

OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

MEETING MINUTES

08 April 2009

Members Present:

Dist. 1 John Swanson
Dist. 2 Sam Mendoza
Dist. 3 Ed Abraham
Dist. 4 Diane Porter
Dist. 5 Diego Padilla
Dist. 6 Maria Mendoza

Guests Present:

Alberto Trajillo, Guest
Alejandro Ianni, Guest
Alfonso Victorino, Resident
Ana Madrkia, Rresident
Angel Duenas, Guest
Angie Norieca, Guest
Armando Santana, Guest
Blanca Fernandez, Guest
Bob Hicks, Resident
Carmen Walker, Guest
Carranza Nohill, Guest
Claudia Barron, Guest
Corky Zumstein, Resident
Don Opel, Resident
Ed Swiderski, Resident
Elisen Gonzalez, Resident
Elvira Vasquez, Resident
Emanude Iami, Guest
Erika Lopez, Guest

Dist. 7 Ira Briggs
Dist. 8 Myrna Briggs
Dist. 9 Vinnie Thoms
Dist. 10 Bob Mikloski
Dist. 11 Marie Johnson
Dist. 12 Carlos Sanchez
Dist. 13 Daniel Wagner

Esthela Castillo, Resident
Francisco Padilla, Guest
Huelte Quinten, Resident
Irma Stabler, SD Housing Com
Joel Gomez, Resident
Jose Cisneros, Guest
Juan Ortega, Resident
Juendi Cortez, Guest
Julie Pearce, Resident
Kenneth Coldwell, Resident
Kenneth Coldwwill, Resident
Larry Clemens, SD Housing Com.
Laura Rodriguez, Guest
Leticia Terrones, Guest
Liliana Marmolejo, Guest
Lindsay Quackenbush, Affirmed Hsg.
Luisa Garcia, Resident
Manuel Solorio, Guest
Maria Delgado, Guest

Dist. 14 Wayne Dickey
Dist. 15 Walt Zumstein
Dist. 16 Steve Schroder

Members Absent:

Maria Fernandez, Guest
Maria Munt, Guest
Maria Sanchez, Guest
Maria Serrano, Guest
Michael Prinz, City of San Diego
Niria Galindo, Guest
Priscilla Marmolego, Guest
Raymond Fannon, Guest
Raymundo Trasquillo, Guest
Rita Peralta, Guest
Robert Chavez, Resident
Roger Whalen, Guest
Ruben Rodriguez, Guest
Sorjuana Lopez, Guest
Susana Morales, Resident
Theresa Millette, City of San Diego
Tom Scott, Guest
Yoaly Gonzalez, Guest

6:35 p.m. Meeting called to order by Chris Kwast, Acting Chair; Vinnie Thoms will act as Secretary. Chris welcomed all new Board members and the Community to the meeting.

(Note: Corrected spelling of Ed Abraham.)

Chris Kwast Called for the Election of Officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary.

Volunteer/Nominations for the Officer positions as follows:

Chair: Daniel Wagner, Sam Mendoza-declined.

Vice-Chair: Vinnie Thoms, Steve Shroeder

Secretary: John Swanson; Vinnie Thoms-declined.

Chris collected the ballots; Theresa Millette & Michael Prinz tallied the vote.

Approval of Minutes of the March 11, 2009 meeting; Steve/Wayne approved as written. 14/0/0

Chair: Daniel Wagner, Vice-Chair: Vinnie Thoms, Secretary: John Swanson

Daniel took over as Chair of the meeting.

Non-agenda Public Comment:

Walt Zumstein: Who is filming us? Affirmed Housing video-taping the meeting for their company's training purposes.

Council District 8 Report: Whitney Benzian reported that April 18th at 11 a.m. will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at 13th Street for the Bayshore Bikeway. A homeless encampment behind the Imperial Palms Terrace was removed. The office continues to remove graffiti, so please call the Dist. 8 office to report.

San Diego Police Department: Bertha MacTiernan reported that the March 27th stabbing at 27th/Iris was NOT school related. It was Gang related and the Gang unit is doing an investigation.

Information Item: City of San Diego 5-yr Draft Plan Summary was presented by Victoria Joes. She can be reached for comments at www.sdhc.org, e-mail: victoriaj@sdhc.org or by phone at (619) 578-7542. If accepted by City Council on 4/28/09 and approved by HUD, the plan will begin July 1, 2009 (fiscal year begins). (2010-2014)

The following Agenda item was moved up, prior to Action Item.

Information Item: Notice of 60 day availability of the San Diego Fire Department's Draft Very High Fire Hazard Severity map. Chris Kwast presented the map of the Otay Mesa-Nestor area and stated that by designating these areas it may change the Building Codes requiring dual pane glass, no wood fences, no plastic fences and other requirements. There is more information at the city website, sandiego.gov per Michael Prinz.

Action Item: Riverwalk Apartments-1194 Hollister. The San Diego Housing Commission is proposing to purchase the project and manage; Affirmed Housing to build. Tenants would be screened. Project will be managed by them for 55-years minimum. A presentation and handouts were given by Affirmed Housing, Anna Scott and San Diego Housing Commission Senior Vice-President, Larry Clemens. There was a large group of attendees in favor of project, by show of standing up. Comments by board members and members of community concerned with the overwhelming number of "affordable" housing already in our area (1382 units)

Motion was made to extend the time of public comments for an additional 15 minutes Vinnie/Bob (7/7/0) discussion was dropped.

Motion to NOT RECOMMEND endorsing San Diego Housing Commission's proposal as stated: Walt/Sam 9/7/0 (opposed: Ed Abraham, Vinnie Thoms, Wayne Dickey, Daniel Wagner, Carlos Sanchez, Diego Padilla, Marie Johnson)

Due to the extra time allowed for the Riverwalk discussion; no Chair report.

Michael Prinz, Planner, announced the mandatory attendance at the next Community Orientation Workshop on Saturday, May 2 at 8:15 at the Metropolitan Wastewater Building in Kearny Mesa for new members of the Planning Group. Invitation has been e-mailed to new members.

8:35 p.m. meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is May 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Otay Mesa Branch Library.