

Mira Mesa Community Planning Group Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Monday, November 18, 2024, 7:00pm

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

Attendees (17 Members): Bo Gibbons, Andrew Miklusicak, Lillith Nover, Chris Cate, ~~Ria Otero~~, Joe Frichtel, Bari Vaz, Sean Tompkins, Dorothy Lorenz, ~~Keith Flitner~~, Julia Schriber, Tiffany English, ~~David Mandelbaum~~, Mike Linton, Phillip Linssen, Jacob Ricketts, Tracee Denby.

(2 Open Seats) – One landowner and one business seat

Call to Order/Confirm quorum: 7:03p, Quorum 14 of 19 (*Minimum of 8 required for Quorum*)

1. Modifications to the Agenda
 - a. New property owner seat – defer to January
2. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (Action) - Approved
 - a. Minutes of October 21, 2024, meeting
 - b. 12 approved, 2 abstain, 0 opposed
3. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker.
 - a. Jeffrey Stevens | Stone Creek implementation – The Mira Mesa Community Planning Group approved the Stone Creek project with a number of comments on August 17, 2020, at which time I was Planning Group chair. Our main concerns at the time were that the Master Plan be followed as the project is developed, and that all planned traffic improvements be implemented. Since that time, the City has terminated the FBA programs, which means that we cannot count on developer fees from this project to build public facilities. Two public facilities necessary to offset the impact of this large project are completion of the City's section of Carroll Canyon Road and the Recreation Center in the new Community Park in Carroll Canyon. We need a firm commitment from the City to build these two projects.
4. Planning Group Member Comments
 - a. Joe Frichtel
 - Lazy Dog Restaurant – what is the status
 - RSVP – Need more volunteers
 - Parking agreement review
 - Mission Bay Southshore survey that is still going on. On city website, participate
5. Reports
 - a. Report of the Chair
 - Meeting dates for 2025 will be sent out before the holidays
 - No December meeting: January meeting is the next meeting
 - Measure B updates will be in January meeting
 - Extension of cannabis facility has been granted
 - b. Community Planners Committee – Bo Gibbons
 - Vote about virtual and/or hybrid meetings; trying to encourage more engagement
 - c. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee
 - Canceled November meeting due to holidays
 - Will have January meeting

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- Alternate - Jacob Ricketts
6. Old Business
 - a. Appointment of Property Owner Seat (Action) – Approved
 - Deferred to January
 7. New Business
 - a. PRJ-1116638 – 9486 Babauta Road (Action) – Approved (14-0-0)
 - See presentation provided
 - b. Easement Vacation – 4930 Directors Place (Action) – Approved (14-0-0)
 - c. Appointment of Alternate Representative for Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee (Action) – Approved (14-0-0)
 - Jacob Ricketts is approved to be alternate
 - d. Pedestrian crossing between Mira Mesa High School and Mira Mesa Senior Center (Action) – Approved (14-0-0)
 - Need crosswalk for safety; MMCPG is requesting that the City Transportation department due a study and research/cost out options for pedestrian crosswalk. Intersection at Camino Ruiz and Mira Mesa Blvd.
 - Public comment – Jane Glassen, noted hazard between pedestrians and vehicle traffic
 - MMCPG comments - Would like the MMCPG to City to start the process to review and provide a safe solution for the community
 8. Elected Officials/Government Agencies
 - a. United States Congress – California 51st District for Sara Jacobs – No representative
 - b. California Senate – District 40 Marc Schaefer for Brian Jones – No representative
 - c. California Assembly – District 78 Michael Bravo for Chris Ward – No representative
 - 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 | Updates emailed from Michaela Valk on November 18, 2024, at 9:24pm
 - **Mill and Pavement Repair**
 - In a couple of meetings, I've shared with residents and board members about the new type of in-house road treatment that the Transportation Department completes. Some may have saw the news coverage from a few weeks ago with the Mayor and Councilmember Lee on Aqua Mansa which had a failed score of 6.3 and one of the worst roads in San Diego.
 - I'm also highlighting recent permanent repairs at 7600 Carroll Road from Miramar Road to Kenamar Drive have been completed by our in-house mill and pave teams. This .70 lane-mile area had PCIs as low as 31.0.
 - Photos of our completed work are below: Before & After Photos



