

*Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board
Thursday, March 9, 2017 - Carmel Valley Library,
Community Room*

Attendees:

Mike Vinson
Lisa Ross
Gary Levitt
Paul Metcalf
Elizabeth Rabbitt
Diane Korsh
Ray Ellis

Absent:

Rob Mikuiteit
Amy Wood
Ken London
James Bessemer

Call to Order: Chairman Levitt called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm.

Roll Call: Absentee Rob Mikuiteit, Amy Wood, James Bessemer and Ken London.

Adoption of agenda: Approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Levitt called for review and approval of the February 2017 minutes. Ray Ellis made the motion, it was seconded by Michael Vinson and the February 2017 minutes were unanimously Approved

Community Remarks: No comments.

Police Department: Trevor Phillips noted that there was not much to report, but reported that a local church group (Grace Point) of volunteers wants to help out with a trail project. It was agreed that someone from DMMPB make contact with Trevor and the representative of the church. He also introduced Natasha Roberts, City attorney. Natasha reported on her work with the Northwestern police division. Her focus is on working with the community, she distributed fliers and referred to a website which provides more information regarding her and her department's role.

Council District 1: Barbara Bry joined the meeting and introduced her representative Hillary Nemchick - she gave a brief overview of her roles on City Council including participation in the city budget development. She is focused on public safety with empha-

sis on supporting the police department. She is also going to focus on community outreach including coffee meetings in each of her communities. Hilary provided follow up on the trail maintenance which is the responsibility of the city storm water division which did repair the huge pothole on the trail on Del Mar Mesa road. She noted that they have been exceptionally busy following the huge amount of rain and will follow up on the various other erosion issues. Gary asked Ray Ellis to take photos of the gulch around Anderson Ridge for Hilary's reference.

Supervisor Gaspar: Not in attendance.

CA Assembly District 77: Not in attendance.

Congressman Scott Peters Office: Not in attendance.

Friends of Del Mar Mesa: Shaw Valley trail received some much needed help from a small volunteer trails crew on March 4.

Upcoming Trail & Fence Work: Four volunteers showed up on March 4. There was also discussion about the city commitment to clean up DG trail erosion. There was further discussion regarding Rob Knudsen from Assemblymember Brian Maienschein's office commitment to a special clean up project, **It was agreed to focus on debris clean up near Deer Pond. Gary referenced the Pardee access road that could be used to get the crew in to help out. Elizabeth will take Rob to view the debris.** There was also discussion regarding the eradication of Pampas Grass along north facing slopes throughout the neighborhood open space.

Joint DMM /CV Trails Sub-Committee: Ray has not had any updates.

HCP: June is time of anticipated settlement. Fourteen vernal pools identified on the city records do not exist. Efforts are underway to make city records reflect actual and accurate locations.

FBA Update: None

Election: Next month's election will be for the "at large" Jim Bessemer, Ray Ellis and Elizabeth Rabbitt. **Michael Vinson will take the lead role of Election Chair, which will take place on the patio on April 13, at 6:00 pm.** Chairman Levitt asked the community attendees for interest in participation, John Dubenko and Dean Vayser expressed interest. Chairman Levitt noted that their interest is noted and he will consider them for the Open appointed seats.

By Laws Review: Lisa will take a lead on reviewing the document prepared by Sara Toma and have prepared for presentation for approval at next month's agenda.

Presentation The Notch: This location is not within DMM but rather Torrey Highlands. But because it is surrounded on 3 sides by DMM the applicant is presenting to us so the DMM Community is aware of the plans and if they feel necessary, give their opinion to the decision makers. Gary and Paul recused themselves. Jeff Brazel introduced himself

as the representative of the “Notch” project, or Cisterra project “The Preserve”. He commented on the improved understanding of the perspective of the DMMPB concerns and interests. He confirmed that the project is outside of the MHPA. The project had been previously approved for the Diocese and that the land grading impact area of this project will be no greater than Diocese project. Conservation easements have been preserved. Brad Lenihan provided an overview of the outdoor spaced and the look and feel of the project including landscape design and footprint. There are three buildings, 6 story, 5 story and 4 story with a 8 level parking structure on the south side facing DMM Preserve. There is MHPA buffer zone and a fence around the edge of the property to keep the non native vegetation and humans away from the preserve. Great effort has been put into the design to keep the humans out of the preserve. Focus on landscaping is on native species. The matter of existing trails, with the yellow trails being non sanctioned or “closed” trails was reviewed. An animation of the development was presented from various views. Lisa Ross gave an overview of her and the DMMPBs concerns for the impact on the natural experience of the rural environment and unsightliness. She noted that a Community Plan Amendment is needed for approval of this project. The original plans were for a church. Gary commented on this history of the “Notch” which property was not included in the DMM Preserve as at the time it was anticipated to be a church with a low scale of 2 stories. Until the EIR is completed no action is needed. **Jeff will return at that time.**

New Business: None

Rancho Penisquitos Preserve: No report. **Gary will ask Preston if he can attend as DMMPB representative.**

Adjournment: Ray Ellis moved and Elizabeth Rabbitt seconded and the The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm