

Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board
June 10, 2021 6:00 PM

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Attendees:

Ray Ellis
Elizabeth Rabbitt
Michael Vinson
Paula Graubart
Shital Parikh
Christian Tresize
Barry Cohen
Paul Metcalf
Wendy Poyhonen
Ish Khan

Absent:

Diane Korsh
Derek Reeves

Call to Order:

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

Roll Call:

See above.

Adoption of Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Ellis called for review and approval of the May 2021 draft minutes. Michael Vinson moved to approve as presented, Ish Khan seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Public Safety Agencies - John Briggs, Community Relations Officer

Absent

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

None

Text Polling Presentation

Eric Ramos shared a Community Planning Board presentation about the new development of an application for polling and voting, along with a presentation of how it works with a focus on streamlined voting, making polling more engaging, and building transparency and accuracy with voting records. He also reviewed the benefits of expansion beyond board members to include the larger community

Chair's Remarks:

Invitation to Sky Deck Opening Event

Chairman Ellis reminded the group of the invitation and the deadline for RSVP.

Development Services Department - Cannabis Business Division

Chairman Ellis shared information about the new Cannabis Business Division in the City of San Diego. This Division was formed to regulate, enforce and support cannabis businesses throughout the City. If you would like more information please contact Chairman Ellis.

Chair Position

Chairman Ellis reported that his house has been sold and that he and Gina Ellis will be moving to a residence at One Paseo. He commented that he will continue to serve as Chairman until December but plans to vacate the Del Mar Mesa Planning Board and office of the Chairman at that time.

Public Officials (Information and Announcements)

Council District 1 - Council member Joe LaCava-Ricky Flahive

Ricky Flahive discussed the status of the annual budget review and priorities as presented by Council member Joe LaCava. Outdoor dining has been extended until 2022. Gender and ethnic

pay disparity issues have received a resolution. Also Ricky is still looking for volunteers for a variety of committees and has listed the committees with openings in the chat room.

- La Jolla Shores Planned District Advisory Board
- Municipal Golf Committee
- Human Relations Commission
- Gang Prevention and Intervention Board
- Accessibility Advisory Board
- Consolidated Plan Advisory Board
- Police/Community Relations Board
- Balboa Park Cultural Advisory Committee

Mayor's office - Matthew Griffith

Absent

County Supervisor District 3 - Terra Lawson-Remer

Absent

Community Planning: Lesley Heneger

Absent

CA Assembly District 77: Brian Maienschein - Rik Hauptfield

Absent

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

Absent

Congressman Scott Peters Office:

Absent

City Park & Recreation Department - Debbie Marcott

Absent

Action Items

SDG & E Bridge Drainage Crossing

Christian Tresize noted from his review of the SDG&E plan it appears that engineers took pains with their design to minimize the impact to the surrounding sensitive area. Shital Parikh expressed her concern for the reason for the sudden need and why has this not come up years ago and concern for the creeping effect of encroaching habitat and resulting damage in the preserve. Elizabeth Rabbitt noted that at the DMMPB meeting a few months ago the presenter made the case that the primary issue was the concern for travel efficiency of the need to backtrack equipment rather than a single pass. Elizabeth Rabbit noted that the distance between the creek

and other street access point is less than half mile away. Paul Metcalf made the point that the damage from back tracking that has been occurring over the years would be mitigated by elimination of the out and back patterns of travel. Chairman Ellis called for a motion. Christian Tresize made the motion to approve the SDG&E bridge project as presented. Elizabeth Rabbitt asked that the motion be modified to request restoration of the current access road and require formalization of upkeep of maintenance obligations to maintain conditions at an acceptable level. Shital Parikh raised concern on which party will be responsible for damage to the habitat beyond the development footprint of the road and bridge during and after the project is completed? Paul Metcalf commented that Park and Rec is responsible for reporting on lack of compliance and citation or call for corrective action. Paul Metcalf also noted that this issue is county wide and SDG&E is motivated highly to maintain compliance. Christian Tresize restated the motion to approve the SDG&E bridge installation including requirement of restoration from current condition and maintenance at an acceptable, safe condition, Paul Metcalf seconded, and the motion was carried with one abstention by Shital Parikh.

At-Large Board Vacancy: Jeff Tibaldi

Paul Metcalf made the motion to appoint Jeff Tibaldi to complete Kenneth Rudy's vacated position Christian Tresize seconded and was approved unanimously.

