

DENNIS P. ZINE  
COUNCILMAN, THIRD DISTRICT

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## **AHMANSON RANCH PURCHASED BY THE STATE! HUGE VICTORY FOR COUNCILMAN ZINE, WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, ALL CALIFORNIA**



October, 2003, celebrates the end of a long battle to preserve the quality of life here in the West San Fernando Valley. Washington Mutual, faced with a number of lawsuits, agreed to sell the Ahmanson Ranch to the State of California. The 2,800 acre swath of land will now remain open space and parkland for generations to enjoy. The property will be administered by the Santa Monica Mountain Conservancy.

It is due to dedicated citizens waging a battle with the best of intentions that brought this purchase about.

They appealed to their representatives in government to regard their community with respect and to look into the future of this area if the Ahmanson Ranch project were to proceed and see massive traffic congestion, environmental pollution, and an overburdened infrastructure.

When I ran for City Council in 2001, I heard loud and clear the voices of citizens asking for help to maintain their community and to stop this project. I promised then to hoist up a tent in protest if necessary, and to sleep there in solidarity with the community.

Today, neither tent nor protest on Victory Boulevard is needed. The community has won. In fact, thanks to the governor and all elected officials that stood united against this project, we have the added bonus of having this land, this open space, promised to future generations of Californians to enjoy.

I am proud of the key role I played over the last two years as an advocate to this historic moment. I am particularly

proud of bringing the entire Los Angeles City Council to the Madrid Theater in April 2002 to hear citizens voice their concerns of the proposed project of over 3000 luxury houses and an added 45,000 daily peak hour trips on the already congested 101 freeway.

After the County of Ventura still approved the project last spring, I was able to convince the City Council to unanimously vote to sue the County of Ventura and Washington Mutual over the severe lack of mitigation measures to address traffic and pollution impacts.

Thanks to the Santa Monica Conservancy, the Coastal Conservancy and Washington Mutual, a proper deal was struck to take this controversial project from one of contentiousness to one of cooperation that serves all parties. And special thanks goes to the people of the state of California for voting to create the Proposition 50 bond fund that

is being tapped to pay for a significant portion of the purchase price.

This whole effort will lead to more cooperation between developers and the community where the needs of the neighborhoods affected by a project are heard first, not last, and concerns with a project are solved in the beginning and not after years of costly litigation..

Our neighborhood councils, homeowner groups, conservation organizations, and activists stand together in a solid coalition for California's future. It is our hope that this coalition of goodwill can work to preserve the dignity of present neighborhoods while creating the much-needed affordable housing necessary to keep this state growing.

Thank you all for your help and perservance.





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### **CECAT ACTIVITIES: 01/03 THRU 06/03**

Business Inspections	698
Arrests (Felony & Misdemeanor)	67
Number of recovered Vehicles	99
Value of Recovered Vehicles	\$887,000
Number of Crimes Cleared	78
Number of DMV Warnings Issued	36
Bureau of Automotive Repair Warnings	19
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## **CODE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU**

The LADBS - CODE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU INSPECTION STAFF THAT SERVES COUNCIL DISTRICT #03 CONTINUALLY WORKS DILIGENTLY TO RESOLVE QUALITY OF LIFE AND VISUAL BLIGHT ISSUES THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.



Here are just a few examples for the month of September:

- Inspection staff assisted Councilman Zine and the “POSSE” removing illegally posted advertising signs (over 100), impounding inoperable vehicles that were on private properties and issued citations for illegal merchandise sales.
- Eight individuals on separate properties were prosecuted by Deputy City Attorney Don Cocek for various types of violations (storage of junk, trash, inoperable vehicles, garage conversions, etc....). In each of the cases the Judge ordered the Defendants to bring there properties into compliance.
- 47 Citations issued for illegal food vending/sales.
- Deputy City Attorney Cocek has two jury trials set to begin soon for two individuals who illegally posted advertising signs on Public Property. These are two separate cases where the individuals were issued Orders to Comply to remove the signs they put up and discontinue posting new ones.

