



Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198
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Thursday January 15, 2026 at 6:30pm

Meeting Minutes

In Person: Seven Oaks Community Center 16789 Bernardo Oaks Drive, San Diego, CA 92128

<u>2026 RB PLANNING BOARD</u>									
P = present		A = absent			ARC = arrived after roll call				
Robin Kaufman	P	June Smith	P	Steve Dow	A	Jim Nadlonek	P		
Benjamin Wier	P	Vicki Touchstone	P	Rebecca Rapp	P				
Gary Long	P	Hugh Rothman	P	Sujata Yellaepeddi	P				
								Total Seated	10
								Total in Attendance	9

ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call:
 Meeting commenced at 6:32pm.

ITEM #2 Chair Remarks
 The RBPB got into the RB Journal twice in the last couple months. First was an article describing the future plans of the RBPB. The second article pertained to the Development Review Committee regarding the Hindu facility being proposed on Via Tazon. Our San Diego City Councilmember (for District 5) Marni Von Wilpert is having a community coffee at Café Nostra in Carmel Mountain on Feb. 7th, starting at 9:30am.

ITEM #3 Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker): To discuss items not on the agenda, yet within the jurisdiction of the RB Planning Board. Board members should limit discussion of non-agenda items so as not to detract from the time available for agenda items.
 Vicki Touchstone introduced a possible candidate who may be interested in joining the RBPB in the future.

ITEM #4 Government Staff Reports: **Information Item**
 Imani Gerald (K.C.) from County Supervisor Joel Anderson’s office presented. There was an open house, with fire fighters, police officers, etc., a great event. Mr. Gerald passed out a pamphlet, including a questionnaire on what issues are of interest to us. Mr. Gerald briefly went through the pamphlet describing various items within it.

ITEM #5 Administrative Items: **Action Items**
 a. Approve November 2025 Meeting Minutes:
 Hugh Rothman made a motion to approve the November minutes/Sujata seconded. Motion passed 8-0-1, with Jim Nadlonek abstaining since he did not attend the November meeting.

b. Approve Treasurer’s Report:
 \$322.95 is in the checking account. In the San Diego City budget for the RBPB, \$500 is in the account. No invoices or expenses are outstanding. Gary Long made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report as submitted/Vicki Touchstone seconded. Motion passed 9-0-0.

ITEM #6 **2026 Land Development Code (LDC) Update** **Action Item**
 The Planning Department has released its list of proposed changes to the Land Development Code. Comments are due by January 19, 2026. There are 10 changes intended to align policy with climate, equity, or housing goals, 22 clarifications, 31 changes needed to comply with State law, 20 corrections, and 24 items related to regulatory reform. The Board will review the recommendations of the Regional Issues Committee, information provided by a CPC subcommittee, and any additional comments that board members would like to provide.
 The complete list of proposed amendments to the Land Development Code can be viewed at : <https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/work/land-development-code/updates-in-process>.

Vicki Touchstone presented the amendments and all comments and suggested changes that were generated by the Regional Issues Subcommittee at their last meeting.

For Item 98, a vote was taken on whether to include this amendment regarding screened parking requirements. Vote for 8-1-0 (Sujata, Vicki, June, Ben, Robin, Gary, Rebecca, and Hugh voting for it, and Jim against).

Vicki Touchstone made a motion to send the presented comments to the city/Jim Nadlonek seconded. Motion passed 9-0-0.

ITEM #7 **Update from Election Committee** **Action Item**
 Election committee to give an update on the status of the upcoming elections. Election committee asking for approval on needed expenditures.

An email address specifically for the election was created and any email sent to that address will go to all members of the Election committee. A press release was sent to the RB Journal. Emails to the members up for reelection this year will be going out in the next few days. Gary Long made a motion to approve up to \$100 for the Election committee, to be returned if not needed/Ben Wier seconded. Motion passed 9-0-0.

ITEM #8 **Update to the RBCPG Bylaws** **Action Item**
 Verbiage update to our bylaws regarding attendance for eligibility to become a member.

Gary Long presented changes to the bylaws, which are that any verbiage mentioning that candidates must attend a full board meeting is removed, particularly in sections 4.2 and 6.4. Gary Long made a motion to approve these changes/Vicky Touchstone seconded. Motion passed 9-0-0.

ITEM #9 **Hats Off to Volunteers** **Action Item**
 The RBCPB needs to select a member to be recognized for the 2026 recipient.

Robin Kaufman stated the Admin Committee discussed possible candidates and decided to suggest Jim Nadlonek for this award. Robin made a motion to approve Jim for this award/seconded by Vicki Touchstone. Motion passed 9-0-0.

ITEM #10 **Sub-Committee Reports:** **Information Item**
 Development Review..... Benjamin Wier
 Regional Issues..... Vicki Touchstone
 Traffic & Transportation.....Jim Nadlonek

ITEM #11 **Liaison Reports:** **Information Item**
 Community Council.....Robin Kaufman (Report Attached)
 Community Planners Committee (CPC).....Vicki Touchstone
 Community Recreation Group (CRG).....Robin Kaufman (Report Attached)
 SANDAG..... Steve Dow
 San Dieguito River ParkVicki Touchstone
 San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group..... Gary Long
 Commercial Representative

ITEM #12 **OLD BUSINESS ITEM:**

ITEM #13 NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Jim Nadlonek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47/seconded by Ben Wier. Motion passed 9-0-0, meeting adjourned.

Rancho Bernardo Community Council report Via Robin Kaufman

In December:

- the Council approved the 2027 Fiscal Year (FY) Maintenance Assessment District budget
- the Council approved the 2026 new student members
- the Council approved a website ad hoc committee
- the Council approved an election ad hoc committee
- the Council reviewed details for the Zone Zero presentation being given on January 17th
- the Council reviewed details for the holiday carnival event held on December 13th

In January:

- the Council approved the Hats Off To Volunteers recipient (Matt Greco)
- the Council appointed volunteers to assist in obtaining donations for the 16th annual chalk it up event in May
- the Council approved purchases for next year's holiday carnival event (while they are on sale)
- the Council discussed final details for the Zone Zero presentation it is offering to the public on January 17th
- the Council was given an update on the annual earth day fair scheduled for April 11th
- the Council was given an update on the elections
- the Council was given an update on the website ad hoc

Rancho Bernardo Community Recreation report:

The board meets on odd months of the year when there are agenda items. It did not meet in December. The next meeting is scheduled for January 21st.