

# SKYLINE-PARADISE HILLS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

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

## PUBLIC NOTICE and AGENDA

**Tuesday**, March 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. - 7:55 p.m. (2nd Tuesday monthly)

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

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### Members:

Chair, Samantha Jenkins (North Bay Terraces)  
Vice Chair, Tanisha-Jean Martin (Skyline)  
Secretary, Erin Tomaras (Paradise Hills)  
Wayne English (Paradise Hills)

Don Houston (Paradise Hills)  
Avery Montoya (Skyline)  
Guy Preuss (Paradise Hills)  
Rhonda Shephard (Skyline)

1. 6:00 **Call To Order and Roll Call**
2. 6:03 **Modification/Approval of Agenda**
3. 6:05 **Adoption of Minutes for February 10, 2026**
4. 6:08 **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. 6:20 **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. San Diego Mayor’s Office
  - D. County of San Diego Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe, District 4
  - E. California Senator Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson, District 39
  - F. California Assemblymember Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins, District 79
  - G. Congressman Juan Vargas, 52<sup>nd</sup> District
6. 6:40 **Community Planning Committee/Chair/Voting Member Reports**
  - A. Community Planners Committee Report

- a. Final approval of the CPC's recommendations regarding the land development code updates
  - B. Chair Report
    - a. No items were received
  - C. Voting Members Report
    - a. No items were received
- 7. 7:00 **Informational Items**
  - A. Capital Improvements Program
    - a. *Review Capital Improvement Projects within the CPG planning area*
  - B. MLK Jr Community Parade
    - a. *Vice Chair Martin to present on this year's parade*
  - C. 2026 Election - **Moved to April**
    - a. *If more applicants apply, election will occur in April instead of this month*
    - b. *Report on election status from Election Subcommittee*
- 8. 7:40 **Action Items**
  - A. Appoint New Voting Member Applicant (Tanika Tyler) to the CPG
    - a. Per the Skyline Paradise Hills Community Planning Committee Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2:
      - i. *Vacancies that may occur on the S-PH CPC should be filled not later than 120 days following the date of the determination of the vacancy. The term of office of any member filling a vacancy shall be for the balance of the vacated term. The S-PH CPC shall fill vacancies at the time the vacancies are declared at the next possible scheduled meeting. A single vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the S-PH CPC as an item noticed on the agenda. Two or more concurrent S-PH CPC vacancies shall be filled by a vote of all eligible members of the community by secret written ballot.*
- 9. 7:55 **Adjourn** until the next regular meeting on April 14, 2026.

**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

## February 10, 2026 Minutes

### Call to Order

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

### Roll Call

The following members were present for a quorum:

- Samantha Jenkins
- Don Houston
- Guy Preuss
- Rhonda Shephard
- Avery Montoya
- Wayne English
- Erin Tomaras

The following member was absent:

- Tanisha-Jean Martin

### Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- *Member Shephard motioned to approve the agenda. Member Montoya seconded. Members Preuss, English, Shephard, Jenkins, Houston, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*
- *Member Preuss motioned to approve the December 9, 2025 minutes. Member Houston seconded. Members English, Preuss, Jenkins, Houston, Shephard, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*

### Non-Agenda Public Comment

- Community member Tanika Tyler would like to become a voting member. She knows Vice Chair Tanisha-Jean Martin, is interested in helping with the homeless situation, and would like to be on the CPG to push for tangible change.
- Community member Dorene Dias Pesta noted that sign-ins cannot be mandatory.

### Representative Reports

- Bruce Williams (City Council District 4) provided the following information:
  - He shared the February newsletter and thanked everyone who participated in the MLK Jr. Day events.
  - He noted that Roger Smith is the new Executive Director for the Commission on Policy Practices.
  - He asked for community participation at the Recreation Programming Town Hall Meeting on February 26 at the MLK Recreation Center.
    - Community member Dorene Dias Pesta asked for District 4 representatives to carry business cards with the Get it Done app QR code.
    - Member English noted that the CPG and town councils are not listed in the newsletter and asked that they be included.

- Robin Todd (California Assembly District 79) reported that Assemblymember Sharp-Collins is championing more criminal justice bills and will have more information next month.
  - Member Houston commented on how the state is requiring more people to have fire insurance and that North and South Bay Terraces are included in the high-risk fire boundaries.

### **Community Planners Committee Report**

- Member Preuss reported that the CPC reviewed the land development code updates and voted on recommendations to send to the City.
  - The recommendations are on the CPC website. There were approximately 160 changes, of which more than 100 were City-wide.
  - Many of the changes are driven by state law and increase the density of neighborhoods without increasing services for the community. It was noted that CPGs need to get further ahead of these land development code changes.