**Contact the LADBS Customer Call Center at:**

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**to report any concerns you may have regarding the maintenance of any private property.**

By Michael besem, district Director

## P.O.S.S.E on the Loose!



On September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2003 Councilman Zine rounded up his P.O.S.S.E. (People Organizing Safe, Secure Environments) and took to the streets with the Los Angeles Police Department to look for quality of life concerns in the communities of Reseda, Tarzana, Winnetka, and Woodland Hills.

There were four teams of POSSE members partnered with a Senior Lead Officer in a black & white Police car assigned to specific grids throughout the Third Council District. Each team looked for potholes, streets that need to be repaved, dilapidated homes, damaged sidewalks, abandoned vehicles, graffiti, and illegal dumping on streets and in alleyways .

The event was a great success with almost 100 abandoned vehicles reported to Parking Enforcement and countless other quality of life concerns noted for the area Field Deputy to report to the appropriate City department for immediate attention.

The purpose of the POSSE is to train residents on what to look for. Is that home with the weeds in violation of some City ordinance? Who is responsible for removing dumped items in the alley? What is the quickest way to have the graffiti removed in Winnetka? With POSSE training sessions, those questions are answered and you are given the tools to help take back and clean up your neighborhood. These Roundups let us take improving our community to the next level. With the partnership of our Senior Lead Officers, we hit the streets and make the Third District the best in the City to live, work and play! Check

your property value to note the recent increase. \$400,00 plus home prices are very common in the Third District.

POSSE training classes are held monthly at the District Office. If you are interested in joining the next scheduled POSSE meeting, it will be held on Monday, October 20, 2003. Please call the office at (818) 756-8848 and you will be added to the next group. Space is very limited and by invitation only. The Roundups are limited to approximately 10 community members when scheduled. Roundups are routinely coordinated with LAPD availability. The next Roundup is scheduled for January 2004.



Lucy Mally a P.O.S.S.E. Member from Reseda shows her Posse Handbook & Guidelines.



By Tom Henry, Chief Planning Deputy  
& Marianne King, Associate Planning Deputy



## PLANNING UPDATES!

The community of Reseda appears to be sparking an interest with developers as applications for development requests seem to be increasing in this area. As it turns out, the planning updates for the month of September all happen to be in Reseda.



**The new CVS Pharmacy on Reseda Blvd. at Valerio Street in the Community of Reseda.**

If anyone is wondering about the construction taking place at the northeast corner of Reseda Boulevard and Valerio Street, it is for the new CVS Pharmacy. The final approval of this project came in

May . The CVS Pharmacy is slated to open in about 60 days. The next phase of construction will take place behind the CVS property and that will be a three story, 68 unit apartment building.

Next, is a 7 unit condominium project at 18340 Keswick Street. Final approval for this project was in August. Developers plan to break ground in 45 days and complete the condo development in approximately 10 months.

At 18325 Keswick, across the street from the condominium site, is another project taking place where 12, two story duplex units and 3 single family homes will be built. It is estimated this project will be completed in 6 months. Councilman Zine is quite pleased that both developments

will be replacing vacant lots that have been idle for years, and in return, will be providing additional new housing for the Reseda community.

Last, but most recently, the South Valley Area Planning Commission approved a 4 unit condominium project at 18358 Saticoy, which will replace an aged single family dwelling. A zone change ordinance is needed from the City Council for final city approval . This project will likely set the stage for the revitalization of the rest of the block facing Saticoy, as currently designated in the Community Plan for this area.

These are just some of the projects in the works for Reseda! We will keep you informed of other projects as they proceed further along in the planning process.