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- Mira Mesa Park Updates
- **Mira Mesa Community Park Phase II Improvements:**
- Construction Progress Update: Rough grading, compaction, and storm drain work on the Senior Center parking lot are underway; site utilities work, and DSD inspections are ongoing, along with coordination with SDG&E, AT&T, and the Public Art Element.
- **Salk Neighborhood Park Joint Use Development:**
- Construction is approximately 79% complete, with ongoing work to include biological surveying of noise levels and continuing work on the Maddox Park: upper CMU retaining walls, Parking Lot: subbase for pavers. Oval Park: irrigation main. Comfort Station: structural steel, third CMU lift.
- *Several challenges are delaying the construction at Salk Park, and the site has been inactive since Oct. 17. Our team is currently working to resolve these challenges.*
 - *The contractor's procurement of the shade structure has been legally challenged by a third party due to alleged copyright violations that need to be cleared.*
 - *The contractor is seeking to substitute a non-performing subcontractor.*
 - *A design change related to surface drainage at Oval Field is being worked on.*
 - *Permit approvals. Because this is a Division of the State Architect (DSA)-permitted, joint-use project, all designs need DSA approval. Our team was waiting for the DSA to approve a wall at Maddox Park, and they recently received approval. Work on the wall is expected to resume soon.*
- The plant establishment period/park opening is scheduled for late spring 2025.
- **Wangenheim Neighborhood Park Joint Use Facility:**
 - Sports Fields: substantially completed on July 2nd. Comfort Station: Substantially completed on September 4th. Walker Neighborhood Park: construction continues at the site and will be completed in early 2025. All shade fabric sails are installed. Ongoing work to include walker park irrigation and hydroseeding for grass.
 - the Plant Establishment Period/Walker Park Opening scheduled in late spring of 2025.

f. San Diego – City Council District 6 Ana Serrano for Kent Lee

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PARKS

Mira Mesa Community Park Phase II Improvements

- Construction Progress Update: Rough grading, compaction, and storm drain work on the Senior Center parking lot are underway; site utilities work, and DSD inspections are ongoing, along with coordination with SDG&E, AT&T, and the Public Art Element. For more details, please see the project's [website](#) for a report covering work completed from September 20 to October 20.
[Salk Neighborhood Park Joint Use Development](#)
- Site had been inactive since October 17th, reasons:
 - The contractor's procurement of the shade structure has been legally challenged by a third party due to alleged copyright violations that need to be cleared.
 - The contractor is seeking to substitute a non-performing subcontractor.
 - A design change related to surface drainage at Oval Field is being worked on.
 - Permit approvals. Because this is a Division of the State Architect (DSA)-permitted, joint-use project, all designs need DSA approval. Our team was waiting for the DSA to approve a wall at Maddox Park, and they recently received approval. Work on the wall is expected to resume soon.
- **Ongoing work:** biological surveying of noise levels, CMU retaining walls, parking lot paving and the subbase for fire lane pavers on Maddox Park, irrigation on the Oval Park, and the comfort station.
- **Expected Project Completion:** Plant Establishment Period/Park Opening still scheduled for late spring of 2025.

Wangenheim Neighborhood Park Joint Use Facility

- **Ongoing work** at Walker Neighborhood Park with an estimated substantial completion in early 2025.
- All shade fabric sails are installed. Ongoing work to include walker park irrigation and hydroseeding for grass.
- **Expected Project Completion:** Plant Establishment Period/Park Opening scheduled for late spring of 2025.

Hourglass

- According to the Parks and Recreation Department, their recent annual playground inspection determined that some equipment is old and needs repair. They're currently in the process of replacing the broken playground equipment.

EVENTS

Turkey Giveaway

- Thanksgiving Turkey Distribution on Saturday, November 23, 2024.
- **Already full** but link has other Turkey distributions in San Diego
- District 6 residents and families in need are invited to pre-register for a no-cost Thanksgiving turkey (12-14 lbs.)!
- Sign up at bit.ly/D6Turkeys. Confirmed registrants will receive pick-up instructions by email.

Trees for Troops

- Trees for Troops on Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- District 6 service members and veterans are invited to receive a complimentary holiday tree (5-6 ft. Douglas fir)!

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OTHER

Statewide Daylighting Law

- What it does: Prohibits vehicle parking within 20 feet of any marked or unmarked crosswalk to improve the range of vision of approaching drivers, so they are more likely to see pedestrians, skateboarders, and others in the intersection.
- The California state legislature passed this law (AB413) in September 2023, and it will be enforceable beginning Jan. 1, 2025.
- **For the first 60 days after Jan. 1, 2025, San Diego Police will issue warning notices to vehicles parked in violation of the new law, and ticketing will commence after the warning period concludes.**
- Work has already begun at intersections in the City with high pedestrian and vehicular traffic, in the form of red curb paint and signage prohibiting parking. However, as a practical matter, not all City curbs will be able to be marked.

Get It Done Research Panel

- All residents of the City of San Diego are eligible to participate
- Have a direct impact on improving Get It Done and, if selected, get a \$50 USD gift card
- Requirements:
 - a. Fill in an interest form
 - i. [Get It Done Research Panel Interest Form \(English\)](#)
 - ii. [Get It Done Research Panel Interest Form \(Spanish\)](#)
 - b. Must be available for an hour-long (in-person or virtual) interview between December 9th, 2024 and December 20th, 2024
 - c. Engage with future inquiries about your experience using Get It Done
- If you have any questions or need further assistance, contact syfang@sandiego.gov
- g. MCAS Miramar – No representative

9. Adjourn 7:51pm; Next Meeting January 2025 – Final date to be provided