



Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198
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April 21, 2022, 7:00 PM
Meeting Minutes
Meeting was held via Zoom

<u>2022 RB PLANNING BOARD</u>									
P = Present		A = Absent				ARC = Arrived after roll call			
Robin Kaufman	A	Owen Nucci	P	Steve Dow	P	June Smith	P		
Benjamin Wier	P	Vicki Touchstone	P	Hugh Rothman	ARC				
Gary Long	P	Joni Edelman	P	Sonny Googins	P				
								Total Seated	10
								Total in Attendance	9

ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call:

The 2022 Election Committee Chair Gary Long called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He noted that the meeting is being recorded for accuracy in the meeting minutes, and noted that it is being conducted as if it were in in-person and that participants should extend all courtesies as such

ITEM #2 Seating of New Members:

The following members were seated/re-seated per elections results approved at the March 2022 Planning Board:

- Sonny Googins
- Robin Kaufman
- Steve Dow
- June Smith
- Vicki Touchstone

ITEM #3 Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker; Information Item):

N/A

ITEM #4 Government Staff Reports (Information Item):

N/A

ITEM #5 Election of Officers (Voting Item):

Gary Long nominated Robin Kaufman to serve as the Chair of Planning Board; seconded by Sonny Googins; approved 8-0-0.

Gary Long nominated Benjamin Wier to serve as the Vice-Chair of the Board; seconded by Owen Nucci; approved 8-0-0.

The meeting was turned over to Benjamin Wier as the ranking member present.

Benjamin Wier nominated Owen Nucci to serve as Planning Board Secretary; Sonny Googins seconded; approved 8-0-0.

Benjamin Wier nominated Gary Long to serve as Planning Board Treasurer; seconded by Vicki Touchstone; approved 8-0-0.

ITEM #6 Modification and Adoption of Agenda (Voting Item):

Benjamin Wier motioned to adopt the April Board agenda, Gary Long seconded; approved 8-0-0.

ITEM #7 Administrative Items (Voting Item):

Approval of March 2022 Meeting Minutes was motioned by Sonny Googins; seconded by Gary Long; approved 6-0-0 (Steve Dow abstained due to absence at the March 2022 meeting; June Smith abstained as a newly seated Board member).

Gary Long presented the Treasurer's Report: the Board has \$322.95 as of April 2022. Gary Long motioned to approve the Treasurer's report; seconded by Benjamin Wier; approved 8-0-0.

Member Hugh Rothman joined the meeting at this time.

ITEM #8 Request Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment to Open Vacancies in Districts B, C, E, F and G and Appoint Qualifying Candidates (Voting Item):

Donald Bertsch, David Wilson, and Patrick Batten presented themselves to serve as a Board members.

Benjamin Wier motioned that the Board appointment the candidates as follows:

- Donald Bertsch – District G.
- David Wilson – District B.
- Patrick Batten – District C.

Sonny Googins seconded the motion; the Board approved 9-0-0.

Benjamin Wier noted that these members would in turn be seated at the May 2022 Board meeting.

ITEM #9 Annual Chair Report (Voting Item):

Gary Long motioned the Board approve the Annual Chair Report for submission to the city; Joni Edelman seconded; approved 8-0-0 (June Smith abstained as a newly seated Board member).

ITEM #10 Appointment of Subcommittee Chairs (Voting Item):

Benjamin Wier volunteered to serve as the Chair of the Development Review Subcommittee; Vicki Touchstone seconded; approved 9-0-0

Vicki Touchstone volunteered to serve as the Chair of the Regional Issues Subcommittee; Benjamin Wier motioned that she be appointed as such, Gary Long seconded; approved 9-0-0.

Both Robin Kaufman and Hugh Rothman were both presented as volunteers to serve as Chair of the Traffic and Transportation Subcommittee. The Board voted in favor of Hugh Rothman 7 to 2. Sonny Googins in turn motioned that Hugh Rothman assume role of Chair for the Traffic & Transportation Subcommittee; seconded by Owen Nucci; approved 9-0-0.

Sonny Googins volunteered to serve as Chair of the Community Outreach Subcommittee; seconded by Vicki Touchstone; approved 9-0-0.

ITEM #11 Appointment of Subcommittee Resident Members (Voting Item):

This item was tabled for a later Board meeting.

