



Otay Mesa Planning Group

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Attn: San Diego Planning Commission
City of San Diego
202 C Street, 7th Floor
San Diego, CA 9210

**RE: OTAY MESA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (OMCPG) RECOMMENDATION
OF APPROVAL – SOUTHWEST VILLAGE SPECIFIC PLAN**

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

On behalf of the Otay Mesa Community Planning Group (OMCPG), I am writing to formally convey the OMCPG recommendation of approval for the Southwest Village Specific Plan.

The OMCPG voted on June 18, 2025, to unanimously recommend approval of the current Southwest Village Specific Plan to the Planning Commission and City Council. This action reflects nearly a dozen updates to our OMCPG over years, including two years as a standing agenda item open for sustained Planning Group and public engagement, technical review, and consistent OMCPG insight.

As you are aware, Otay Mesa Community Planning Group (OMCPG) is an advisory body to the City of San Diego on planning issues within Otay Mesa Community Planning Area. The Southwest Village Subcommittee was formed in 2018 by the OMCPG and consisted of five community members. Subcommittee meetings were held regularly and provided opportunities for key stakeholders, interested members of the public, and community organizations to learn more about plans for Southwest Village, share insights, and provide feedback, including to the OMCPG.

The Southwest Village Subcommittee was established in 2018 and conducted a comprehensive public planning process, holding 15 publicly noticed meetings between May 2018 and December 2019. These meetings addressed land use, housing and density, design and placemaking, the Village Core and commercial uses, parks and public spaces, schools, connectivity and mobility, utilities and resources, and implementation. On January 15, 2020, the Southwest Village Subcommittee

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provided a unanimous recommendation of approval of the current draft Southwest Village Specific Plan. The Southwest Village Specific Plan underwent a full environmental review.

The Subcommittee recommendation was taken into consideration by the OMCPG, as was the overall Southwest Village Specific Plan. Importantly, there were no speakers in opposition at any of the OMCPG meetings at which the Southwest Village Specific Plan was discussed, reflecting strong and sustained community support.

The Southwest Village Specific Plan represents a critical component of the Otay Mesa Community Plan and advances the City's vision for a complete, sustainable, and transit-supportive community. The 500-acre plan is thoughtfully designed as a compact, mixed-use village integrating much needed housing, jobs, and public amenities. Key elements include a mixed-use Village Core, approximately 175,000 square feet of commercial uses, new housing opportunities at more than 5,000 planned units, approximately 35 acres of public/private owned interconnected parks, a future school site, preserved open space, and a multi-modal circulation network that supports walkability and connectivity.

The Southwest Village has remained a standing agenda item for OMCPG for several years, underscoring its importance as one of the City's last remaining large undeveloped planning areas. The OMCPG and community are eager to see this long-envisioned village realized.

Based on the extensive public process, unanimous OMPG action, and clear community support, the Otay Mesa Community Planning Group strongly urges the Planning Commission to approve the Southwest Village Specific Plan without delay.

Sincerely,

Rob Hixson
Chair, Otay Mesa Community Planning Group

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