

SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Location:

San Ysidro School District Education Center
4350 Otay Mesa Road [north of Beyer Blvd]
in San Ysidro, California

Monday, March 13, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman: Michael Freedman (619) 690-3833

City Planner: Sara Osborn (619) 236-6368

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1. **Call to Order, Introduction, and Roll Call**
2. **Agenda & Minutes**
 - a. **Approval of the Published Agenda**
 - b. **Approval of Minutes.** Regular Meeting of February 27, 2017
3. **Communications, Announcements and Special Orders**
 - a. **Chairman**
 - b. **Board Members**
 - c. **Elected Officials and Public Servants.**
 - d. **Members of the Public**

4. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda.

This is the time when any person may address the SYCPG regarding matters which are not shown on this Agenda. Comments and inquiries must be related to the SYCPG purposes, described in City Council Policy 600-24. The Chair can limit comment to a set period of time per item, or per speaker. The "Brown Act", a State law, does not allow any discussion of, or action to be taken on, items not properly noticed to the public.

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5. Docket Items:

a. **Affordable Housing Fund FY2018.** { Liliana Caracoza, Housing Commission).

Informational presentation to distribute the draft Annual Plan and describe the methods by which the public can submit comments. The Plan purposes are: a permanent and annually renewable source of revenue to meet, in part, the housing needs of the City's very low-, low-, and median-income households; leverage every \$1 of City funds with \$2 of non-City funds; disperse affordable housing developments throughout the City to support the City's Balanced Communities Policy; preserve and maintain affordable housing; and encourage private sector activities.

b. *San Ysidro Senior Village Permanent Supportive Housing* (John Seymour, National CORE). [Previously heard as an information item on November 14, 2016]. Requesting a Letter of Support for proposed project of 51 units at 517 W. San Ysidro Blvd in the RM-2-5 zone (Medium Density Residential [15-30 dwellings/acre] on two parcels totaling 1.19 acres (APNs 638-080-20 & 62). The three-story project will include 51 units of which 50 units will be studios of between 275 SF to 350 SF and a two-bedroom for the on-site full-time manager. Provides housing opportunities for formerly homeless seniors with disabilities, utilizing the Housing First approach. Housing First emphasizes permanent housing with supportive services as a primary strategy to stabilize tenants and end homelessness. Once a person moves into permanent housing, case management and wraparound services will be provided by a residential homeless service provider.

c. **San Ysidro Wayfinding Signs Workshop.** (Bobby Mordenti, City of San Diego).

This is the final of three workshops. The City of San Diego is working in collaboration with Urban Corps of San Diego County through an innovative public-private partnership supporting at-risk youth to design and install bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding signs at the San Ysidro Port of Entry. Signs will help visitors easily locate public services, popular destinations and transportation options. This project will build on the newly adopted San Ysidro Community Plan with additional opportunities for focused public involvement, and it will serve as a pilot project for planned signage unifying the entire community. The project is funded by a \$350K TRANSNET grant.

6. Subcommittee Reports

a. Infrastructure and Public Improvements - (Otto)

7. Representative's Reports

a. SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration - (Aguirre)

b. SY Smart Border Coalition – (Flores)

c. Community Planners Committee – (Meza)

d. Otay Mesa Planning Group - (Martinez)

8. Adjournment

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Minutes from February 27, 2017

1. **Call to order:** At 5:40 p.m. Chairman Michael Freedman called meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present:; F. Castaneda; M. Chavarin (5:47 pm); M. Freedman; J. Goudeau; R. Lopez; A. Martinez; B. Meza; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez

Absent: M. Aguirre; O. Espinoza; D. Flores; B. Gonzalez; D. Qasawadish

Quorum of 9 present at Call to Order, Item #2a, 2.b.

