



Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198
www.rbplanningboard.com

April 18, 2024, 7:00pm

Meeting Minutes

InPerson: 7 Oaks Community Center 16789 Bernardo Oaks Dr, San Diego, CA 92128

2024 RB PLANNING BOARD									
P = present		A = absent			ARC = arrived after roll call				
Robin Kaufman	P	Sara Nucci	A	Steve Dow	P	June Smith	P		
Benjamin Wier	P	Vicki Touchstone	P	Hugh Rothman	ARC	Sujata Yellaepeddi	P		
Gary Long	P	Donald Bertsch	P	Sonny Goggins	A	Keith Mikas	P		
Rebecca Rapp	P	Steve Gallant	P	Alfredo Ortiz	P			Total Seated	15
								Total in Attendance	13

ITEM #1 **Call to Order/Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum of 12 was met at the time, with the 13th member arriving at 7:27 p.m.

ITEM #2 **Mobility Master Plan:** **Information Item**
 Sara Pierce and her team from the City of San Diego gave a presentation on the City’s new Mobility Master Plan. The draft came out this past October. The Rancho Bernardo Planning Board submitted comments on the matter.

ITEM #3 **Seat New Members**
 Gary Long, Election Ad hoc chair, announced those those who would be seated to fill positions this year. New members shall be seated at the start of the regular meeting in order to allow their full participation as elected members at the April planning group meeting. The individuals included: Sonny Goggins, Steve Down, June Smith, Robin Kaufman, Vicki Touchstone, Donald Bertsch and Alfredo Ortiz. Gary Long thanked Ben Wier and Ketih Mikas for their assistance on the Ad hoc committee.

ITEM #4 **Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker):** None.

ITEM #5 **Government Staff Reports:** **Information Item**
 Andrew, one of the field representatives from Supervisor Joel Anderson’s office, supplied updates on safe parking areas in El Cajon, a pilot program for RV parking which includes 17 unities in Lakeside on County property. He also mentioned there would be a fentanyl workshop in Poway on May 7th.

ITEM #6 **Election of Officers** **Voting Item**
 Gary Long, Elections Ad hoc chair, asked for nominations of all the officers. After some discussion a motion was made Gary Long/Steve Gallant to elect the following: Robin Kaufman (chair), Ben Wier (vice chair), Gary Long (treasurer), Sujata Yellaepeddi (secretary). Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.

ITEM #7 **Modification and Adoption of Agenda:** **Voting Item**
 Motion made Ben Wier/Hugh Rothman to accept the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.

- ITEM #8** **Administrative Items:** **Voting Items**
- a. Approve February and March 2024 Meeting Minutes: Motion made June Smith/Sujata Yellaepeddi to approve the February 2024 minutes. Motion passed 10-0-3 with Rebecca Rapp, Steve Dow and Alfredo Ortiz abstaining as they were not present, and Alfredo was not a member yet.
Motion made Ben Wier/Keith Mikas to approve the March 2024 minutes. Motion passed 6-0-7. Rebecca Rapp, Steve Dow, Steve Gallant, Hugh Rothman and Sujata Yellaepeddi were not present. Alfredo Ortiz abstained as he was not a member yet.
 - b. Approve Treasurer’s Report: Gary Long informed us we have \$322.95 in our account and \$73.63 (with \$48.49 outstanding) in the City funds. Motion made Gary Long/Steve Gallant to accept the report. Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.
 - c. Ben Wier announced our website can fall under his business to help reduced our expenses.

ITEM #9 **Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment** **Voting Item**
None.

ITEM #10 **Draft Environmental Justice Element of the City's General Plan** **Voting Item**
Environmental Justice is a new element to be added to the General Plan by the City of San Diego.
The purpose of the element is to advance the equitable distribution of benefits and limit environmental burdens in the City to promote healthy and livable communities for all San Diegans. The Regional Issues Committee will present proposed comments for the Board to forward to the Planning Department and Planning Commission regarding the proposals included in the draft document, as well as comments related to the limited time (only 30 days) provided by the City for review and comment on the draft plan. The document is available for review at:
<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/environmental-justice-element-> [see second paragraph on the site for a link to the pdf].
Vicki Touchstone, Regional Issues subcommittee chair, presented the information along with a draft letter for approval. Motion made Vicki Touchstone/Hugh Rothman to send the letter to the planning commission, planning department and city council. Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.