# COMMUNITY UPDATES!



By Marisol Espinoza, Field Deputy  
Serving the Communities of  
Tarzana & Winnetka

Here is an update of some of the events in the communities of Winnetka and Tarzana. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Now is an exciting time to join the Winnetka Neighborhood Council as the Formation Committee is preparing for elections. All Winnetka stakeholders are invited to become involved in the neighborhood council. If you live, work, or go to school in Winnetka, you can participate. Everyone is encouraged to participate and voice your opinions about your community. The next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2003 at 6:30 pm, at 20830 Sherman Way: Winnetka.

<mailto:tarzananc@tarzana-neighborhoodcouncil.org>

The Winnetka Chamber of Commerce is holding their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest at Winnetka Park, on October

17, 18, and 19. The Festival will be taking place at 8401 Winnetka Avenue, just north of Roscoe Blvd. This will be a wonderful event, with entertainment, rides, food, and great fun for everyone. Remember to bring the entire family.

The Winnetka Neighborhood Watch Meeting is normally held on the second Thursday of each month, at the Demerdjian School Auditorium, located at 6844 Oakdale Avenue, Winnetka, at 7:00 pm. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 9. Please join Officer Rodriguez to receive an update on the police activity in your area. Awareness is the key to preventing crimes from happening. Please get involved to keep your communities safe!

The Tarzana Neighborhood Council is also working on some exciting activities. Please join them the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month, beginning October 28, 2003

at 7:00 pm at Tarzana Elementary School: 5726 Topeka Drive.

The Tarzana Neighborhood Watch meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. This month's meeting will be taking place on October 14, 2003 at Tarzana Elementary School. LAPD Officer Archer will be giving the update on crime stats in the Tarzana area. Everyone in the community should be involved in order to better our communities.

Please visit the newly improved Tarzana Community and Cultural Center on Ventura Blvd, at Vandalen Avenue. Take a drive along the Boulevard to see the improvements taking place. Some of these include their new rose garden and a great new sign. For further information, please contact the Tarzana Community Center at 818-705-1286.

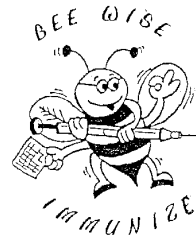
By Sherree Adams, Field Deputy  
Serving the Communities of  
West Hills & Woodland Hills



At the September 10th meeting of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, on behalf of Councilman Zine, I presented Certificates of Appreciation to the first Board Member's for 2002-2003: Sandy Enfield, Chair; Bob Bessler, Treasurer; Vince Thorpe, Parliamentarian; Nancy Eisenhart, Secretary and Ryan Lavarnway, Youth Representative from. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication to our community!



The neighborhood Council has created two new Committees to challenge the stakeholders: "County, State and Federal" a new "Education" Committee. The Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at Parkman Middle School 20800 Burbank Blvd. at 6:30 pm. For additional information, call (818) 713-600 or visit their website at [woodlandhillscouncil.org](http://woodlandhillscouncil.org).



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### **2003 Fall Influenza Clinic for Seniors**

Influenza vaccine is recommended for all persons 60 or better. Immunization is also recommended for adults 18 years and older who have heart, lung or kidney disease as well as certain other chronic conditions. Only adults meeting these criteria will be immunized at these Los Angeles County Community Outreach Immunization Clinics. The vaccine will be administered by American Red Cross Volunteer Nurses.

#### **WEST VALLEY CLINICS**

**Thursday, Nov. 6th—9-11 am—ONE Valley R/S Senior Center: 18255 Victory Blvd., Reseda**

**Friday, Nov. 7th- 9-11am— Wilkinson Sr. Ctr.: 8956 Vanalden Ave., Northridge**

**Thursday, Nov. 13th— 10am-12Noon— Encino Community Ctr: 4935 Balboa Blvd., Encino**

**Friday, Nov. 14th— 9-11am-Canoga Park Sr. Ctr.: 7326 Jordan Ave., Canoga Park**

**Thursday, Nov. 20th 9:30-11:30am= Senior Friends: 7300 Medical Center Dr., West Hills**



By JENNIFER FORKISH, Field Deputy  
Serving the Communities of  
CANOGA PARK & RESEDA



