

## Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2015

- Attendees: Jon Becker, Thom Clark, Bill Diehl, Bill Dumka, Steve Gore, John Keating, Jack McGuire, Darren Parker, Jeanine Politte, Brian Reschke, Keith Rhodes, Mike Shoecraft, Ramesses Surban, Melinda Vasquez (14)
  Absent: Stephen Egbert, Ruth Loucks, Rod Simmons, Brooke Whalen
  Community Members & Guests (Voluntary Sign-in): Luis Pallera, Patricia Miceli, Mary Alice Schmidt, Gloria Kuramoto, Jerry Horna, Pam Blackwill, Katy McClelland, Lisa Arnold, Jas Arnold, Rick Camarillo, Cynthia Fuller, Renee Zavala, Liz Gyokery, Denise Bryan, Melissa Harris, Anne DeBevoise, John Blenkle, Audrey Blenkle
- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm at the Doubletree Golf Resort located at 14455 Peñasquitos Drive, San Diego, California 92129. A Quorum was present (13).
- 2. Agenda Modifications: Yes. Diehl recommended the addition of agenda item to approve all three LMAD budgets adding that Casey Smith would be presenting; all three budgets have been approved by their respective boards and will be going to City Council for approval.

Motion: To add agenda item to Approve PQ East LMAD, Torrey Highlands LMAD & Park Village LMAD 2016 Budgets as an Action Item. M/S/C – Diehl/Dumka/Approved, 10 in favor – 1 against (Politte), 0 abstentions/recusals.

Politte voted against adding the item to the agenda due to short notice and would have liked time to review the budgets.

Clark placed the item after the Verizon WCF agenda item.

Agenda item was added after the Verizon Wireless Project item.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 5, 2014 and December 3, 2014

November minutes were not ready for review and approval. Politte reviewed requested changes to the December 4<sup>th</sup> minutes.

Motion: To approve the December 4, 2014 Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board Meeting minutes as corrected. M/S/C - Shoecraft/Becker/Approved, 12 in favor – 0 against – 1 abstention (Dumka).

- 4. Public Safety Agencies: not present
- 5. Public Forum:
  - a. A resident asked for consideration of the hearing impaired.
  - b. Chris Brady submitted a petition against the Verizon Ridgewood Park WCF project. The building (equipment enclosure) being proposed is in direct conflict with the Muni Code and Council Policies. Would like the board to get a sense of what the neighborhood wants. Example Council Policy states "do not detract from natural character of the park land or open space." He said he would like to get a definition of natural character for consideration of this project.
  - c. Lisa Arnold (speaker slip, concern with Merge 56 & Rhodes Crossing) She was concerned with decisions are being made on these projects without community input as the projects seem to be changing all the time.
  - d. Jerry Horna (speaker slip, concerned with map disclosure) He's been told that the maps

are copyrighted and cannot be distributed to the public without the owner's release. How are the residents suppose to see the maps and the project plans? The overall plans (Community Plans) are out of date and would like them to be current.

- Becker confirmed that until the project is submitted for final review, the documents won't get released publicly. Residents can go to the City and view the documents but they cannot be copied or distributed. Becker suggested that residents contact Michael Prinz to ask questions, share their concerns or arrange to view the documents.
- Clark confirmed that residents should contact Prinz.
- Politte noted that Prinz' contact info is on the agenda.
- e. Mary Alice Schmidt (speaker slip, maps) She spoke with Michael Prinz who suggested that when applicants come forward, that RPPB request and encourage the applicant to inform the community.
  - Clark said that he has also spoken with Prinz. Clark plans to have Merge 56 on the February agenda as an information item. The applicant must be noticed and can attend to answer questions, but they are not required to do so. This will allow RPPB and the community to have a dialogue about the whole project.
- f. Anne DeBevoise (speaker slip, concerned with infrastructure issues related to her property) DeBevoise noted that her property is landlocked by the BMR Eastern Clusters, and Heritage Bluffs in BMR and existing developed parcels. They have been waiting for infrastructure to reach them. When Heritage Bluffs was brought forward for RPPB approval, she was assured by the developer and City staff that her infrastructure needs would be met. She has since learned that there is a serious issue with water availability and other issues. She met with the City engineers and they now realize it's an issue. There's a hodgepodge of pipes planned that needs a regional solution. She will be meeting with BMR to discuss.
- g. Politte reported on a Rancho Peñasquitos neighborhood mini-cleanup scheduled for 2/5/15 (see flyer exhibit A) and added there will be another mini-cleanup on 2/25/15 but the neighborhood is unknown at this time.

