

# SKYLINE-PARADISE HILLS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Skyline Hills Library - 7900 Paradise Valley Rd., San Diego, CA 92114

## PUBLIC NOTICE and AGENDA

**Tuesday, October 14, 2025, 6:00\* p.m. - 7:55 p.m. (2nd Tuesday monthly)**

***\*Meeting start time was changed from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.***

*Skyline Hills, Paradise Hills, South and North Bay Terraces, Lomita, and Jamacha*

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### Members:

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| Chair, Samantha Jenkins (Bay Terraces)    | Don Houston (Paradise Hills) |
| Vice Chair, Tanisha-Jean Martin (Skyline) | Avery Montoya (Skyline)      |
| Treasurer, Arielle Cook (Skyline)         | Guy Preuss (Paradise Hills)  |
| Secretary, Erin Tomaras (Paradise Hills)  | Rhonda Shepherd (Skyline)    |
| Wayne English (Paradise Hills)            |                              |

1. 6:00 **Call To Order and Roll Call**
2. 6:05 **Modification/Approval of Agenda**
3. 6:10 **Adoption of Minutes for September 9, 2025**
4. 6:15 **Non-Agenda Public Comment**  
*Identification of issues that are within the jurisdiction of the CPG, but not on the agenda. No discussion or action is permitted, except to establish a subcommittee for study, or place the item on a future agenda. Two minutes per issue.*
5. 6:25 **Representative Reports**  
*These reports may include, but are not limited to, information on community events and regulatory/legislative updates.*
  - A. San Diego Southeastern Division Police Department
    - Community Relations Office, Chris Jones
  - B. City of San Diego Councilmember Henry L. Foster III, District 4
  - C. County of San Diego Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe, District 4
  - D. California Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson, District 39
  - E. California Assemblymember Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins, District 79
  - F. Congressman Juan Vargas, 52<sup>nd</sup> District

6. 6:45 **Community Planning Committee/Chair/Voting Member Reports**
  - A. Community Planners Committee Report
    - i. CPC review of the 2025 Land Development Code Updates
    - ii. CPC discussion of City's Draft Inclusive Public Engagement Guide
  - B. Chair Report
    - i. See attached report.
  - C. Voting Members Report
    - i. No items were received.
7. 7:05 **Informational Items**
  - A. No items were received.
8. 7:05 **Action Items**
  - A. 2025 Land Development Code Updates – *Review and discuss feedback to CPC and City Planning Department*
  - B. Reconciliation of CPG By-Laws and Operating Procedures – *Determine date for next subcommittee meeting*
9. 7:55 **Adjourn** until the next regular meeting on November 11, 2025.

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF RECOGNIZED COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS POLICY NO.: 600-24**

Voting Members of CPGs are expected to treat each other, members of the community, and City staff in a professional manner.

**Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group Operating Procedures:**

Section 6.1 Professional Conduct

The planning group and its voting members will conduct themselves reasonably and professionally and refrain from disrupting the public process as set forth on the planning group's agenda.

Section 6.3 Disorderly Conduct

In the event that any planning group meeting is willfully interrupted by a person or group of persons, so as to make the orderly conduct of the meeting infeasible, the planning group may first cause removal of the individual or individuals. If that is unsuccessful then the planning group may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session on scheduled agenda items without an audience, except that representatives of the media shall be allowed to remain. The planning group may also readmit an individual or individuals who were not responsible for the disruption.

## Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group — Community Brief & Action Report

**From: Samantha Jenkins, Chairperson, Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group**

**Date: October 4, 2025**

Purpose: This report summarizes upcoming municipal meetings, pending policies and legislation, and calls-to-action for community members (homeowners and renters) in the neighborhoods of Lomita, Jamacha, Skyline Hills, Paradise Hills, and North & South Bay Terraces. Live links to source materials are embedded throughout.