**Community Redevelopment Agency  
Opens in Reseda**

In September, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) opened the Reseda/Winnetka project area site office. As you may know, the CRA is a public agency whose purpose is to invite private investment into communities to improve the quality of life. The CRA often works on projects to eliminate slums, improve abandoned properties, and remove blight and eyesores from communities throughout Los Angeles. Canoga Park has already benefited greatly from the successful CRA facade improvement project. The facade improvement project helps local business owners give their storefronts a facelift by using paint, lights, awnings and new signage. These simple techniques make store fronts more inviting to potential customers. Exciting plans are already under way to do this same type of work in the communities of Reseda and Winnetka. The current project area is along Sherman Way from Reseda Blvd. to Wyandotte, where the CRA is thrilled to have the commitment of 23 store fronts. Upon completion of their applications, merchants will work with designers, Kaplan Chin Kaplan to create new and exciting facade improvements. You won't have to wait long to see results, as construction is set to begin some time in early spring 2004.

**ALL AROUND Z-TOWN**

Here are some quick notes of community events and information for Canoga Park and Reseda.

The Canoga Park Neighborhood Council meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at Canoga Park High School auditorium at 6850 Topanga Canyon Blvd. at 7:00 p.m.

The Reseda Neighborhood Council meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Reseda Library auditorium. The Reseda Neighborhood Council will hold elections on October 23, and candidate filing forms are available at Councilman Zine's District Office: 19040 Vanowen Street, Reseda at the Information Counter.

To celebrate Child Safety month, on October 11 from 9a.m. - 2p.m., Councilman Zine will be joining the Commission for Children Youth and their Families to sponsor a Health and Safety Fair at Lanark Park, 21816 Lanark Street, Canoga Park.



## Meet our Legislative Team



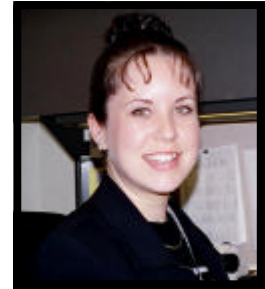
**Bruce Whidden**  
**Chief Legislative Deputy**

A graduate of Cal State Northridge earning three Bachelors Degrees in History, Political Science & Journalism. He previously worked in the California State Assembly and Senate.



**Brian Perry**  
**Legislative Deputy**

A graduate of Cal Poly earning a Bachelors Degree in Political Science & International Relations. He previously worked for a U.S. Congressman & consulted for the California State Senate.



**Kathryn Lillo**  
**Legislative Assistant**

A graduate of Cal Poly earning a Bachelors Degree in Special Event Planning. She previously interned for Councilman Zine.

## LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: AGENDAS, RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS

Investigation after the recent gang-related drive-by shooting in Woodland Hills revealed that at least one MTA bus had by-passed the stop just moments before the shooting, because the drivers determined that there were too many “unruly” people waiting at the stop. MTA has confirmed that it is their policy for buses to by-pass stops when the drivers determine that safety for themselves and their passengers may be placed at risk if the bus were to stop and load those waiting.

While the driver’s decision not to stop at the Winnetka and Ventura bus stop on September 9 did not play a part in the decision of gang thugs to go on a potentially murderous shooting rampage, had the bus stopped, its very presence would, most likely, have prevented the shooting from occurring.

While passenger safety is of paramount concern to everyone, the question arises as to what steps could have been taken to report the presence of unruly youths at a bus stop; to inform MTA dispatch of the situation so they could alert other drivers; and to inform law enforcement of the potential problem at the stop, rather than just passing the problem off cold to the next bus driver.

**THEREFORE, I MOVE** that representative from the Metropolitan Transportation Agency (MTA) be invited to appear before a joint meeting of the Public Safety and Transportation committees to report on the “Driver Discretion Policy” of the MTA and to discuss what changes, if any, the agency anticipates to the policy.

