OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES September 13, 2017

Members Present:

District 1 John Swanson District 2 Sam Mendoza District 4 Patty Swanson District 5 Gabriel Uribe District 6 Maria Mendoza District 7 Robert Broomfield District 8 Edgar Gonzalez District 9 Jacki Farrington District 10 Bob Mikloski District 11 Albert Velasquez District 12 Carlos Sanchez District 13 Brian McGonagill District 15 Walt Zumstein District 16 Bobby Hicks Members Absent: District 3 Ed Abrahim District 14 Wayne Dickey

VacantDistrict 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 6:33 p.m. by Chairman, Alberto 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 Jacki Farrington made a motion to approve the minutes of August 9, 2017, OMNCPG meeting after a correction. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Non-Agenda Public Comments:

- a. Wayne Dickey asked about the corner property on 1695 Saturn and Leon, on northeast side of street. It is planning to be re-zoned. He said that previous plans for development where met by considerable public protest.
- b. Bobby Hicks mentioned asking if the existing silo at 1695 Saturn could be designated as a historical monument.
- c. Secretary John Swanson said he had received a request for an action item to be placed on the October, 2017 OMNCPG agenda, for the proposal for a conditional use permit for the SMART program, at the former Motel 6 located at 1788 Palm Avenue.
- d. Jacki Farrington stated that the recycling business at 1705 Palm Avenue is now closed, but homeless are living there, and illegal fires have been started on the property.
- e. Johnny Swanson stated that creating a social media outreach application for the OMNCPG would be an excellent means of communication with the community.
- f. Maria Mendoza repeated concern about the heavy traffic on Saturn Blvd. and concern for increased cars if more construction occurs.
- g. Bobby Hicks stated the utility boxes on Leon Avenue have been hit by vehicles four times in one month.
- h. Officer Lacarra stated that he would follow up with motorcycle officers regarding traffic enforcement on Leon Avenue.

- i. Sam Mendoza is very concerned with the safety of children walking along Leon Avenue going to and from school.
- j. Officer Lacarra stated that enforcing the tonnage of trucks on City of San Diego streets is very difficult.
- k. Bobbly Hicks mentioned that the road is not structurally sound and to get the road paved requires a special permit.
- 4. **SDPD Community Relations:**SDPD Officer Lacarra, <u>lacarra@pd.sandiego.gov</u>

(619) 424- gave report on the following items:

- a. Former San Diego Police Department Community Service Officer Esmeralda Sanchez has moved to Portland, Oregon and took another job, but is not working in law enforcement.
- b. The San Diego Police Department gun buyback program is being postponed to a later date, possibly end of October or beginning of November 2017.
- c. Closure on I-5 and I-805 on 9/23 to 9/25 starting at 3 a.m. All traffic going south on I-5 and I-805 will be closed for that weekend. Superstructure on highway at the border will be removed during that time. All Tijuana traffic will have to enter through Otay Mesa. Vehicles will be routed through Picador Blvd. and Dairy Mart Road off the I-905.
- 5. **California State Assembly, 80th District Report**: Lucero Chavez, Field Representative, 619-338-8090 <u>lucero.chavez@asm.gov</u>. No report.
- 6. **Council District 8 Report:** District 8 Representative Vivian Moreno, Council Representative, 619-236-6688 <u>vmoreno@sandiego.gov</u>:District 8 Representative Gerardo Ramirez presented the following information on behalf of Ms. Moreno.
 - a. He stated that acommunity clean up would be held Saturday, September 16, 2017, from 8 a.m.- 12 p.m. Please join them for free breakfast and lunch.
 - b. The Bayshore Bikeway open house will be held sometime in November or December 2017.
 - c. The proposal for a conditional use permit for the SMART program, at the former Motel 6 located at 1788 Palm Avenue will be presented on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at a special meeting called by Councilmember David Alvarez.
- 7. Action Item: Mark Hughes, Community Choice Energy, Climate Action Campaign, informed the group of San Diego's Climate Action Plan, which identified Community Choice Energy (CCE) as the key program to reach 100% clean energy by 2035. A recently released technical study shows that CCE is feasible for San Diego, and could provide competitive or lower electricity rates and cleaner energy. The main goal is to generate enough profit to reinvest into renewable energy sources, such as solar installations on large buildings, not significantly reduce rates.Mr. Hughes asked that a letter be written by the OMNCPG, requesting support for a community choice program, which will be addressed to the City of San Diego Mayor and City Council members. Contact: Mark Hughes, Community Choice Energy, 859-414-2821 writers_mark@sbcglobal.net

Voting results:Bob Mikloski made a motion to approvesending the letter from the OMNCPG to the San Diego Mayor and City Council. Patty Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **Sub-Committee Reports:** No reports for the By-Laws, Parks and Recreation, Volunteer Code Compliance, and Elections subcommittees.

- **9. Chair's report:** Chairman Alberto Velasquez said that Michael Prinz is our planner, but that he also works with three other planning groups. He expects to have a representative present at next OMNCPG meeting.
- 10. **City Planner's Report:**No report.
- 11. **Adjournment:** 7:38 p.m.

Respectively submitted by John C. Swanson, Secretary