\*Note: Rhodes arrived; 14 members present.

- 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION ITEMS:
  - a. San Diego City Development Services Dept. Report Michael Prinz, not present
  - b. San Diego City Council Member Mark Kersey, District 5 Report Garrett Hager
    - Rancho Peñasquitos Library is getting a new HVAC (heating and cooling) system; going out to bid this month. Council office is also aware the roof needs repair and are working on solutions.
    - The Ranger Station Ground breaking will be February 4, 2015 at 9:30am; adjacent to Horseman Park, Mercy Rd. and Black Mtn. Rd. north east corner.
      - Becker inquired about when construction might begin and is it fully funded?
        - Hager said the project is going out to bid now with construction beginning tentatively in July 2015.
      - Diehl noted the Ranger Station is fully funded. Sources: RPPB provided \$350,000, Regional Park Fund gave approx. \$1.2 million and there were other grants. He added that Mira Mesa did not provide any funding for the project.
      - John Blenkle inquired about the number of Rangers on staff?
        - Diehl said there are 2 Rangers working in the Preserve and 2 who will cover BMR & Black Mtn. Open Space Park which runs all the way to San Pasqual Valley; they are City employees.

- Sundance Elementary School Safety Patrol Program was named the Best School Safety Program of the Year; City with Councilmember Kersey's assistance approved funds for new patrol vests.
- c. San Diego City Council Member Chris Cate, District 6 Report Council Member Chris Cate & Luis Pallera
  - Clark welcomed Chris Cate.
  - Chris Cate introduced Pallera who will be attending RPPB and local community events on behalf the Dist. 6. He said that City budget would be his priority this year. He was appointed as Vice Chair of the following City Council Committees: Environment, Public Safety & Livable Neighborhoods and Charter Review. He is also a member of the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee. He wants to make sure the residents have a say in the budget, CIP and projects in our communities.
  - A resident inquired about Dist. 6 boundaries?
    - Claremont Mesa East and West, Miramar, Kearney Mesa, Mira Mesa, Sorrento Mesa and Rancho Peñasquitos (Park Village neighborhood north to SR-56 and east to Salmon River Rd).
  - Clark asked Cate, what he felt the biggest task for City Council would be in 2015?
    - Cate replied, the budget challenges, adding that they won't be solved over night; requires balancing priorities, addressing efficiencies and maximizing our dollars.
  - Surban said, RPPB has polled our communities in the past and asked if CIP prioritization would take place this year?
    - Clark said we will be doing it again this year.
    - Surban said that he wanted the attendees to know that we will be reaching out to them to prioritize our local Capital Improvement Projects and asked Cate to talk about the Neighborhoods First Coalition.
      - Cate said the Coalition is a venue for neighborhoods to voice concerns/ideas and strategize throughout the district. Good ideas come from these neighborhoods. The Coalition will meet monthly or more often as needed to develop a strategic plan to be implemented over the next 4 years. It is an independent group.
  - Rick Camarillo asked for clarification of the boundaries.
    - Cate reviewed the boundaries as noted above.
  - Politte asked how neighborhoods would know about the Coalition meetings and will they be talking about planning and development issues? She added, if the Coalition hears about issues that pertain to planning, will we hear about them?
    - Cate said no, it is not a sanctioned committee to the City Council like the Planning Board. It is a separate entity and he envisions that planning groups would report to the Coalition so they can spread the word.
    - Politte asked who will represent PQ neighborhoods and how are they being determined?
    - Cate said they will create a set of bylaws and determine who and how the neighborhoods are represented. They might develop as a nonprofit.
  - Jo DeRamery asked how people will get information and do they have a website?
    - Cate said they will be developing a website and for now, people can contact his office for more information. 619-236-6616
  - Vasquez asked who is the Neighborhoods First Coalition Chair?

