

## ***Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board***

February 13, 2020 6:00 PM

Ocean Air Recreation Center, 4770 Fairpoint Way, San Diego, 92130

### **Attendees:**

**Diane Korsh  
Elizabeth Rabbitt  
Michael Vinson  
Ray Ellis  
Paula Graubart  
Shital Parikh  
Christian Tresize  
Kenneth Rudy  
Paul Metcalf**

### **Absent:**

**Shane Macedo  
Derek Reeves  
Barry Cohen**

### **Call to Order:**

Chairman Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

### **Roll Call:**

Absent members included Shane Macedo, Derek Reeves and Barry Cohen.

### **Adoption of Agenda:**

Chairman Ellis called for review and received approval of the agenda as presented.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Chairman Ellis called for review and approval of the January 9, 2020 draft minutes.

**Michael Vinson moved to approve as presented, Christian Tresize seconded, Ray Ellis and Paul Metcalf abstained and the motion was approved.**

### **Public Safety Agencies - John Briggs, Community Relations Officer**

Officer Briggs noted that combating traffic is the number one issue for the NorthWestern division reporting on a “we mean business” with no warnings, tickets only. Speeding and rolling through stop signs and red lights are the dominating their efforts. He spoke about the recent home burglaries (two in DMM) which remain under investigation and was not at liberty to discuss.

Residential burglaries tend to be during day time with typical cases involving knocking at the door when no response continue to look around the property for access into the home. Other than that there does not to be any specific pattern.

**Public Forum - Non-Agenda Items (Three minutes per speaker, twelve minutes per topic)**

None

**Chair's Remarks:**

Chairman Ellis commented on the city's consideration or impending plans for the expenditure of funds designated for Del Mar Mesa. He also discussed the City Council's continued concern for the effectiveness of the roles of the community planning groups with consideration for changes to the current model. Chairman Ellis also raised the matter of the concern for the maintenance for the Elizabeth Rabbitt Park and overall lack of attention. Wendy Poyhonen reported that for the first time in a very long time she saw a gardener weed whacking, also noting that there are many dead plants including trees that need to be removed and or replaced. There was also concern for the lack of water, but it was noted that the turf is probably Bermuda which is more dormant in the winter. Dan O'Rourke also was in attendance and reported as a member of the Park and Recreation Board which has oversight for the Elizabeth Rabbitt Park commented on the need for the members of the DMM Planning Board and community to speak up through correspondence, emails, meeting participation etc. Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month, specifics of which Dan O'Rourke will forward to Chairman Ellis.

Shital raised concern for the purging/merging of community groups and placing decision making related to local neighborhood issues control in the hands of a city council which is elected and paid while community groups are common citizens working on a volunteer basis for their community. Community groups' common goal is betterment of their community, and are free of political obligations. There is a huge difference between community group input and city council decisions. Without the Community Planning Groups, the system will not be able to function as intended. especially in reference to discretionary projects that have a large impact on the community and reversal costs are unaffordable by individual community members. This proposed change has a larger impact on communities like Del Mar Mesa due to the number of homes without HOA, small HOAs and individual homes can only be heard via the planning board. The tax dollar base is very large compared to the number of residences. Our concern is lack of attention to Del Mar Mesa as the voting members are insignificant unless we contribute heavily to city council elections or are connected well politically.

**Public Officials (Information and Announcements)**

**Council District 1 - Council member Barbara Bry-Moriah Gaynor**

Rick Flahive is filling in for Moriah and will provide follow up on matters raised by DMMPB. Chairman Ellis noted the continued problems of the limited parking and street parking issues,

and also Bruce Hernandez contacted Chairman Ellis about ?. Rick Flahive reported on general legislative issues including the scooter bans and controls, the 101 Ash building status, which was purchased by the city, and after long delays staff was moved in, then in a matter of days later had to be moved back out due to presence of asbestos. The question was raised about the discontinuation of the trust for public lands (open space) established in the '80s, and ongoing concern for resources and management of open space. Rick Flahive will follow up on this topic.

**County Supervisor District 3 - Kristen Gaspar- Corine Busta**

Corine reported on the very busy schedule including community forums (Encinitas) on matters such as safe parking, homelessness, and reported that the county is hiring a social worker to work with and support the Sheriffs when dealing with homeless issues. About six weeks ago Councilmember Bry visited a community of tiny homes in Texas that were attractive, well planned, self-sustaining and considered a social/economic success as a model. There have been meetings regarding grants and requests. Corine Busta is available for contact on any matters related to grant requests as well as business partnerships and contracts.