Presented by DENNIS P. ZINE, Councilman, 3<sup>rd</sup> District on September 16, 2003

# LEGISLATIVE ISSUES: AGENDAS, RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS...

The Reseda Sidewalk Maintenance District includes Reseda Boulevard from Vanowen Street to Saticoy Street, and Sherman Way from approximately Lindley Avenue to Amigo Street. The existing sidewalk maintenance contract was recently terminated and the Reseda Business Improvement District has requested the use of the remaining funds from the Public Works assessment district, to provide a few months of intense cleaning of the sidewalk areas.

This assessment district has approximately \$70,000 remaining in its City account, since this district's assessments were ended several years ago and recent contracts were utilizing remaining funds.

To provide the desired service in the shortest time and to allow the merchants who are there daily to see and control the work that affects them directly, it would be best to provide the assessment district funds to the Reseda Business Improvement District, and allow them to contract with a sidewalk maintenance contractor for the work. The Board of Public Works, and the Bureau of Street Lighting, which administers the assessments, would provide oversight to assure that the work is done in conformance with City requirements for salaries, benefits and insurance.

## **Therefore, I Move That:**

1. Any funds remaining from the Reseda Sidewalk Maintenance Assessment District, less an amount for oversight by City staff not to exceed 10% of those funds in Fund 304, Department 50, Revenue Source 3982, Account U001, shall be utilized for sidewalk maintenance work to be contracted out by the Reseda Business Improvement District in consultation with the Third District Council office and the City Clerk. The funds may only be used to pay contractors for their work and not to pay salaries or benefits of the BID. Sidewalk maintenance work will consist of sidewalk cleaning, trash collection, weeding and tree pruning and related work in the public right of way, within the Reseda Sidewalk Maintenance Assessment District boundary.
2. The Board of Public Works and the Bureau of Street Lighting are instructed to administer the distribution of the funds remaining from the Reseda Sidewalk Maintenance Assessment District. The funds will be disbursed in advance of the work; no more than 1/3 of the funds shall be disbursed at one time, and the work shall be done prior to disbursement of further funds. Any funds not spent on sidewalk maintenance within 6 months of disbursement by the City must be returned to the City for re-deposit in the same account they were disbursed from.
3. The contracts that the Reseda BID lets must require the contractors to meet all City requirements for salaries, benefits and insurance, as if they were City contracts.
4. The Reseda BID must indemnify the City of Los Angeles related to this action, and have insurance in place in advance of receiving any funds, to guarantee that any debt incurred with contractors or others, and/or legal representation required, is not the responsibility of the City.

PRESENTED BY: DENNIS P. ZINE, COUNCILMAN, 3<sup>rd</sup> DISTRICT

SECONDED BY: JANICE HAHN, COUNCILMEMBER, 15<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT ON JUNE 11, 2003



# NEWS FROM

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## COUNCILMAN DENNIS P. ZINE

Third District, City Hall Room 450, Los Angeles, CA 90012

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### ZINE STUDY OF CYBER CAFÉS CLEARS POLICE COMMISSION

#### **Panel Votes to Send Report to Mayor and Council to Devise New Rules**

**LOS ANGELES (September 9)** --- Councilman Dennis P. Zine's campaign to regulate Cyber Cafes in Los Angeles is a step closer today after the Los Angeles Police Commission received and forwarded an extensive report ordered by the Councilman nine months ago. Lt. Debra A. Kirk, Commanding Officer of the Commission Investigative Division, issued the report entitled "Regulating Cyber Cafes".

Stated Zine "The purpose of my original motion was to identify in real terms the concerns that have been raised in response to a string of violent incidents that occurred in the Valley at these cyber cafes. This report demonstrates that these places can attract a gang element and may be magnets for criminal activity among young people". Zine, a 33-year veteran of the LAPD, originally held hearings on cyber cafes in January 2003 when he was chairman of the committee overseeing the Information and Technology Agency.

