Mira Mesa Community Planning Group Draft Agenda & Public Notice

Date/Time: Monday, May 18, 2015 7:00pm

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

Action/Information: All items noted as (Action) items may be moved/seconded as a Question for discussion and vote. All items not so noted will be information items.

Order of Consideration: Items on this agenda may be discussed in an order different than shown here for the convenience of elected officials, representatives of government agencies or other participants. The Chair will present such changes in the order of consideration for unanimous consent if there are no objections, or subject them to a motion/second and 2/3 vote as indicated by Robert's Rules (11th Ed., pg. 363).

Call to Order – In attendance:

- 1. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker. No discussion will be entertained nor action taken at this meeting on matters raised in Non-Agenda Public Comments, but a matter may be referred for further study and possible action at a future meeting.
- 2. Adopt Draft Agenda (Action)
- 3. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (Action). The minutes will be circulated among the members of the Executive Committee as a PDF document prior to the meeting via email. An opportunity to request corrections will be made at this point in the meeting. Should no such requests be made, the Chair will deem the minutes adopted by unanimous consent.
- 4. Old Business
 - a. Sprint Wireless at San Diego Ice Arena (Action)
 - b. One Paseo Ballot Initiative (Action): The City Council will meet on the morning of our meeting, May 18th, to determine how to proceed with respect to One Paseo. Our expectation is that the City Council will place the matter on an upcoming ballot. Per CP 600-24 we are allowed to take a formal position on ballot initiatives even though we are not allowed to endorse candidates for office.
 - c. Stone Creek Presentation
- 5. New Business
 - a. Medical Marijuana CC: Possible substitute permit application.
 - b. Community Plan Amendment Initiation Request (Action). Please see attached document for discussion. We will vote on whether to forward a formal request for a Community Plan Amendment to the City Council.

- 6. Elected Officials/Government Agencies
 - a. United States Congress California 52nd District
 - b. California Senate District 39
 - c. California Assembly District 77
 - d. San Diego County Board of Supervisors District 3
 - e. San Diego Mayor's Office
 - f. San Diego City Council District 6
 - g. MCAS Miramar
 - h. CalTrans
- 7. Announcements: 2 Minutes per speaker. Community groups are encouraged to promote awareness of their events at this point in the meeting.
- 8. Reports
 - a. Report of the Chair:
 - i. We are in need of address, email and phone info from new members for the official roster. New members must also show they have taken the City's "eCOW" (Community Orientation Workshop).
 - ii. SDUSD will not be ready for a couple more months for a meeting on campus.
 - b. Stone Creek Subcommittee
 - c. Community Planners Committee
 - d. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Citizen's Advisory Committee

Adjourn: 8:30pm – 9:00pm

Mira Mesa Community Plan Amendment

Request for Initiation May 19th, 2015

(Draft for discussion)

The Mira Mesa Community Planning Group requests the initiation of an amendment to the Mira Mesa Community Plan. Although the community plan has served us well since its adoption in 1992, several parts of the plan are out of date and inconsistent with current conditions. Since the timeline to a Community Plan Update is uncertain, we request this set of amendments now to correct these inconsistencies. The following is a list, in the order in which we attach importance to the issues needing to be addressed:

- 1. The City is currently processing a community plan amendment for Stone Creek, which is in the Carroll Canyon Master Plan Area of the Mira Mesa Community Plan. This is a very large project that will have lasting direct and indirect impacts throughout the community. The draft Stone Creek plan amendment we have seen is limited in scope to changes specifically related to the project. It has also been developed independent of any of the changes required by the needed corrections noted here. To ensure that the project is compatible with the larger community, we request that the Stone Creek plan amendment be processed as part of this request, or that this request be processed to completion in advance of the Stone Creek plan amendment.
- 2. The most significant changes are in the Park and Recreation Element. These changes are listed below and associated here with proposals we have seen in drafts of the Stone Creek plan amendment.
 - a. Proposal #2: Winterwood Community Park (since renamed Christa McAuliffe Community Park). The existing Winterwood neighborhood park was proposed to be expanded from the existing 10 acre neighborhood park into a 33 acre community park. Vernal pools have made it impossible to expand the park and it should revert to its earlier neighborhood park designation.
 - b. Proposal #5: Carroll Canyon and Carroll Center park sites. The community plan states that "These two neighborhood parks should be tied into the planned Carroll Canyon/Rattlesnake Canyon open space system. Appropriate locations will be determined during the master plan process for future development of the 900 acres that are now in sand and gravel extraction. Because it is located away from residential uses that could be negatively affected by field lighting, the Carroll Canyon site may be suitable for an enlarged neighborhood park to meet the demand for additional athletic fields". It should be clarified that the "Carroll Canyon site" does not necessarily refer to the park on the Fenton/Hanson property, but to a location to be determined within the Carroll Canyon Master Plan Area. Because of the loss of Winterwood as a community park, the plan should be amended to include a community park in Carroll Canyon.

