

**Mira Mesa Community Planning Group
Draft Meeting Minutes**

Date/Time: Monday, August 28, 2023, 7:00pm

Location: Mira Mesa Public Library, 8405 New Salem Street, San Diego CA 92126

Call to Order/ 7:13 PM by Chris Cate. Attendance recorded (9 Attendees | No Quorum)

Attendees: Bo Gibbons, Andrew Miklusicak, ~~Lillith Nover~~, ~~Ramon Bieri~~, ~~Nicholas Boechler~~, Chris Cate, ~~Tommy Hough~~, ~~Joe Frichtel~~, ~~Bari Vaz~~, Sean Tompkins, Dorothy Lorenz, Keith Flitner, ~~Julia Schriber~~, ~~Harikishan Parekh~~, Tiffany English, David Mandelbaum, Mike Linton, ~~Phillip Linssen~~, ~~Evan Cassolato~~.

1. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (Action) – No Quorum
2. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker.
 - a. Bob Macomber (Ramona Resident) www.wearepowersandiego.com
 - i. Forming a non-profit utility to replace SDG&E. Power San Diego campaign. Citizen run; ballot measure will be proposed.
 - ii. Would like to get on agenda for next meeting.
 - b. Kathleen Lippitt - Smoke free multi-use housing
 - i. Proposing Mira Mesa adopt this measure.
 - c. Mitz Lee – Would like to have these items added to the agenda for next meeting.
 - i. Transfer oversight of the Mira Mesa Epicenter from the Department of Real Estate and Airport Management to the San Diego City Park and Recreation Department.
 - ii. Planning committee provide an overview and discussion on the significance of the Public Facilities Planning Impact Fee Fiscal Year Summary for Mira Mesa – clarify the importance to Mira Mesa Residents and Planning Committee members.
 - iii. Mira Mesa Community Fund – Address the fund balance.
 - d. Gloria Rickard – Fiscal priorities if there was a discussion and prior notice to the Mira Mesa residents.
 - i. Additional priority – Budget allocations and understanding of all use of capital projects. Please include community park expansions, performing arts and cultural center.
 - ii. Would like to have more representation in the community with transparency.
 - e. Lani Hardman
 - i. Epicenter – would like to have more community involvement on the budget allocations. Would like to have more transparency.
 - ii. Would like to have more inclusivity.
3. Announcements & Reports: 2 Minutes per speaker. Community groups are encouraged to promote awareness of their events at this point in the meeting.
 - a. Report of the Chair
 - i. Presentation from Cannabis division - City Staff will postpone until next year.
 - ii. Update on the Lazy Dog – continue to work with city of SD to get permits. Modification to building, patio and fireplace to be revised.
 - iii. Mail:

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Notice of Right to Appeal and Environmental Determination for Accept and Expend Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP Cycle 11) Grant Funding for Pedestrian Systemic Safety at Traffic Signals

Notice of Decision from DSD approving an amendment to a previously approved Conditional Use Permit for conversion of an existing Marijuana Production Facility to a Cannabis Production Facility at 9212 Mira Este Ct.

- b. Community Planners Committee
 - i. Meeting was week of 8/21 and presentation from City Planning department. Material, services and costs of planning group operations and annual stipend of \$500.
 - c. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee
4. Modifications to the Agenda.
5. Old Business
- a. None.
6. New Business
- a. Water Easement Vacation – 10055 Barnes Canyon Road (Action) – No Quorum
 - i. Public water main, added loop system/private system. Two new meters that are public. Would like approval to vacate previous public easement. Rick’s Engineering. ARE site.
 - b. Establishment of Sub-Committee to Apply for Official Community Planning Group Recognition (Action) – No Quorum
 - i. Formal recognition process. Deadline 12/31/2023. Documents that need to be adopted and developed by the MMCPG. Subcommittee to formed. Jeff and Nick willing to serve. Dorothy, Bo and Andrew are interested in participating. By law revisions will be a part of this process. Would like to have it completed by end of October 2023. Please let Chris know if you are interested.
 - c. Replacement of Planning Group Member (Informational)
 - i. Planning Group member Tommy Hough has submitted his resignation. According to Article IV, Section 2 of the Bylaws, the Planning Group must appoint a new member within 120 days of his resignation. Mr. Hough was elected as a Resident member for a term of 4 years.
 - ii. Additionally, as was pointed out to me last night and confirmed, the same section states that the replacement member must satisfy the eligibility requirements outlined in Article III, Section 2 of the Bylaws. For this appointment, a replacement must satisfy the following:
 - iii. Must be at least 18 years of age.
 - iv. Resident, who is an individual whose primary address of residence is an address in the community planning area.
 - v. Must have attended at least one planning group meeting.
 - i. Therefore, we will have an item scheduled for our October 16th meeting to appoint our new member. Interested parties will

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have an opportunity to satisfy the eligibility requirements at the September 18th meeting.

