

OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
11 April, 2012

Members Present:

Dist. 1 John Swanson
Dist. 2 Sam Mendoza
Dist. 3 Ed Abraham
Dist. 4 Diane Porter
Dist. 5 Gabriel Uribe
Dist. 6 Maria Mendoza
Dist. 7 Ira Briggs
Dist. 8 Myrna Briggs
Dist. 9 Jackie Farrington
Dist. 10 Bob Mikloski
Dist. 11 Albert Velasquez
Dist. 12 Carlos Sanchez

Dist. 13 Vacant
Dist. 14 Wayne Dickey
Dist. 15 Walt Zumstein
Dist. 16 Steve Schroeder

Members Absent:

One seat vacant

Guests Present:

Ann Kern, guest
Melina Meza, guest
Bobby Hicks, resident
Coralie Zumstein, resident
Jerry Lohla, guest

Don Opel, guest
Gabriel Uribe, resident
Kenneth Colwell, resident
Eddie Meyer, guest
Cameron Shariati, guest

Annette Macias, resident
Caesar Macias, resident
Margarita Sanchez, resident
Andrew Schueller, guest

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Stephen Schroeder, at the Otay Mesa Nestor Branch Library. He welcomed all Board members and members of the community to the meeting of the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG).
2. **Approval of minutes** – Motion made by Bob Mikloski to table the consideration of the approval of the minutes of the November 9, 2011, OMNCPG meeting until the February, 2012, meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:**
 - a. Andrew Schueller with WiLDCOAST spoke about the Port Commissioners adopting an MOU regarding development at Pond 20. The MOU includes the Port, City of San Diego, National City and the City of Imperial Beach.
4. **Emergency Item:** The OMNCPG considered a request to vote and place an emergency item on the agenda. The vote passed unanimously.
 - a. Cindy Gompper-Graves, the chief executive officer for the South County Economic Development Council, requested that the OMNCPG authorize the chair of the planning group to send a letter to Councilman David Alvarez of the City of San Diego.
 - b. The letter would be in support of a Caltrans Community-Based Transportation Planning grant. The South County Economic Development Council is requesting this grant funding to create a design plan for the Palm Avenue Revitalization Project.

Voting results: The vote passed unanimously.

5. **SDPD Community Relations:** Officer LaCarra gave a report regarding South Bay. His phone number is 619-424-0440, and his email address is: clacarra@pd.sandiego.gov . He said:
 - a. SDPD has made several arrests in regards to the recent string of burglaries in South Bay.
 - b. Thieves have been installing electronic devices on local ATMs and gas station pumps. The device steals the information on debit and credit cards.
 - c. The overall crime rate is down 5% citywide.

5. **Council District 8 Report:** Vivian Moreno, vmoreno@sandiego.gov (619) 533-6394. Staff member Melina Meza was in attendance and gave the Dist. 8 monthly report.
 - a. She said that the San Diego City Council has approved an amendment of the Otay Mesa Community Plan.
 - b. This approval moves forward the construction of a corridor from Otay Mesa across the border to the Tijuana International Airport in Tijuana.
 - c. Passengers would use this corridor to access the airport to and from the United States.
 - d. She said the construction of the corridor would be complete in about 15 months.

6. **40th Senate District Report:** Eddie Meyer, edward.meyer@sen.ca.gov (619) 409-7690 was in attendance:
 - a. He said that Senator Vargas is inviting high school seniors to attend a local workshop regarding obtaining cash for college, and he distributed a flyer containing this information.
 - b. The workshop will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2012, at San Ysidro High School.

7. **Informational item:** Jerry Lohla with the San Diego Housing Commission provided an update to the OMNCPG on the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance and affordable housing:
 - a. He said that there are challenges to rent restrictions.
 - b. Currently very little money is available for redevelopment projects.
 - c. Therefore, not many affordable housing projects will be built in the near future.
 - e. The OMNCPG expressed frustration that District 8, including the Otay Mesa Nestor Community Plan area, has borne too many affordable housing projects, compared to other council districts.
 - f. Mr. Lohla said he will inform the Housing Commission of these opinions of the planning group.

8. **Sub-Committee Reports:**
 - a. Maria Mendoza said:
 1. Project Development-no report.
 2. Traffic Calming- Uneven road surface reported on Grove Avenue.

9. **Chair's Report:**
 - a. Cahir Stephen Schroeder said that the MOU Pond 20 was approved, and ideas are being developed for this area.

10. **Long Range City Planner's Report:** No report.

11. **Adjournment:** 7:29 p.m.

Respectively submitted by John C. Swanson, Secretary

The next meeting is February 8, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., at the Otay Mesa/Nestor Branch Library, 3003 Coronado Avenue, San Diego, CA 92154.