

SABRE SPRINGS PLANNING GROUP

MINUTES March 21, 2001

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick Smith.

ROLL CALL

Baker, Barbara
Baskevitch, Carlene
Grover, Barbara
Marshall, Suzan
Pedrin, Marian
Smith, Rick
Ward, Downey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Marian Pedrin and a second by Barbara Grover, the minutes from the February meeting were unanimously approved with the following corrections:

- Under Committee Reports, Miramar Flight Operations, it was noted that there was recently a civilian helicopter crash near Mission Bay, (not in the Sabre Springs area).
- Suzan Marshall should be added to the attendance list for the February meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Rick Smith reported on the following items and correspondence received:

- Rick testified at City Council regarding the Planning Group's support of the Ballpark project.
- Information from CCDC providing an overview of the development activities taking place downtown.
- Information from the City regarding the Community Planners Committee.
- Information from the City regarding the Canyon Sewer Maintenance Taskforce.
- Padres 2000 community report.
- Report from the Housing Commission discussing housing opportunities in the region.
- Agenda for SANDAG's SR 67/125 Corridor Study Committee.
- Information regarding a tree removal on Tanner Court.

POLICE REPORT

Officer Lennon provided a crime report for the month and explained that Nancy Goodrich has been named the new police captain for the area. He urged community members to always lock their doors and windows at their homes as there had been two recent "hot prowls" and a shooting in Rancho Peñasquitos. There have also been several

incidents of indecent exposure. Officer Lennon encouraged the group not to ignore these people if they have encounters with them but to always try to get a license plate number and call the police. Otherwise, it is difficult to catch people.

Finally, it was reported that the City now has money to purchase a “speed trailer sign” for the community. The City will put this item out to bid in the near future.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 OFFICE

Nikki Balolong reported that the tot lot should be completed in mid-April and that Councilmember Maienschein will host a budget forum at the Mira Mesa library on April 2nd. All interested parties are welcome to attend. Nikki explained that the pothole located at Sabre Springs Parkway and Evening Creek Park had been fixed and finally that Councilmember Maienschein would attend the June meeting of the Planning Group

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Miramar Flight Operations

Barbara reported on the following:

- It is likely the Osprey aircraft is “dead”. At this point however no one knows what will happen to it.
- The State Commerce Department is offering grants to communities that are interested in keeping existing military bases in their communities.
- The community may notice more aircraft noise during the month of June as a result of “June gloom”.
- It has been reported at MTAC meetings that there is a handful of people making all of the complaint calls.
- The Navy is working to develop an energy conservation plan and is looking into the possibility of building a power plant.

B. Recreation Council

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Mayor’s Traffic Congestion Strike Team

Eight people were recently appointed to the Mayor’s San Diego Freeway Congestion Strike Team. Councilmember Maienschein will co-chair this group along with the Mayor. The goal of the group is to work to get planned freeways built and provide relief for gridlocked motorists.

B. SR 56

The official date for the opening of SR 56 is now 2004. The acquisition of parcels for the mid-section of the freeway is proceeding. CalTrans has agreed to initiate a value engineering study for the I-5 connectors.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Hiking Trail

Carlene Baskevitch explained that since the Bell Fleur models have been completed, a fence has been erected to prevent access from the ridge to lots adjacent to the model homes. The fence, which has been turned over to the Homeowners Association, was requested by the City of Poway for liability reasons and was installed in order to try and mitigate safety concerns. Several calls had been made to the police regarding kids “partying” in this area at night. Furthermore litter had become a problem and people had been driving 4-wheelers in the open space area. The gate on the fence will be unlocked after four months to determine whether pedestrian access to this area is deemed safe. If there are no problems, the gate will remain unlocked. If problems continue, the gate will be locked. There will be no vehicular access to this area.

Several residents who often use the trail attended the meeting to discuss this issue. They felt that area residents should have been notified that the gate was going to be installed/locked (for safety reasons) and stated their opposition to the gate remaining locked. It was agreed that this is an issue that should be discussed with the Homeowner’s Association.

PUBLIC INPUT

Kevin Guy explained that the City will be making a presentation to area planning groups to discuss the City’s efforts to update the General Plan and to discuss the “City of Villages” concept. He will let us know when a date has been set. He also noted that on May 23rd the City will host a reception for members of City Planning Groups in appreciation for the time they dedicate to serving their communities.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Marian Pedrin and a second by Barbara Baker, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.