- Cate replied, Mitz Lee.
- Diehl requested that Dist. 6 submit their nominee for the Park & Recreation Board as soon as possible. Diehl noted that the Mayor has reappointed him to the Board as Chair again and he has 2 years left to serve.
- Lisa Arnold asked how neighborhoods will know about the Coalition and how to get involved?
  - Cate said, they will try to engage everyone via different formats The whole idea is to have neighborhoods talking together.
- d. San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts, District 3 Report Tighe Jaffe, not present
- e. CA Assembly Member Brian Maienschein, 77<sup>th</sup> District Report Michael Lieberman
  - Lieberman reported, the Assembly member is still working on his legislative package for the upcoming year and it should be available next month.
  - Assembly Member Maienschein was appointed by Assembly Speaker, Toni Atkins to the Local Government Committee as the Chair.
  - No additional news.
- f. U.S. Congressman Scott Peters Report, 52<sup>nd</sup> District Report Hugo Carmona, not present
- 7. BUSINESS.
  - a. Verizon Wireless Communication Facility (WCF), PTN #379009 at Ridgewood Park, 12604 La Tortola, Proposed Faux Eucalyptus Tree with Twelve Antennas, Kerrigan Diehl/PLANCOM INC. (Action Item)
    - K. Diehl summarized the project and the discussion at the Telecomm Committee meeting as follows: Verizon is proposing a 50 foot tall mono-eucalyptus faux tree with a 250 sq. ft. equipment structure at the southwest corner of the park. They have talked with the City's Real Estate Assets Division and Park and Recreation staff. The location avoids the trails and the preserve. The eucalyptus tree is a tri-branch structure which allows more screening with artificial foliage to hide the antennas. Trees are not a one sized solution to fit every coverage gap. She noted Verizon's existing WCF sites nearby as shown on the handout, adding that topography affects wireless coverage areas and this location will serve an area that presently has a poor level of coverage. She noted that the committee discussed the location in the park.
    - Parker added that he has not received City comments on the project and asked K. Diehl if the City has approved the project? He also asked her to review FCC RF (radio frequency) requirements, comments and screening (socks).
      - K. Diehl said the providers are required to comply with FCC guidelines for safety and exposure. Verizon complies with all standards and the site specific study report is filed with the City. The antenna will have antenna socks (sleeve), which cover/camouflage the antenna and give it a 3 dimensional look. Verizon has replied to City comments in their issues report that noted concerns with the EME and trunk equipment down. The plan was modified to shrink the equipment enclosure to 250 sq. ft. and provide a permanent generator spot, removed backup microwave redundancy and added that there is no generator planned.
      - Pallero asked if previous Councilmember Lori Zapf's staff reviewed the project?
        - K. Diehl said she was unsure.
    - Clark noted that during the Telecomm Committee meeting, concerns included the locations of the parts (artificial eucalyptus tree, concrete block equipment enclosure with infrastructure and landscaping).
    - Becker asked if Verizon was proposing a new easement to gain access to the

equipment or use the existing walkway for the heavy equipment during construction?

- K. Diehl said the existing walkway would be closed off during construction, crane drop of tree pole and other equipment. The sidewalk would also be used for maintenance access once completed.
- McGuire asked if Verizon was flexible on moving the equipment structure away from the park, closer or into the open space closer to the creek?
  - K. Diehl said the equipment structure needs to be close to the tree; at approx. 300' there is a loss of signal in the cable. She added that they cannot place the structure in the view corridor or in the MHPA (Multi-Habitat Planning Area). The location shown in the plans is already disturbed habitat. The hillside is riparian habitat that contains sage scrub and is off limits.
  - McGuire summarized that K. Diehl's answer to his question was no.
- B. Diehl said that City staff, Charlie Daniels (WCF Engineer) and Mary Ngai (Park & Rec Dept.) have reviewed the plans and the locations of the tree and equipment are the best site at the park.
- Surban asked if there would be a generator?
  - K. Diehl said, no generator.
  - Surban also noted that the plan sims don't show landscaping, they wanted to show location and views.
    - K. Diehl said they are working with the Parks Dept. and haven't determined the plant types for screening yet.
  - Surban, noting the location of the 'pull box' and asked if it was located above or below ground?
    - Parker said it was underground.
  - Surban inquired why there are 2 GPS antennas?
    - K. Diehl said that one was for e-911 and the other was the site identifier.
- Shoecraft, referencing the trenching and construction, asked how long that portion of the park would be closed off?
  - K. Diehl said that trenching would take place during the first 1-2 weeks and then it would be cordoned off for a couple weeks for the heavy construction. Overall construction would take approx. 10 weeks.
  - Shoecraft asked if the trench and power could be moved outside of the sidewalk and not cut across the playing field?
    - K. Diehl replied, yes.
    - Clark said he had the same question, adding that the change would save downtime of the park facilities.
- Politte said that it was inappropriate for us to make a recommendation on this project without seeing staff's review comments. The plans could change so we really don't have all the information. Politte read from the City's WCF Guidelines pertaining to placement on residentially zoned land "Residentially zoned land with a residential use is one of the least preferred areas for siting WCF". She added that this site may not have houses on it, but it is near homes.
  - K. Diehl said that the park setting is allowed, although it's not preferred.
  - Politte said that she asked B. Diehl prior to the meeting, which local parks already have WCF? She said that he told her there are WCFs at Canyonside Community Park and an application is being submitted for a facility at Hilltop Park. Politte said she doesn't like WCFs being located where children gather. We have a say

on this project and unlike the facilities that PUSD has allowed at our schools, recommending approval of this project will set a precedent and this will be the first of many in the future if we don't say no. Politte said that she would vote against the project.

