of the facility. DES will also routinely monitor the area with traffic enforcement officers.

**Status:** Closed

**Issue 6:** The stop sign from Mason Street onto Lawton (as heading off-post) is a blind stop due to the brick wall along Lawton. To be able to see around the wall, a driver must pull out into the right-of-way lane about 3-4 feet. This is dangerous. Either remove the wall, or lower it so the average sedan driver's vision isn't unduly obstructed. Putting in a mirror is not a good option - too few drivers notice or have ever learned to use one.

**Answer - DES:** (8 Sep 09) DES has coordinated with DPW (Bill Hill & Eric Gabel) to restripe the roadway to allow traffic stopped at the intersection to have increased visibility of oncoming traffic.

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 7:** Road Construction on Post: There are numerous roads that are "closed" with cones, blockades and tall reflector cones; however, there is no apparent reason for the closures. Roads are closed without any construction in progress, lane closures are random, change on a daily basis. There are no signs to help divert traffic for detours. This is specifically by Smith Middle School, near the TMAC, and by the Thrift Shop. Lanes/roads are closed even on weekends - and there was NO reason for this.

**Answer - DES:** (8 Sep 09) DES is currently rerouting traffic to increase traffic throughput at the Main Gate based on ongoing construction at the East Gate. This construction should be completed no later than 30 Dec 09. On a nightly basis and on weekends barriers and temporary signs will be removed.

**Answer - DPW:** (14 Sep 09) Many detours are due to construction. However, normally when no construction is in progress they are due to sports events (running activities, bicycle activities, etc.), especially on weekends. DES personnel assist in determining the safest means in rerouting traffic. We will continue to work with contractors to remove unnecessary detours during non-working periods.

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 8:** When are they going to open up Hatfield to the East Gate?

**Answer - DPW:** (14 Sep 09) Oct 09

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 9:** Only two people introduced themselves on the panel; Chaplain and Clinic Commander. For the sake of newcomers - all should introduce.

**Answer -** (14 Sep 09) We will do better at the next Town Hall. Names tags were inadvertently left off the tables.

**Status:** Closed

**Comments from the MEDDAC Commander: COL Carol Newman:**

(14 Sep 09) Influenza season is fast approaching. The first shipment of the seasonal flu vaccine and has arrived and MEDDAC has initiated their Seasonal Influenza Distribution Plans within the Installation are being finalized. We are trying to get out into the community a little bit more to ease the frustration with long lines to get the vaccine. In regards to the H1N1 Flu, I ask each and everyone for your support. Try to maintain a calm sense of mind and if we do have confirmed cases of H1N1, we have a well defined plan. The MEDDAC has been working with Garrison on ways to execute the plan, if that happens. There is an H1N1 Vaccine pending FDA emergency approval. Anticipate that being released in the October timeframe.

**ONGOING ISSUES**

**Issues from the 20 May 09 Town Hall Meeting**

**Issue 1:** Can the Garrison Town Hall Meeting and the Mountain Vista Housing Meeting be held at the same time or at least sequentially?

**Answer – Deputy Garrison Commander:** We will look at this.

**Update : (28 Jul 09)** Mountain Vista would like to keep their meetings separate for the time being, so they do not want to combine the meetings. They are studying whether it will work for their customers to have the meetings sequentially on the same evening.

**Status:** Ongoing

**Issue 2:** Would it be possible to have a bicycle/multi-use path from the main gate to the cantonment area following the railroad tracks (proposal submitted by MEDDAC personnel)?

**Answer – DPW:** This is not the first time this request has been made. Funding/lack of resources is the major issue. A project of this scope would cost over \$750,000 and would compete with all Army projects – right now mission projects take priority. We will look at the proposal that was submitted

**Update (17 Aug 09):** The proposal that was submitted would provide bike access to only one portion of the installation and was routed through land that has been leased to Michaels Military Housing and the Accommodation Schools. The DPW has identified an alternate network of multi-use paths that will provide a circulation route throughout the post. The range of the estimate is \$5M - \$10M. Therefore, a Military Construction, Army, (MCA) project must be submitted for funding. However, there are other urgent mission and safety MCA requirements that must be dealt with first, such as emerging training missions, additional / upgraded fire stations, and a troop medical clinic. Fort Huachuca does not dispute that a multi-use path network would be a benefit to the installation's soldiers, their families, and work-force. When funding is available, the DPW will request the Corps of Engineers to prepare the DD-1391 form for a MCA project submittal.

