

**TORREY HILLS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, January 20, 2026**

**Present:** Victor Marshall, Teresa Henning, Elaine Sampson, Rama Subramanian, Paula Abney, Matt Bliss, Cassie Paumard, Johnny Grady, Julie Broadwin, Brad Fagan.

**Not Present:** Delisa Deleo.

**Guests:** Kathryn Burton, Doug Keiller.

- A. **CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE** – Chair VMarshall at 6:00 PM.
- B. **APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2025 MINUTES** – Motioned by CPaumard, approved by JBroadwin, passed unanimously.
- C. **MAYOR TODD GLORIA REPORT** – Fatima Maciel
  - a. Recap of State of the City address – addressing the budget, homelessness. Budget deficit initiated more cuts which were made to leadership staff (\$270M savings with these changes). Continued cuts to be made in the coming fiscal year. 8.7k new housing units this past fiscal year – several affordable housing units (6.7k). Affordable housing permit review/approval process will be expedited for future build submittals. Still focused on the Midway Rising project – 4,200 homes expected. Other available City properties will be developed as well. 14% reduction in homelessness this past fiscal year. SD Downtown Partnership reports that 7k homeless individuals moved to permanent housing. Pushing County on behavioral health homelessness assistance with care and housing. Public safety is a #1 priority – all areas of major crime have reduced this past year. 468 miles of road fixed/recoated this past fiscal year. RSubramanian – broached issues with lifting sidewalks – can we have the Mayor’s support. Fatima – will share this with the Council and Mayor’s team. KBurton – question concerning Midway Rising – will the City be addressing the court ruling that does not support this building? Fatima - The City/Mayor will be holding future public meetings to discuss further.
- D. **STATE SENATOR JONES REPORT** – Valeria Atondo
  - a. Office accepting nominations for 2026 Woman of the Year (go to [40th District Woman of the Year 2026 Nomination Form | Senator Brian Jones](#)), due by 02/13/26. Safe driving practices, ‘Age Well, Drive Well’ workshop coming up.
- E. **COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 REPORT** – Sandy Mach – Absent.
- F. **STATE ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE DARSHANA PATEL** – Tracy Nguyen – Absent
- G. **OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER** – Quinton Grounds
  - a. New-permanent representative for Supervisor Lawson-Remer. Priority is feeding the needy. Townhall at University City HS auditorium on 2/18, 6-7 pm - discussing public awareness of fraud and how to protect yourself. Discussing legislation that protects the public and our coastal communities.
- H. **COMMUNITY POLICING** – Officer John Briggs
  - a. Evacuation plans – discussed public notification requirements for a business storing hazmat in their business. No requirements for public notification; however, the Fire department should have a business’s emergency plan on file. Rancho Pacifico community - one burglary. E-bikes still an issue – 5 bikes taken by P.D. Internal team promotions. Homeless encampments – submit a Get It Done report if you see any issues and email him directly as well. RSubramanian

– Breakthrough building should have an EP evacuation plan so the community knows how their evacuations will impact them. VMarshall – is there a requirement for a wet-lab such as a threshold where a business needs to notify the City/County of any issue, such as a spill or release of a hazardous nature? OBriggs – will look into it and get back to us.

**I. PUBLIC COMMENT- Non-agenda items (3-minute limit)**

- a. K Burton – the Board’s Operating Procedures state that Public Comment should also include Board Member comments. List in the Agenda. Will provide a link to the City website for planning boards to VMarshall. PAbney – confirming that the Planning Board Annual Election is coming up in March. K Burton – proposed that T Henning, as a Business Seat (not Residential Seat) receive and count votes for new/renewing BOD members as the current procedures create a conflict for the Vice-Chair as Election Chair while running for reelection. VMarshall – will confirm procedure. K Burton – spoke with the City Planner concerning our election procedures in 2026. The Planning Board should discuss the operating procedures for this and decide how to manage so as not to have conflict and/or confusion when deciding who manages the Annual Election.
- b. VMarshall – broached the idea of a Sidewalk Committee – will reach out to RSubramanian to discuss at more length,
- c. VMarshall – JBroadwin stepping down from the BOD’s. This is her last meeting.

**J. MAD FY 27 BUDGET – Paula Abney - Discussion of MAD budget for FY2027 and Vote to approve**

- a. PAbney – see no problem with the budget as it stands with the previous changes made. BFagan – one remaining issue with budget – accounting of one line item that included multiple items – Special Assessments Administration – a written statement has been sent to the MAD District to request this information; however, the District continues to stall on providing this information. PAbney – made motion to approve the budget, RSubramanian – seconded motion, motion unanimously approved.

**K. TORREY HILLS PARK IMPROVEMENTS – Rama Subramanian**

- a. All of these items are on Get It Done reports,
  - i. Discussion: Condition of pergolas – will be inspected soon,
  - ii. Discussion: Cost to renovate park landscaping along Calle Mejillones – Vegetation Mitigation Department is reviewing,
  - iii. Discussion: Drafting a letter to document material issues:
    - Tree Maintenance – broken branch – 3-4 Get it Done reports
    - Broken branch resting precariously on pergola -
    - Non-functioning water fountains – a number of water fountains in the community are in bad condition – more Get it Done reports,
    - VMarshall – spoke with Denise Lamm – director/manager for Ocean Air Park who has been working with the City to try and get them to complete several outstanding Get it Done work order,
  - iv. RSubramanian – trying to get a solid commitment on timing of these work orders from the City. Their response continues to be ‘they’re in the queue’.

**L. SAN DIEGO PARKS FOUNDATION – Victor Marshall**

- a. Roundtable discussion of ideas: how best to use Breakthrough gift –
  - i. VMarshall – what do we want to do with this. PAbney – recommended holding on pergola and water fountains until we see what the City can/will do,
- b. Identify a subcommittee to review ideas and make recommendation to CPG – VMarshall – would anyone like to volunteer to run this task? RSubramanian – suggested keeping a permanent note on the agenda, K Burton – reminded that a sub-committee would fall under the rules and procedures of the Brown Act. VMarshall - will keep this as an ongoing agenda item for monthly input and review.

**M. ADJOURNMENT – meeting adjourned by VMarshall at 7:09PM.**