ITEM #11 **Blueprint San Diego Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report** **Voting Item**
The Blueprint San Diego document and accompanying Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) were also provided for review and comment by the Planning Department. Blueprint SD is a proactive effort by the City to create an equitable and sustainable framework for growth to support current and future San Diegans. The proposal will be used to refresh the General Plan. All comments on the Plan and DEIR are due by April 29, 2024. Information related to this item is available at: <https://www.sandiego.gov/blueprint-sd>. Motion made Vicki Touchstone/Steve Dow to approve the reviewed Regional Issues Committee's comments on the documents, including a request to the Planning Department to provide more time for providing public comment. Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.

ITEM #12 **Appointment of Subcommittee Chairs:** **Voting Item**
Committees include: Development Review (Ben Wier), Regional Issues (Vicki Touchstone), Traffic and Transportation (Robin Kaufman), Community Outreach (Keith Mikas). Motion made Sujata Yellaepeddi/Vicki Touchstone to accept those mentioned as the chairs this year. Motion passed unanimously, 13-0-0.

ITEM #13 **Appointment of Subcommittee Resident Members:** **Voting Item**
All subcommittees may have resident members as long as the resident members do not hold a majority of positions on the subcommittees. The resident members are appointed by the Chair and approved by the full board membership present. No residents presented themselves to be on any of the subcommittees at this time.

ITEM #14 **Sub-Committee Reports:** **Information Item**
Development Review..... Benjamin Wier - there may be a meeting.

Regional Issues..... Vicki Touchstone – no meeting.
Traffic & Transportation..... Robin Kaufman – there will be a meeting.

ITEM #15 Liaison Reports: **Information Item**
Community Council.....Robin Kaufman (Report Attached)*
Community Planners Committee (CPC).....Vicki Touchstone
Community Recreation Group (CRG).....Robin Kaufman (did not meet)
SANDAG..... Steve Dow (Report Attached)*
San Dieguito River ParkVicki Touchstone
San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group.....
Commercial Representative

ITEM #16 OLD BUSINESS ITEM:

ITEM #17 NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

**RB Planning Board – SANDAG Update
(Steve Dow; 2024-04-11)**

• April 2024 highlights

- SANDAG “Bike Anywhere Day” is May 16
 - Can register in link above (chance to win e-bike)
 - <https://sandag.regfox.com/2024-bike-anywhere-day>
- SANDAG Bike Locker/Parking Program
 - \$25 deposit, for secured (and monitored) bike parking throughout region
 - <https://www.sandag.org/projects-and-programs/regional-initiatives/sustainable-transportation-services/bike-services/bike-parking>
- SANDAG/MTS planning improvements to San Ysidro Transit Center
 - If interested in taking survey to provide input, due before April 30
 - <https://engage.sandag.org/san-ysidro-transit-center-improvements>
- SANDAG’s 2050 Projections
 - Aging population -- 20% population to be over 65 (was 10% in 2000)
 - Mild population increase projected – expecting 3% higher than 2022
 - <https://adlsdasadsprodpublicwest.z22.web.core.windows.net/sr15/sr15-infobits-march2024.pdf>
- North Coast Corridor (NCC) Rail Project
 - American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)’s Outstanding Transportation Project award
 - <https://www.sandag.org/-/media/SANDAG/Documents/PDF/projects-and-programs/roads-and-highways/build-ncc/build-ncc-general-about-project-08-15-23>

RB Community Council meeting:
Via Robin Kaufman

- A presentation was given on the proposed UCSD Health Center
- A presentation was given by the Balboa Park Cultural Partnership
- The board approved exploring web designers to update our website
- The board approved the annual letter to the city in support of the community July 4th event
- The board approved to conduct the annual patriotic pet contest on July 4th
- The board reviewed information on the upcoming promotion for members - deadline in April 30th.
- The board reviewed details for the annual earth day fair on April 14th