### Quick summary (at a glance)

- Monthly CPG meeting: 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:00 PM — Skyline Hills Public Library (7900 Paradise Valley Rd) — next meetings: Oct 14, 2025; Nov 11, 2025; Dec 9, 2025.
- Important statewide date: California Statewide Special Election — November 4, 2025 (vote-by-mail ballots mailed beginning Oct 6; last day to register Oct 20, 2025).
- City and County legislative bodies hold regular hearings relevant to land use, housing policy, public safety and infrastructure — links and key upcoming meetings listed below.

### Upcoming local meetings (city & county)

**Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group (CPG) — regular meeting schedule:** 2nd Tuesday of every month, 6:00 PM at Skyline Hills Public Library. Next dates: Oct 14, 2025; Nov 11, 2025; Dec 9, 2025. Agenda postings are a courtesy; legal posting responsibility rests with the CPG. See the City webpage:

[Skyline/Paradise Hills CPG \(City of San Diego\)](#)

**City of San Diego — City Council & Legislative Calendar:** City Council and committee meetings consider land use, housing policy, public safety funding, and infrastructure. Check the official legislative calendar and the Council docket briefing agendas for exact items and dates.

[City Legislative Calendar \(City Clerk\)](#)

**San Diego Planning Commission:** Hearings on major land-use and development projects — meetings generally at 9:00 AM in Council Chambers or the new hearing room; see the 2025 calendar for dates including October hearings.

[Planning Commission 2025 calendar \(PDF\)](#)

**San Diego County Board of Supervisors (BOS):** County-level land use, public works, and regional policies are considered at BOS meetings. Land Use committee meetings and full BOS sessions

are posted on the County calendar. Upcoming items (example entries visible in October 2025): BOS - Land Use on Oct 22, 2025; BOS full session Oct 21, 2025.

[County BOS calendar \(Board meeting summary & Legistar\)](#)

[County Legistar \(detailed agendas\)](#)

### **Locally-relevant projects & planning items**

1) Jamacha Waterway Revitalization Project — stormwater, green space, trail and pedestrian bridge improvements spanning Imperial Ave to Beacon Drive. Public workshops and outreach have occurred; project life-cycle includes public hearings and environmental review. Community members should monitor project pages and upcoming public comment opportunities.

[Jamacha Waterway Revitalization coverage \(Inside San Diego\)](#)

2) Community Plan and General Plan implications — the Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Plan guides land use and neighborhood character. Any amendments or updates (or projects seeking deviations) will be considered by the CPG, Planning Department, Planning Commission and City Council. See the community plan page for background and CEQA history.

[Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Plan \(City planning\)](#)

### **Pending policies, legislation and regulatory changes (summary)**

Below are selected statewide and local policies (2025) that either have recently changed or are pending and could affect housing, urban development, environment, and public safety in our community. This is not exhaustive but highlights items of immediate relevance to residents and stakeholders.

- California Statewide Special Election (Nov 4, 2025) — while this election is primarily for a redistricting ballot measure, redistricting outcomes can indirectly affect representation and policy priorities. Key dates: ballots mailed beginning Oct 6, 2025; ballot drop-off locations open Oct 7, 2025; last day to register Oct 20, 2025. (Source: CA Secretary of State)

[CA Secretary of State — Nov 4, 2025 Statewide Special Election](#)

- State housing reforms — Governor Newsom signed a set of housing reforms and budget actions in mid-2025 intended to accelerate housing production (including targeted CEQA exemptions and incentives for housing near infrastructure). These reforms may change review timelines and increase state-level pressure to allow higher-density housing near transit. Local implementation and specific effects vary by city.

[Governor Newsom — housing reforms \(June 30, 2025\)](#)

- SB 79 (2025) — 'Abundant and Affordable Homes Near Transit Act' (author: Sen. Scott Wiener) — a state-level bill aiming to ease construction of multi-family housing near major transit hubs.

Provisions and implementation details could influence zoning and density allowances in transit-adjacent parts of the city. Monitor City/County responses for local implementation rules.

