

#### Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board

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#### **MINUTES**

#### Thursday, January 20, 2011

P = present				A = absent		ARC = arrived after roll call			
Tom Brugh	P	Joseph Farace	P	Robin Kaufman	P	Wolfie Pores	A	John Woods	P
Eugenia Contratto	P	Jeff Fredericks	P	John Kowalski	P	Bill Renstrom	A		
Lou Dell'Angela	P	Scott Hall	P	Ed Kronenberger	P	Kim Shafer	A		
Teri Denlinger	P	Richard House	P	George Leitner	P	Peter Tereschuck	P		
Joe Dirks	ARC	Dick Katz	P	Mike Lutz	P			Total Seated	17

ITEM #1 CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Roll Call 7pm. Quorum was met.

ITEM #2 NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard House – commented on Code Compliance, stating he spoke to representatives in the department who informed him Code Compliance volunteers have been eliminated. Comments made by Jack Straw (Councilman's representative) is that he has not heard of such matters. Comments from Robin Kaufman (President of RB Community Council) is that she too, has not heard of such matters as the volunteers in RB have dealt with several issues over the past few months.

ITEM #3 CHAIR REMARKS

Teri Denlinger announced we need to keep to the agenda schedule. It has been requested that committee chairs simplify the agenda items as much as possible so lay people and people not on their committees can understand the item under discussion. Teri also reminded members to recuse themselves before an item is discussed if they have a personal interested in a particular voting item.

ITEM #4 MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA / ADOPT DRAFT AGENDA VOTING ITEM

The agenda was accepted as presented, with no modifications. 17-0-0

ITEM #5 APPOINTMENT OF BOARD SECRETARY VOTING ITEM

 Due to the resignation of Lou as secretary, Robin was appointed to become secretary. Motion made Teri/Dick. Passed 17-0-0

ITEM #6 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS VOTING ITEM

 The October 21, 2010 Minutes: Richard House questioned item #7 in regard to Brown Act violation by board member. Was entire board informed of incident. Teri and Brian Schoenfisch commented as per bylaws and 600-24, the administrative board deals with the issue and only brings it to the entire board if no resolution could be met and board needed to vote on the matter. Motion made to accept October minutes George/Teri. Passed 10-0-7. Abstained due to absence at meeting: Eugenia, John, Dick, Mike. Abstain due to minutes presented three months after meeting: Joe D., Robin K., Tom B.

December Minutes: Joe D. asked why Ellen was included in the roll call when she had resigned prior to the board meeting. The roll call will be amended. Motion made by Dick/John Woods to accept minutes with change. Passed 9-0-8. Abstained due to absence at meeting: Joe F., Eugenia, Peter, Mike. Abstained because minutes were sent out that afternoon and they didn't see them: Ed, Joe D., Robin, Scott.

Comments on minutes: Tom suggested that minutes be sent out in a more timely fashion, perhaps 10 days after meeting while information is still fresh in people's minds as opposed to the same day as the meeting or months afterwards. Ed suggested we look into the possibility of having a 'recorder' (non-member) who will take minutes if we cannot get minutes out in a timely fashion in the next few months.

Treasurer's Report: Joe commented that while the account balance is the same as last minutes indicate (\$1,313.43), he could not give an official report as he is being presented with the monthly statements at the meetings. He commented he needs to be given statements ahead of time to properly prepare a report. Teri asked for approval of 'report'. Motion Teri/George. Passed 16-0-1. Joe D. abstained as he did not give an official report and therefore could not vote on the matter. Teri commented she will work with Joe to get him the monthly statements in a more timely fashion.

#### **COUNCILMEMBER CARL DEMAIO LIAISON REPORT** ITEM #7

Jack Straw commented city is still recycling Christmas trees. A list of locations can be found on city website. He also announced councilman is holding a press conference this Sunday, 12pm at 7 Oaks to object to the proposed water rate increase. The councilman's state of the district meeting will take place February 21 at Marshall middle school. Jack commented the last RB community plan update occurred December, 1988 and that there is no mandate as to when they need to be updated. The mayor has placed a halt on money to be used from general fund for community updates. Jack apologized for the delay with the traffic signs in Seven Oaks (on Obisbo and Acena). The paperwork was delayed by him, but it has now moved forward. In regard to 'refresh RB', the Town Business Association will be in charge of any sign designs and will pay for any of the updates. Once the community vote on the welcome RB sign is complete, it will be reviewed by the RB Community Council and planning board before moving forward. Harold Johnston, resident commented that the 'refresh RB' committee was always very private, without the public being allowed information on when they met, what they discussed and who was on the committee.