- Parker noted that there are many facilities located in parks, on ball field light standards, on other structures, and integrated on faux trees. He would like the tree height/foliage increased and maximizing of the branches to look more realistic and hide the antennas better.
- Becker said that because the City hasn't provided comments, it is premature to evaluate the project. He asked if it would be possible to go subterranean with an equipment vault?
  - K. Diehl said that Verizon wouldn't do because of the amount of excavation adjacent to the sensitive habitat in that terrain and due to the added costs.
  - Becker suggested that it should be something to consider.
  - K. Diehl said there a problems of seeping water, causing damage to the equipment and maintenance is another issue; not a mainstream solution.
  - Becker added that he'd also like to see the faux tree buried in a grove of trees to hide it, enhance the surrounding landscape/trees.
- Keating said he doesn't see this project being an issue. Usual concerns in residential areas are related to the distance from homes due to noise levels generated by the equipment. This site is over 300 feet away from the nearest home. He would like us to mitigate the visual aspects and suggested putting the equipment structure closer to the existing trees if possible. He noted that the plans state that the structure is 50 feet away from the existing riparian canopy and asked if that was a requirement to stay 50 feet away?
  - K. Diehl said they can't put the equipment structure near the existing tree canopy drip line. That is the area that they worked closely with the biologists and staff to stay in the previously disturbed habitat and not near the sensitive habitat.
  - Keating suggested that Verizon work with the neighbors on the added landscaping and would like the electrical trench moved to outside the existing sidewalk.
- Clark said, City Project Manager Simon Tse sent him the drawings and a photo sim approximately 3 weeks ago, but he hasn't seen the City cycle comments. Clark liked McGuire's suggestion to work within the 350' radius to see if they can swing the location so it is less intrusive. He doesn't like the chopped off tree so they should increase the height, and move the trench outside the existing field and sidewalk. Clark asked how the equipment structure would be finished?
  - K. Diehl said it would be split face finish on concrete block in an earth tone color; structure would be 8 feet tall.
- Surban asked whether K. Diehl was asking the board and audience for input on types of vegetation to use as screening for the equipment structure and suggested the community comment on it? Did they consider Views West Park's light standards as an alternative location?
  - K. Diehl said they did look at Views West Park, but it did not provide the better coverage due to the upslope topography and it was too close to their existing site at the shopping center.
- Clark opened up questions from the audience, asking them to ask new questions not already addressed.

- Greg Chase lives on the park. He said he understands the project is to provide service to Verizon customers in the area and asked what percentage of residents are Verizon customers?
  - K. Diehl said, approximately 37% are Verizon customers, 35% are with AT&T, Sprint has about 16-18% and the remaining are from multiple carriers. There is some slight churn in the numbers.
  - Chase noted that he isn't a Verizon customer and has excellent service, why do other providers have such great service. He noted that the park is used by thousands of residents and the plans do not state the site is in a City Park. Is there a reason that Verizon has such poor coverage in that area?
  - K. Diehl noted that project names do not always denote the actual or type of location. There was no intent to deceive and she said she could add a subtitle noting the park on the plans. There could be interference if multiple sites are located within too close a proximity. The carriers work independently and Verizon is filling a void in their existing coverage quality.
- Stephanie Craghead noted that her home is in a direct line from the antenna and asked how the radiation pattern would dissipate as it traveled toward her home?
  - K. Diehl said there is more radiation from your cell phone being held next to your ear. Diehl suggested that Craghead contact Simon Tse to view the report which shows this project well below the exposure thresholds. The antennas' radiation drops of exponentially as it moves away from the tree. The Verizon project would operate at 0-5% of the FCC's allowable threshold.
- Chris Marx inquired if the landscaping to screen the structure would be irrigated?
  - B. Diehl said there is no irrigation on that side of the sidewalk.
  - Becker said that he thought they would be required to irrigate until established.
  - K. Diehl said she thought they would be required to maintain.
  - Marx said there is irrigation on that side of the sidewalk.
  - Parker said the plans show that the landscaping would be irrigated.
- Rick Camarillo said that we really haven't explored the underground option.
   You're going to look at this fake tree and see this block structure next to it why?
   He added that other utilities install in underground vaults and suggested that
   Verizon should just spend the money and bury it.
- Greg Chase said the neighbors received the notice 7 days ago and the City Council District official didn't know about it until tonight. This is a City neighborhood park and the residents who use the park should be informed of this project. The board and residents would want this 8' x 20' building in their own neighborhood park when they use the wide open amenities.
  - A resident added that RPPB approval would set precedent.
  - Becker said that many of our parks have public restrooms in a similar concrete structure and those are an accepted type of practice and a number of his Park Village neighbors want restrooms at their park.
  - Clark said that his neighborhood park is Hilltop and it has restrooms, trellis and other structures; it is very common.
  - Chase said there is a difference between a wireless facility and park amenities.
- Stephanie Craghead asked what the process would be from here, what permits are required, etc?
  - Clark said that RPPB reviews this project based on the General and

Community Plan for our community, we make a recommendation and send it to Simon Tse who will include it in his report to the Planning Commission who will vote to approve or deny the project. Clark was unaware if Verizon already has a date scheduled on the Planning Commission's calendar.

- Craghead asked if Kerrigan Diehl and Bill Diehl were related? Both responded that they were not.
- Craghead said that Surban had previously worked for PlanCom, asking if he had a conflict of interest?
  - (i) Surban said for the record that he has no direct or indirect benefit by voting on this project; he added that he could recuse himself, but is not required to do so.
  - (ii) Clark added that the board members are cognizant of their responsibility to recuse when there is a conflict of interest.

Motion: To approve the Verizon WCF, PTN #379009 at Ridgewood Park, 12604 La Tortola, with conditions: 1) enhance tree with additional foliage, increase height 3-4 feet, reconfigure trench to outside the existing park sidewalk, the structure to be looked at and the landscape plan be looked at. M/S/C – Parker/Diehl/Discussion.

- Becker offered an amendment to add 10 new trees (not eucalyptus) around the faux tree to be irrigated as well as specific species to screen the enclosure on all sides.
  - Parker accepted the amendment.
  - B. Diehl said that Park & Recreations doesn't want the additional maintenance in the park but he'll accept the amendment.
  - Keating asked if Verizon would determine the types of trees with the community's input?
  - K. Diehl said subject to a recommendation from the community and RPPB, they would consider those options.
  - Clark asked when does it stop because everyone in the community might have a different opinion on the type of trees and shrubs to use?
  - Keating asked if there was a list of acceptable varieties the neighbors could choose from?
- Rhodes said the neighbors should comment to the City Planner and the Planning Commission on what they want. RPPB is a volunteer group that makes a recommendation that the City can accept or ignore.
- Clark said the community should contact Simon Tse and Politte provided Simon Tse's contact info: 619-687-5984 <u>stse@sandiego.gov</u>
- McGuire suggested that it would be prudent to wait until we've heard from the City based on the comments received tonight.
- Keating said that we could vote against the motion and then explore further.

Motion: To table the Verizon WCF, PTN #379009 at Ridgewood Park, 12604 La Tortola to a future meeting to be determined. M/S/C – McGuire/Becker/Discussion.

- Clark acknowledged the second motion on the floor, but noted his irritation that Surban had the floor and was interrupted as the motion was made.
- Discussion on appropriate procedure with a  $2^{nd}$  motion. Clark said that we need to tackle the second motion to table before we can go back to the first motion.
- Gore said he is hearing two concerns. The first is health and safety concerns related to radiation poisoning. He suggested that people look at the SDG&E website which has information on those concerns, distance from power lines,

microwaves, etc. The other concern is aesthetics and blending of the WCF into the park. He suggested that K. Diehl come back to educate us and address those concerns to gather community support.

- Becker added that it would be good if City staff was also present at the next presentation.
- With no further discussion, Clark called for a vote on the motion to table as follows.

Motion: To table the Verizon WCF, PTN #379009 at Ridgewood Park, 12604 La Tortola to a future meeting (date to be determined). M/S/C – McGuire/Becker/Approved, 12 in favor – 2 against (Parker & Diehl) – 0 abstentions/recusals.

