

**OTAY MESA PLANNING GROUP**  
**MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 20, 2019**  
**OTAY NESTOR LIBRARY**  
**3003 CORONADO AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92154**

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Otay Mesa Planning Group Chair, Rob Hixson called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Introductions are made across the room.

<b>Members present:</b>	<b>Members absent:</b>
Rob Hixson- <b>Chair</b>	Clarissa Flacon
Mark Freed – <b>Vice Chair</b>	John Couvillion
Alejandra Mier y Terán	Tom Ricotta
Chris Holder	
Diane Kirma	
Felipe Nuno	
James Street	
Jimmy Ayala	
Lisa Golden	
Rita Mahoney	
Rodolfo Jr. Lopez	
Ronnie Taylor	
Ted Shaw	
Tom Story	
Tony Blas	

**Approval of minutes:**

January 2019

- **Vote:** Felipe Nuno, Rita Mahoney second
- **Passed:** Yes

**Public Input:**

None.

**Chairman’s Report:**

We have to start preparing for elections. They are coming up. We will have elections either March or April.

Items Received February 2019:

1. Easement Vacation -8140 Saint Andrews Avenue– Project No. 624993 - Majestic Sunroad Center
2. Cycle 5 Responses – MPF 9850 Vía de la Amistad – Project No.611944 – CUP
3. Notice of Application – Tecolote Canyon Park Master Plan – Project No.625003
4. Notice of Public Hearing – MPF 9731 Siempre Viva Road – Project No.585480
5. Notice of Public Hearing – MPF 2220 Niels Bohr Court – Project No.585368
6. Brown Field Easement Vacations – Project No.596827
7. Public Notice of Preparation of a Program Environmental Impact Report – Brown Field Airport
8. Report to the Hearing Officer – Process Three Decision- MPF 9731 Siempre Viva Road – Project No.585480

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**Government Liaison Report**

- A. COUNCILMEMBER MORENO'S OFFICE:** Gerardo Ramirez – *Could not attend but provided an agenda.* Land Use and Housing Committee approved updating parking requirements for multifamily housing units in transit priority areas. Housing Committee approved an amendment to the City's Municipal Code to reduce parking requirements and provide for their transportation amenities for multifamily residential development within Transit Priority Areas (TPAs). San Diego joins lawsuit to clean up Tijuana River Valley. On January 29, 2019, The City Council voted unanimously in favor of joining the State lawsuit against the U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) over the contamination occurring in the Tijuana River Valley, Tijuana River Estuary and the Pacific Ocean. The lawsuit against the USIBWC was filed in September 2018 on behalf of the people of the State of California, by and through the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, and California Attorney General Xavier Becerra. Rob Hixson spoke to the San Ysidro / Otay Nestor Planning Group, Chair and informed him of a property in their area, that is a 2-acre property site at the Iris Avenue Trolley Station and Beyer Blvd and would make perfect sense to build residential units near a transit center. He said his group is so old school that they would in no way allow less parking for residential developments.
- B. MAYOR'S OFFICE:** No report given.
- C. SUPERVISOR COX'S OFFICE:** No report given.
- D. ASSEMBLY MEMBER LORENA GONZALEZ OFFICE:** No report given.
- E. SENTOR HUESOS' OFFICE:** No report given.
- F. POLICE DEPARTMENT: Carlos LaCarra** – Please report all transient camps & illegally parked vehicles via the Get It Done App. People sleeping in motorhomes count. They can sleep in their car, but if they're in violation of certain laws then they must be reported. Report those via the App as well. Regarding illegal vehicle storage yards, please report those to the City Code Compliance Department. This week they are doing promotions. This week we're promoting two Captains, five lieutenants, & 20 detectives. We are probably going to get one but aren't very sure. As you may have already heard, we had a Border Patrol pursuit that resulted in two fatalities. Please be safe.
- G. FIRE DEPARTMENT:** No report given.
- H. IMMIGRATION & CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT:** No report given.
- I. CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:** No report given.