**Status:** Ongoing

#### **Issues from the 18 Feb 09 Town Hall Meeting**

**Issue 2:** Would it be possible to have a street light installed on Andrews Street as you drive into Bonnie Blink?

**Answer – DPW:** We will look at it.

**Update (20 Apr 09):** Currently being investigated for consideration and design.

**Update (15 May 09):** Identified lighting requirement; awaiting funding for contract award.

**Update (17 Aug 09):** It will be completed within approximately 3 months after project award, and subject to funding availability. First, a National Environmental Policy Act analysis needs to be completed, to include a cultural survey. The lights and transformer have a long lead (delivery) time.

**Update (13 Sep 09):** A contract award was executed on 27 Aug 09. The project is expected to be completed within 3 months.

**Status:** Ongoing.

#### **Issues from the 20 Aug 08 Town Hall Meeting**

**Issue 6:** What is the status of the recycling program?

**Answer – DPW:** The Qualified Recycling Program [QRP] generated funds will be retained by the Garrison. When the QRP is implemented in three-four months:

- DRMO will issue funds from recycled scrap metal that is turned into them to an account set up for the Fort Huachuca QRP.

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- We will competitively identify a commercial business that will pay the fort for used oil that can be recycled.

- We are exploring partnerships with the City of Sierra Vista and Cochise County for recycling aluminum cans, newspapers, and magazines; and as they expand white paper, cardboard, plastics, etc.

BASOPS funds will pay for collection and related costs; QRP funds will pay for operation, training, advertising, and applied overhead costs, and awards and incentives. 50% of the net proceeds may be used for pollution abatement projects, energy conservation projects, and/or occupational health and safety projects; and a portion of the balance may be distributed to DFMWR.

**Update (30 Oct 09):** In-progress

**Update (13 Feb 09):** Information sheet with status provided

**Update (20 Apr 09):** Progressing toward a June timeframe implementation

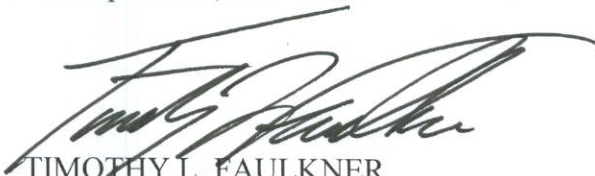
**Update (15 May 09):** Briefing paper on the Qualified Recycling Program (QRP) dated 14 May is attached. We are also working closely with our Mountain Vista partners to coordinate the establishment of a housing area recycling program/area.

**Update (12 Aug 09):** In progress.

**Status:** Ongoing

3. Point of contact is Holly Sickels, Plans Specialist, 533-3295.

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**Attendees at the 26 August 2009 AAFES/Commissary/Town Hall Meeting**

Mr. Tom Borer, Dep to the Garrison CDR	COL Carol Newman, RWBAHC
John Ruble, DPW	1SG Kim, WTU
Sylvia Pete, DPW	Amy Mangelsdorf, HHC, 11 <sup>th</sup> Sig Bde
Brian Burge, AAFES	Dawn Miller, 111 <sup>th</sup> MI Bde
Joe McCloskey, OSJA	Frank Huber, 11 <sup>th</sup> Sig Bde
John Belair, DPW	Luke & D Juana Pittman, NETCOM
Dan Ortega, DES	LTC Tom Eccles, RWBAHC
Ollie Shears, DES	Liz Cotton, ISEC
LTC John Sivils, XO, USAG	Morgana Biddix, 40 <sup>th</sup> ESB
Judy Mendez, DECA	Summorille Perry, 40 <sup>th</sup> ESB
CH Doug Wooten, RSO	Dr. Rhonda Frueauff, FH Accommodation
Dennis Marusa, DFMWR	Stephanie Lawrence, The Scout
Kathi Penrod, DMWR	LTC Kurt Schneider, USAIC
Crystal Stinson, CMS, PAI	Audrey Custer, USAICS
Holly Sickels, PAI	Sharon Collins, FRSA 86 <sup>th</sup> ESB
Heidi Malarchik, DPTMS	Frank & Ursel Huber, 11 <sup>th</sup> Sig Bde
SGM Brian Whelan, RWBAHC	Bill Sherod, 9 <sup>th</sup> Sig Cmd, NETCOM
Dan Gibson, DHR	Angela Moncur, PAO