- ii. Attached is application for eligibility. I encourage you to please distribute this to any interested parties you feel would like to be considered for appointment. We will have a sign-in sheet at our September meeting as well. Interested parties putting forward their name for consideration must complete the application and submit prior to the October 16 meeting.

7. Elected Officials/Government Agencies

- a. United States Congress – California 53rd District Kathleen Dang for Sara Jacobs - **No representative**
- b. California Senate – District 40 Marc Schaefer for **Brian Jones 10650 Trina St., 92131, 858.547.3818, marc.schaefer@scn.ca.gov**
 - i. October 4th – District office grand opening 6-8pm Flyers available
 - ii. Recognizing Bari Vaz as Woman of the Year
 - iii. Legislation updates.
 - a. SB236 Human Trafficking Bill Update
 - b. SB832 – defeated.
 - c. AB46 – Pension tax exemption for Military
 - d. SB55 – Catalytic Convertor
 - e. SB14 – Human Trafficking Bill
 - f. 9/14 deadline for proposing any new builds.
- c. California Assembly – District 78 Miki Holmes for Chris Ward
 - i. The deadline to pass all legislation is September 14. So far, Assemblymember Ward has one bill (AB 30) that passed out of the legislature and is currently awaiting the governor’s signature. The governor has until October 14 to sign or veto bills.
 - ii. We are thrilled to announce the 2023 Small Businesses of the Year for AD 78. They are:
 1. - 1502 Candle Co. (Grantville)
 2. - Baba Kabob (Mira Mesa)
 3. - Odyssey Training Center (Linda Vista)
 4. - Sisters Pizza (Hillcrest)
 5. - Hopnonymous Brewing (Convoy)
 6. Thank you to everyone who nominated a small business for recognition.
 - iii. If anyone has any questions or concerns with a state entity, please reach out to me! I am happy to assist with the DMV, EDD, or any other state entity.
 - iv.
- d. San Diego County – Board of Supervisors District 3 Becca Smith for Terra Lawson-Remer **No representative**
- e. San Diego – Mayor’s Office Michaela Valk for Todd Gloria – **No representative**
- f. San Diego – City Council District 6 Jermaine Rocacorba for Kent Lee

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- I. **Gold Coast Drive Updates:** Installation of storm drain will continue on Westchester Drive from Gold Coast Drive to Woodlawn Drive and on Gold Coast Drive near Camino Ruiz. Monthly updates are reported here: [Street Reconstruction Group 1801 | Capital Improvements Program \(CIP\) | City of San Diego Official Website](#). Anticipated schedule completion is early to mid-2024.
 1. About the project: Improvements include pavement reconstruction; replacement of traffic signal detection loops, traffic striping/markings and damaged sidewalks; installation of curb ramps to facilitate access for persons with disabilities, curb and gutter and cross gutters, bus stop pads and drainpipes and tree removal. Multiple underground utilities from San Diego Gas & Electric, AT&T and Spectrum Charter Communications relocated.
 - II. **Free Wildfire Preparedness Fair, September 7th from 9am-Noon (flyers attached)/Fire Safety:**
 1. Provide attendees, especially homeowners and homeowners associations access to city staff, city and county fire representatives about wildfire preparedness, evacuation and response, home hardening vendors, insurance industry representatives, SDG&E, San Diego Parks and Rec/Open Space, Land Use and Planning and fire safe council representatives. Our office supports this event and hope that you can attend!
 2. We recognize fire safety is critical and often our office receives questions about what we're doing about it. We collaborated with the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department, Open Space Division (including Biologists), Parks and Recreation (including Park Rangers), and HOA leaders about how they operate with brush management and how we can better inform/protect our neighborhoods. The Open Space Division performs the brush thinning/management in a rotational schedule ([see here](#)) on City lands in collaboration with Environmental Services timelines/wildlife timelines (when bird eggs are hatching as an example) in order to also protect precious habitats that support our neighborhood ecosystem. If your neighbors are not complying with fire safety codes or you'd like to learn more [here](#) or contact the appropriate Code Compliance Officers department [here](#) .
 - III. **Low-Cost Pet Care Event at Mira Mesa Community Park, Sept. 30th from 10am - 4pm (see flyer attached):** In collaboration with the San Diego Humane Society, the Office of Councilmember Kent Lee is hosting this event to provide services like free pet microchipping and low-cost services such as physical exams with a veterinarian and vaccines.
- g. MCAS Miramar - *No representative*

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8. Adjourn **8:06pm** – *Next Meeting September 18, 2023*