

**Mira Mesa Community Planning Group  
Draft Meeting Minutes**

**Date/Time:** Monday, July 24, 2023, 7:00pm

Location: Mira Mesa Public Library, 8405 New Salem Street, San Diego CA 92126

**Call to Order/ 7:00 PM by Chris Cate. Attendance recorded and quorum confirmed.**

**Attendees:** ~~Bo Gibbons, Andrew Miklusick, Lillith Nover, Ramon Bieri,~~ Nicholas Boechler, Chris Cate, Tommy Hough, Joe Frichtel, Bari Vaz, ~~Sean Tompkins,~~ Dorothy Lorenz, Keith Flitner, ~~Julia Schriber,~~ Harikishan Parekh, ~~Tiffany English,~~ David Mandelbaum, ~~Mike Linton,~~ Phillip Linssen, Evan Cassolato.

1. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (Action). Motion by Boechler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linssen. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker.
  - a. Ali Mariko Dressel from Climate Action Campaign (CAC) spoke regarding CAC and working with the county on the regional decarbonization framework, including promoting feedback from all communities – including specific projects. Funding is available depending on the projects.
  - b. Becky Rapp spoke about SEED Program and potential expansion of number of marijuana outlets and changes to zoning. Including removing barriers to sensitive receptors. Also spoke regarding decisions to expand use of flavoring in cannabis products.
  - c. Joe Frichtel spoke about gas line on Mercy Rd and yellow poles. Wants to find out from SDGE regarding yellow poles and ability to take out. Also spoke about Water Department about water transfer station on Mercy Road and why there.
  - d. Bari Vaz spoke about success of fireworks and will be making permanent the Hourglass location.
3. Announcements & Reports: 2 Minutes per speaker. Community groups are encouraged to promote awareness of their events at this point in the meeting.
  - a. Report of the Chair
    - i. Sent out the email for Planning Group training so please complete if you haven't already.
    - ii. I made a request to the Cannabis Division regarding the Social Equity and Economic Development Program in advance of the CPC meeting in September. They determined they would not be giving a presentation to us prior to their presentation to CPC in September. I will be trying to figure out how to provide a presentation from a subject matter expert to this group next month to allow us to take a position, so that I may do so on our behalf to CPC in September.
    - iii. Sorrento Valley Golf Entertainment Center was resubmitted for another round of review.
    - iv. Notice of Decision from DSD approving an amendment to a previously approved Conditional Use Permit for conversion of an existing Marijuana Production Facility to a Cannabis Production Facility at 9212 Mira Este Ct.
  - b. Community Planners Committee

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- i. Unfortunately I was not able to attend the last meeting of CPC. They did hear a presentation from the Planning Department regarding the CPG recognition process. I will be placing an item on the August agenda to formally establish a sub-committee to review the process and prepare all the necessary documents for approval by this board to meet the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline to submit our application.
    - c. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee
      - i. No report provided.
  4. Modifications to the Agenda.
  5. Old Business
    - a. None.
  6. New Business
    - a. City of San Diego CIP Prioritization – Presentation by Michaela Valk, Office of Mayor Todd Gloria (Action)
      - i. See presentation from Michaela Valk
        1. Survey will remain open but responses will be used for the next 5 year outlook
      - ii. Motion by Chair, second by Frichtel to direct Chair to submit a letter and fill out the online survey indicating support for the following projects:
        1. New Mira Mesa Library
        2. Extension of Carroll Canyon Road
        3. New Fire Station near Camino Santa Fe and Miramar Road
        4. New Recreation Center at 3Roots
        5. Adequate funding to address Transit, Bike, and Pedestrian Projects in accordance with the Community Plan Update
- Motion passed unanimously.
7. Elected Officials/Government Agencies
  - a. United States Congress – California 53<sup>rd</sup> District Kathleen Dang for Sara Jacobs – Not present
  - b. California Senate – District 40 Mark Schaefer for Brian Jones – Not present
  - c. California Assembly – District 78 Miki Holmes for Chris Ward – Not present
  - d. San Diego County – Board of Supervisors District 3 Becca Smith for Terra Lawson-Remer – Not present
  - e. San Diego – Mayor’s Office Michaela Valk for Todd Gloria

**Planning Department**

- As mentioned at the Community Planners Committee, Planning Groups and community members are encouraged to complete the [Infrastructure Priorities Survey](#). The initial deadline is August 15, 2023.

