

Mira Mesa Community Planning Group Adopted Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Thursday, January 23, 2025, 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: 7:01, Quorum 9 of 19 (*Minimum of 8 required for Quorum*)

1. Modifications to the Agenda – None.
2. Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes (Action) – Lillith/Joe: Motion to approve with amendments
 - a. Minutes of November 18, 2024 meeting
 - b. 9 approved, 0 abstain, 0 opposed
3. Non-Agenda Public Comments: 3 Minutes per speaker.
 - a. Pam Stevens: MMTC and Scripps Mesa Fireworks preparing for the July 3rd fireworks celebration. The watch party will be at Hourglass beginning at 4pm and the fireworks show will begin at 9pm. First meeting will be on 1/24 at Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church.
4. Planning Group Member Comments – None.
5. Reports
 - a. Report of the Chair
 - Epicentre Groundbreaking on 1/29 at 4pm
 - IBA Budget Review Townhall meeting on Thursday 2/20 from 6-8pm at the Senior Center
 - February’s MMCPG meeting will be on 2/19 at 7pm
 - b. Community Planners Committee
 - Presented by Bo.
 - Comments relating to Coastal Resiliency Master Plan, Land Development Code Update process, “Footnote 7”, and increasing the budget for CPGs
 - c. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee
 - Presented by Pam.
 - No quorum for the January 16 meeting.
6. Old Business
 - a. None
7. New Business
 - a. Coastal Commission Modification to Mira Mesa Community Plan (Informational)
 - Information only, no action taken. Presentation on file.
 - b. Appointment of Election Committee (Action)
 - Presented by Jeff Stevens
 - Andrew/Lillith: Motion to appoint Sean and Keith to the Election Subcommittee

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- Motion approved. 9-0-0
- c. Measure B Cost of Service Study Results (Informational)
 - Information only, no action taken. Presentation on file.
- d. Wireless Facility – 7598 1/3 Calle Cristobal (Action)
 - Presentation on file.
 - Phil/Bo: Motion to approve
 - Motion approved. 9-0-0
- e. Mira Mesa Mall Street Vacation – (Action)
 - Presentation on file.
 - Phil/Sean: Motion to approve
 - Motion approved. 9-0-0

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

- This will be my last meeting before I go on maternity leave through July/August. In my absence, my colleague Lucero Maganda (cc'd here and her email address is lmaganda@sandiego.gov) will be filling in as the Acting Director of Community Engagement and the point of contact for the neighborhoods in Council District 6 for the Mayor's office as well as the Asian Pacific Islander constituency. Lucero will be overseeing three council districts in addition to other responsibilities, so her ability to go to the community meetings will be limited but in case you need any assistance from the Mayor's office or a meeting that is important to have our presence please don't hesitate to reach out to her. Likewise, Lucero will be directly in touch with you about any Mira Mesa community matters as well as monthly updates from the Mayor.

- **Mira Mesa Community Park Phase II Improvements:**

Installation of exterior site lighting, concrete placement for the aquatic building slab and footings, and installation of an underground stormwater retention system are underway. Additionally, work has commenced on renovating the existing recreation center.

- **Salk Neighborhood Park Joint Use Development:**

Construction is approximately 79% complete. Due to the ongoing legal issues related to the shade structure procurement by the contractor, limited construction is happening at the site, including Grading and forming sundial at Oval Field. Comfort Station: Grouting 3rd lift of CMU. Oval Field: Install irrigation mainline and complete surface drainage at the butterfly area. Substantial completion is projected for June 2025.

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There is a delay with the lead time and DSA review of the shade structure and the retaining walls at Maddox Park and Dog Park, among other unforeseen conditions. The Plant Establishment Period/Park Opening scheduled in late spring of 2025.

- **Wangenheim Neighborhood Park Joint Use Facility:**

The project is about 99.6% complete. The turf over the north area (Walker Park) has been replaced and is currently under a plant establishment period. Following turf establishment, the stormwater facilities need to be inspected for final acceptance, which is projected to be in the spring of 2025.

- **Preparing for Floods and Fires:**

One year ago, the January 22, 2024 floods devastated many of our communities and is one of the most significant natural disasters in San Diego History. One of the on-going efforts the City has done to help educate residents about flood preparation is by mailing the attached Flood Preparedness brochure (attached) to those who live in or own property located in a floodplain as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The brochure includes tips on how to prepare for flood emergencies, protect property, and report issues in a neighborhood. Staying informed is essential to your successful preparedness during an emergency. For additional information, please visit <https://www.sandiego.gov/oes/emergencypreparedness>.

During this critical fire weather period, [CalOES](#) urges all Californians to remain vigilant and adhere to the guidance provided by emergency officials.

It's important that every resident prepare their home and their family for the possibility of a major fire. San Diego Fire Rescue recommends residents to review and follow their [Ready Set Go](#) Guide.

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

- Mira Mesa Community Park Phase II Improvements

- The website for this Capital Improvement Project contains the latest updates.
- Rough Grading & USRS excavation Completed: The rough grading for the project and the excavation for the underground stormwater retention structure has been completed.
- Underground system installation: Crews are putting in underground systems for water, sewage, and the drainage pipes. For the aquatic building PCL has completed the installation for the plumbing and electrical conduit.
- Recreation Center: The recreation center has undergone termite treatment.

- Salk Neighborhood Park Joint Use Development

- Due to the ongoing legal issues related to the shade structure procurement by the contractor, limited construction is happening at the site.
- Expected Project Completion: Plant Establishment Period/Park Opening still scheduled for late spring of 2025. As of now, the projected timeline

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for Salk Park's completion has not changed, this depends on the current legal issue with the shade structures.

- Wangenheim Neighborhood Park Joint Use
 - The project is nearly complete.
 - The turf over the north area (Walker Park) has been replaced and is currently under a plant establishment period.
 - Following turf establishment, the stormwater facilities need to be inspected for final acceptance, which is projected to be spring 2025
- SRG 1801
 - Through December 20, 2024: Crews worked on storm drains at Camino Ruiz and Gold Coast Drive and added new asphalt to trench lines. They also installed highline along the curb on Parkdale Avenue (Flanders Drive to Dancy Road).
 - Through January 10, 2025: Crews have been prepping for paving on Parkdale Avenue (Port Royal Drive to Northrup Drive) and conducting utility exploration at Mira Mesa Blvd./Parkdale Ave. and Gold Coast Dr./San Ramon Dr.
 - January 6 to February 3, 2025: Crews have encountered several utilities within our proposed paving sections during the paving prep work. As a result, paving will need to be pushed back a couple weeks while we actively work with the utilities to resolve these issues.
- Epicentre (from County):
 - Epicentre groundbreaking will be happening next week on Thursday, January 29th at 4 pm.
- OTHER
 - CM was voted Council President Pro Tem
 - Committee appointments for this year:
 - Chair, Land Use and Housing Committee
 - Vice Chair, Active Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
 - Vice Chair, Rules Committee
 - Member, Budget and Government Efficiency Committee
 - Member, Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
- g. MCAS Miramar – Kristen Camper
 - Three fires in the last 3 weeks
 - Airshow will be September 26-28th
 - Officially called “America’s Airshow”

9. Adjourn 8:32pm; Next Meeting February 19, 2025