#### **ITEM #8** CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT

Brian Schoenfisch, senior planner for the city Planning & Community Investment Department introduced himself, explained his long absence was due to various budget cuts in the department, requiring fewer people to cover more areas and jobs. Brian referred to the quarterly newsletter Planet San Diego, which can be found on the planning department's web site. Opened the floor for questions, most of which he had answered during Jack Straw's report. Brian confirmed non-planning board members who sit on any committees need to be appointed to the committee as well as take a COW for indemnification purposes. Brian confirmed appointed board members have

same voting privileges as elected members and same term limit. Brian confirmed there is no conflict in our community plan at this time in regard to the property on Rancho Bernardo Rd. involving three businesses. Richard House asked for clarification on where it states vice chair automatically becomes chair when chair resigns. Brian sighted parliamentary rules and Robert's Rules take over when specifics are not mentioned in bylaws. Brian also clarified that subcommittees are responsible for posint their agendas and minutes. John Woods asked for clarification on the RB Town Association in regard to CUP and signs. Brian confirmed there are set guidelines which must be followed. Teri asked for guidelines regarding resident participation during question period. Brian commented it is up to the boards as to what they will allow/not allow. If a person fills out a speaker slip ahead of time, then they are most definitely entitled to speak. Lou inquired as to the role of the planning board in regard to the Palomar college property. Brian explained they are only required to produce environmental documents, nothing else. Brian suggested if the board has questions, to place them in writing as Palomar college is required to answer any and all guestions. Brian confirmed Palomar college is a state issue, not a city issue, with no input on the land usage. Resident Harold Johnston requested documentation from city attorney's office in regard to vice chair taking over position of chair. Brian said he would see what he could do. Harold Johnston also asked if letters and emails regarding a verbal altercation between two planning board members a few months ago was shared with the entire board. Correspondences occurred between the club and some of the administrative board only. Brian stated anyone can request any public records/documents/emails.

#### **ITEM #8**

### APPOINTMENT TO FILL DISTRICT D VACANCY/OPEN SEAT VOTING ITEM

Lee Okeson, past planning board member presented himself. Motion made John K/Scott H. Passed 15-2-0. Mr. Okeson left meeting right after being appointed, so voting numbers did not change.

#### **ITEM #9**

#### APPOINTEMENT OF 2011 OFFICERS NOMINATING COMMITTEE VOTING ITEM

Motion made George L/Robin K. to appoint Egenia C, John W, Peter T., Richard H. as committee members. Motion passed 17-0-0

#### **ITEM #10**

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John W reviewed information pertaining to previously sent hand outs (see attachment A). Motion made by George L/Joe F. to have letter sent, which will be cc'd to council office. Passed 17-0-0

#### ITEM #11

# RBCPB 2011 $2^{\text{ND}}$ ANNUAL MERITORIOUS DESIGN AWARDS PROGRAM VOTING ITEM

John W reviewed information previously sent to members (see attachment B) regarding the awards. One award was suggested to be given to the MAD committee for their work on the medians along Pomerado Road south of Rios Rd. Robin K. suggested since MAD received the landscape award last year, that it be given to another group. It was agreed upon that the Fire Station Renovation committee would receive the landscape award. Robin K. also suggested that the RB Farmers market, located at the Bernardo Winery, receive an award as they are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It was agreed to add them as a recipient. Motion made Teri D/Mike L. to give the awards at the February meeting. Motion amended to include the new suggestions in the four categories. Passed 16-0-1. Joe D. abstained as he requested the Board vote for

each category separately to better identify award recipients. The Board did not subscribe to Mr. Dirk's request.

