

**Mira Mesa Community Planning Group
Meeting Minutes**

Date/Time: Monday, November 21, 2022, 7:00pm

Location: Remote access meeting. Register in advance for this meeting:

Call to Order/Confirm quorum: 7:01pm by Jeff Stevens – (10) Attendees | Quorum **confirmed.**

Attendees: Kent Lee, Andrew Miklusicak, ~~Lilith Nover~~, ~~Ian Kerman~~, Craig Jackson, ~~Ralph Carolin~~, Jon Labaw, Joe Frichtel, Bari Vaz, Jeff Stevens, Dorothy Lorenz, ~~Keith Flitner~~, ~~Craig Radke~~, Julia Schriber, ~~Harikishan Parekh~~, ~~Tiffany English~~, Marvin Miles, ~~Justin Mandelbaum~~, Mike Linton, ~~Phillip Linsen~~.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker.
 - a. Becky Rapp – expressed concerns regarding changes to the municipal code regarding number of marijuana outlet locations allowed per district following redistricting as well as limitations due to sensitive locations.
 - b. Christina Patricia – bringing attention to the fatality of a 74-year-old pedestrian; advocating for better road design, expressed concerns about sweeping concerns, and pushing
2. Modifications to the Agenda.
3. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (**Action**). Approved (10), Objections (0), Abstained (0). **Adopted.**
4. Report of the Chair.
 - a. Congratulations to Kent re: election to City Council
 - b. Community Plan Update from Land Use & Housing
 - Property owners had chimed in about retaining use by existing zoning – currently being explored
 - Disappointed by lack of City addressing the concerns brought forward by the planning group regarding several areas of the plan update regarding parks, traffic, and more.
 - c. Elections and filling vacancies – will need to fill Kent’s seat. Elections typically in March and an elections committee would be formed in January. Also need to keep in mind recent changes to guidance for CPGs.
 - d. Next meeting will take place Thursday, January 19th due to 3rd Monday being a holiday; Jeff will be traveling in Antarctica and Craig will be filling in; one major development near Wateridge may be discussed in that meeting
 - e. Mail received:
 - Notice on City Council hearing on CPU on Dec 5th
 - El Cuervo SER approved
 - 3rd review of lot split of Carls Jr/Comfort Inn lots
 - Received plans for Lazy Dog Restaurant
 - NORA for several items received including: one-year licensing agreement for equestrian center Black Mountain Road, etc
5. Old Business
 - a. Community Plan Update – Alex Frost
 - Capricorn Way pedestrian fatality – in the new CPU it is identified for a

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- number of changes to make it more friendly for pedestrians and more
 - LU&H Committee made a recommendation to approve the CPU following similar approvals by the Historic Resources Board, Planning Commission. Park & Rec Board approved with support to adopt CPG recommendations
 - Facilities planning – next phase of Build Better SD will identify the flow chart and process for use of development fees, prioritizing needs, outreach, etc.
- b. CPC Report from Chair – 5-year CIP-outlook process discussed – submitted 3 major items, 3 Roots Rec Center, Canyon Hills Park, and Carroll Canyon Rd. 3 Roots Rec Center and Canyon Hills Park were included in the CIP outlook.
6. New Business
- a. Lazy Dog Restaurant 10788 Westview Pkwy – Jared Taylor (**Action**)
- Presented site plan and renderings for the proposed restaurant as well as information about the chain as a whole – in the previous Mimi’s Café space
 - Currently working through several processes with the city – looking at estimated demo start around February, construction around April and finish Fall 2023
 - Motion to approve project **passed** 10-0-0.
- b. Carroll Canyon Road Planning Study – Louis Schultz
- Discussing draft feasibility study – commissioned by traffic engineering department - regarding the Carroll Canyon Road Extension
 - City responsible for T-5A project that connects from completion of 3-Roots portion (T-5B on west end) to where Carroll Rd. connects
 - Presenting three alternative alignments explored – several looking at different ways to address the floodway with Carroll Creek; all three fall in the \$52-54M cost range; still in feasibility stage and can’t speak to timeline or next stages
 - Louis answered several questions regarding preferences regarding the alternatives re: addressing floodway, prioritizing the BRT, completion of the study so that we can chase state/federal dollars, etc.
- c. Pure Water Update – Yen Tu
- Provided an update on the Pure Water project – phase 1 completion anticipated for 2025 providing 30 million gallons per day; from Morena Pump Station to Miramar Reservoir; Phase 2 anticipated for 2035+
 - North City Pure Water Pipeline Project (~8-miles) will run from the Pure Water Facility mostly over Miramar Rd. to the Miramar Reservoir
 - Miramar pipeline installation will take place M-Th from 7pm-5am; one lane will remain open in both directions during working hours; construction equipment and materials will move along alignment as it progresses; access to MCAS Miramar will be maintained
 - Sign-up to receive updates at:
https://visitor.r20.constantcontact.com/manage/optin?v=001wdP2pGZj8l0yuhzdTt7YGSvBnbSrQxawd7PBn-XEPvMuK_gGzoiO5FwIV_pyTSib0vPLHlOwSZoNfB2OO1r5Q7x_S_e4oZi05cCxfAWhjll%3D