### **Chair's Report**

- Chair Jenkins referred to the report that was attached to the agenda.

### **Voting Members Report**

- Member Montoya noted that the MLK Jr. parade was lead by Vice Chair Martin. He asked that her presentation on the event be added to the next agenda as an information item.
- Member Houston noted that Stanford University published the Ecology of Homelessness and noted that it has information on homelessness policy. He also noted that the CPG's community plan was adopted in June 30, 1987 and it is very outdated. He stated that it is being implemented wrong (e.g., commercially zoned areas are being turned into apartment buildings). The community plan can be amended to better serve the community.
- Community member Dorene Dias Pesta noted that items were reported on that were not included on the agenda for the voting members report.

### **Informational Items**

- It was noted that one application for a new voting member was received but more members are still needed. Chair Jenkins is looking to step down from the chair role so a new chair may need to be elected. The maximum number of voting members is 20.
- A call was made for people to volunteer for the election subcommittee. Members Houston, Montoya, and Shephard volunteered.
  - Member Houston noted that the meeting of the committee can be announced at this meeting. He also noted that a slate cannot be used for the election.
- Currently, the election is planned for March, but the election subcommittee may want to push the election to April.
  - *Member Montoya motioned for the election to be pushed to April and to notice the public in the March agenda. Member Houston seconded. Members English, Preuss, Jenkins, Houston, Shephard, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*

- Methods to engage state representatives regarding land use legislation and policy were discussed. It was noted that state representatives can meet over Zoom instead of in person. Member Preuss asked to table the discussion to craft a letter to state representatives.
- Member Houston presented on the Capital Improvements Program (CIP). He noted that the CPG is asked to prioritize projects as part of the budget process. There are 70-80 projects in different phases across the City. The CPG needs to take a look at these projects between now and April to prioritize them.
  - Chair Jenkins asked Bruce if can put information about the CIP projects in the District 4 newsletter. She also asked how to share feedback about these projects with the Councilmember. Bruce said he would talk internally with the Councilmember's staff.
  - Member Houston said he will look more into the projects for the next meeting and print out a hard copy list for Member Preuss.
- Member Preuss discussed adaptive reuse of historic buildings by using the example of the Sears building in Memphis (i.e., turned upper floors into apartments and bottom floor into shops). He noted that there are office buildings in downtown that can be reused. He thinks this idea can be used to counter the City when it wants to add ADUs to neighborhoods. He clarified that he has not identified any buildings within the CPG's communities that could benefit from reuse.

### **Action Items**

***Member Preuss motioned for the CPG to sign the CPC support letter regarding designated community presentation time at City decision-making hearings. Member English seconded. Members English, Preuss, Jenkins, Houston, Shephard, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.***

- Community member Dorene Dias Pesta noted that the City hearings are not equitable currently. Developers get 10-20 minutes and can use PPTs, whereas the public only gets one minute per person.
- It was noted that the CPG no longer approves projects, and only gives recommendations. Many projects end up on City meeting agendas and slip through without more public feedback and scrutiny.
- Member Tomaras will update the form letter for this CPG, send to Chair Jenkins for signature, then send to the Councilmember.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 19:43 hours.

Meeting minutes were recorded by:

Erin Tomaras

Erin Tomaras, Secretary

**SKYLINE-PARADISE HILLS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

The *Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group* (SPH CPG) holds regular meetings at 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday monthly at the Skyline Hills Library. The planning group consists of up to 20 elected Voting Members and is the officially recognized advisory group to the San Diego City Council. The role of the SPH CPG is to review and provide recommendations to the City on land use matters and development-related projects and issues in the Skyline, Paradise Hills, South Bay Terraces, North Bay Terraces, Lomita, and Jamacha neighborhoods.

There is no charge to attend meetings or to join the SPH CPG. Any person, age 18 or older, who lives, owns property, or owns or operates a business or nonprofit within the SPH CPG area and is interested in becoming a Voting Member may submit a completed Membership Application to [sph.cpc@gmail.com](mailto:sph.cpc@gmail.com).

**Voting Members are required to attend 2/3 of the meetings in a 12-month period. Please ensure you can make that commitment before applying.** Helpful resources to review include [City of San Diego Council Policy 600-24 Standard Operating Procedures and Responsibilities of Recognized Community Planning Groups](#) and [SPH CPG Operating Procedures](#).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

- Lomita
- Jamacha
- Paradise Hills

- Skyline
- N. Bay Terraces
- S. Bay Terraces

**Membership Categories:**

- Renter
- Homeowner

- Business Owner
- Nonprofit

**Proof of Residency or Identity Included with Application?:**  Yes  No  
*Proof may include a driver's license or identification card, utility bill, voter notification card, lease or rental agreement, property tax statement, or vehicle registration.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