Recommendation to the City of San Diego for Additional Parking at Elizabeth Rabbitt Neighborhood Park

Chairman Ellis commented on the elevated level of community input via emails and otherwise that has been raised with the recent red curb painting and No Parking citations and the access to the park. Chairman Ellis shared that comments included requesting providing parking on the road adjacent to the park, beyond the ten spots available in the park. He expressed the need for DMMPB to take a position on this matter and called for discussion. Tim Guy introduced himself as a new resident in Del Mar Mesa. He lives in Duck Pond and noted the danger of exiting the neighborhood with the cars parked illegally and the high speed of traffic. He suggested that there are many other places to park to access the trail systems. It was noted that the larger number of vehicles are bikers, not park goers. Michael Vinson also noted that DMMPB's original concerns years ago about the limited parking were ignored by the city and it was constructed per the parking deficient plan. Most of the complaints are coming from DMM neighbors. There was a discussion about using the empty space and the horse corral as a possible added space. Shital Parikh also noted that the City has told her they are working on a roundabout solution, which is not what DMMPB has asked for. Shital Parikh shared Gary Levitt's suggestion of Shared Lane marking option so cyclists, car users could use the road and the park and have parking adjacent to the park safely. Shital Parikh also shared option of diagonal parking or two hour parking on the street as solutions suggested by other community members to the parking problem. Shital Parikh pointed to the zero-two walking score out of one hundred for the Del Mar Mesa community which contributes to the frequency at which neighbors drive rather than walk to the park. Chairman Ellis suggested that a smaller committee be formed to construct a "position" to make a recommendation or recommendation, and asked that

Christian Tresize form a committee under the Beautification Committee umbrella to meet and evaluate what is plausible and acceptable. Shital Parikh will participate on the committee. Ricky commented on the process of review and approval which will take initially 90 days. Christian Tresize asked Ricky Flahive to send him the traffic engineer information.

July meeting

Chairman Ellis will be out of town the evening of the July meeting and suggested that it possibly serve as the go dark meeting of the Summer. There were a number of others that have conflicting calendars. Michael Vinson made the motion to go dark in July, Elizabeth Rabbitt seconded, and the motion was carried.

Presentation/Discussion

Laura Fleming joined the group to present Redistricting Commission Basics, including how to get involved with the commission as well as an overview of what redistricting means. She also introduced Val Hoy, a member of the commission and resident of Del Mar Mesa. Each of the nine council districts must be adjusted to represent 1/9th of the city population as mandated by the state. There are commissioners appointed to the commission and the process includes a requirement that the communities understand how to participate in the redistricting. She gave an overview of the city charter as it relates to the parameters of creating the new boundaries and the overall map. Census data has been delayed by several months but expected by the end of September. California has been given an extension and it is expected that San Diego will have an extension as well to early 2022. She reviewed the timelines including legal counsel, mapping, district deviations, using the 2019 census data reflects double digit deviations which gives a preview of what to expect. The commission is inviting the public to view the third Thursday of the month zoom meetings and via emailing Redistricting2021@sandiego.gov. The commission is independent and non partisan.

Subcommittee Reports and Discussion

Joint DMM/CV Trails Sub-Committee - Ray Ellis

There has been a long drawn out process related to the \$250,000 commitment by Manchester Financial. After working for so long without any success, Chairman Ellis raised the idea of using the Friends of Del Mar Mesa as a 501© 3 to take a lead in recovering the promised cash.

Del Mar Mesa Preserve/Notch Oversight - Shital Parikh

Shital had nothing new to report

Beautification Committee - Christian Tresize

Christian Tresize noted the ratty look of the weeds along the curbs especially on Del Mar Mesa road. He asked about the owners and possible clean up. Paul Metcalf noted that they are one month away from permitting and beginning lot improvements, including the roundabout, and will keep DMMPB posted. It was also noted that there has been progress in spite of the remaining weeds. Christian Tresize will touch base with Ranger Gina on the falling down peeler poles.

Liaison Reports

Carmel Valley Recreation Council-Wendy Poyhonen

Wendy Poyhonen reported that she is going to attend the city wide Park and Rec meeting to register her issues and the fact that the Get It Done app is not resulting in any action. Wendy Poyhonen also reported that her last day of work was today and will complete the survey discussed last month regarding community priorities for the park.

Los Penasquitos CAC - Shital Parikh/Paula Graubart

Shital Parikh reported that the LPCPCAC is working on a survey to educate and inform all visitors on appropriate and careful use of the Del Mar Mesa and Los Penasquitos Preserve to reduce impact of visitors on the habitat.

Friends of Del Mar Mesa-Diane Korsh/Shital Parikh

SDPD Citizens Advisory Committee - Elizabeth Rabbitt/Paula Graubart

No meetings.

Ongoing Discussion - Active Items

Proposed Fire Station

Chairman Ellis reported on the League of Urban voters have formalized their opposition to the project. Ricky Flahive noted that they are still working on the studies. Paul Metcalf also raised the matter of the formalization of placement of the FBA funds specifically for the proposed access road. He also suggested that using the FofDMM may also be useful in this effort, and will take the idea offline with Chairman Ellis.

Developer Signage on existing Signs

Christian Tresize will follow up with Kenneth Rudy.

Adjournment: Ish Khan made the Motion to adjourn by PM at 7:31 was seconded by Shital Parikh and carried

Next Meeting:

August 12, 2021