#### [Coverage: SB 79 \(reporting\)](#)

- Local ADU policy changes (San Diego City Council): In 2025 the City Council began revisiting/rolling back an ADU bonus program that allowed multiple accessory dwelling units on larger lots. Changes at the city level could affect homeowners' ability to add granny flats or rental units on single-family lots.

#### [Axios coverage — San Diego ADU policy changes \(Mar 2025\)](#)

- California housing bills under consideration (examples): SB 838 (housing accountability definition changes), AB 130 / SB 131 (updates to major housing statutes). These bills can alter procedural rules and timelines for housing projects — affecting how the City and County process developments in our communities.

#### [SB 838 analysis \(Assembly Housing & Community Development\)](#)

#### [BB&K summary — AB 130 & SB 131 \(July 2025\)](#)

### **Public safety & environmental topics affecting our area**

- Stormwater and flood risk / Jamacha Waterway Revitalization — improvements to stormwater infrastructure reduce neighborhood flooding risk and improve water quality; public input phases and environmental review are key opportunities for community influence. (See project coverage link above.)
- Fire safety & emergency preparedness — proximity to brush and hills suggests continued emphasis on vegetation management, defensible space, evacuation planning and coordination with San Diego Fire-Rescue. Monitor City and County public safety budget hearings for staffing and equipment allocations.
- Infrastructure funding (water/sewer rates): City budget deliberations and proposed water/sewer rate changes can affect household costs and municipal investment priorities. Example: City Council discussion/delay on water rates in late October 2025.

#### [Axios — City Council delays water rate vote \(Oct 2025\)](#)

### **How policy changes affect homeowners and renters (brief)**

- Homeowners: zoning/density changes, ADU policy adjustments, and infrastructure fees can affect property values, tax burdens, and opportunities to create rental units. CEQA exemptions and state incentives may make it easier for developers to propose nearby multi-family projects.

- Renters: increased housing production can relieve pressure on rents long term but may also bring short-term construction impacts. Tenant protections in state bills (and local ordinances) are important — watch for any county or city tenant protection measures proposed in 2025.

### **Calls to action (what residents can do now)**

- 1) Attend the Skyline-Paradise Hills CPG meeting (2nd Tuesday, 6:00 PM) — bring concerns about specific projects, ask for agenda items, and sign up for meeting updates. City posting of the agenda is a courtesy, so please check the CPG Facebook page and our legal posting at the meeting location.
- 2) Monitor and testify at City Planning Commission and City Council hearings for projects that affect our neighborhoods (development proposals, street changes, zoning adjustments). Use eComment or attend in person. Link to Planning Commission calendar above.
- 3) Register to vote and watch the Nov 4, 2025 Special Election schedule — important for representation and broader state-level policy. Last day to register: Oct 20, 2025. See CA SOS link above.
- 4) Subscribe to agendas and ask staff to notify the CPG of major project filings: contact the City Community Planner (Natalie Koski-Karell) and Program Manager (Coby Tomlins).
- 5) Engage on local projects like the Jamacha Waterway project — submit public comments during CEQA and design review windows. Citizens' input shapes project outcomes and mitigations.
- 6) Citywide Public Engagement Guide  
This guide provides City staff with resources for implementing inclusive public outreach and engagement so that more perspectives can be included in the City's decisions: <https://www.sandiego.gov/engagement/overview>. It is being made public so that *you can understand how the City invites public input and how to actively participate in shaping City decisions*. Share your feedback by using the "Provide feedback" form on the top right of each page or email [engagement@sandiego.gov](mailto:engagement@sandiego.gov).