The report also pointed out that the City Attorney determined there is a need for consistency in the definition of cyber cafes as the municipal code includes regulations for "Game Arcade" and the outdated "Penny Arcade" that are overly broad. The report stated "It is clear that a new ordinance with language specific to Internet gaming is the more prudent course of action."

In the report, several startling statistics stand out:

1. 86% of individuals arrested at cyber cafes are juveniles
2. 93% of the charges were truancy (during school hours) or curfew violations (after 10 p.m.)
3. Virtually all of the cyber cafes in Los Angeles were opened in the last three years
4. Many of the cyber cafes are located near schools, including elementary schools

The report makes it clear that the current city definitions that govern stores of this kind are inadequate and antiquated as they apply to this new wave of business establishments. However the fundamental goal of government remains the same: to provide a safe and secure environment where a business can provide a product or service without overly intrusive or burdensome regulations.

The report cited the existence of 30 cyber cafes in Los Angeles in every police division except South Bureau, which had none. The report also included maps of cyber café locations and their proximity to schools.

Concluded Zine, "We will be diligent in protecting the quality-of-life in our communities and protecting our young people from danger as we create new ordinances to police these stores."

***To contact the Los Angeles Police Commission please call 213-485-3531***



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The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) is the action network for raising awareness about domestic violence. The NCADV seeks to educate the general public about domestic violence and its root causes, and offers support to survivors. Visit [www.ncadv.org](http://www.ncadv.org) for more information.



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Date of complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Abandoned Vehicles

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\_\_\_\_\_ Graffiti

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\_\_\_\_\_ New Business Development

\_\_\_\_\_ Sanitation/Trash Collection

\_\_\_\_\_ Sidewalk Repairs

\_\_\_\_\_ Speeding Enforcement

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Reseda, CA 91335  
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8:00 am-6:00 pm

**Committee Assignments:**

**Chair:** Personnel Committee  
**Vice-Chair:** Education & Neighborhoods  
**Member:** Public Safety  
**Member:** Rules & Elections & Intergovernmental Relations

# ALL AROUND TOWN



**Councilman Zine presents a \$1,000 check to the March of Dimes.**



**Councilmember's Zine & Villaragosa at a Rally at City Hall.**



**Councilman Zine with staff members Yvette Whitaker, Office Manager; Janice Freedman, Special Assistant; Jennifer Forkish, Field Deputy & Rayna Gabin, Chief of Staff at the Project Restore Dinner at City Hall.**



**Councilman Zine & staff celebrate District Director Michael Besem's Birthday at Buca Di Beppo.**



**Councilman Zine with Legislative staff, Kathryn Lillo, Assistant, Brian Perry, Deputy & Bruce Whidden, Chief Deputy at the LA Dodgers game.**



**Councilman Tony Cardenas, CBS Sports Announcer Jim Hill, Councilman Dennis Zine and Assemblymember Lloyd Levine at the LA Dodgers game.**

DENNIS P. ZINE  
COUNCILMAN, THIRD DISTRICT  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

# ALL AROUND TOWN



**Councilman Zine at the re-grand opening of the Woodland Hills Library with Dr. & Mrs. Fishbeck, Susan Kent, Librarian & Assembly-member Pavely.**



**Councilman Zine and LAPD Assistant Chief McDonnell at the Reserve Officer Inspection.**



**Councilman Zine and Robert "Bud" Ovrom, CEO of the Community Redevelopment Agency at the Grand Opening of their new offices in Reseda.**



**Councilman Zine honored for his prevention efforts at the National Support to "Stop Red Light Running" with LAPD Chief Bergman and Captain Meyers—Valley Traffic Division.**



**Councilmember's Dennis Zine, Wendy Greuel and Tony Cardenas along with City Attorney Delgadillo and LAPD Chief Bratton at the Press Conference regarding the confiscation and impounding of Street Racing Vehicles.**



**Councilman Zine at the Down Officers Ride which honors all Law Enforcement Officers who have lost their lives.**