Serra Mesa Planning Group

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Minutes of Serra Mesa Planning Group Regular Meeting

Thursday January 20, 2011

Serra Mesa/Kearny Mesa Library Community Room, 9005 Aero Dr.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by Doug Wescott (Chair).

Roll Call: Doug Wescott (Chair), James Feinberg, Brian Peterson, Dicken Hall, Sam Safino, Mike Marion, Mark Larsen, Brad Savall, Tom Wright, Eric Jimerson, Bob McDowell (7:11 PM)

Absent: Matt Hendry

Community Forum / Announcements:

- 1) Monica Fuentes for Friends of Ruffin Canyon
 - a. The next Ruffin Canyon clean up event is Feb. 5th at Shawn Canyon and another one on March 5th
 - b. Library Canyon cleanup by Rock Church volunteer group.
 - c. Cubberly Elementary School kids are planting 100 native plants in Ruffin Canyon.
- 2) Barbara Ryan
 - a. Rady Children's Hospital needed a research building and purchased two buildings and a parking structure at 7910 and 7920 Frost St, across from Sharp Hospital; should not increase traffic. Will be used for running clinical trials with UCSD.
- 3) Geralyn White
 - a. SMCC looking for volunteers
- 4) Serra Mesa Community Fair will be October 15th at Cabrillo Heights Park.

Legislative Aides Community Planner:

- 1) Councilmember Zapf's office. Liz Smutz presenting. Elaine Valdez will normally be covering these meetings.
 - a. Ribbon cutting ceremony with over 200 spaces for the parking in Birdland. Took 11 months from soup to nuts with help of County Supervisor Ron Roberts office.
- 2) City Planning representative Tait Galloway in place of Brian Schoenfisch.
 - a. In contracting process for the road connection to Serra Mesa.
 - b. Community sign on Kearny Villa Road in island, in front of Mirabella Apartments, to investigate with development services as to how the sign

was put up / approved. There was no sign off on the installation of the sign, and developer paid for it.

- 3) Congressman Duncan Hunter office rep Andrea Jones
 - a. Concentrate on jobs. And on the transportation committee
 - b. Job fair at Cuyamaca College
 - c. Fielded questions from the SMPG and community and was asked what Duncan Hunter's office could do about concerns in Mission Valley with how traffic in Mission Valley impacts Serra Mesa as there are no schools or parks in Mission Valley.

Agenda Items:

Open Position on the SMPG, Information Item

Matt Hendry has resigned due to relocation.

Montgomery Field plan amendment

Tate Galloway, CPCI, presenting and provided a handout with noise levels and building height restrictions.

The Plan Amendment does not impact how Air Traffic Control directs planes, only considers airport operations. The 60 db noise levels are for all airport operations including the city operations and pertains to both fixed wing and rotors.

Discussion about how community members were noticed regarding the changes. There could have been better notification.

MOTION: to accept the Montgomery Field plan amendment by B. McDowell Tom Wright Second. **VOTE: 10-0-1** (Abstention J. Feinberg)

Councilmember Carl DeMaio presents his proposed Road Map to Recovery five year financial plan.

Three criteria for the plan: comprehensive 5 year budget plan, no service cuts, show that it can be done legally in today's environment with council or a public vote.

Why not bankruptcy? Met with bankruptcy advisors and judges order from other state municipal bankruptcy cases have found that Chapter 9 shows that pension benefits of state constitution. Plenary protection. So there is precedent that San Diego will need to pay on the Pension Plan even in bankruptcy.

Identified 11 city functions were the "yellow pages" test showed that they could be outsourced for cheaper.

How to manage the pension benefits and came up with 16 reforms. One of the big savings will come from how pensions are calculated. Propose to change calculations based on base salary and not on highest compensation received. The city can also freeze and even cut salaries if need be and it is all legal.

Councilmember DeMaio stated that he is willing to meet with Serra Mesa community about Phyllis Place road connection

Additional Announcements:

James Feinberg discussed water rates. The city will be holding a meeting on increase in water rates. The form to protest the rate increase can be found at sandiego.gov/water. Residents are on a tiered system and others are on a flat rate system.

Chris Riley and Birdland traffic. The Rady Children's Hospital problem is solved but there is still a lot of traffic in parts of Birdland due to Mesa College. Will get a meeting with the new traffic person through Rady Children Hospital Government Rep Barbara Ryan.

Doug Wescott announced there are 6 open seats on the SMPG to be filled at the March Meeting.

Doug bought banners for the SPMG and displayed at corner of Murray Ridge Road and Mission Center Road and requested motion for expenditure for \$228.05. **MOTION:** To approve expenditure from SMPG funds of \$228.05. **VOTE: 10-0-1** (Abstention D. Wescott)

Tom Wright asked if the SMPG would write a letter in support of the owner of the Sandrock Gas Station. Many members were concerned about the language and the topic was tabled for a vote at the next meeting of the SMPG.

Bob McDowell provided details about the 100th anniversary of Naval Aviation on February 12 at North Island Air Station which will include a replica of Glenn Curtis seaplane.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Doug Wescott at 9:07 PM. BMS 01/20/2011