Quorum of 10 present for Items # 5.a, 5.b, 6.a, 7.a, 7.b, 7.c, 7.d

2. **Agenda & Minutes –**

a. Approval of Published Agenda: A motion was made by A. Martinez and seconded by R. Lopez to approve the Agenda as Published. Motion Passed (9-0-0). Yes: F. Castaneda; M. Freedman; J. Goudeau; R. Lopez; A. Martinez; B. Meza; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez. No: None. Abstain: None.

b. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by A. Martinez and seconded by R. Lopez to approve the Minutes of January 23, 2017 as published. Motion Passed (9-0-0). Yes: F. Castaneda; M. Freedman; J. Goudeau; R. Lopez; A. Martinez; B. Meza; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez. No: None. Abstain: None.

3. **Announcements:**

a. Chairman:

1. Introduction of new San Diego Police Department Southern Division Captain Alberto Leos.
2. Next SYCPG Board Meeting is March 13th.

b. Board Members:

1. A. Martinez – Casa Familiar’s 10th Annual *Dia de la Mujer* art exhibition will be held on March 9, 2017 at 6 p.m. The Front, 147 W. San Ysidro Blvd.

c. Elected Officials and Public Servants:

1. Officer Lacarra – San Diego Police Department:
 - a. *First Steps to Ending Homelessness*, Health Fair will be held on March 4th from 10-3. The event is sponsored by Nestor Health Clinic, Hearts & Hands, SDPD, Casa Familiar. 1016 Outer Road near I-5 and Coronado Ave.
 - b. Requested a letter of support: that no commercial vans and/or buses be allowed in the Virginia Ave/Ped West area to prevent unauthorized buses and vans from taking up spaces for passenger the pick-up/drop off zones. By consensus, the SYCPG authorized the Chairman to provide the requested letter.
 - c. Teen Drivers (TAAP – Teen Alcohol Awareness Program) will be held Friday 3/17 from 9 pm to 1 am and on 3/25 from 9 pm to 1 am. mmccullough@pd.sandiego.gov for more information.

2. Gabriela Dominguez – Councilmember David Alvarez’ Office:
 - a. Thanks to all who attending the new San Ysidro Library design meeting.
 - b. Old Otay Mesa Road remains closed to vehicles during construction. The pedestrian sidewalk will be redirected to other side of the street for access to the SY High School. This will allow a new sidewalk to be constructed.
 - c. Councilmember Alvarez is working on the design for Beyer Park.
 - d. The old San Ysidro Fire Station will be demolished soon, allowing for a open space gathering area while planning the design of a new "pocket park."
- d. **Members of the Public:** Jason Wells, Executive Director, San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce: May 4th Civic San Diego, Urban Land Institute and elected officials will be conducting a bus tour of San Ysidro to envision ideas for future new development. Invitations will be sent to those interested in attending.
4. **Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda:** None
5. **Docket Items:**
 - a. **Annual Report for 2016;** (Chairman Freedman). Adopt the Annual Report for 2016 and direct the Chairman to deliver to the City of San Diego as required by Council Policy 600-24 and the SYCPG Bylaws.