- Clark asked K. Diehl to make sure that she and Simon Tse send RPPB all the materials for her next presentation.
- McGuire apologized to the Chair for interrupting to make his motion.
- b. To Approve PQ East LMAD, Torrey Highlands LMAD & Park Village LMAD

### FY2016 Budgets – Casey Smith, City of San Diego (Action Item)

- 1) Torrey Highlands LMAD Budget:
  - Smith reported, the budget was approved by the LMAD board as presented.
  - Smith reported that the 2015 Torrey Highlands LMAD budget set aside \$150,000 for 3 monument signs (Capital Improvements Program project (CIP)) and for 2016 added \$20,120 more for the signs. Revenues include a \$45,213 General Benefit Offset which are funds from the City's General Fund in response to the Cory Briggs lawsuit with the City over the downtown maintenance assessment districts. There are no increases in assessments for FY2016.
  - Rhodes inquired why the General Benefit Offset from \$52,144 (2015 estimate) down to \$45,213 (2016 proposed budget).
    - Smith replied, the 2015 estimate was based on estimated 2014 numbers, but they now have the final amounts from 2014 and the 2016 proposed budget is based on 2014 final amounts. They build up a little more in each budget so they don't exceed the approved budget, which carries over into the next year.

Motion: To approve the Torrey Highlands LMAD 2016 Budget as presented. M/S/C – Becker/Gore/Discussion.

- Vasquez asked for clarification on 'Other non-personnel" expense which is budgeted for \$20,120 and the "Maintenance of Identification Sign" item is listed as \$10,000?
- Smith said the \$20,120 is additional funding to build the Monuments (CIP project) and the \$10,000 is for the additional costs for those signs.
  - Brief discussion whether the additional \$10,000 was for landscaping or other infrastructure for the signs, but Gore and Parker confirmed that the additional expense was discussed and approved by the LMAD board.

• With no further discussion, Clark called for a vote on the motion as follows: <u>Motion:</u> To approve the Torrey Highlands LMAD 2016 Budget as presented. <u>M/S/C – Becker/Gore/Approved, 13 in favor – 0 against – 0 abstentions/recusals.</u> Note: Surban was out of the room; 13 members present.

#### 2) PQ East LMAD Budget:

• Smith reported, the General Benefit Offset was reduced from \$23,113 in 2015 to \$17,457 in FY2016. Assessments are increasing by \$1.36 which is the maximum

increase allowed in the PQ East LMAD District per CPI (Consumer Price Index rate) annually. Other Services was increased by \$65,000 over the 2015 estimates for the conversion of asphalt medians to stamped concrete in front of MCHS and on the southern end south of SR-56.

Motion: To approve the PQ East LMAD 2016 Budget as presented.

M/S/C – Diehl/Becker/Approved, 13 in favor – 0 against – 0 abstentions/recusals.

- Mary Alice Schmidt asked if the Carmel Mtn. Rd. median between Sedorus and Sundance could be included in the conversion to stamped concrete or native plant landscaping?
  - B. Diehl said the southern end of Carmel Mtn. Rd. near SR-56 is being considered.
  - Smith said the amount budgeted won't cover additional medians, but City staff is looking at possible additional medians for future conversions. Landscaped medians require bringing water to the medians. They have submitted multiple medians for conversion.

#### 3) Park Village LMAD Budget:

- Smith reported specific zone assessment rate increases as follows: Zone 1 has an increase of \$1.73 per Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU), Zone 2 is \$0.36 per EBU and Zone 3 is \$2.02 per EBU. The General Benefit Offset was reduced to \$16,932 for FY2016. He added, there is additional money in the budget for some enhancements and the planned recycled water retrofit upgrade.
- Becker added, the LMAD board approved the budget being presented. <u>Motion: To approve the Park Village LMAD 2016 Budget as presented.</u> <u>M/S/C –Becker/Diehl/Approved, 13 in favor – 0 against – 0 abstentions/recusals.</u>
- Becker mentioned that he had asked Smith for a boundaries map of all our LMADs which will be helpful in future discussions on Merge 56 and Rhodes Crossing.
- Smith noted that the Via Panacea neighborhood is not in PQ East, TH or PV LMADs. City staff is reviewing/discussing boundary adjustments so that neighborhood will be included. Smith will check into the details to see if they've received any benefit from the LMADs or if they've been assessed.
- Rhodes said the LMAD boundaries were already set up for PQ East. There was nothing planned in the FUA when Park Village was built so their LMAD was created. When planning Torrey Highlands, the LMAD was created without his support. Via Panacea neighborhood isn't in any LMAD which was confirmed by B. Diehl and Becker. Rhodes said he wants to be able to comment on how that neighborhood gets included and which LMAD.
- Smith said he has an email response to questions he posed to City staff on why the neighborhood may not have been included and how to move forward. He planned to share that email with Becker to be distributed to the board and added that he can come back with Skip Shank to make a presentation.

Note: Surban returned; 14 members present.

c. RPPB Election Ad-Hoc Committee & Chair Appointment – Thom Clark/ RPPB (Action Item)

Motion: To approve the formation of the Election Ad-Hoc Committee. M/S/C – Clark/Vasquez/Approved, 13 in favor – 0 against – 1 abstention (Diehl).