This public review period will remain open until Oct. 19, 2025. The City Planning Department anticipates presenting the Guide as an informational item to the City Council Rules Committee this fall 2025. <https://www.sandiego.gov/engagement>

- 7)  
**Urban Collaborative Project** has a *D4 Joint Town Councils group meeting* - 1st Wed 5:30pm by Zoom and it's *Active Transportation & Infrastructure group Meeting* - 2nd Thurs 5:30pm by Zoom

# Sign Up for Monthly Community Meetings

## District 4 Joint Town Council Meetings

Join our D4 Town Councils and other Community Partners in our D4 Joint Town Council Meetings every **First Wednesday of the Month!**

## Community Infrastructure & Transportation Meetings

Join the Southeastern San Diego Community as we focus on community, infrastructure & Transportation every **Second Thursday of the Month!**

**via Zoom:**



**REGISTER on our linktree** in our bio or visit ***bit.ly/ucpcommunity***

- 8) The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is partnering with community organizations and leaders like you to spread the news about the MTS Orange Line Improvement Project, Rail Ready. This project will improve the Orange Line between the 32nd & Commercial Street Station and the El Cajon Transit Center, increasing reliability, enhancing safety, and improving operational facilities. Please take a look at the link below for detailed information.

<https://www.sdmts.com/inside-mts/current-projects/rail-ready>.

## Contact & resources

Skyline-Paradise Hills CPG — Chair: Samantha Jenkins (sph.cpc@gmail.com). Community Planner: Natalie Koski-Karell (NKoskiKarell@sandiego.gov). Program Manager: Coby Tomlins (ctomlins@sandiego.gov).

Useful links (quick list):

[Skyline-Paradise Hills CPG \(City page\)](#)

[City Legislative Calendar \(City Clerk\)](#)

[Planning Commission calendar \(2025 PDF\)](#)

[Citywide agendas & minutes \(search\)](#)

[County BOS calendar](#)

[County Legistar \(detailed agendas\)](#)

[CA Secretary of State — Nov 4, 2025 election](#)

[Governor Newsom housing reforms \(June 30, 2025\)](#)

[Jamacha Waterway Revitalization \(coverage\)](#)

[San Diego Housing Legislation Fact Sheet \(County PDS, June 2025\)](#)

### **Acronyms & terms explained**

- CPG — Community Planning Group: locally-elected/appointed volunteer bodies that advise the City on land use and community planning issues.
- CEQA — California Environmental Quality Act: the state environmental review law that requires analysis of environmental impacts for most public and private projects.
- BOS — Board of Supervisors: County governing body that oversees county-level land use and regional services.
- SB / AB — State Senate Bill / Assembly Bill: legislative bill prefixes for state laws (SB=Senate Bill, AB=Assembly Bill).
- ADU — Accessory Dwelling Unit: smaller secondary housing unit on the same lot as a single-family home (granny flat).
- SDHC — San Diego Housing Commission: local agency administering affordable housing programs and policy recommendations.

Prepared for distribution to community members of Lomita, Jamacha, Skyline Hills, Paradise Hills, North & South Bay Terraces.

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(Report compiled with links & public sources current as of October 4, 2025.)



## **Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group**

### **September 9, 2025 Minutes**

#### **Call to Order**

Vice Chair Martin called the meeting to order at 18:00 hours.

#### **Roll Call**

The following members were present for a quorum:

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

The following members were absent:

- Arielle Cook
- Rhonda Shepherd

#### **Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

- Member Preuss made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of an agenda item from Member Houston to the Voting Members Report regarding Land Development Code updates. Member Tomaras seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Member Tomaras motioned to approve minutes from the August 12, 2025 meeting. Member Houston seconded. Members Tomaras, Houston, Jenkins, Martin, and Montoya approved. Members Preuss and English abstained.

#### **Non-Agenda Public Comment**

- Community member Larry Young discussed an annual community clean-up event being held on September 20 from 8:00-noon that meets at the Skyline Hills Library.

