

## Full House to Hear “Glampsite” Developers and Congressman Jay Obernolte



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The Yucca Mesa Community Center had another full house with the announcement that Robott Land Company would meet with local residents about the “Glampsite” proposed on Hwy 247 just south of Flamingo Heights. Both the HVCC and local residents oppose it.

HVCC has commented on the many environmental effects this permanent installation accommodating up to 300 campers and 50 employees, and all their vehicles.

A major concern is traffic. Visitors unfamiliar with a two-lane country highway, moving on and off a site with no turnouts, in an area locals know presents hazards from speeders coming up out of Pipes Wash around a right-angle curve at the southern edge of the site to be developed.

Steve Botthof, owner of RoBott, and his project manager, Nancy Ferguson, said they would have

a traffic engineer review the vehicle trips the development would cause. No one expects guests or seasonal employees to remain on the property 24 hours a day. Even RoBott touts expeditions to many nearby attractions like Joshua Tree National Park, the Integratron, and Pioneertown.

RoBott Land should complete a full Environmental Impact Review under the California Envi-

ronmental Quality Act to address all significant effects on environment, as well as social, economic, scenic intrusions, and public comments.

The 640-acre site lies in a Rural Living Zone. Ferguson reported County said they need not apply for rezoning. HVCC asserts such a casual switch to such a commercial use in a Rural Zone sets an undesirable precedent that all RL landowners in the County might face. ■



### BACK from DC for August Recess, First Appearance

Congressman Jay Obernolte made his first appearance in his district at the standing room only HVCC meeting to update us on congressional matters, and to take guests’ questions. Congressman Obernolte thanked us for the opportunity and expressed his desire to return in the future. Yes!