**Community Planning: Lesley Heneger**

None

**CA Assembly District 77: Brian Maienschein - Rik Hauptfield**

None

**CA State District 39 Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins - Miller Saltzman:**

None

**Congressman Scott Peters Office:**

None

**Action Items**

In follow up to the matter of canceled homeowner insurance policies Kenneth Rudy noted that he was able to secure homeowners' insurance through State Farm.

**Subcommittee Reports and Discussion**

**Joint DMM/CV Trails Sub-Committee - Ray Ellis**

Chairman Ellis gave a brief update on the matter of a final retention basin installation before final release of funds.

## **FBA Update -Community Plan Update - Ad Hoc Committee**

### **Trail Completion - Diane Korsh**

### **Del Mar Mesa Preserve/Notch Oversight - Shital Parikh**

No new news on “the Notch” other than the POP law suit that has been filed, and a concert will be held soon on behalf of the project. Paula Graubart noted that she had heard that groundbreaking is scheduled for February 1, Shital will investigate.

### **Neighborhood park update - Diane Korsh**

### **By-Laws and Board Opening(s) - March Elections - Elizabeth Rabbitt**

Secretary Rabbitt reviewed the bi-annual staggered election process, with the exception of the “resort” representative which is an annual election event, reviewing those members who are up for election which will take place during the first fifteen minutes of the March DMMPB meeting. The question was also raised about open seats. Secretary Rabbitt reported on the open positions, and Chairman Ellis asked the members of the audience if anyone was interested in being added to the ballot for next month, Ish Kahn expressed his interest, Chairman Ellis thanked him and asked Secretary Rabbitt to include him in the ballot materials for next month.

### **Beautification Committee - Christian Tresize**

Christian Tresize reviewed the activity and reactions to the six letters/notices that had been issued close to two months ago, with only two responses, one stating that they did not have adequate funds to meet the requirements and the other declaring a status of being grandfathered with no obligations. He has drafted a follow-up, less friendly notice which clarifies the city requirements, obligations and responsibility for maintenance along with reference to liability exposure. Kenneth Rudy raised the question of the actual delivery of these letters and given the addresses registered with these property owners expressed concern for actual receipt and being read by the property owners. Kenneth Rudy emphasized the lack of safety due to the erosion and commented further that perhaps the title “Beautification” be modified or changed to emphasize safety. Shital Parikh offered that she, as a neighbor of many of these properties actually assume the role of personally delivering the letters to the residences and even hand directly to the owner if possible. There was also discussion about having Gary Anderson contact one of the parties to assist in making sure they understand what is expected and being asked of them. Christian Tresize discussed the need to coordinate the clarification or verification of addresses, and also the need to include the first letter along with the “stronger” second letter. **Kenneth Rudy made the motion to send the second letters as presented to be mailed certified including the original letter, Shital Parikh seconded, and the motion was carried.**

Kenneth Rudy presented the matter of the existing metal signage “kiosks” with photographs exhibits and cost of replacing signs, there was discussion regarding how to contact the HOA’s,

regarding investing in replacing the signs at an estimated cost of \$500 each. Of concern is the limited space for five signs on each “stand”. One suggestion was to prioritize by the number of homes within the HOA. Paula Graubart confirmed that Alta Del Mar would like to be included. **Ray Ellis and Kenneth Rudy will work together to bring back a proposal on how to prioritize to the next meeting.**

Shital Parikh would like to start a discussion on placing 2-3 doggie bag and poop collection receptacles on del mar mesa road. She is ready to pay for it through friends of del Mar mesa. She suggests one on the corner of Anderson Ridge and Del Mar Mesa and will pay her maintenance team to empty it.

### **Liaison Reports**

**Carmel Valley Recreation Council-Derek Reeves**

**Los Penasquitos CAC - Shital Parikh**

**Community Planners Council - Chair or Vice Chair**

**Friends of Del Mar Mesa-Diane Korsh**

Diane Korsh reported that a meeting of the Friends board was held, which included a discussion of the continuation of the entity and the future need to accommodate the funds as fiscal agent (approximately \$250,000) when distributed from the Manchester/Grand Del Mar settlement. Diane Korsh suggested Ray contact Perry Daly.

**SDPD Citizens Advisory Committee - Elizabeth Rabbitt/Paula Graubart**

No new meetings scheduled at this time.

### **Ongoing Discussion - Active Items**

**Traffic Calming - Del Vino Court and Del Mar Mesa Rd**

**Little McGonigle Ranch Road Update (Fence, Landscape and trail) - On hold until ownership is determined by Alta Del Mar HOA**

### **Adjournment:**

Kenneth Rudy moved to adjourn, Ray Ellis seconded and the motion was carried with adjournment at 7:06 pm

### **Next Meeting:**

March 12, 2020.