#### **Representative Reports**

- Bruce Williams (City Council District 4) provided the following information:
  - Use Get It Done to inform City staff of issues.
    - Member English noted that the app only allows 1 pothole per address. He also brought up a Get It Done issue that he submitted recently regarding a delay in the traffic lights to get on the freeway at Parkside.
  - Councilmember Foster meets with constituents on Fridays from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Stephanie Sanchez can set up the meeting and can be reached at 619-236-6644.
  - Encanto Southern Baptist Church is having a dumpster day on September 20 from 9:00-noon.
  - Community members can earn money by driving for Southeastern Connect/SANDAG.
  - The protest form for water rate increases is due by September 30.
  - A Hispanic Heritage Social Mixer is occurring on September 17 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Festival Park.

- Budget wins in District 4 include funding for Marie Widman Memorial Park, Oak Park Library, infrastructure improvements, and others.
- Mariah Jameson (County District 4) provided information about a virtual grant workshop that will be held on Thursday, September 11. Community and neighborhood grant applications are due on September 30.
  - Member Houston asked about the Board of Supervisors connection to the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) regarding the City water rate increases. Ms. Jameson did not know about the connection to the SDCWA, but said that Supervisor Montgomery Steppe would look into the water rate increases if she gets complaints from the public.
- Representative for Senator Weber Pierson (Senate District 39) provided the following information:
  - Breaking the Sickie Cell Silence webinar will be held virtually on September 16 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.
  - Community Town Hall will be held on October 16 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Crawford High School.
  - The Young Legislators Program for 2025-2026 is starting up in October.

### **Community Planners Committee Report**

- The August meeting was cancelled.

### **Chair's Report**

- Chair Jenkins put together a report with live links to a number of relevant items. The report will be included with the meeting minutes. She will try to finish this report in time to send out with the agenda every month going forward.
- The City Parks and Recreation Department has launched a Community Recreation Needs Assessment. Phase 1 includes District 4. The survey is due by February 28, 2026.
- Chair Jenkins reached out to the City about the Jamacha Drainage Channel Upgrade Project (PRJ-1138503) and said there is no action for the CPG right now. The City will be engaging the public early next year.
  - Member Houston requested a site visit to prepare for the CPG's recommendation. Chair Jenkins will make this request to the City.

### **Voting Member's Report**

- Member Houston received an email from the City on August 5 regarding 142 land development code changes. He believes that the CPG should look at these changes and provide feedback to the Community Planners Committee (CPC). Member Preuss said he can push the feedback through the CPC once he gets a copy of the changes. Member Houston will provide Member Preuss with a hard-copy of the changes. Public workshops will be scheduled in the fall.
  - Member Houston recommended a subcommittee to review the changes. He asked that Chair Jenkins check with Marlon Pangilinan about whether one can be formed as there have been questions brought up by community members about their validity.
  - *Member Houston made a motion for a subcommittee to be formed to review the proposed changes and provide input to the CPC once a response is received from Marlon Pangilinan. Member Preuss seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

- *Member Houston made a motion to revisit this topic at the next meeting. Member Preuss seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*
- Member Preuss will push his agenda item recapping the ULI UrbanPlan Workshop to later this fall.

### **Informational Items**

- None were received.

### **Action Items**

#### Review and submit protest letter to the City regarding water rate increases

It was discussed that the increase is made up of pass-through costs from SDWCA and costs for the Pure Water Project (i.e., sewer water recycling). It was noted that energy requirements for recycling water are high. If energy prices increase, then the cost to recycle water will increase, leading to more increases in water rates.

Member Houston noted that the City's cost of service report was deficient and inconsistent but could not find a hook in the report that could be added to the protest letter. It was noted that there are questions about the City's use of water. Chair Jenkins will reach out to the City to have the Water Department make a presentation.

*Member Preuss made a motion to approve the letter as written, but cc' Supervisor Montgomery Steppe. Member Montoya seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### Determine date for next subcommittee meeting to reconcile CPG By-laws and Operating Procedures

Chair Jenkins will reach out to subcommittee members to schedule the next meeting. No action was taken.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 19:36 hours.

