

**OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES**

Robert Egger, Sr. - South Bay Recreation Center
March 12th, 2025

Members Present:

District 1 Edgar Garfias
District 2 Mary Lou Tarobal
District 4 Omar Araiza
District 5 Alexis Gonzalez
District 8 Steve Egger
District 9 Albert Estrada
District 12 Carlos Sanchez
District 13 Brian McGonagill
District 14 Augie Hernandez
District 15 Gary McGrath
District 16 Bobby Hicks

Members Absent:

District 7 Johnny E. Swanson
District 10 Bob Mikloski
District 11 Albert Velasquez

Vacant District Seats:

District 3
District 6

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** Bobby Hicks, Vice Chair of the Otay Mesa Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG), called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. He welcomed all Board members and members of the community to the meeting.
2. **Approval of the Minutes:** The draft minutes of the February 12th, OMNCPG meeting were approved unanimously.
3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:** (2-minute limit per speaker).
 - a. Mary Lou Tarobal –
 - i. Homeowner Insurance dropped even though there were 2 claims that weren't resolved in 5 years. Investigation claim wasn't covered, but was on file.
 - ii. Brought up that they would like to know what can be done by the board to make some progress.
 1. Recommendations to send letters to the State Department and Border Czar. Also to call the representatives and departments. Send complaint form to air control board. Working with other communities in the South Bay including Coronado. Bring up for the elections that are coming up for District 1.
 2. Edgar Garfias asked for the subcommittee to meet to work on putting together letters and information to make progress on this issue.
 - b. Omar Araiza attended IBWC meeting with updates for the process and progress. Mexico hasn't come thru on progress in the past and are working to get back on track. Brought up that Leon Benham spoke and made a presentation without disclosing that they were a board member of the IBWC.
 - i. Leon Benham spoke about his background and believes that the proposals won't be sufficient to handle additional flows over the next 7 years.
 - ii. There is consensus to add Leon for a presentation for next month's meeting.
 - c. Steve Egger brought up that the Poseidon \$1 Billion project has finished moving dirt after 3 years. Fire Division of Fish and Wildlife have finished cutting fire breaks in the Otay Valley Preserve south of the Swiss Park.

- d. Edgar Garfias spoke about the Housing Fund responses that we received.
 - e. Alberto Estrada asked what the purpose of the planning group.
 - f. #Stopthepoop representative brought up that he announced that he was a part of the commission. Senate Bill 10 for restoration of the Tijuana River Valley.
 - g. Alexis Gonzalez brought up local community plan and read the executive summary.
4. **San Diego Police Department Report:** SDPD Officer Carlos Edington, 619-424-0412, cedington@pd.sandiego.gov
- a. Complaints from receiving notice from Treasury Department. Policy Cry Wolf program for alarm system, if non-renewal notice is ignored, you will receive a \$10 fee.
 - b. Enforcement at Nestor Neighborhood Park for people parking overtime. Parking lot is full in the morning.
 - c. Bobby Hicks asked for clarification on the Daylight Law.
5. **Council District 8 Report:** Victor Caymaris, Council Representative, 619-236-6688, VCaymaris@sandiego.gov
- a. Apostille Pop Up Shop on March 12th at County Clerk's Office
 - b. Easier Passport Access for San Diegans on March 14th at San Ysidro Library
 - c. County of San Diego Homelessness Working Group meeting at Otay Mesa Nestor Library on March 20th.
 - d. Virtual crash course on the City's budget process on March 20th.
 - e. Get Prepared with a Free Disaster Course on April 5th at Jackie Robinson Family YMCA.
 - f. Creek to Bay Cleanup at Montgomery Waller Park on April 26th from 9am-12pm.
 - g. City of San Diego awarded Excellence in Data-Driven Government
 - h. Affordable Housing Verification Request Now Available Online
 - i. State of California announced annual homelessness funding for City of San Diego
6. **City of San Diego, Office of the Mayor:** Lucero Maganda, Community Representative, LMaganda@sandiego.gov
- a. No report.
7. **County Supervisor, First District:** Ernesto Castañeda, Community Representative, 858-289-9198, Ernesto.Castaneda@sdcounty.ca.gov
- a. No report.
8. **80th District Report:** Lilianna Barba, Field Representative, 619-498-8580, Lilianna.barba@asm.ca.gov
- a. AB 358 to allow law enforcement to examine devices belonging to deceased victims in order to investigate their death. Will allow law enforcement to examine devices used by stalkers and criminals to spy on others.
 - b. Brought up concerns about Ethanol. It is believed the increase would help reduce emissions and expand.
9. **52th District Report:** Valery Gomez, District Aide, Valery.Gomez@mail.house.gov

- a. No report.
- 10. **Sub-Committee Reports:**
 - a. Volunteer Code Compliance, Project Review, By-Laws, and Parks and Recreation subcommittees.
 - h. Election delayed until next month's election for seats 1-8, if operating procedures are approved.
 - i. Election for officers will take place next month, if operating procedures are approved. Nominations needed for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.
 - i. Omar Araiza nominated Alexis Gonzalez for Vice-Chair.
 - ii. Alexis Gonzalez nominates Omar Araiza for Chair and Bobby Hicks for Vice Chair.
 - iii. Brian McGonagill nominates Albert Velasquez for Chair, Edgar Garfias for Secretary.
- 11. **Action Item: Park Name Letter (Park located on Grove Ave. and 27th St.)**

Brian McGonagill requested a letter be drafted and sent to our representative about changing the name of the park.

 - a. Brian McGonagill made a motion to submit the letter to the Parks and Recs Department and Victor, seconded by Steve Egger. Bobby Hicks made a motion to reference David Alvarez using funds to initiate the park planning, seconded by Steve Egger. Unanimously approved.
- 12. **Action Item: Updates to the Planning Group's Operating Procedures**

The Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Planning Group previously approved updates to the election procedures in accordance with City feedback. The group has received additional feedback from the City for the election procedures and the operating procedures that are needed and recommended.

 - a. Omar Araiza made a motion to submit the updated, seconded by Mary Lou Tarobal. Unanimously approved.
- 13. **Chair's Report:** Albert Velasquez, OMNCPG Chair
 - a. N/A
- 14. **Meeting was adjournment at 7:51pm**

Guests Present at Meeting		
Ruben E Garfias	Matt Lord	Leon Benham
Clint Shipman	Baron Tartlow	