

Skyline-Paradise Hills Community Planning Group

December 9, 2025 Minutes

Call to Order

Chair Jenkins called the meeting to order at 18:15 hours.

Roll Call

The following members were present for a quorum:

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

The following member was absent:

- Rhonda Shepherd

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

- *Member Preuss motioned to approve the agenda. Member English seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*
- *Member Preuss motioned to approve the October 14, 2025 minutes. Member English seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*

Non-Agenda Public Comment

- Community member Dorene Dias Pesta noted that North or South needs to be added to Bay Terraces next to Samantha Jenkins name on the agenda.
- Vice Chair Martin mentioned two events:
 - A pre-holiday tree care and clean up day from 9:00 a.m. to noon on December 20 at the Skyline Hills Library.
 - Sustainable holiday party from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on December 10 at the George L. Stevens Senior Center.
- Member Houston noted that the first installment of property taxes are due tomorrow, which includes the trash fee.

Representative Reports

- Korral Taylor (Mayor's Office) reported on the City's new housing policy. A press conference will occur tomorrow to present the idea to the community. The Mayor's Office is looking for community feedback either via call or text to 619-736-5436.
- Bruce Williams (City Council District 4) provided the following information:
 - He shared the December newsletter and mentioned office hours with Councilmember Foster.
 - He noted that District 4 is not using the Get It Done app as much as other districts and encouraged community members to use the app. He noted that the current wait time is 365

days to get a streetlight fixed, but the councilmember's office can try elevating a Get It Done ticket if it is brought to their attention.

- www.sandiego.gov/trash has information about the new trash bins.
- Robin Todd (California Assembly District 79) reported on the annual holiday giveaway from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on December 20 at Bell Middle School. Attendees will have the opportunity to receive turkeys, hams, fresh produce, and clothing for children.

Community Planners Committee Report

- Member Preuss reported that the City's Heritage Preservation Program is focused on individual buildings and that it needs to focus on the entire neighborhood because there are distinct architectural features that can be carried throughout a neighborhood.
- The new CPC website with agendas and minutes is available at www.sdcpc.org.
- The 2025 land development code updates are driven by decisions made at the state level, so when they get to the local level, it is too late to make any changes.
 - Member Preuss proposed a topic for the next meeting about crafting a letter to state assembly members and state senators about local planning groups being involved earlier in the process for land use legislation.
 - Member Houston proposed a topic that includes how to better foster relationships with land use staff for these state officials.
 - ***Member Tomaras motioned to add those topics to the next agenda, and Vice Chair Martin seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.***
 - Comments for the 2025 updates are due by January 19, 2026.

Chair's Report

- Chair Jenkins referred to the report that was attached to the agenda. She asked community members to email the group if there was anything the public would like to include about policy/community updates.

Voting Member's Report

- Member Houston asked Samantha to contact Marlon Pangilinan about resolving the conflicting information about ad-hoc vs. sub committees. Chair Jenkins asked Don to draft his questions about the issue.

Informational Items

- Members of the San Diego Community Coalition discussed the group's goals and purpose. The group was launched due to massive housing complexes being built overnight and local representatives were not helping. The group includes representation for 26 different communities, but does not have any from Skyline or Paradise Hills. Local officials seem to be more swayed when members from multiple communities provide feedback on a project rather than just members from one community. The group sends out weekly bulletin emails about City agendas. Community members can email kate@katecallen.com to join the mailing list. The OB Rag is the platform for the group.

- The Annual Report requirements and timeline were discussed. The report is required to include election results and be submitted within 14 days of the March meeting minutes, which does not allow for public review of the draft report prior to submittal. Chair Jenkins will ask Marlon about the timeline for the report.
- Two vacancies for Voting Members will be available during the March 2026 elections. The applications are due in February and need to include proof of residency. Chair Jenkins will check with Marlon whether digital copies of residency are permitted.
 - *Member English made a motion for member applications to be on the table at each meeting. Vice Chair Martin seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*
 - *Member English made a motion for a call for new members to be included with the agenda each month. Vice Chair Martin seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass. Member Houston voted against the motion.*
 - Chair Jenkins will provide information on the election committee and what is needed at the next meeting.
- Member Houston discussed the City-wide initiatives listed on the City’s Planning Department website (<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/work/working-on>). He encouraged the public and Voting Members to review the initiatives and plans and provide comments.
 - Chair Jenkins suggested agendizing a new plan every month to discuss feedback to provide to the City. Vice Chair Martin can provide notice of comment periods and summaries of the plans from her role on the Climate Advisory Board.
 - *Vice Chair Martin made a motion to add a new plan to each agenda. Member Montoya seconded. Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*
 - Vice Chair Martin asked Bruce if Jacqueline Kennedy (Senior Policy Advisor to Councilmember Foster) could share deadlines and pending policies that she is tracking with the planning group.

Action Items

Member Preuss motioned for the planning group to sign the memo supporting the Jamacha Neighborhood Council’s efforts to request accurate mapping of the Jamacha boundary. Vice Chair Martin seconded. *Members Preuss, English, Jenkins, Houston, Martin, Montoya, and Tomaras voted for the motion to pass.*

- Chair Jenkins will sign the memo with a wet signature, then Member Tomaras will email it to community member Dias.
- The CPC voted to sign the memo in November.
- Member Preuss suggested that community member Dias submit the memo to the newspapers too.
- Member Houston asked community member Dias to report back to the planning group about this issue in March.

Adjournment

Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 19:45 hours.

Meeting minutes were recorded by:

Erin Tomaras

Erin Tomaras, Secretary

Minutes approved at February 10, 2026 meeting