

SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
Draft Minutes from May 18, 2009

1. Call to order: At 5:35 p.m. Chairman David Flores called meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present: J. Barajas, T. Currie, D. Flores, S. Gonzalez, M. Freedman, S. Otto, J. Wyman, A. Perez, I. Adato (5:45 pm), R. Moran (5:50 pm), and F. Sanchez (6:05 pm).

Excused: M. Paul and J. Goudeau

Unexcused: B. Gonzalez and M. Cather

Quorum of 8 present at Call to Order & item 2

Quorum of 11 present item 6 (a)

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting: A motion was made by T. Currie and seconded by J. Wyman to approve the minutes of April 20, 2009. Motion Passed (7-0-1)  
Yes: J. Barajas, T. Currie, D. Flores, M. Freedman, A. Perez, J. Wyman, and A. Perez.  
Noes: None. Abstain: S. Gonzalez.

3. Agenda Modifications: None

4. Announcements:

a) Vacancies: None

b) Chairman: Three announcements were on public agenda. With regard to one of them, namely, release by General Services Administration of Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the San Ysidro LPOE Improvement Project for public comment, after discussion, and at the discretion of the Chair, a Special Meeting will be called for Monday, June 1, 2009 at 5:30 PM at the Front with the DEIS as the single agenda item. Also, the 2008 SYCPG Annual Report has been sent to the City as required by CP 600-24. Copies were previously distributed by email and are available from the Chairman.

c) Group Members: S. Otto noted Grand Opening and Dedication ceremony for Camino de la Plaza streetscape project is tentatively schedule for Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Ceremony will include dedication of a San Ysidro Centennial memorial plaque at the new “mini” plaza.

d) City Officials: Maxx Stalheim announced that City of San Diego did not receive the \$555,000 planning “Smart Growth” grant from SANDAG due to TRANSNET funding cutbacks, however, the several proposed road improvements from the San Ysidro Mobility Study will be incorporated within the upcoming San Ysidro Community Plan Update (SYCPU). The RFP for the SYCPU consultant closes June 11<sup>th</sup>, with the City Council expected to approve the consultant contract (\$800,000) in August, and the first community stakeholders meeting to be scheduled in September. Mr. Stalheim announced that he will no longer be the planner assigned to San Ysidro; new planner is Sara Lyons.

Yolanda Apalategui introduced as the new staff person assigned to San Ysidro from City Council District 8. (619) 236-6688 ([YApalategui@sandiego.gov](mailto:YApalategui@sandiego.gov)).

5. Public Comment: None.

6. Docket Items:

a. La Aldaba Senior Project: David Flores recused himself for discussion and vote on this project. Further presentation of preliminary project proposal previously reviewed at the April 20 meeting and which was recommended for approval for a rezone to RM-3-8. The 70-unit senior housing project with limited commercial uses on the ground floor is at the northwest corner of Averil Rd. and W. San Ysidro Blvd. Due to ADA requirements for elevators, the project would need elevator shaft that would extend to 45 feet. The RM-3-8 zone limits height to 40 feet. The RM-3-7 allows a 50 foot height. No other changes from April presentation.

A motion was made by M. Freedman and seconded by A. Perez to reaffirm recommendation from April 20 meeting in support of the continuing efforts of this project and the rezone request to RM-3-7 to accommodate the 45 foot height for the elevator shaft. Motion Passed (9-0-1) Yes: J. Barajas, T. Currie, M. Freedman, S. Gonzalez, S. Otto, A. Perez, J. Wyman, R. Moran, and F. Sanchez. Noes: None. Abstain: D. Flores. Not present for the vote: I. Adato

7. Subcommittee Reports:

- a. Housing Element Subcommittee- No meeting
- b. Infrastructure & Public Improvement Subcommittee- No meeting, however a first meeting will be called in June.

8. Representative Reports:

- a. SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration (Flores/Adato): See 8(b) below.
- b. SY Smart Border Coalition (Flores): Further meetings will be scheduled to review the Draft Environmental Impact Statement
- c. Community Planners Committee (Cather/Otto)- No report.
- d. Otay Mesa Planning Group (Paul)- No report.
- e. Transportation Collaborative (Goudeau)- No report.
- f. SY Project Area Committee (PAC) (Paul)- First PAC meeting held May 12. Next meeting scheduled for May 26.

9. Other Items: None

Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Steve Otto, temporary Secretary