OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES May 13, 2015

Members Present:Members Absent:One Seat Vacant:Dist. 3 Ed AbrahimDist. 1 John SwansonDist. 16 Vacant

Dist. 6 Maria Mendoza

Dist. 2 Sam Mendoza

Dist. 3 Edgar Gonzalez

Dist. 4 Diane Porter

Dist. 5 Gabriel Uribe

Dist. 10 Bob Mikloski

Dist. 7 Robert Broomfield

Dist. 12 Carlos Sanchez

Dist. 13 Brian McGonagill

Dist. 14 Wayne Dickey

Dist. 15 Walt Zumstein

Guests Present:

A total of 3 guests were present. The guest list can be viewed at any time. Contact John C. Swanson, Secretary, at omncpg@gmail.com for a copy.

- 1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Secretary Jacki Farrington, at the Otay Mesa Nestor Branch Library. Both Chair and Vice Chair were unavailable due to other commitments. Ms. Farrington 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** The minutes of March 11, 2015 and April 8. 2015 were both approved.
- 3. Non-Agenda Public Comments:
 - a. At last month's meeting Mr. Akin from the City of San Diego's Public Utilities Department addressed the city's drought response. Ms. Farrington pointed out that California American Water did not specifically address drought restrictions for their customers.
 - b. Brian McGonagill attended a COW workshop. He also stated that there is a lot of negative news about police in the media and not enough recognition for their work to prevent crimes and community relations. He felt a well deserved thank you to the police department was in order.
- 4. **SDPD Community Relations:** Officer Carlos Lacarra, clacarra@pd.sandiego.gov (619) 424-0440.
 - a. Sgt. Belz represented Officer Lacarra. An open house will be held at the Southern Division Police offices on June 27^{th} , 10:00 2:00 pm.
- 5. **Council District 8 Report:** District 8 Representative Gerrlyn Gacao, Council Representative, (619) 236-6688, ggacao@sandiego.gov
 - a. A beautification project and clean up was held last November and was quite a success. Plans are to organize another event along Palm Avenue/Del Sol Blvd. for late July. Anyone interested in assisting is encouraged to contact Ms Gacao.
 - b. Parks have been a priority for Councilmember Alvarez. Funding for a scoreboard at Robert Egger Park is planned. Also planned, is funding for a new marquee for Montgomery Waller Park to be built next year.
 - c. A new Robotics program at Southwest High School won first place at a robotics competition. They are one of six teams selected to attend the national championships and donations are requested to cover travel expenses.
 - d. Residents and proponents of Ocean View Hills are strongly urging funding in budget year 2016 for a future park in Ocean Hills. The park will be named the Cesar Solis Community Park after Assistant Chief Solis, the highest ranking Filipino officer in the SDPD. The mayor has proposed 100% funding.
 - e. Discover OVRP day to be held on June 6, 9:30 am-1:00 pm. Purpose is to spread education and awareness of OVRP to the community.
 - f. Office hours for Councilmember Alvarez will be tomorrow, 10:00 am–12:00 noon. The next scheduled office hours will be on June 11th.

- g. Bob Mikloski asked about a water issue that Walmart was going to look into as indicated by one of the managers during the proposal of the store location. Wayne Dickey noted that Walmart did plant trees on Palm Ave, but the trees appear to be dying due to lack of water. Ms. Gacao will research the water issue.
- h. Coralee Zumstein pointed out that there is only one way in and out of the Southland Plaza shopping center which greatly impacts traffic at Palm and Saturn. Ms. Gacao indicated that the city is aware of the situation and the intersection is scheduled for a future overhaul. The intersection of Coronado and Hollister is no better and the developer for the Marian site has been made aware of the problem.
- i. Mr. Mikloski asked if a recorder could be provided to the OMNCPG at no cost to assist in a more accurate recording of minutes.
- 6. **Mayor's Office Report:** Andrea Cardenas, Community Representative, (619) 533-3977, acardenas@sandiego.gov: No report.
- 7. **Assembly, 80th District Report:** Martin Hernandez, Field Representative, (619) 338-8090, martin.hernandez@asm.gov: No report.
- 8. **Sub-Committee Reports:** None.
- 9. **Information Item:** PTS 327653: Verizon Palm Plaza Antenna Modification, 3250 Palm Ave, San Diego, CA 92154.
 - a. Item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the developer.
- 10. **City Planner's Report:** Jenny An, Associate Planner, (619) 236-8261, jan@sandiego.gov:
 - a. Ms. An gave a brief update on the Palm Avenue Revitalization Walk and Bike Audit. Moving forward with the plan, a meeting will be held on June 4, 6:00-8;00 pm, at the American Legion Post in Imperial Beach. The Imperial Beach mayor was impressed with the turnout for the walk and bike audit and is looking forward to working with the City of San Diego, OMNCPG, and community members.
- 11. **Chair's Report:** No report. It was noted that the issue of attendance was discussed at the last meeting and was to have been addressed. By-laws dictate the guidelines for attendance; therefore, the item will be included in the minutes for discussion next month.
- 12. **Adjournment:** 7:28 p.m.

Respectively submitted by Maria Mendoza