Meeting minutes were recorded by:

*Erin Tomaras*

Erin Tomaras, Secretary

# Skyline–Paradise Hills Community Planning Group

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## Chairperson's Monthly Report — Tuesday, September 9, 2025

### Purpose

This report highlights current City, County, and State policy and legislative developments relevant to urban planning, land use, environmental sustainability, and public safety. It also lists key calls to action with deadlines so community members can engage effectively. Explanations of legislation and acronyms are included, along with descriptions of how Skyline–Paradise Hills residents may be impacted. Hyperlinks to official sources are included for further details.

### Quick Calls to Action & Deadlines

**Sept 9, 2025:** San Diego City Council at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM — Review Coastal Resilience Master Plan (CRMP).

(<https://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/officialdocs/meetings-calendar>)

**Sept 11, 2025:** San Diego Planning Commission at 9:00 AM — Council Chambers.

(<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning-commission/documents/agenda>)

**Sept 25, 2025:** San Diego Planning Commission at 9:00 AM — Council Chambers.

(<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning-commission/documents/agenda>)

**Oct 1, 2025:** Start of rainy season — builders must comply with erosion control (BMPs).

(<https://www.sandiego.gov/stormwater>)

**Oct 14, 2025:** San Diego City Council at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM — Legislative Session.

(<https://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/officialdocs/meetings-calendar>)

### City of San Diego — Key Updates

#### Urban Planning & Land Use

- **Coastal Resilience Master Plan (CRMP):** Provides a roadmap for adapting to sea-level rise, flooding, and erosion. While focused on coastal areas, it informs citywide planning priorities, including emergency preparedness and infrastructure funding that could indirectly affect Skyline–Paradise Hills

Details: <https://www.sandiego.gov/sustainability/coastal-resilience>

- **Land Development Code (LDC) 2025 Update:** City released new drafts that include zoning, permitting, and community input changes. These rules shape how developments in Skyline–Paradise Hills proceed, especially regarding density, design, and community review.

Details: <https://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/zoning>

#### Housing – ADUs and Density

- **Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs):** Small, independent housing units built on the same lot as a primary residence. Ordinance *O-21989* aligns city law with *AB 1033*, allowing condo sales of ADUs. For Skyline–Paradise Hills, this may create opportunities for multigenerational families or small-scale affordable housing.

Details: <https://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/permits/adu>

**Impact on Community Members:** Homeowners gain new housing options (ADUs); Neighborhoods and communities will likely see higher rates of residential density that may impact quality of life or community character as well as create additional strains on public infrastructure and municipal resources. renters may see increased availability of units; builders face new compliance costs; and residents benefit from stronger fire and flood protections.

#### Environment & Resilience

- **Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ):** *O-21992* adopts updated state wildfire risk maps. While Skyline–Paradise Hills is more urbanized, nearby canyons and green spaces could see stricter building codes and vegetation management rules.

Details: <https://www.fire.ca.gov>

- **Stormwater Compliance:** From Oct 1, builders must implement erosion control. This reduces neighborhood flooding, sediment buildup, and pollution downstream.

Details: <https://www.sandiego.gov/stormwater>

#### Public Safety

- Updated fire hazard designations affect access/egress standards for developments and may influence insurance costs for homeowners.

#### Planning Department 2026 Work Program Available

The City Planning Department Fiscal Year 2026 Work Program is [now available online](#), where you can find all the major planning initiatives and year-round planning work underway, along with estimated completion dates and current status. The work program is also available in [PDF format](#).

The work program includes ongoing work and new planning initiatives that provide an actionable roadmap toward an equitable and sustainable future with affordable homes, good jobs, infrastructure and public spaces .

- **New Residential Waste Policy**

The Environmental Services Department (ESD) will soon implement a series of updates to trash services, including transitioning eligible households to City-provided trash collection. Additionally, ESD will work with property owners whose current eligibility status does not align with the requirements outlined in the Waste Management Regulation and the municipal code following the passage of Measure B.