ITEM #12 Appointment of Liaisons (Voting Item):

Benjamin Wier nominated Vicki Touchstone to serve as the of Liaison to the Community Planners Committee (CPC); Sonny Googins seconded; approved 9-0-0.

Deliberation on remaining Liaison positions was tabled for a later Board meeting.

ITEM #13 Approval for Virtual Meeting for Next Month's Full Board Meeting (Voting Item):

Benjamin Wier motioned that the Board approve the use of virtual meetings for next month; seconded by Joni Edelman; approved 9-0-0.

ITEM #14 Sub-Committee Reports (Information Item):

Development ReviewBenjamin Wier
Regional Issues.....Vicki Touchstone
Traffic & TransportationRobin Kaufman
Election Ad Hoc.....Gary Long

ITEM #15 Liaison Reports (Information Item):

Community Council.....Robin Kaufman

Community Planners Committee (CPC).....Vicki Touchstone
Community Recreation GroupRobin Kaufman
SANDAGSteve Dow
San Dieguito River Park.....David Wilson
San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group..... David Wilson
Commercial RepresentativeN/A

ITEM #16 OLD BUSINESS ITEM:

Vicki Touchstone asked if there have are any planned activities for RB Alive for June;
Board members noted that the 2022 RB Alive event has been canceled.

ITEM #17 NEW BUSINESS:

N/A

ADJOURNMENT:

Gary Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Hugh Rothman seconded; motion
passed 9-0-0. Meeting adjourned 7:51pm.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Owen Nucci

Standing Committee Meetings:

Regular meeting dates & times for committees are set as follows:

<u>Administrative Committee</u> The Monday 10 days prior to Regular Meeting, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.	<u>Traffic & Transportation Committee First</u> Monday of each month, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.
<u>Development Review Committee</u> First Tuesday of each month, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.	<u>Regional Issues Committee</u> First Tuesday of each month, 7 PM Via Zoom meeting.

RB Planning Board – SANDAG Update (Steve Dow; 4/05/2022)

DRAFT Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Highlights (dated March 25, 2022)

1. Link: https://www.sandag.org/uploads/meetingid/meetingid_6001_31776.pdf
2. Starts Item #11 (see pdf page 75)

Five strategic initiatives:

1. “Establish an organizational structure and systems that allow us to dynamically assemble resources and mobilize teams to advance and complete priority projects
2. Ensure that necessary technology and systems are in place
3. Communicate internally and externally in a clear, authentic, and transparent manner.
4. Adopt practices that attract and retain highly qualified and motivated employees
5. Establish processes that allow quick access to needed talent and expertise”

Total budget:\$960million

1. ~46% -- Capital Projects (\$441 million), includes:
2. ~40% -- TransNet Program (\$383 million)
3. ~08% -- Overall Work Program, OWP (\$73 million)
4. ~06% -- Regional Operations and Services (\$61 million), includes:

Projects Opening to Public in FY23

1. SR 11 and Otay Mesa POE: Siempre Viva Interchange § SR 125/905 Southbound to Westbound Connector
2. I-5 HOV: Carlsbad
3. UCSD Mid-Coast Improvements – Pepper Canyon
4. Regional Tolling Back Office System
5. ERP System

RB Community Council Summary

- the Board reviewed and approved the annual liability insurance;
- the Board reviewed and approved a sustainable energy systems letter;
- the Board approved a new date for the annual safety fair (October 2);
- the Board approved cost for a storage space;
- the Board approved an ‘in person’ patriotic pet contest on July 4;
- the Board was given an update on the community election process;
- the Board was given an update on the April 10 earth day fair

RB Community Recreation Group

- the Board had to hold a ‘special’ meeting on April 6 after it was brought to staffs attention by the Community Recreation Group that the March 23, 2022 meeting was in violation of the Brown Act. Park and Recreation Department’s Area Manager Becky Lowndes changed the zoom link to the March 23, 2022 meeting minutes prior to the scheduled time of the meeting as she was having log in issues. Changing the zoom link at that time did not afford the public the minimum of 72 hours notice required by the Brown Act;
- the Board approved an election chair;
- the Board appointed the Glassman Brown Recreation Leadership Award (GBRLA) chair;
- the Board approved Patrick Batten to fill the remaining seat;
- the Board approved a letter of support for the soccer club to obtain the contract to use the lawn bowling area

JPA Board Meeting

Call to Order- Chair Grosch Resolution 22-4 approved to allow remote meetings. Minutes from last meeting approved.

