

OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES
Robert Egger, Sr. - South Bay Recreation Center June 11th, 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

Members Absent:

District 7 Johnny E. Swanson
District 10 Bob Mikloski
District 11 Albert Velasquez
District 16 Bobby Hicks

Vacant District Seats:

District 3
District 6

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** Edgar Garfias, Secretary of the Otay Mesa Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG), called the meeting to order at 6:33 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 May 14th, OMNCPG meeting were approved unanimously.
3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:** (2-minute limit per speaker).
 - a. Steve Egger spoke about graffiti increasing with over 4 Get It Dones in just one week. Park got tagged over the weekend.
 - i. Clear increase in Nestor and Del Sol activity per Officer Edington. Made arrest tied to graffiti. Recommendation to call in to the non-emergency number 619-531-2000 if you see any gang activity near parks including alcohol consumption or large backpacks. You can call in anonymously.
4. **San Diego Police Department Report:** SDPD Officer Carlos Edington, 619-424-0412, cedington@pd.sandiego.gov
 - a. National Night Out Event organized by Rodel Reyes. 3000+ residents come out. August, 5th on Tuesday likely starting at 4pm.
 - b. Heightened tension around immigration around the country. City of San Diego police doesn't engage with immigration enforcement such as holding someone based on immigration, ask someone their immigration status, or detain at a different location to get the immigration status. However, if an officer is being assaulted or anyone is being hurt, then they will respond.
 - c. Brian McGonagill asked for location of National Night Out Event. At Egger Park.
 - d. Steve Egger spoke about Rodel's involvement and potential donations for National Night Out.
 - e. Albert Estrada asked motor homes on Beyer Way. They've returned and have been there for quite some time now. Main complaints about the trash that they generate.
 - i. Encourage to report on Get It Done, it helps for progressive enforcement.
 - f. Augie Hernandez asked about the graffiti individual's age. Around 14-15.

- g. Mary Lou Tarobal asked about number of Gangs. 10 or so in the area with Nestor being the most active right now.
 - i. Additionally, are we safe with the upcoming holidays? Nothing to feel alarmed at the moment.
 - ii. Double parking at Montgomery High School. Also at the charter school on 30th street.
 - h. Omar Araiza brought up rights of citizens and businesses in case of protests. It's a gray area because it's so case by case and ultimately an individual decision.
 - i. Alexis Gonzalez asked about any programs for engaging the gangs by the officers. There is a unit that reaches out to kids that have either been arrested or are on that path.
 - i. Additionally, on first detention, they can work with the community services to try to work with them.
 - j. Brian McGonagill asked about illegal fireworks. Call non-emergency number.
5. **Council District 8 Report:** Victor Caymaris, Council Representative, 619-236-6688, VCaymaris@sandiego.gov
- a. Still looking for other venues to either host future meetings or other subcommittees.
 - b. Tomorrow June 12th, IWBC meeting would be in Nestor, but now in Coronado Community Center. 6-8pm.
 - c. Monthly Dumpster Drop Off Events at Montgomery Walley Park from 8am-12pm or until both bins are full. June 28th, July 19th, and August 9th.
 - d. Measure B and the Budget was passed.
 - i. Will provide answers from Moreno based on the questions.
 - ii. Next step is how to collect the fee for the trash collections.
 - iii. Budget also created funds to assist those that will have trouble paying the fee.
 - iv. Gary McGrath asked whether weight limit will prevent someone from picking up the trash cans.
 - v. Omar Araiza asked potential seasonality of how much trash is being produced.
 - vi. Brian McGonagill brought up that he received a letter that they won't be picking up his garbage and there's been no response.
 - vii. Mary Lou Tarobal asked about whether there are any changes to who is picking it up? No changes.
 - viii. Albert Estrada asked about the date to decide for how to bill. June 24th
 - 1. Based on the existing approved budget, what is for Otay Mesa Nestor?
 - 2. Has the council member brought up plans for the old Semptra building when we're paying for maintenance and security?
 - e. Albert Estrada asked about air quality sensors.
 - f. Council will also hold a vote on ADUs next week.

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. Assemblymember Alvarez introduced 16 bills this year.
 - i. 5 bills became 2-year bills.
 - ii. 2 bills were held in committee (died): AB955 and AB971
 - iii. 9 bills passed out of the Assembly and are now in the Senate for further consideration.
 - b. AB 655 passed out of the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee on June 9th. This bill is heading to the Senate Appropriation Committee for further consideration.
 - i. This bill would expand representation on the California-Mexico Border Relations Council to include a State Senator and State Assemblymember from a border district.
 - c. Budget must pass by June 15th. If there are any differences between the house and the senate, they must reconcile before it's sent to the governor to sign.
 - d. AB835 State Fire Marshal – Single-exit, single stairway apartment houses report, from 2023, it was signed and supported by the Alvarez.
 - e. AB 342 Alcoholic beverages: hours of sale: hospitality zones passed in the assembly, but failed in the senate.
 - f. Omar Araiza asked about the University progress. There are some bills that have been presented on governing board and housing. Planning a State of the University update.
 - g. Albert Estrada asked about the right of way on the 5 up to the 15 needs attention. Have received a response, but no actual update.
 - h. AB 165 passed in the Senate, and now in the house.
9. **52th District Report:** Valery Gomez, District Aide, Valery.Gomez@mail.house.gov
 - a. No report.
10. **Sub-Committee Reports:**
 - a. Election Subcommittee
 - i. Marco Espinosa is eligible for election.
 - ii. District 3 and 6 are vacant.
 - iii. Marco Espinosa was unanimously elected.
 - b. Tijuana River Valley Subcommittee
 - i. Steve Egger spoke about study by the UC San Diego Scripps Institution of Oceanography where South Bay residents are being exposed to inhalation of chemical concentrates through pollution in the river water. Additionally, there's been insufficient chemical removal in the secondary

wastewater treatment in the US. Concerns with increased releases in the future.

- ii. At next meeting, item for sending letters to political leaders regarding the situation.
- iii. At the last IBWC meeting in San Ysidro, they spoke about how the aerosols coming off from the
- iv. Mexican President spoke about building a new plant and local Tijuana administration have acknowledged the issue and will move things forward.
- c. Community Planning Group Vision Subcommittee
 - i. Omar Araiza spoke about overall plan for the Subcommittee and its goal. Anticipates first meeting will be held in June over Zoom.

11. **Informational Item: Commission on Police Practices**

City of San Diego's Commission on Police Practices is an independent oversight body tasked with reviewing complaints and misconduct within the San Diego Police Department, aiming to foster transparency, accountability, and trust between the police and the community.

- a. Bob Mikloski asked if complaints pull an officer out of service. No, they're not.
- b. Albert Estrada asked if all the meetings are virtual. Yes, and recorded. Available to view online.
- c. Alexis Gonzalez asked if submissions of online videos that the submitter wasn't present. Yes, you can always submit, the commission will determine whether or not it takes on the review process.

12. **Discussion Item: Omar Araiza Proposals**

Omar Araiza has proposed adopting Jotform for digital attendance. Additional, proposes board members report on their districts, with even and off districts taking turns.

- a. Postponed for next meeting.

13. **Chair's Report:** Albert Velasquez, OMNCPG Chair

- a. No report.

14. **Meeting was adjournment at 7:54 pm.**

Guests Present at Meeting		
Ruben Garfias		