A Motion was made by R. Lopez and seconded by A. Perez to adopt the Annual Report for 2016 as published and to direct Chairman Freedman to deliver to the City of San Diego. Motion Passed (10-0-0) Yes: F. Castaneda; M. Chavarin; M. Freedman; J. Goudeau; R. Lopez; A. Martinez; B. Meza; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez. Noes: None. Abstain/Recuse: None.
 - b. **San Ysidro Wayfinding Signs Workshop:** (Bobby Mordenti, City of San Diego). This is the second of three workshops. The City of San Diego is working in collaboration with Urban Corps of San Diego County through an innovative public-private partnership supporting at risk youth to design and install bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding signs at the San Ysidro Port of Entry. Signs will help visitors easily locate public services, popular destinations and transportation options. This project will build on the newly adopted San Ysidro Community Plan with additional opportunities for focused public involvement, and it will serve as a pilot project for planned signage unifying the entire community. The project is funded by a \$350K TRANSNET grant. **WORKSHOP ONLY.**
6. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 - c. **Infrastructure & Public Improvements** (Otto): 66 starter projects at a cost of \$247,000,000, which in unfunded. Subcommittee is working with City of San Diego to “Bridge the Gap:” Early Action Projects include a traffic signal at Smythe Crossing, SANDAG Bike Bay to Border, Cypress Alley funds for a feasibility study, Beyer Community Park design, Phase 1 for Old Fire Station, Caltrans Bridge Deck Study.
7. **Representative’s Reports:**
 - a. **SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration** (Aguirre): CBP Officer Bruce Ward reported on status of POE construction: Phase 2 (Pedestrian North Bound at ESYB) to be completed May/June 2018. Pedestrians will be redirected through the Milo Building and CBP will be adding two additional inspection lanes. Phase 3 to be completed Fall 2019 (Waiting for a Traffic Management Plan from Caltrans).
 - b. **SY Smart Border Coalition** (Flores): No Report.

- c. **Community Planners Committee** (Meza): No Report.
- d. **Otay Mesa Planning Group** (Martinez): Central Village Specific Plan was passed by Planning Commission and is set to go to City Council. Plan includes 225 acres, 4700 residential units, and commercial.

8. **Adjournment** – Meeting Adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting March 13, 2017.

Minutes submitted by J. Goudeau

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ATTENDANCE RECORD

APRIL 2016 - MARCH 2017

	APR 2016	MAY 2016	JUN 2016	JUL 2016	AUG 2016	SEP 2016	OCT 2016	NOV 2016	DEC 2016	JAN 2017	FEB 2017	MAR 2017	MEETINGS MISSED		
AGUIRRE	A	P	P	A		P	P	P		P	A		3		
BARBA			P	P											
CASTANEDA	P	P	P	P			P	P		P		P	P		NONE
CHAVARIN	P	A	P	P			P	A		P		A	P		3
ESPINOZA							P	A		P		P	A		2
FLORES	P	P	A	A			P	P		P		P	A		3
FREEDMAN	P	P	P	P			P	P		P		P	P		NONE
GONZALEZ	P	P	A	P			P	P		P		A	A		2
GOUDEAU	P	P	P	P			P	P		P		P	P		NONE
LOPEZ	P	P	P	A			P	A		P		P	P		2
MARTINEZ	P	P	A	P			P	P		P		P	P		1
MEZA	P	A	P	P			A	P		A		P	P		3
MORAN	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P		NONE		
OTTO	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P		NONE		
PEREZ	P	P	A	A		P	P	P		P	P		2		
QASAWADISH	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		A	A		2		
					CITY COUNCIL POLICY 600-24 & SYCPG BYLAWS REQUIRE THAT A SEAT <u>MUST</u> BE DECLARED VACATED WHEN THERE ARE:										
					3 <u>CONSECUTIVE</u> ABSENCES, <u>OR</u>										
					4 <u>TOTAL</u> ABSENCES BETWEEN APRIL 2016 AND MARCH 2017										
					Note: Adjourned Meetings and Special Meetings are not counted for attendance purposes.										

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Michael R. Freedman, Chairman
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~~March 13, 2017~~

Mr. John Seymour, Vice President
National Community Renaissance (National CORE)
4322 Piedmont Drive
San Diego, CA 92107

Re: Support letter from SYCPG for the *San Ysidro Seniors Village*

Dear John,

Thank you for your presentations. The San Ysidro Community Planning Group (SYCPG) has authorized me to express our support for the proposed ***San Ysidro Seniors Village*** to be developed by *National Community Renaissance* (National CORE) with the *Hope Through Housing Foundation* (HTHF).

As proposed, ***San Ysidro Seniors Village*** is a fifty-one (51) unit rental affordable housing project in the San Ysidro Community Plan Area of the City of San Diego, located at 517 W. San Ysidro Blvd. on vacant land. It is intended to serve formerly homeless seniors, age 62 years and older, as permanent supportive housing with high quality wrap-around services.

