

**TORREY HILLS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 28, 2025**

Present: Victor Marshall, Teresa Henning, Elaine Sampson, Rama Subramanian, Paula Abney, Julie Broadwin, Matt Bliss and Johnny Grady.

Not Present: Brad Fagan, Delisa Deleo, Cassie Paumard.

Guests: Kathryn Burton

- A. **CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE** – Chair VMarshall at 6:00 PM.
- B. **APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST MINUTES:** Motion to approve August 19 minutes made by ESampson, seconded by RSubramanian. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. **STATE SENATOR JONES REPORT** – Juliette Castner
 - a. New bills signed by Governor – SB525 – manufactured homes insurance coverage – to be treated like other SFR homeowners – now law; SB586 – off highway vehicles – registering all vehicles required; SB380 – State must conduct a study prior to placing sexual violent predators in neighborhoods. RSubramanian – questions regarding fire zone bill, AB3074 regarding clearances around homes.
- D. **COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 REPORT** – Sandy Mach
 - a. Torrey Hills Park is still pending approval of cell tower – permit request has been withdrawn for this item – no cell tower to occur here; City Council approved due process law for immigration enforcement, resulting in more transparency; hospitality minimum wage approved \$25/hour in 2030, will increase \$1.50/year until rate reaches \$25/hour; Surf Cup agreement terminated; Water rate increases approved. To be increased over 2-year period; Groundbreaking in Pacific Highlands Ranch park tomorrow (10/29/25); Parks & Recs town hall meeting on 12/03/25, 6:00pm-7:30pm at Carmel Valley Rec Center.
- E. **STATE ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE DARSHANA PATEL** – Tracy Nguyen
 - a. Not present.
- F. **OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON REMER** – Jeffrey Yuen
 - a. Not present.
- G. **COMMUNITY POLICING** – Officer John Briggs
 - a. Not present.
- H. **PUBLIC COMMENT-** Non-agenda items (3-minute limit)
 - a. RSubramanian – will something be published about the cell tower success?
KBurton – the Carmel Valley news can publish this.
- I. **MAD PLANNING (discussion of priorities for Torrey Hills MAD)**
 - a. Vote: Should strawberry trees be planted per MAD committee recommendations?
 - i. PAbney motioned to approve substitution of Chinese Pistache for Strawberry trees (Arbutus Unedo), JBroadwin seconded motion, motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Discussion of: MAD Committee recommended schedule for use of Breakthrough funding donations as submitted by the MAD Committee –
 - i. Replace irrigation lines; Replace plant materials and trees per the above schedule for CMR and WOA; Sidewalk repair – hardscape areas have become worse and worse over the years. VMarshall discussed recent

discussion and research on this. PAbney – City can require property owners to have to repair; Address invasive species of plants,

1. **Vote:** Release funding donations from Breakthrough to replace irrigation lines, plant materials and trees, per the MAD schedule,
 - a. PAbney motioned to approve, RSubramanian seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.
- c. Vote: Should a friendly letter be sent to the Torrey Corner Management to plant their area along Carmel Mountain Road and remove the large pampas grass along their driveway?
 - i. PAbney and RSubramanian will draft a letter to the retail center management group concerning this.

J. **TORREY HILLS PARK** – Victor Marshall

- a. Play structure was fixed.
- b. Discussion: \$25k Breakthrough gift is to be spent under direction of the THCPG –
 - i. Funds currently with SD Parks Foundation
 - PAbney – replace pergolas, install plant material in front of park monument sign, park frontage looks bad – needs to be refurbished/restored,
 - VMarshall – also use for seed money for fundraisers, add bottle fillers; another \$10k available for updates/upgrades
 - VMarshall - Everyone produce ideas/options for allocating the funds – RSubramanian will develop a .PPT

K. **ADJOURNMENT** – meeting adjourned by Chair VMarshall at 6:54 PM.