

Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group

April 8, 2025 Minutes

Call to Order

- Chair Jenkins called the meeting to order at 1832 hours.

Roll Call

The following members were present for a quorum:

- Wayne English
- Samantha Jenkins
- Erin Tomaras
- Don Houston
- Guy Preuss
- Larry Young
- Avery Montoya
- Tanisha-Jean Martin
- Arielle Cook

The following members were absent:

- Cynthia Romero
- Rhonda Shepherd

Non-Agenda Public Comment

- Citizens Cesar and Pumila Javier provided information about home-based ceramic operations in their neighborhood and resulting health issues.
- Member Preuss provided three book recommendation (City of San Diego Guide to Planning, Urban Planning for Dummies, Pride of Place: Building the American Dream) for the new board members.
- Citizen Dorene Dias reported a complaint that the March 11, 2025 elections were conducted in violation of the Brown Act and Policy No.: 600-24.
- Citizen Alexandria Young asked to put trash cans at bus stops to reduce trash.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- Today's agenda was approved unanimously.
- The following edits were requested for the March 11, 2025 minutes:
 - Fix typos of the names of Tanisha-Jean Martin and Dorene Dias
 - Revise the Non-Agenda Public Comment section to include:

- Dorene Dias provided information about community workshops on April 2 and 12 for the Jamacha Waterway Revitalization Project.
 - Revise Action/Motions section to include that Citizen Dorene Dias opposed the approval of new member applications.
- The March 11, 2025 minutes were approved unanimously with the previously described edits.

Representative Reports

- Robin Todd (Assembly District 79) provided an update on the assembly bills that Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins is bringing forward to the state assembly.
- Bruce Williams (City Council District 4) provided the following information:
 - Office hours with Councilmember Foster occur on Fridays at the Southeastern Live Well Center
 - Use the Get It Done app to report issues
 - The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System is being upgraded, including 19 trolley stations
 - Eight minor and two major curbside clean ups occur in District 4 per year
 - Mayor Gloria is releasing the proposed City budget on April 15
 - Upcoming events in June include the Cooper Family Foundation Juneteenth Celebration and San Diego Black Arts + Culture District Music Festival
 - Chandra Clady is no longer with Councilmember's office
- Officer Chris Jones (Community Relations Officer) provided the following information:
 - A printed resource sheet with numbers to contact for different concerns
 - Walk with a Cop will take place on April 12 at Chollas Lake
 - Crime stats are no longer provided at the meetings and should be removed from the agenda going forward

Community Planners Committee

- Member Preuss provided information from the City about potential changes to ADU Bonus Program.

Chair's Report

- Chair Jenkins discussed her conversations with City representatives about the election complaints. The City suggested putting together an ad-hoc committee to address the concerns.

Treasurer Report

- Balance remains unchanged.
- Member English noted that the bank account with the funds was previously located at the California Coast Credit Union.

Information Items

- Amy Nonaka, representing the City, presented on the “Ready, Set, Grow” tree planting program. Paradise Hills and Bay Terraces are part of the program.
 - Member Martin requested looking into adding trees to the vacant space outside of the Skyline Hills Public Library.
 - Citizen Roosevelt requested imagery for where trees were being placed.
- Chair Jenkins shared Policy No.: 600-24 regarding conduct of Planning Group members.
- Chair Jenkins shared that the annual training for planning group board members will be held live on May 29, 2025. An alternative online training will also be available.

Action Items/Motions

- Retroactive Collection of Evidence of Residence or Eligibility for New Board Members

Chair Jenkins requested current and valid photo identification be submitted to her by all new board members.

- Formation of an Ad-Hoc Annual Report Committee

Members Houston, Tomaras, and Montoya volunteered to form the committee and prepare the report, which is due on April 22, 2025.

- Formation of an Ad-Hoc Ballot Committee

Members Cook, English, and Young volunteered to form the committee and count the ballots for the officer elections held on March 11, 2025.

- Formation of an Ad-Hoc Committee for Election Complaints

Citizen Dias and Chair Jenkins volunteered to form the committee, and Member Romero was appointed. The committee will review the complaints against the planning group and provide solutions for a path forward.

Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 19:47.