**Monthly Report:**

**CPC- Mark Freed:** Last CPC meeting finished off with one item Transit Priority Area Parking standards. If you have been reading the Union Tribune or are following this item, The Planning Commission voted a proposal to remove the parking requirements on new constructions. The CPC ignored all recommendations and are going full speed ahead to City Council on March 5<sup>th</sup>. When it does get approved, they basically are certain areas within the City, we looked closely at what the map showed and it shows the rapid bus routes at Central Village beginning, but don't show anything in the SW or the Southern part of the Central Village. We did address that, and I did get nice letter back from the folks that are pursuing this, saying that as these communities are finalized and more bus routes come in we need to go back to them and say " hey look we have a express bus route and would like to be included in the overlay". So, when the SWV finishes on their Specific Plan they will have to go back and request to be included. Essentially, it says you can build without any on-site parking within these certain areas that fall within the proper parameters. CPC thought that was a little too broad, they re-recommended it become a pilot program, that would be looked at individually, community by community, over the next 3-5 years. Determining what

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communities are benefiting, which ones don't. They basically threw that out the window and basically said we are taking a leap of faith. It is going forward and probably by the end of this year you will be able to build within these areas without any on-site parking. We requested they exempt beach communities, but they rejected that as well. Thursday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm the city is holding a what to know when reviewing projects. It is a training session or all planning group members.

**Southwest Village Committee- Felipe Nuno:** We had quite a few no shows. We are discussing different concepts on how to move forward. Overall, this was a good meeting. We will discuss new topics every month.

**Border Transportation- Alejandra Mier y Teran:** The new Otay Mesa Transit Center is now open. The number of riders using the new South Bay Rapid routes is high. Caltrans is looking to close the 905 E freeway some Sunday nights. As you remember San Diego is a test city for the self-driving cars pilot. This might begin next month. We will send out notifications when that happens. Caltrans is starting construction of the second phase of SR-11. The off ramps at SB 125 freeway, 905 W/E and SR-11. I will send out notices on when the SR-11 phase-2 construction will commence.

**La Media Truck Route Alejandra Mier y Teran:** City rejected request of signs to be placed on Airway Road and La Media Road to advise of road closure. City said that they would put signs at the intersection, which will not help. They continued to say that it is not needed as they had already placed signs on Airway Road. Caltrans is open to doing this but would require an encroachment from the City. The City refused because they don't have the messaging boards. If you have any ideas email Gary Chu at the City. Rick Engineering is gearing up to take over all the work for La Media Road.

**San Diego Airport Advisory Committee- Lisa Golden:** Initially, they had some concerns about rabbits. Now the rabbits are gone and now there is a concern about the over grown grass. We need to mow. No real status changes.

**Code Enforcement - Rob Hixson:** I know that some properties are operating illegally. Please email those to the City and copy Carlos LaCarra on that email so he can follow up with them.

**Chamber Update- Alejandra Mier y Teran:** C-TPAT seminar on 2019 & 2020 changes. We will also be offering a webinar for those who can't physically attend. We will be hosting a member breakfast February 22, 2019. We will have newly elected councilmember Vivian Moreno joining us.

**La Media West Wetlands- Rob Hixson:** Nothing to report.

**East Otay Mesa Property Owner's Association Update – Rob Hixson:** Amazon is coming to east Otay Mesa. The county is working on the four corners at Alta Road in east Otay Mesa.

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**Informational Items:**

- a. Informational update on the Pump Station 23T – Leonard Wilson
- b. Lumina Project Overview – Rita Mahoney

**Action Items:**

**Motion:** Lumina Project

**Vote:** Jimmy Ayala, Felipe Nuno, seconded

**Vote No:** None

**Resolved:** No

**Recommendation/ Comment:** Jimmy Ayala retracted his motion to approve due to lack of evidence of Environmental Reports. Mark Freed also noted, this can't be approved until we see the reports from the City. All rules for previous presenters must also be applied to this project. Lisa Golden concurred. Project is to return to the Planning Group once all documents are made available.

**Abstained:** None

**Recuse:** Rita Mahoney recused herself from this vote.

**Motion:** Border Business Park Right of Ways- Vacations Project No. 452613

**Vote:** Chris Holder, Tom Story seconded.

**Vote No:** None.

**Resolved:** Yes

**Recommendation/ Comment:** Item is approved.

**Abstained:** None

**Closing remarks:**

I appreciate all of you being here. Thank you.

**Old Business:**

No old business.

***Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. by Otay Mesa Planning Group Chair, Rob Hixson***