• Discussion on whether the creation of committees needs to be approved by the board

and the Chair can appoint the committee members.

- Clark appointed volunteers: Reschke, Vasquez and Gore to the committee.
- Politte reviewed the role of the committee to search for candidates outside the existing members and get them to submit applications. Politte said there a possible 10 candidates some would need to attend at least one more meeting to be eligible.
- Clark asked when the attendance at meetings are calculated?
  - Politte said documented attendance is from March 2014 February 2015 and the other requirements are in the bylaws and on the election info attachment sent with the meeting agenda. She added that she received an email suggesting that they (Via Panacea neighborhood) should submit a candidate from their neighborhood to which she responded that they should look at the requirements and if someone wants to run, they should submit an application. She added that some of them would be single issue candidates and not be concerned with all projects that RPPB reviews. She will email the list of potential candidates with their documented attendance to Reschke for the committee to contact them. She added that we are asking for applications to be submitted by the end of the February meeting, but per our bylaws they can be submitted up until 14 days prior to the election. Additional qualifications include residing at their residence in the district they run for at least 30 days, 18 years of age.
- d. Torrey Highlands Monument Sign Final Design Approval Darren Parker/TH LMAD (Action Item)
  - Parker reported that City Staff is asking the LMAD to get RPPB's approval of their 3 monument signs. Since RPPB reviewed the 3 monument signs. There has been a reduction in height (from 12 feet to 10 feet), the materials are the same and the location has not changed. Staff is working on finalizing the drawings.
  - Gore said this a formality.
  - Clark said, only about half of the members were on the RPPB board when the monuments were presented to the board. {Note: initial presentation of the monuments design/plans/locations was back in June 2011}

Note: McGuire left; 13 members still present.

- Dumka commented that this has taken long enough that the City is now making Black Mtn. Ranch rebuild Camino del Sur, narrowing the medians, installing irrigation and planting; they should coordinate monument construction with their median revisions.
- Parker said the plan is to install landscaping around the monuments and hopes the project manager and City Engineers are taking a look at both, but Torrey Highlands would prefer to keep the monuments moving forward and not delay any longer.
- Rhodes suggested that our motion to approve should include the condition that there is coordination between the road construction/changes planned and the installation of the monuments.

Motion: To approve all 3 Torrey Highland's monument signs as presented with the condition that there is coordination by the City Project Managers for the Camino del Sur widening and the construction of the monuments. M/S/C – Rhodes/Reschke/Discussion.

- Diehl inquired if the monuments would be lighted?
  - Gore said, no they are adjacent to City lighting.

• With no further discussion, Clark called for a vote on the motion as follows. <u>Motion:</u> To approve all 3 Torrey Highland's monument signs as presented with the condition that there is coordination by the City Project Managers for the Camino del Sur widening and the construction of the monuments. M/S/C - Rhodes/Reschke/Approved, 13 in favor - 0 against - 0 abstentions/recusals.

#### 8. REPORTS.

- a. Chair Report Thom Clark
  - RPPB Annual Report Clark reported that he had received one set of comments and asked the members to review the draft and send him changes so the board could approve the final version at the February meeting.
  - Merge 56 Clark reported that Levitt will not be ready to present their whole project until March including the roads designs.
    - Rhodes added, Rhodes Crossing has asked for the engineering of the 2 lane proposal with elevations and was told he'd get them by next week.
    - Clark communicated with Michael Prinz about putting Merge 56 on the agenda as an informational item so RPPB could discuss the whole project, the specific details and design elements, not just the bits and pieces. He plans to place the item on the February agenda.
    - Other possible agenda items for February include a Westview HS wireless project and possibly the Verizon Ridgewood Park item again if K. Diehl is ready.
  - Clark reported that he reviewed the Bernardo 2014 Fire After Action Report (<u>http://www.sandiego.gov/fire/pdf/bernardoafteraction.pdf</u>). Interesting findings included: heavy construction traffic interfered with the initial attack on the fire, ingress/egress for emergency vehicles due to new developments/construction, golf cart use by locals who wanted a better vantage point to view the fire, etc.
- b. Vice-Chair Report Jon Becker
  - LMADs map that Smith provided.
- c. Secretary Report Jeanine Politte
  - Members Becker, Diehl and Politte have served on the board for 8 or more years. Discussion on whether Rhodes can serve on the board for more than 8 years as an appointed member, and other candidate's eligibility to run or be appointed. There is a provision in the bylaws that allows them to continue service is they receive two-thirds of the vote for their district seat and no more than 25% of the board has served for 8 or more years. Residents can only vote for the candidate in the district where they reside except the renter seat is voted on by all residents.
- d. Standing Committee Reports:
  - > Land Use (Ramesses Surban) no report
  - > Telecomm (Darren Parker) no report
- e. Ad Hoc Committee Reports:
  - Bylaws (Ramesses Surban)
    - Surban reported, the Ad-Hoc Committee will meet at the conclusion of the regular meeting.
  - Doubletree Resort (Jeanine Politte)
  - Politte reported that she has not heard from the Doubletree; no news.
- f. Liaison and Organization Reports:
  - Black Mountain Open Space Park (Bill Diehl) no report
  - > Community Funds (Bill Diehl) no report
  - > MCAS Miramar Community Leaders Forum (Stephen Egbert) no report
  - > PQ Fire Safe Council (Mike Shoecraft)
    - Next meeting is 1/15/15 at 7:00pm at the Doubletree on the patio (or Mulligan's if

