

Kearny Mesa Planning Group

Zoom Meeting

9005 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

Minutes for Meeting of May 20, 2026

Planning Group Members in Attendance:

☒ Jeff Mielke	☒ Erik Flores	☒ Robyn Badilla	
☒ Chris Jackson	☒ Dana Hooper	☐ Derick Applbaum	
☐ Meridith Marquis	☒ John Mulvihill	☐ Tim Nguyen	☒ Wesley Quach
☒ Karen Ruggels	☒ Jeff Sallen	☒ Ian Kerch	☐ Paul Yung

Community Members in Attendance: Moana Alo, Landon Sciotto, Barry Mahlberg, Michael Sikorski, and Officer Laurel Torres.

- **Call to Order:** The Meeting was brought to order at 11:35 AM by Jeff Sallen, Chair of the Kearny Mesa Planning.
- **Meeting Minutes:** The Meeting Minutes from March 18, 2026, were shared with all participants. A vote was held and approved (8-0-2).
- **Officers Update:** Officer Laurel-Torres was given at the end of the meeting.
- **Community Update:** The planning group conducted a meeting where members provided updates and announcements. Moana from Senator Weber Pearson's office shared information about the May revised state budget proposal and upcoming events, including a lupus awareness symposium and Pride Month nominations. The group discussed required annual training for planning members, which will take place next week. The conversation ended with Barry Muhlberg beginning to present regarding a CUP renewal for Stadium Golf Center.
- **Action Item:** Stadium Golf Center CUP Renewal: PRJ-1152674

Barry Mahlberg introduced Stadium Golf Center, a 30-year-old facility in Kearney Mesa that includes 72 drive-in range tee stalls, 10 batting cages, a pro shop, and employs about 20 people. He explained that the golf center requires a conditional use permit, which was previously approved in 1995 and 2005, and is now seeking to extend it again without any changes or new construction. Barry indicated they are currently going through city comments and expect to address any requirements that might arise.

Stadium Golf Center CUP Renewal

The meeting focused on discussing the renewal of a Community Plan (COP) for Stadium Golf Center. Barry explained that while there wasn't a specific time frame provided, the previous extensions followed patterns of 10 and 20 years, with the current extension likely to be around 20 years due to the facility's positive community participation. Barry highlighted the golf center's community engagement activities, including partnerships with schools and Pro Kids Golf Academy, and noted how COVID-19 had increased participation in their junior golf program. Landon inquired about the facility's address, which Barry provided as 2990 Murphy Canyon Road. The conversation ended with Jeff Sallen preparing to move forward with approval of the CUP renewal. Karen moved to approve the renewal of the CUP as it stands, and Ian seconded the motion. The members voted on the motion, with most approving, though John Mulvihill voted no due to the lack of a set CUP term. Jeff Sallen confirmed the vote and committed to documenting and submitting it to the City Planning Department later that day.

- **Officers Update:** Kearney Mesa Crime Update

Officer Laurel Torres provided a crime update for the Kearney Mesa area over the past 30 days, reporting 7 stolen vehicles (including 3 test drive thefts from car dealerships), 4 vehicle break-ins, 9 accidents, 10 hit-and-runs, 29 noise complaints related to construction, 2 indecent exposures, 22 alarm calls, and 14 911 calls (12 of which were false). Torres noted that social media platforms like TikTok are contributing to car theft patterns and reminded the community about proper use of emergency services, particularly the 911 system. The meeting was cut off as Torres opened the floor for questions.

- **Noise Complaint from 24-Hour Fitness Center**

Robin asked about addressing noise issues from a 24-Hour Fitness location at 7715 Balboa Avenue, where the gym was opening side doors during cycling classes and playing music loudly in the neighborhood. Salvador advised that this could be reported as a 415-noise complaint to police and also through the Get It Done app, suggesting that police intervention would likely encourage the business to address the noise issue. The conversation ended with participants expressing gratitude to Salvador for attending and providing information. Jeff Sallen offered to personally visit the neighborhood to address noise concerns, particularly regarding loud music on Sunday mornings and Tuesday/Thursday evenings that was affecting local residents, including autistic children. Salvador indicated he was stretched thin but committed to helping as much as possible, while dhoop mentioned filing previous noise complaints through Get It Done but noted the issue persisted.

The meeting was brought to closure just after 12:30 pm.