- c. Proposal #9: Maddox Park. The community plan states that "Lease an additional ten acres from the adjacent Maddox Elementary School site to increase this park to 14 acres as an interim measure until the school district develops this site as an elementary school." This should be modified to be consistent with the current status. The school is now completed and named Jonas Salk Elementary School. The City will acquire 4 acres of parkland and obtain joint use of 4.1 acres.
- d. Update parks to show current status of completed projects (this is included in the proposed Stone Creek plan amendment).
- e. Population based park facilities table. The current City standards for population-based parks are 2.8 acres per 1,000 residents. The buildout population in the community plan is 82,600. This did not include, however, any residents in the CalMat/Vulcan area in Carroll Canyon. If the Stone Creek plan is approved in its current form this will introduce an additional 14,600 residents. The population-based standards therefore require 231 acres for the existing community plan and 272 acres with the addition of Stone Creek. The population-based park acreage for Mira Mesa at buildout calculated by the City is 210 acres, which leaves the community 62 acres short, with the following important notes:
 - i. The calculation includes 16.25 acres of Canyon Hills Park, which is a resource-based park, not a neighborhood park. If it is included in the acreage calculation it should be changed to a neighborhood park. Otherwise, it should not be included, and that leaves the community 78 acres short at buildout.
 - ii. The Stone Creek master plan includes additional park acreage along Carroll Creek and are showing 35 acres for Stone Creek Central Park to replace the 10 acre Carroll Center neighborhood park in the community plan. Although this would reduce the shortfall to 37/52 acres (depending on Canyon Hills), it should be noted that it is entirely passive parkland, some of which is more properly referred to as open space, and the shape of the parkland makes it unsuitable for any organized active park uses.
- f. Additional park acreage needs to be identified to make up this deficit. If the elimination of the entire deficit is infeasible, a specific location for a Community Park must be identified to at least mitigate the deficiency with viable active use park space.

3. Community facilities

- a. Public schools update to current conditions with completion of Salk elementary, and development of Miramar College master plan and recent expansion.
- b. Proposal #3 Libraries update to note that library was completed as planned.

4. Storm Water Runoff - California law on storm water runoff has been identified as a significant potential cost to the City. SANDAG's current realignment of the Amtrak "Miramar to Sorrento" segment of the LOSSAN corridor includes the construction of gabions at three locations where storm water pipes open from the mesa to the canyon to protect the railway from erosion. We would like to explore the possibility of adding such gabions (or other similar methods of arresting storm water runoff) for all similar storm water pathways off the mesa in the Community Plan as Capital Improvements eligible to be included in our Public Facilities Financing Plan.

We believe this may prove an innovative way to slow storm water runoff to provide an opportunity for nature to decompose pollutants before they reach the ocean. We also believe an opportunity exists to study the relative effectiveness of different solutions. We believe an opportunity is present to evaluate innovative ways to address these new mandates. This may present a solution which will greatly benefit the General Plan as whole.

- 5. Community boundary SANDAG will be realigning the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner Corridor which serves as the boundary between the Mira Mesa and University Community Plans. An Amendment to incorporate this change when the new route is chosen will avoid confusion going forward and benefit the General Plan. (Info can be found on this at http://lossanmap.sandag.org)
- 6. Residential land use add a "Sorrento Valley" subarea/neighborhood to include the area adjacent to and just east of Sorrento Valley Blvd and also the Wateridge development on Lusk Blvd. We would like to explore keeping the current 'subarea' names as 'neighborhoods' (such as Sorrento Mesa and Miramar) in the context of the Community Plan.