weather is bad); it will be a planning meeting for the year.

- Formed the League of Fire Safe Councils (I-15 Corridor from Lake Hodges south to Scripps Ranch) with coordination from Supervisor Roberts. The group will meet quarterly and work on regional fire protection issues.
- Next PERC meeting is 1/13/15 at 6:30pm at the PQ Library, topic is Emergency First Aid.
- > PQ Town Council (Vacant)
  - Vasquez reported that Dave Akin, San Diego Water Dept., gave a presentation on conservation and how to read your bill at the December meeting.
  - Town Council hosted a Christmas Party.
  - Vasquez said the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiesta will also celebrate the Town Council's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They are looking at having a parade on Saturday and moving the 5K Run to Saturday so it doesn't conflict with resident's religious activities.
- > PQ Recreation Council (Steve Gore)
  - Gore reported, Winter Wonderland went very well.
  - Diehl added, Park & Rec collected 113 gifts for Toys for Tots and sold 647 \$3 wristbands for the activities; over 900 kids participated.
  - Diehl added, Rec Council held their elections.
  - Diehl noted that the Mayor has appointed him to the Park & Recreation Board for another 2 years (his last).
- Los Pen Canyon Psv CAC (John Keating) no report
- > Park Village LMAD (Jon Becker)
  - Becker said they have walked Black Mtn. Rd. to look at potential improvements and the meeting scheduled for last night was canceled.
- Peñasquitos East LMAD (Bill Diehl)
  - Diehl reported, that once they get the figures back for converting the asphalt medians to stamped concrete, they will be able to determine which ones get done. He added, the Carmel Mtn. Rd. medians between Gerana and Freeport are asphalt and he is planning to talk with Casey Smith about installing planters because stamped concrete will be too costly for those medians. If planted, they would need to be watered possibly by truck; recycled water is not available along the roadway.
- > Torrey Highlands LMAD (Darren Parker)
  - Parker reported on the canyon fire started by kids behind Westview High School on 1/6/15.
  - He noted that the Albertson's in Torrey Highlands would become a Haggen store. It was noted that the Albertson's on Peñasquitos Drive was also changing ownership/name to Haggen.
- Transportation Agencies (John Keating) no report

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jeanine Politte RPPB Secretary

Approved 2/4/2015, 13 in favor – 0 against – 4 abstentions (Egbert, Loucks, Simmons, Whalen)

RPPB Mtg 1/7/2015 - Exhibit A

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## ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

will pick up the following items:

## Recyclables

- Appliances
- Electronics (e.g. tv's, computer monitors, vcr's, cpu's)
- Lawnmowers (Free of oil and gas)
- Metals
- Wood & Yard Trimmings (bundled & tied, not to exceed 50 lbs., nor over 6' long)

## **Non-recyclables**

- Carpeting
- Junk Furniture
- Mattresses
- Palm Fronds (bundled & tied, not to exceed 50 lbs., nor over 6' long)

# NOT ACCEPTED:

- All light bulbs/tubes
- Dirt, construction or demolition rubble
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  - Proparie Tanks / Gas Cylinders
    - Tires

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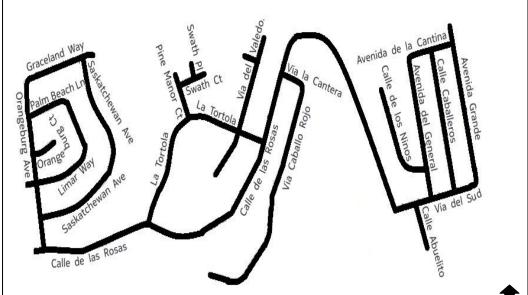
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