7. Elected Officials/Government Agencies

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- a. United States Congress – California 52nd District – ***no representative present***
- b. California Senate – District 39 – ***no representative present***
- c. California Assembly – District 77 – ***no representative present***
- d. San Diego County – Board of Supervisors District 3 – ***no representative present***
- e. San Diego – Mayor’s Office – Michaela Valk present
 - This week’s newsletter will be forwarded to the board members; community members who are interested in subscribing to Mayor Gloria’s newsletter can do so here <https://www.sandiego.gov/mayor#cc-modal>
 - Last week, Mayor Gloria proposed his Street Preservation Ordinance to the Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. The Street Preservation Ordinance will help fix more roads faster and ensure that when trenching work is done there are higher quality resurfacing and tighter time limits for repair. This includes defining major excavation as a trench greater than 6 inches or greater than 3 feet in depth; requiring most trenching and restoration be completed within 180 days; and adjusting the street damage fee to ensure the public is made whole for the total cost of damages and reduced service life from activity on the right of way.
 - Secretary Pete Buttigieg visited the future Otay Mesa port of entry which the Federal Government invested \$150 million. During the Mayor’s administration, he has proved that his intergovernmental relations both at the State and Federal level have brought back infrastructure dollars which if the future allows will be part of how we advocate for the funding for infrastructure projects like Carroll Canyon Road.
 - Mayor Gloria joined Councilmember Cate and Councilmember-elect Kent Lee for the Gold Coast Drive Reconstruction groundbreaking in Mira Mesa.
 - Last year’s Mayor for a Day, Aiella Niles, was a student from Mira Mesa. The applications for Mayor for a Day are open again for K-12 students to submit an essay or video on what they would do if they were Mayor for a Day; application closes on December 5.
<https://sandiego.seamlessdocs.com/f/mayorforaday2023>
- f. San Diego – City Council District 6 – Denise Torres present
 - The City has a new Chief Operating Officer, Eric Dargan, who just started this month. He came from serving in Houston for over 20 years in the Public Works Department.
 - We had an eventful groundbreaking for the Salk Neighborhood Park & Joint-Use Facility attended by the Mayor, Councilmember Cate and the San Diego Unified School District administrators along with school administrators and students at Jonas Salk Elementary School.
 - Another memorable event last week, Councilmember Cate was joined by Mayor Todd Gloria and Councilmember-Elect Kent Lee for the Gold Coast Drive and Parkdale Avenue reconstruction press conference along with main city staff that has been a huge part of this project from the beginning. This project will be completed by end of next year.
 - The San Diego City Council voted for a Resolution to declare Housing a Human Right on October 31st. Councilmember Cate does not vote on resolutions, so he was not part of that vote. He supports private property rights, but we look forward to seeing what is in the draft document on this

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topic as we do not have the details yet. Council President Elo-Rivera is spearheading this item. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this item, you can direct them to his office representatives – that can be found on the city website. <https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil>.

- City Council will be on legislative recess starting this week. Council meetings will resume December 5.
- For one last time, our office along with sponsors will be hosting a Toys for Tots event on Saturday December 10th. Time to be announced as soon as the e-invitation is ready.
- Join us as we thank and celebrate Councilmember Cate for his 8 years of service to the residents of District 6 at AleSmith Brewing Company on December 11, 2022 (Sunday) at 11AM. All are welcome to attend.

g. MCAS Miramar – ***no representative present***

8. Announcements: 2 Minutes per speaker. Community groups are encouraged to promote awareness of their events at this point in the meeting.

9. Reports

a. Community Planners Committee – update provided earlier

b. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee

- Upcoming Bicentennial Celebration in February 2023, organized by San Diego County Parks, of the 1823 land which created Rancho Los Penasquitos, the first Mexican land grant within present-day San Diego County, now part of Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve. The first house on that site was a modest adobe built in 1824. The building was expanded in 1862. The historic adobe ranch house as we know it today has been restored by the County to reflect life at the rancho in the 1860s through the 1880s. The Bicentennial Celebration will take place February 11, 2023, as a free, family-friendly event. According to San Diego County Parks Region Manager Brandon Schroeder, activities planned will focus on historical interpretation and environmental education, and will include ranch house tours, guided hikes, talks, hands on activities, food vendors, and more. Archaeologist Dr. Susan Hector will give a historical talk. Lillian Barnes of San Diego Audubon said Audubon volunteers might be able to lead birding walks. Any organization interested in participating in the Bicentennial event can find out more by contacting Brandon Schroeder, brandon.schroeder@sdcounty.ca.gov or 619-573-5917.
- Preserve user education, group discussion led by Ann Fege, covering trail signs, kiosk restorations, and other topics.
- Return to live meetings – Members present favored continuing with Zoom for January and March 2023, but want to investigate scheduling an in-person meeting at Ranch House but with remote participation option for May 2023.
- During Community Planning Board reports, I reported on Mira Mesa Community Plan Update. Lillian Barnes said Audubon has conservation volunteers who could look over plan and provide ideas to deal with environmental impacts, and help direct focus to habitat and corridor needs,

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- not just to intensify housing.
- California Oakwatch on iNaturalist – Frank Landis presented information about this statewide effort by California Native Plant Society. It's live on iNaturalist at <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/california-oakwatch>. Everyone is welcome to join in. Two of the focal species, Nuttall's scrub oak and Engelmann oak, occur in Los Penasquitos Canyon. Our area has one of the biggest, possibly the biggest, population of Nuttall's scrub oaks on Earth. Oakwatch is going to document how they're doing and where they are reproducing.
 - NOTE: Pam will be out of the country on the date of our next LPCP CAC meeting, on January 19, 2023. Pam plans to contact alternate, Craig Radke, to see if he can attend in her place.
- c. Next two meetings on Thursday, January 19 and Thursday, February 23

10. Adjourn at 8:41pm