

Kearny Mesa Planning Group

Virtual Meeting

Minutes for Meeting of April 16, 2025

Planning Group Members in Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Mielke	<input type="checkbox"/> Erik Flores	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robyn Badilla	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Jackson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dana Hooper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Derick Applbaum	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meridith Marquis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Mulvihill	<input type="checkbox"/> Tim Nguyen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wesley Quach
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Ruggels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Sallen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ian Kerch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Yung

Community Members in Attendance: Miki Holmes, Massood Gaskari, Mark Olsson, Officer Salvador Laurel-Torres, Mariah James and Assembly Member Chris Ward

- 1. Call to Order:** The Meeting was brought to order at 11:35 AM by Jeff Sallen, Chair of the Kearny Mesa Planning Group via ZOOM.
- 2. Meeting Minutes:** The Meeting Minutes from March 2025 were shared with all participants. A vote was held and approved 8 – 0 – 2.
- 3. Officers Update:** Officer Salvador Laurel-Torres was able to attend the meeting and give a brief update from the past two months. It appears that car accidents and auto theft have increased in recent months. Planning Group Members Dana Hooper and Robyn Badilla spoke to Officer Laurel-Torres about some recent incidents taking place along their residential street and on Armour. Illegal use and distribution of narcotics and prostitution were among a number of concerns raised during the discussion. The homeless and overnight illegal parking of recreational vehicles continue to pose concerns and troubles for the community.
- 4. Community Update:** Down from Sacramento, Assembly Member Chris Ward participated in today's meeting; giving a brief update of what's taking place at the capital and showing interest in our community while down in San Diego.

Action Item:

Massood Gaskari, P.E. with Private Eyes Engineers presented on behalf of property and business owner, Mark Olsson. The subject property is located at 3855 Ruffin Road. The purpose of the presentation is to seek variance approval to expand employee parking by approximately 8'. The parking expansion project requires construction of a 3'-10' high retaining wall along Ruffin Road.

The city's development regulation does not allow walls of more than 3' high. The planning group voted in favor of the variance 11-0-0.

Jeff thanked everyone for attending and concluded the meeting at 12:50pm.