#### ITEM #12 RB HATS OFF TO VOLUNTEERS RBCPB DESIGNEE VOTING ITEM

George L. presented. Vicki Touchstone, past member and resident member of the Regional Issues committee was recommended by the administrative board for her years of dedication to the community. Motion made Lou D/Joe D. Comment made by Richard H is that perhaps Dick Walker should receive it this year. Robin K. informed members of Dick Walker's health issues. Board commented they would recommend him next year. Passed 15-0-2. Mike L. abstained as he is not familiar with Vicki. Joe D. abstained as he feels Dick should be recognized this year due to his health.

## ITEM #13 CALTRANS COMMUNITY BASED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT VOTING ITEM

Brian Schoenfisch informed board that deadline has passed, so item was not discussed.

## ITEM #14 SANDAG WALING & BIKING PATHS OBESITY MITICATION GRANT VOTING ITEM

Richard H. presented. This is not something that falls under the board, but perhaps falls under the purview of the RB Community Council. Richard H. will pass the information along to Robin K. President of the RB Community Council. No vote was taken.

\*\* Scott H. left meeting at 9:05 pm.

#### ITEM #15 COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### ITEM #16 LIAISON REPORTS BY MEMBERS

 attend to present information on the 1-15 management.

#### ITEM #17 (5 min.) LIAISON REPORTS BY NON-MEMERS

Meeting adjourned 9:27 pm. Respectfully submitted by Robin Kaufman

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

Thursday January 20, 2011 @ 7:00 PM Oaks North Community Center

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Administrative Committee
February 7, 2011 @ 6:00 PM
Bernardo Heights Community Center

<u>Development Review Committee</u> 1st Tuesday @ 5:30 PM Swim & Tennis Club

<u>Traffic & Transportation Committee</u>
Last Monday
Westwood Club – Adult Lounge

Publicity & Election Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 5:30 p.m. Swim & Tennis Club

Regional Issues Committee 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 PM Swim & Tennis Club

#### Attachment A:

Planning Commission Amanda Lee Senior Planner, Development Services City of San Diego

January 20, 2011

RE: 7th Update to the Land Development Code

Rancho Bernardo Planning Committee

Dear Sirs/ Madam:

We thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the 7th Update to the Land Development Code. We believe that on the whole this is a quality effort by all parties involved. We do, however, have concerns with three items in the proposed update. The items of concern are referenced via the Issue Matrix - 7th Update to the LDC, issue date 11/16/2010.

No. 1/ Matrix Issue 12: The second paragraph 'Allow for amendment to a development permit to

allow existing land uses (that would not be permitted to establish as new uses) additional time to operate and eventually phase out consistent with

the economic prosperity element of the General Plan.'

Our concern is that this paragraph is in need of clarification and that what would constitute economic need is somewhat nebulous. We would like to see this more defined so all parties know what is expected and to avoid

any artificiality in its application.

No. 2/ Matrix Issue 14: We are concerned with the term 'reallocation' of sign area and would like

this term more appropriately defined so as not to allow increases in

signage or sizing of said signs within individual projects.

We believe signage in general and neighborhood identification signs in particular need to be reviewed by the Community Planning Groups of

their respective areas. Inappropriate signage is a source of major consternation at the community area.

No. 3/ Matrix Issue 18: The second paragraph 'Clarify that a Process Three Planned

Development Permit application may be requested to permit land use plan that otherwise would not be allowed per the underlying base zone.'

Our concerns with this paragraph is that it would seem to be stating that with this referenced process that a land use would be permitted that is in violation of the base zone. This would seem to basically allow a process for any land use to be allowed no matter what the zoning is. If this is the case, what controls would exists and would it not render moot the whole idea of zoning. If our understanding of this paragraph is correct we would

like it stricken, if not it needs to be clarified.

We again thank you for the opportunity and would welcome any comments or feedback on your part regarding our concerns.

Sincerely,

# Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board 2011 Meritorious Design Awards Second Annual

Industrial / Office





Nokia Building/ A five story spec office headquarters building in the industrial park.

## Residential:



<u>Landscaping</u> - Fire Station 33's landscape TO BE INCLUDED

RBBA Farmers Market (not shown is the RB Farmer's Market in Bernardo Winery)





Park on Sundays

Located in the Town Center