

Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board
June 9, 2022 6:00 PM

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Attendees:

Barry Cohen
Tim Guy
Ish Khan
Paul Metcalf
Wendy Poyhonen
Elizabeth Rabbitt
Derek Reeves
Jeff Tibaldi
Christian Tresize
Michael Vinson

Absent:

Diane Korsh

Call to Order:

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Roll Call:

See above.

Adoption of Agenda:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the Agenda. There were no changes or additions.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the May 12, 2022, draft minutes. Michael Vinson made the motion to approve as presented, Christian Tresize seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

Public Safety Agencies - John Briggs, Community Relations Officer

Officer Briggs reported that there are still assorted home burglaries occurring, some series related and some not series related. School is out so traffic patterns have lightened up, still working with juvenile behavior in the area. Tim Guy expressed his appreciation for the quick response to the recent Duck Pond burglary.

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

Barbara Gordon introduced herself as working with San Dieguito Alliance which has the county contract for alcohol and drug prevention, and is also on the Northwestern Police Citizens advisory council, and her reason for joining the meeting this evening is due to the number of underage drinking parties that are being held in Del Mar Mesa. Neighbors have contacted her reporting on teens carrying cases of beer, and urinating in neighbors yards, and concerns for binge drinking. There is a social host law to prevent such parties which hold the hosts liable and responsible, and is hoping that even raising the awareness of the legal risk could help curtail these parties. Elizabeth Rabbitt asked about why the calls are going to her and not to the police, Barbara Gordon reported that they are calling the police and they show up late, and just basically tell the kids to be quiet.

Chair's Remarks:

Paul reported that he did his COW again on Monday, and his first one was in 1998, in person. He commented on how worthwhile it was and reminded the group that they are required to complete this successfully in order to receive indemnification by the City. Paul Metcalf asked Ricky Flahive about the initiation process for starting the update of the Specific Plan and asked if he could check out that process, and Ricky Flahive will investigate. Michael Vinson asked Ricky Flahive to bring up the matter to Council Member Joe LaCava of how poorly staffed the Northwestern division of the SDPD is, and that there have been several recent burglaries with only three officers instead of four, and also noted that policy prevents them from showing up to an active crime call unless there are two officers able to respond. Ricky Flahive responded that the budget does include a request for increased SDPD staffing. Chairman Metcalf also noted that at this time the DMMPB has only ten members, but each Planning Board is required to have a minimum of twelve board members and asked everyone to try to find a potential new board member.

Public Officials (Information and Announcements)

Mayor's office - Matthew Griffith

Absent

Council District 1 - Council member Joe LaCava-Ricky Flahive

Ricky Flahive reported on an upcoming event, Java with Joe LaCava, on Saturday June 25th from 9-11 am at Stanley Park in University City. Ricky Flahive reported that there is no new update on the fire station matter, noting that they are still waiting for a policy decision (mayor's office) and went on to say that the fire station is not included in the 2023 budget, so it seems clear at this time it will not be moving forward anytime soon. Ricky Flahive reported that he filed several get it done reports on the vegetation and other issues at the Elizabeth Rabbitt Park, and asked the board members if anything looked like it had been done. Elizabeth Rabbitt did report it did appear that someone had been there with a weed whacker but is still in desperate need. Joe LaCava had sent out the 2023 budget summary which had been narrowed down, and reported that the hope for the use of FBA funding for the Specific Plan Update, and reassured that the absence of the DMMPB's "asks" does not mean that Council Member LaCava is not pressing forward with these issues, but is planning to tap into other non budget resources such as the state gas tax.

Community Planning: Lesley Henegar

Absent

County Supervisor District 3 - Terra Lawson-Remer

Absent

CA State District 39 Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins - Cole Reed:

Absent

CA Assembly District 77: Brian Maienschein - Rik Hauptfield

Absent

Congressman Scott Peters Office:

Absent

City Park & Recreation Department - Debbie Marcott

Presentation/Discussion

City of San Diego Environmental Services Department Organic Waste Recycling Program: SB 1383 - Meagan Browning, Recycling Specialist III:

Meagan Browning presented an overview of the implementation of SB 1383. In short these changes will apply to businesses as well as individuals. Currently the Miramar Landfill receives 900,000 tons of trash annually, much of which can be recycled. In 2016 there were statewide mandates for the reduction of organic waste going to landfill by 75%, which includes food scraps, yard trimmings, wood, food soiled paper products and cardboard to reduce the release of methane gas. Every city must implement systems to meet these mandates. In addition to reduction of methane gas the benefits of reducing organic waste sent to landfill can be instead used to create healthy soil which must be used by city programs. Efforts to implement

this bill included funding, purchasing new vehicles, new storage and processing facilities, which will result in individual sorting of trash into three different trash containers, or three bin system, regular trash, recycled trash, and organic waste. This program also provides for the donation of unused food for food recovery programs. Private haulers already provide this service, and the HOA can request the delivery of the green organic waste bins for curbside pick up. For non HOA homes residents should contact the residential services department. The city will provide city wide organic waste recycling collection services on a weekly basis. Updates and information are available at SanDiego.gov/organicwasterecycling/. Residents should expect to receive announcements on materials and requirements soon as well as a green cart/bin and a kitchen container. Meagan Browning also reported that the Environmental Services Department is available for all support and information.

Absent

Action Items

Chairman Metcalf reported that he is in receipt of Shital Parikh's resignation which will require a motion to accept, and also noting the need to replace her role as Vice Chair. **There was a motion to accept Shital Parikh's resignation by Tim Guy and seconded by Jeff Tibaldi, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

Rabbitt Park Parking

Chairman Metcalf asked Christian Tresize to take the lead in summarizing the Rabbitt Park Parking Subcommittee's discussion of the scope of the matter. Christian Tresize reported that after several meetings the first question, or action item, for the DMMPB is the willingness to reduce the open or green space to provide for additional parking spaces within the park. And the second would be if the board is in favor of requesting the City to add an additional and larger sign specifically clarifying that parking within the park is for park patrons only. The existing sign is very small and located toward the back of the parking lot. Wendy Poyhonen commented on her support for these two action items. She also commented on the experience with individuals not understanding the designation of Neighborhood Park vs Community or other Park, and that once Danielle understood it completely changed her perspective and her opinion on the matter and reversing her request for added spaces. Tim Guy commented again on the tragedy of paving paradise to put up a parking lot as well as the impact of additional parking resulting in more demand by visitors from out of the Del Mar Mesa Community. **Tim Guy made the motion to not remove open space to create new parking spaces, Michael Vinson seconded it, and the motion was carried unanimously. Christian Tresize made the motion to request that the city install a larger more prominent sign at the entry to the park that the parking lot is for residents only, Michael Vinson seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously. There was also added discussion regarding ongoing education efforts with the HOA's and residents on behalf of the DMMPB, including the addition of the traffic study requested by the community the results of which the city determined that it**

was not possible to safely add street parking along Del Vino Ct in that location. Tim Guy made the motion to follow up on previous information/educational outreach to residents and HOAs with the inclusion of the results of the traffic study, Michael Vinson seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Joint DMM/CV Trails Sub-Committee

Del Mar Mesa Preserve/Notch Oversight

Beautification Committee - Christian Tresize

Christian Tresize reported that he has continued to ask the city to address the matter of the weeds in the Del Mar Mesa

Liaison Reports

Carmel Valley Recreation Council-Wendy Poyhonen

Wendy Poyhonen reported that she has been working diligently in communicating with Debbie Marcotte on the matter of the weeds, grass and dead trees, which received a reply that they have been working to catch up with a work project that has been scheduled and will take place again next month along with an explanation about normal duties and vacant positions etc. Wendy Poyhonen also noted that with the lifting of Covid restrictions it may be possible to organize a volunteer initiative. Chairman Metcalf reported that Federal funds have been issued to cities including San Diego which could be applied to improve resources for needed city maintenance.

Los Penasquitos CAC - Shital Parikh

Friends of Del Mar Mesa-Diane Korsh/Shital Parikh

Chairman Metcalf reported that Shital Parikh is now the chairman of the Friends of Del Mar Mesa.

SDPD Citizens Advisory Committee - Elizabeth Rabbitt/Christian Tresize

No meetings.

Ongoing Discussion - Active Items

Proposed Fire Station

Developer Signage on existing Signs

Chairman Metcalf noted that the project east of Bougainvillea is moving along and will result in an interest in restoring the kiosk signs.

Next Meeting:

Chairman Metcalf requested feedback from the board about travel plans that could impact future meetings such as July 14, or August 11 it would improve the selection of which month to take off ,July or August.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

July 14, 2022