



Navajo Community Planning Group (NCPG) Minutes

July 09, 2025 - 6:30 p.m.

In person meeting at Flood Church, 4772 Alvarado Canyon Road, San Diego, CA 92120
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Call to Order: July 09, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

By Chairperson Gary Whaley presiding: Welcome.

Roll Call of Board Members:

Jana Hartwell (Allied Gardens)

Marilyn Reed (Allied Gardens)

Kevin Sullivan (Allied Gardens)

Brian Woodhouse (Allied Gardens)

Pamela Cotta (Del Cerro)

Elizabeth Grell (Del Cerro) Present virtually

John Hoy (Del Cerro) arrived 7:02 PM

Nate Stein (Del Cerro)

Nicholas Stoneking (Grantville)

Kyle Walker (Grantville)

VACANT (Grantville)

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Tamar Caspi (San Carlos) Present virtually

Danny Fitzgerald (San Carlos)

Gary Whaley (San Carlos)

VACANT (San Carlos)

1 -Absent

2 -Excused

10 in attendance of 13 members, Quorum is achieved

Approval of July 09, 2025 Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Nate Stein and seconded Danny Fitzgerald. Motion passes unanimously.

Approval of June 11, 2025 Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes by Jana Hartwell and seconded by Pamela Cotta. Motion passes unanimously.

Public Comment on non-agenda items:

No public comments were made.



Board Comment on non-agenda items:

Kevin Sullivan spoke regarding the Airport Advisory Committee meeting. The Committee was asked to approve the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Brown Field. Committee members shared that they did not have the expertise to do so. The Committee did pass a resolution that the EIR needs to be approved by the City.

Brian Woodhouse spoke about the need to ensure potential parking meters at Balboa Park are able to extend the time on the parking space so residents can spend multiple hours visiting Balboa Park's many destinations.

Comments include: Local San Diegans, who didn't create the budget problem, are being charged a fee for using downtown parking meters as a fundraising tool for the City.

Gary Whaley spoke about an email he received stating that Vulcan's Mission Valley Rock Quarry renewed its Conditional Use Permit (CUP) without receiving input from a Community Planning Group.

Elected Officials' Reports:

- **Council Member Raul Campillo's report by representative Anthony Hacket** – A "Coffee with the Councilmember" is planned for September 06; the exact time and location is still to be determined. The City Council voted 5-4 to approve the changes to the City's Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) policies. The San Carlos library had to be closed recently due to insect fumigation. The Granville Community Park has had repairs to its water fountain and play structures. Princess Del Cerro Community Park has also had repairs made.

Comments include: Del Cerro Boulevard still needs to have its repaving finished. The funding for the resurfacing is currently tied to local development and Development Impact Fees (DIF).

Directors' Reports:

- **The City's Community Planning Committee (CPC) meeting in June was attended by Gary Whaley** - The meeting was summarized as follows: The CPC reviewed the many changes to the City's ADU policies. The CPC is drafting a letter against SB 79, a State bill to expand building rights in transit areas. They plan to send the letter to many state officials. The chair read the proposed CPC letter to the meeting attendees.

Comments include: The CPC has the authority to speak on the behalf of all City Planning Groups because the CPC is officially recognized by the City as the voice of all Planning Groups. The Navajo Community Planning Group should consider abstaining on CPC votes that the NCPG has not discussed. The Community Planning Group's Chairperson has the authority to vote for the Group. The CPC is voting on Wednesday, July 09, 2025 regarding sending out the letter. Chair suggested those that want a voice in CPC matters should consider attending the meeting and speaking up during public comment.



- **Chair Report by Gary Whaley, Chairperson** – Chairperson Whaley asked for agenda requests be emailed to him with the subject of the email clearly stating the agenda request.

- **Treasurer Report by Kevin Sullivan, Treasurer** – The budget for 2025 has been emailed to the Board for review. Currently the Board is solvent. The non-profit status of Navajo Community Planners Incorporated (NCPI) needs over \$1,000 to be renewed. The current budget will still give the Board over \$200 to spend if needed.

Comments include: Kevin Sullivan needs a reimbursement check from the City in the amount of \$164.90 to be reviewed and signed by a member of the Board.

Action Items:

- **Maintaining or clarifying the non-profit status of the Navajo Community Planners Incorporated** – Gary Whaley suggested the registered agent of NCPI submit a corrected statement of information to remove Board members names from State records if a Board member makes this request. Gary Whaley stated that NCPI is not currently acting or operating as a non-profit and the non-profit part of the NCPG should be separated from NCPI and the State should be made aware that the two groups are separate.

Danny Fitzgerald spoke on the recent history of NCPI. Kevin Sullivan spoke about the State seeing NCPI as a corporation and the City recognizes NCPI as a corporation. The NCPI is in good standing as a corporation but not up to date with its non-profit filings. Gary Whaley read aloud the e-mail thread with prior Chair David Smith's statements about the NCPI being inactive and that the NCPI and the NCPG should be two separate entities. Brian Woodhouse noted that there has not been any fundraising in many years and there is no plan to fundraise, so the non-profit should be dissolved.

Comments include: The Planning Group is named Navajo Community Planners Incorporated in the City's approved operating procedures. The non-profit NCPI, allows the Board to fundraise; however, no fundraising has been done in many years and there is currently no plan to fundraise in the future. The cost to be considered in good standing with the State will be over \$1,000 and the Board does not have that money. The Board should consider dissolving the non-profit organization, NCPI, and just maintain the NCPG. Before the Board votes to end the non-profit, the Board needs to investigate the way to end a non-profit and what the Planning Group's status will be with the City if the non-profit is terminated.