Executive Directors Report- Shawna Anderson

- San Dieguito Lagoon Restoration phase 2 project is in full swing. Excavating and grading has begun along with SDGE moving utility poles.
- Watershed explorers program - property. Unveiled the David Leigh Memorial Bench. David Donated 35k which toward the project, but passed away before. Rangers made a bench honoring David. End of report.

Approval of Central Property Appointments to CAC. Goal is to have property owners represent a cross section of areas on the trails. Three members approved representing inland owners.

Consider recommendation of JPA Budget Committee for proposed FY22-23 JPA Budget

- Shawna presented budget overview including the General Operating Budget, Coast Trails Budget, and a joint agreement with the JPA and Edison with SCE contribution of \$336k. Other items reviewed were Endowments, Capital Project Funds and a review of operating capital reserves of \$1.72 mil.
- Discussion of importance of increasing Ranger salary to make those positions more competitive. General belief that there has been excessive turnover in Ranger position and this should help to resolve this.
- Members of the budget committee and other JPA members commented in support of proposed budget.
- Budget voted on and approved. Some commented their concern that certain supervisors were unable today's meeting which conflicts with their SANDAG meeting. Discussion was that supervisors had ample time to review budget ahead of time and to voice any concerns. Budget passed.
- Request to Shawna that in the future a 2-5 yr. budget projection is prepared in addition to the one year, understanding that such future budgets are projections.

Coordination Reports – no comments from those in attendance.

- San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy
- Friends of the San Dieguito River Valley
- Volcan Mountain Foundation
- San Dieguito Lagoon Committee

Chair suggested that each of these organizations make a short presentation at future JPA meetings for update. Agreed, and first presentation to occur next meeting.

Jurisdictional reports-

None

Meeting Adjourned

Emily Piatanesi, Community Representative, Mayor Todd Gloria's office

April Report

Federal Infrastructure Funding

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act passed November 15, 2021, allocating a total of \$550 billion to support nation-wide.
 - The Mayor recently met with representatives in Washington D.C. to discuss the need for funds to support regional and City infrastructure priorities.
 - San Diego Airport alone is set to receive \$24 million to aid in infrastructure improvements.
- Additionally, San Diego County Representatives secured more than \$107 million for local community projects as part of the federal appropriations bill for fiscal year 2022.
 - This brings \$2.4 million in funding home for four specific community projects in the City of San Diego

Housing

Bridge to Home

- Bridge to Home is a new program that includes 7 projects which propose a total of 662 apartments to be available for low-income residents, with 193 apartments including supportive services for people experiencing homelessness.
- On March 15th Council unanimously approved the disbursement of a loan for the first of these projects – the Cortez Hill Apartments affordable housing project.

Please see here for more details: <https://www.sandiego.gov/mayor/mayor-gloria-launches-new-%E2%80%98bridge-home%E2%80%99-program-create-more-affordable-housing>

Homelessness

Outreach

- The Mayor announced that since March, 260 people experiencing homelessness have accepted offers for shelter and have come off of the street.
- Additionally, 110 people have exited out of shelters and into housing. We are bringing on more shelter beds within the week and upcoming months.

Care Court

- Announced in coordination with Governor Newsom, CARE Court will be a new policy framework designed to assist people living with untreated mental health and substance abuse challenges.
- CARE (Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment) Court would provide a new tool for local governments to help those that suffer from psychotic episodes gain access to behavioral health services and housing through a court-ordered care plan for up to 24 months.
- CARE Court is less restrictive than conservatorships and could apply to a broader population of people experiencing homelessness.
- Under the proposal, the court-ordered response could be initiated by family, county and community-based social services, behavioral health providers or first responders. Individuals exiting a short-term involuntary hospital hold or arrest would be especially good candidates for CARE Court.

- Once approved by the State legislature, Mayor Gloria will ensure CARE Court is put into practice locally to aid the hundreds of people on San Diego's streets whose untreated behavioral health disorders prevent them from improving their circumstances.