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- <https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/programs/work-programs/infrastructure-prioritization-engagement>
- Prior iterations of collecting infrastructure priorities were done bi-annually (on every odd year) only through the Community Planners Committee and Community Planning Group platforms. The survey was open for a brief period of time, and submissions were largely (though not entirely) controlled by the Planning Group Chairs. Once the survey was closed, additional submissions were not accepted.
- This current survey methodology is opened to a much broader audience and can be completed by anyone—including the planning groups either collectively or as individuals. The survey will be open year round to collect input from residents.
- Similar to prior processes, survey data collected before August 15 will be sent to the City's Asset Managing Departments for evaluation and potential inclusion in their programmatic Fiscal Year 2025-2029 five year Capital Improvement Project submissions to the Engineering and Capital Projects Department.
- Unlike prior years, survey data will still be collected after 8/15 and will be considered the first submissions received for the Fiscal Year 2026-2030 outlook report development process.
- I wanted to be sure that you were aware of the initial survey deadline of August 15 for the purpose of including in the upcoming Fiscal Year programmatic evaluations.
- **The Planning Board is encouraged to take the survey as a board and/or via individual members.** We ask that you share this information with your residents to encourage a higher participation.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the process.

### Homelessness

- Mayor Gloria partnered with City Councilmember Stephen Whitburn to propose the Unsafe Camping Ordinance, which was passed by the City Council on June 13, 2023, and signed into law. Enforcement of this ordinance will begin the end of July.
- The Unsafe Camping Ordinance will make amendments and additions to the San Diego Municipal Code to prohibit tent encampments citywide. Additionally, it will prohibit tent encampments (regardless of shelter availability) at locations considered to be high risk to public health and safety.
- This ordinance is only one piece of the efforts our administration has taken to address homelessness citywide. As noted during the City Council meeting on June 13, 2023, [The Comprehensive Shelter Strategy](#), outlines our next steps to address homelessness citywide. This will include the creation of a Safe Sleeping program for people living in tents that will be provided by the City. These sites will create a safe place for people to go and access supportive services that doesn't block sidewalks.
- Safe Sleeping Program site: 20<sup>th</sup> and B street (As of last Friday there were 67 individuals enrolled in this program. We expect the site to be full by the end of this month).
- For frequent updates on our administration's actions to address homelessness, I encourage you to sign up for our [Homelessness Newsletter](#). In addition, please visit our Homelessness Strategies and Solutions Department [website](#) for a comprehensive overview of our continued work to address homelessness in San Diego.

### Public Safety

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- The San Diego Police Department's proposal to use Smart Streetlights and Automated License Plate Recognition technologies to help investigate and solve crimes passed the Public Safety Committee on July 19 and will move forward to the full City Council on August 1, at 2 pm.
    - f. San Diego – City Council District 6 Jermaine Rocacorba for Kent Lee
      - i. Salk Park is currently at 20% complete
      - ii. Creative City Pop-Up to receive input on the Cultural Planning Process is Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>.
      - iii. Office will be holding a brush management tour on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.
    - g. MCAS Miramar – Kristen Camper
      - i. The North Gate is now open. West Gate will be under construction but open during the Air Show
      - ii. The mysterious loud speaker announcement did not come from Miramar. The loud speaker is currently broken on the North Side of base and there is only one preset announcement.
8. Adjourn at 8:03pm