The Navajo Community Planning Group is currently known as Navajo Community Planners Incorporated (NCPI), a non-profit that was formed in 1972. If NCPI is maintained, the articles of incorporation for NCPI need to be updated. Chairperson Gary Whaley requested that he be removed from the list of NCPI officers recently placed on state documents.

Gary Whaley spoke that he considers himself a volunteer member of the local Navajo Community Planning Group (NCPG) but not a member of the non-profit, NCPI. Gary Whaley asked that his name or likeness not be used to wind up/wind down/dissolve the non-profit.



Kevin Sullivan agreed to remove Gary Whaley's name from the California SOS SOI records.

Danny Fitzgerald motioned to explore dissolution of the, Navajo Community Planners Incorporated, change the official name with the City to "Navajo Community Planning Group," report to the Board the findings of how to dissolve the non-profit, and find out if dissolution of the non-profit would change the Planning Group's status with the City. The motion was seconded by Brian Woodhouse. The motion passes unanimously

- Meeting location and time proposal - Brian Woodhouse presented the goal: Provide a meeting space for Board meetings that is accessible to all citizens, comfortable, and adaptable for small and large groups. The space should fit a day and time that allows all Board members to be present on a regular basis. There should be little to no fee for using the site. The site should offer technical flexibility to allow for hybrid meetings.

Option A: The second Thursday of each month, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at The Flood Church.

Option B: The second Wednesday of each month, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at one of our neighborhood Community Recreation Centers.

Comments include: There is an option to use a community recreation center at no cost but local recreation centers have limited technical support. If the Board changes to Thursdays, The Flood Church will be able to host the NCPG Board meetings. The Board will need a larger space for occasional items that draw a large crowd. The Flood Church has offered its large hall and parking area for occasional large meetings.

Option A was chosen to be a voted on.

A motion was made by Danny Fitzgerald to change the Navajo Community Planning Group's Board Meetings to the second Thursday of each month with thanks to the Flood Church for hosting the meetings. The motion was seconded by Nate Stein. The motion passes unanimously.

NCPI Subcommittee Reports:

- Mission Gorge Rock Quarry Subcommittee by Kevin Sullivan - Conditions 10 and 23 of the Vulcan Conditional Use Permit (CUP), are due to be discussed by the subcommittee. After condition 10 and 23 are discussed, their subcommittee's suggestions will be complete and a letter of recommendation will be drafted for the Board. All the administrative records have been updated. Vulcan stated there are 12 requirements from a previous class action law suit settlement that Vulcan is working with the City to address. Vulcan stated, because the City can't afford to monitor the quarry, Vulcan will self-monitor their operations. Vulcan will complete its annual compliance review and maintains that the CUP does not need to be amended. Vulcan would like the neighboring communities of Navajo and Tierrasanta to sign a memorandum of understanding and to bring issues directly to the quarry; not to the City.



Comments include: Citizens have been working on recommending modifications to the quarry CUP for many years and the hope is that Vulcan supports the community. The Navajo Community Planning Group Board will put forward a letter to the City regarding the quarry CUP amendment recommendations, but the Board is an advisory group that can't enforce action against Vulcan.

- **Operating procedures subcommittee by Kevin Sullivan** – There have been three subcommittee meetings. Changes are recommended to the Operating Procedures based on the following City policy 600-24, clarifications, duplications, formatting, and aligning with the Brown Act. Proposals will be sent out to the Board for review. A vote to accept the changes is planned for the next Board meeting.

Comments include: Each Chairperson can direct how and when to they receive agenda requests so it does not need to be included in the Operating Procedures.

- **Meeting Space Subcommittee by Brian Woodhouse** – There are many challenges to having a hybrid meeting. During our hybrid meeting beta test on June 11, the audio was not consistent. Moving forward, some options that may help with audio are to: a) provide every member of the board with a microphone as well as an extra microphone for guests, or option b) try an omnidirectional microphone that can pick up all the board members. Currently, we do not have access to an omnidirectional microphone for conference rooms. Members of the Board will try to find an omnidirectional microphone we can test at a future meeting.

Community Group Reports:

- **Allied Gardens / Grantville Community Council by Brian Woodhouse** – The Allied Gardens / Grantville Community Council in association with the Flood Church will be hosting a 'Bubble Pop' family bubble activity on August 02, 2025 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm at the Allied Gardens Park. Please be on the look-out for the next Mission Times Courier for an article by Kevin Sullivan.

Continuation of non-agenda items:

Chairperson Gary Whaley formally resigned as the Chairperson of the Board effective immediately, thanking everyone for the experience and the opportunity to serve.

The Operating Procedures Subcommittee agree to take on the responsibility of exploring the dissolution of the NCPI non-profit entity. Treasurer, Kevin Sullivan, agreed to remove Gary Whaley's name from the non-profit records.

Gary Whaley asked to have his name removed from all NCPI State Documents regarding NCPI.

Tamar Caspi spoke on the possibility of having less Board Meetings. Specifically, meetings without action items can be skipped.

John Hoy volunteered to help put together the next agenda.



Adjournment Motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm by Kevin Sullivan and seconded by Jana Hartwell. Motion to adjourn passes unanimously.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday**, September 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm. This will be an In-person meeting at the Flood Church, 4772 Alvarado Canyon Road, San Diego, CA 92120.

Meeting Calendar for 2025: January 08th, February 12th , March 05th on Zoom, March 12th , April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, August – no meeting unless needed, September 10th, October 8th, November 12th, December – no meeting unless needed.