**Select your new trash and recycling containers, and confirm or update your organics containers by Sept. 30, 2025. [Log into the portal.](#)**

### County of San Diego — Key Updates

- **Board of Supervisors (BOS)**

Meeting: Sept 9 (General) and Sept 10 (Land Use) at 9:00 AM. Policies on housing, transportation, and land use may shape funding for community projects. Details: <https://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/bos/calendar.html>

- **Wildfire & Hazard Mitigation:** County implementing updated Fire Hazard Severity Zones. For Skyline–Paradise Hills, wildfire evacuation planning and county support services may expand.  
Details: [https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/fire\\_resistant.html](https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/fire_resistant.html)

**Impact on Community Members:** Residents could face stricter construction standards for additions or remodels. Countywide hazard planning also improves emergency preparedness.

## State of California — Key Updates

### **Prop 50 – Special Election**

California's Proposition 50, a legislatively referred constitutional amendment, will be on the ballot during a statewide special election on November 4, 2025. The proposition would authorize the use of new congressional district maps passed by the state legislature, in response to what is described as partisan redistricting in other states.

#### About Proposition 50

- **Purpose:** The measure, also referred to as the "Election Rigging Response Act," was proposed in response to new congressional district maps passed in Texas in August 2025. The new Texas maps were seen by supporters of Prop 50 as a "power grab" by Republicans.
- **Redistricting authority:**
  - **Current law:** The California Citizens Redistricting Commission is responsible for redrawing district boundaries every 10 years following the national census.
  - **Proposed change:** Proposition 50 would temporarily override the commission's authority regarding congressional districts. If passed, it would require the state to use the district boundaries adopted in Assembly Bill 604 for congressional elections from 2026 through 2030. The Citizens Redistricting Commission would resume its duties in 2031.
- **Special election:** The special election was officially called on August 21, 2025, when Governor Gavin Newsom signed the legislation.

#### Key election dates

- **Election Day:** November 4, 2025
  - **Voter registration deadline:** October 20, 2025
  - **Vote-by-mail ballot mailing:** Begins October 6, 2025
  - **Vote center early in-person voting:** Begins October 25, 2025
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- **SB 35 and SB 423:** State laws that streamline housing approval if cities fail to meet housing goals. *SB 423* extends *SB 35* with additional requirements. For San Diego, if housing goals aren't met, new housing projects in Skyline-Paradise Hills may be eligible for faster approval, reducing community oversight but accelerating housing supply.

Details: <https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>

- **AB 1033:** Authorizes local governments to allow separate sale of ADUs. San Diego adopted this locally, opening new opportunities for homeownership.

Details: <https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>

#### Fire Hazard Severity Zones

- State law requires cities to adopt and enforce updated wildfire risk maps. Even urban communities may see stricter codes due to proximity to open space.

Housing Element Annual Progress Report (APR): Due April 1 each year to HCD.

Details: <https://www.hcd.ca.gov>

**Impact on Community Members:** These state laws influence the availability and affordability of housing in Skyline–Paradise Hills, while also ensuring wildfire safety and accountability from local governments.

#### Local Process Reminders for Community Members

- Public Comment: Submit written or oral comments at City Council, Planning Commission, or BOS meetings.
- Community Planning Group (CPG): Advisory input for community members — attend meetings and subcommittees.
- Brown Act: Ensures transparency and public participation in all CPG meetings.

#### Appendix — Acronyms Explained

ADU: Accessory Dwelling Unit

APR: Annual Progress Report

BOS: Board of Supervisors

BMPs: Best Management Practices

CPG: Community Planning Group

CRMP: Coastal Resilience Master Plan

DSD: Development Services Department

FHSZ: Fire Hazard Severity Zone

HCD: California Department of Housing and Community Development

LDC: Land Development Code

PC: Planning Commission

SB: Senate Bill; AB: Assembly Bill