The project is designed to respect the newly adopted San Ysidro Community Plan, allowing for an appropriate zoning and land use designation. The construction and development of the property will strive to be a high-quality LEED / Green Point Rated sustainable development. It will include a community room, leasing office, private offices for residents to meet with their professional case management service provider and other interior amenities. The project will be universally designed. Exterior amenities will include electric vehicle charging stations, a community garden area as well as private areas with shade/landscaping and benches to allow residents privacy and quiet places to discuss issues with their case workers, medical professionals, and service providers.

National CORE and its affiliate Hope-Through-Housing will partner with San Diego PACE, Casa Familiar, Senior IMPACT and San Ysidro Health Center to insure the highest quality case management services. National CORE promises that the residents at *San Ysidro Senior Village* will enjoy long-term, community-based housing that provides high quality supportive services.

The Project is within:

- The "Sunset Neighborhood" of the Community Plan Area
- Along a designated Transit Corridor
- In front of a high frequency bus stop
- 0.7 miles walking or driving to the MTS Beyer Blvd Trolley Station
- Four (4) minutes from San Diego PACE, San Ysidro Health Center and Casa Familiar

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We find that the proposed development is consistent with San Ysidro Community Plan and advances the visions and goals of the plan by:

- Creating housing opportunities and choices by providing quality housing
- Providing opportunities for people to live and work in the same areas through the integration of mixed residential, commercial and recreational uses
- Implementing development within a transportation corridor in a pedestrian oriented core area;
- Producing affordable housing
- Producing special needs housing
- Producing housing for seniors
- Eliminating blight through the development of underutilized parcels
- Implementing ride-sharing and many other mobility transportation opportunities
- Green sustainable development
- Clean Hazardous Materials from the sites
- Reduce reliance on automobiles by providing choices for transportation mobility options (bus, trolley, Lyft, ZipCar, Uber, Car to Go, bike, walkable and other options will create an environment of “on-demand” travel)
- Minimize greenhouse gas emissions
- EV Charging stations will be provided on site
- Contribute to creating walkable communities in urban City neighborhoods
- Serve as a catalytic revitalization project to enhance the neighborhood
- Generate well over local 100 construction jobs, and over 30 permanent jobs.

This can be a premier project for our San Ysidro community; one that can make a difference. We look forward to the next stage of design as the proposal develops.

Sincerely,

Michael Freedman, Chairman
San Ysidro Community Planning Group

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Michael R. Freedman, Chairman

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~~February 28, 2017~~

Matthew A. Schmidt
Traffic Engineering City of San Diego
202 C Street
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Mr. Schmidt,

I am authorized to express the finding of SYCPG in support of the signage issue at the new Virginia Avenue Transit Center (VATC). We agree with the concern as it relates to the lack of signage: that it should restrict access to commercial vehicles (such as private intercity bus and van carriers). We conclude from the past 20 years of a collective experience on how a facility can become overrun by illegal solicitors and the "wildcatters" when there is a lack of enforcement at facility access.

Now, as we understand, the VATC has signage indicating a maximum of 3 minutes for active loading and unloading of passengers. The current signage does not indicate restrictions on vehicle types. Although 3 minutes is enough for POV's, an intercity bus or van can take anywhere from 15 to 30 minutes to load and/or unload passengers and baggage prior to departing from the facility. With only a small space available at the VATC, allowing the private transit carriers to use the facility for their business operations would not only unnecessarily clog the ingress and egress of the facility, but would also create a traffic backup onto Camino de la Plaza from oversized vehicles waiting to enter the VATC. This is an unacceptable condition in our already overburdened Border neighborhood.

We want the travelers through our community to be able to have a safe and enjoyable travel experience. It is imperative that commercial vehicle access to the VATC be restricted and signage be posted.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Freedman
Chairman, San Ysidro Community Planning Group