# Serra Mesa Planning Group

Post Office Box 23315, San Diego, CA 92193 Minutes of Serra Mesa Planning Group Regular Meeting Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library Community Room, 9005 Aero Drive

# Thursday, January 21, 2016

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Cindy Moore (Chair) at 7:00 pm.

**Members Present:** Jim Antoshak, Bob Crider (Secretary), David Dalton, Denise Davidson, Rochelle Freeman-Zuniga, Adam Gardner, Cindy Moore (Chair) and Barbara Ryan. Chris Castillo arrived at 7:03 and Bob McDowell arrived at 7:16.

Note: Two new members were elected to the board during this meeting and, because they had already completed their required training they were immediately seated and entitled to vote. This is stated to explain the growing number of votes as the meeting progressed.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve made by Barbara Ryan and seconded by Rochelle Freeman-Zuniga. Vote: 8-0-0, (Chris Castillo and Bob McDowell had not arrived yet.)

## **Community Forum/Announcements**

Barbara Ryan commented on Road Updates near the hospitals.

Kristine Schindler discussed programs to help school children such as "Safe Routes To School", "Post Holiday Helmet Giveaway" and "Walking School Bus".

Brad Savall questioned the transition of bicycle lanes on Mission Village Drive from a bike lane to sharrows to no markings at all.

### **Representatives**

Cassandra Weinlein commented on a tax incentive for allowing vacant property to be used as community gardens, sandbag availability to be used for protection in future rains, and suggested contacting the city offices regarding concerns about storm drain blockages.

### **Information and Action Items**

### **SMPG Board Elections (four openings)**

Tony Guerra was nominated to be an SMPG board member by Rochelle Freeman-Zuniga. Barbara Ryan seconded. Vote: 10-0-0. Because he had already completed the required training, Tony was seated immediately.

Bryce Niceswanger was nominated to be an SMPG board member by Adam Gardner. Bob McDowell seconded. Vote: 11-0-0. Because she had already completed the required training, Bryce was seated immediately. **Conditional Use Permit for a private K-12<sup>th</sup> Educational Facility at 8401-8461 Aero Drive-**Presentation by Gerald Gaucher, Development Director, Le Lycee Francais et international de San Diego explaining the need for the school as well as the cooperation of the San Diego Community College District in allowing cars to use an easement in order to mitigate traffic concerns. Although this project is in Kearney Mesa, it is near the Serra Mesa border so it was requested that the facility present to the SMPG board. Denise Davidson made the motion to support the project unless there are significant changes. Jim Antoshak seconded. Vote: 12-0-0. The facility was asked to return and make another presentation as the project progressed.

**Proposed Changes to SMPG Bylaws**-SMPG Chair Cindy Moore made a presentation on the reason why the changes were requested and discussed the specifics. The only suggestion to improve the proposed changes was to add verbiage that a voter could only cast one vote per candidate. Because the bylaws require proposed changes to be voted on at the next regular meeting following the meeting that the changes were proposed the vote will be scheduled for the February meeting.

**Chair's Report-**Cindy Moore reported on the Location of the Serra Mesa Fire Station stating that the Fire Department decides where Fire Stations are placed.

She also reported that speed bumps are not an option for a traffic calming measure for Hammond Drive/Ediwhar Avenue intersection but 3-way stop signs were an option. Cassandra Weinlein stated that it was a lot easier for stop signs to be installed than removed and suggested that the SMPG research the matter before making a recommendation. The Hammond Drive Traffic Calming Subcommittee was formed to come up with a recommendation. Jim Antoshak, Cindy Moore, and David Sims volunteered for the subcommittee.

**Vice Chair's Report-**Bob McDowell discussed the solar panels coming to the Library's parking lot.

Community Planners Committee Report- no report

Meeting adjourned at 8: 37 pm.