## Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board

Thursday, February 9, 2017 - Carmel Valley Library, Community Room

Attendees: Mike Vinson Amy Wood Lisa Ross James Bessemer Gary Levitt Paul Metcalf Elizabeth Rabbitt Diane Korsh Ray Ellis

Absent: Rob Mikuiteit

Call to Order: Chairman Levitt called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

Roll Call: Absentee Rob Mikuiteit.

Adoption of agenda: Approved as presented.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chairman Levitt called for review and approval of the October 2016 minutes. Unanimously Approved

**Community Remarks:** Jeff Brazel introduced himself as the representative of the Preserve at Torrey Highlands project, is available for questions. It was agreed that the Preserve at Torrey Highlands project should be included on the March agenda for a full presentation.

Dean Vayser shared copies of plans and raised the question of DMMPB's involvement with installations of slope mounted solar panels. Gary reviewed the role of the board and confirmed that it is not it's responsibility to review such plans and will follow up with an email confirming the DMMPB's role.

**DMM Community park:** Lisa asked for an update on the status of progress and competition. Gary noted that they are making progress but have had some delays due to rain.

**Erosion of trails through the DMM Community:** Chairman Levitt commented on the recent and upcoming trail project, and the serious nature of the erosion. He commented further on the matter of the DG trails along the streets and the city's lack of maintenance.

There was also a discussion of the matter of the responsibility of the HOA's vs the City of San Diego. Hillary Nemchik from Barbara' Bry's office said she would follow up with City maintenance staff to find out who should be taking responsibility at the City for maintaining these paths next to the right of way.

**Fencing repairs:** Chairman Levitt commented on the various areas where there has been lack of maintenance of the peeler pole fencing. Chairman Levitt requested a volunteer to be responsible for networking with the city on the matter of specific issues needing attention and follow up. **Elizabeth Rabbitt volunteered and was accepted.** 

**DMM By Laws review - Seats review:** Chairman Levitt commented on the By-Law structure of the current seats and the matter will be on next months agenda as an action item. Elizabeth Rabbitt gave a brief summary of the current thirteen approved seats, two of which are empty, and one of which is qualified for conversion from Developer to At Large status and recommended that next month there be a motion to make this change.

**Police Department:** Trevor Philips - Community Relations Officer -Trevor commented on the increased attention to the traffic of Del Mar Mesa, and also commented on the initiative Vision Zero focused on reducing the number of pedestrian accidents, and the large number of pedestrians on Del Mar Mesa. Traffic has been clearly the most significant issue of the community and to expect a heightened presence of squad cars in the area. He also introduced Captain Mark Hanten, new to the Northwestern division. Captain Mark reported on the large turnover and attrition in the police force. He also commented on the challenge of recruitment and retention of police force staff. Contributing tho this are the latest issues of society and safety in the current environment of negativity. His approach to leadership will include a significant level of community cooperation and relationship building. There is a need for everyone to be a pair of eyes for the police and for each other. Vigilant neighbors do the best job of catching and preventing criminal activity.

**Council District 1:** Hillary Nemchik introduced herself from Barbara Bry's office replacing Steven Hadley. She reported on the activities and programs to reinforce community support. Lisa asked her to familiarize herself with the Friends of Del Mar Mesa website and related announcement and activities.

**Supervisor Gaspar:** 

**Community Planning:** Sara Toma did not have anything to report but offered to help with the bylaws revision. **Elizabeth will send her the latest copy and she will help identify areas of needed changes.** 

**CA Assembly District 77:** - Brian Maienschein – Robert Knudsen reported on the various bills such as the kids dental bill, which will require funding for dentist reimbursement

for preventive services. He reported on the matter of the proposed change in the rule related to destruction of fighting dogs before evaluation. Finally he reported on the new protocols being implemented to identify and prevent heart failure related to sporting events. Their office is currently looking for a potential site for clean up and removal of old dead cars. **Elizabeth will help identify candidates.** Project will take place around April.

Congressman Scott Peters Office: Not in attendance.

**Friends of Del Mar Mesa:** - Lisa Ross noted that Chairman Levitt had already provided most of the update regarding the recent trail project and the upcoming project on on March 4.

Upcoming Trail & Fence Work: March 4

**Joint DMM /CV Trails Sub-Committee:** Ray Ellis commented on the matter of the status of the various citations and Michael Vinson commented that the remaining citations are close to being approved or signed off by the city. Upon approval the funds will be released.

**DMM Notch in Torrey Highlands Oversight Committee:** Lisa reported on the status of the project noting that she has requested their attendance and thanked Jeff Brazel for attending. It was agreed that this will be included in the agenda for March.

**HCP**: Gary asked Sara if she is aware of the status of this project. Sara will research and follow up.

**FBA Update:** Chairman Levitt noted that the recent traffic report supports the elimination or conversion of the 56 connector, and the need for formal revision of the community plan to reflect the changes plus the financial support of DMM in the addition of the fire department substation. He also commented on the needed changes to create traffic calming, and also address the matter of parking. Lisa will write up a summary of the matters and will forward to Sara to assist.

Alta Del Mar: Chairman Levitt reported on the repairs that have been made for erosion, but without preventive drainage, also of concern is the matter of pedestrians on the road due to the design of the trail and finally the matter of the bog of mud under the Del Vino Court tunnel next to the Duck Pond entrance. Gary would like to have an on sight meeting with someone from the city to get involved. Both Sara Toma and Hilary Nemchik agreed to get involved.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm