

OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2017

Members Present:

District 1 John Swanson
District 2 Sam Mendoza
District 3 Ed Abraham
District 4 Patty Swanson
District 6 Maria Mendoza
District 7 Robert Broomfield
District 9 Jacki Farrington
District 10 Bob Mikloski
District 11 Albert Velasquez
District 13 Brian McGonagill
District 14 Wayne Dickey
District 15 Walt Zumstein
District 16 Bobby Hicks

Members Absent:

District 5 Gabriel Uribe
District 8 Edgar Gonzalez
District 12 Carlos Sanchez

Vacant Seats:

None

Guests Present:

A number of guests were present, see the OMNCPG secretary for a copy of the guest list.

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Albert Velasquez at the Otay Mesa Nestor Branch Library. He welcomed all Board members and members of the community to the meeting of the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG).
2. **Approval of minutes** – Maria Mendoza made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:**
 - a. John Seymour is a developer with National Community Renaissance (National CORE), who is working with the United Methodist Church (UMC), located at 1120 Nestor Way, San Diego, CA 92154 to develop a senior living facility.
 1. They are planning 102 senior units on that site.
 2. The developer will be the operator/property manager of the facility, with a ground lease with UMC.
 3. They said that they will be submitting an application to the City of San Diego which will be reviewed later by the OMNCPG.
 - a. Jim Gettis with the UMC stated his congregation has an overwhelming desire to move ahead with this development.
4. **SDPD Community Relations:** SDPD Officer Esmeralda Sanchez, emsanchez@pd.sandiego.gov (619) 424-0412 was not in attendance. No report.

5. **California State Assembly, 80th District Report:** Aida C. Castañeda, Field Representative, 619-338-8090 Aida.Castaneda@asm.ca.gov
 - a. She spoke concerning a new bill submitted to the California State Assembly.
 1. The bill is regarding the cost of diapers for low-income families.
 2. CalWORKs or WIC could assist, working together with San Diego Food Bank to create a diaper bank.
 3. So far, they have accumulated 100,000 diapers throughout San Diego County.
 - b. She introduced the new field representative for the California State Assembly, 80th District, Lucero Chavez. His contact information is: lucero.chavez@asm.ca.gov
Phone: 619-338-8090

6. **Council District 8 Report:** District 8 Representative Vivian Moreno, Council Representative, 619-236-6688 vmoreno@sandiego.gov:
 - a. Vivian reminded us of the upcoming meeting of City Council concerning property 1788 Palm Avenue, which is intended to be repurposed as a transitional housing community for the San Diego SMART program. This program is an innovative pilot program that provides homeless low-level misdemeanor offenders with housing, case management, job training and other supportive services required to end the cycle of homelessness. Public input at city council meeting is imperative and important.
 - b. She said that the Otay Mesa Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District will hold a public hearing, July 24, 2017 at 2 p.m. The goal is to keep property taxes from area to be spent on infrastructure in Otay Mesa. Presently property taxes from Otay Mesa are put in general fund for entire city.
 - c. She also announced that the Small Business Resource Fair will be held at the Border View YMCA, 3601 Arey Drive, San Diego, 92154 on Wednesday, July 19, 2017, from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

7. **Informational Item:** Jim Phair was not in attendance. He had some information dropped off for the group to review about a future project. This item was tabled until a future meeting.

8. **Informational Item:** Sean Duffy with Goal San Diego Committee was not present to provide information regarding an initiative to redevelop the Qualcomm Stadium site. This item was tabled until a future meeting.

9. **Informational Item:** Joe LaCava with the Public Land Public Vote Coalition, informed the group about the SoccerCity Initiative (aka Goal San Diego Committee) which will allow private investors to acquire the 200+ acres of city-owned land. What happens at Qualcomm is now a citywide decision, and the discussion is open to all planning groups in the City of San Diego. Contact: Joe LaCava, Member, Public Land Public Vote Coalition joe@lacavaconsulting.com LaCava Consulting 619.972.4705 <http://publiclandpublicvote.com/>

10. **Action Item:** The chair introduced a motion for a letter to be written from the OMNCPG to the San Diego City Council regarding a City proposal to purchase a hotel at 1788 Palm Avenue (former Super 8). Walt Zumstein seconded the motion. If that purchase is completed, the City then intends to repurpose this building as a transitional housing community for the San Diego SMART program. This program is an innovative pilot program that provides homeless low-level misdemeanor offenders with housing, case management, job training and other supportive services required to end the cycle of homelessness. One concern is about the speed of the city to push this purchase through. The letter will state the opposition of the OMNCPG, and will be sent to all City Council members. The motion passed unanimously.

11. **Sub-Committee Reports:** No reports for the By-Laws, Parks and Recreation, Volunteer Code Compliance, and Elections subcommittees.
12. **Chair's report:** Chair Alberto Velasquez encouraged the group and the public to attend City Council meeting on Monday, July 17, 2017. The City proposal to purchase a hotel at 1788 Palm Avenue (former Super 8) is on the agenda, and public comment is needed on this item. He also briefly provided an update of Nestor sign issue, and said a letter had been sent from the OMNCPG to the City requesting the sign.
13. **City Planner's Report:** No planner was in attendance, so there was no report.
14. **Adjournment:** 7:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted by John C. Swanson, Secretary