April 16, 2015 MINUTES
7:00 PM, @ RB Swim & Tennis Club, Club 21 Room
16955 Bernardo Oaks Drive

Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
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ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call – Regular Meeting: The meeting was called to order by the Election Committee Co-Chair, Sherry Guthrie at 7:05 PM. A quorum was met with 15 members present.

ITEM #2 Seat New Members: In accordance with Article V Section 4 – New members were seated in order to allow their full participation as elected members at the April planning group meeting.

ITEM #3 Non-Agenda Public Comment: There were no individuals providing non-agenda public comment.

ITEM #4 Election of Officers: Election of Officers for the RBCPB follows:

Chairperson: Motion Robin Kaufman, second by Roberta Mikles to nominate Mike Lutz. There were no further nominations. Mr. Lutz introduced himself and gave a brief review of his background. Motion passed with Mr. Lutz receiving 14 votes.

Vice Chairperson: Motion Roberta Mikles, second Katie Newbanks to nominate Robin Kaufman as Vice Chairperson. There were no further nominations. Ms. Kaufman introduced herself and provided a brief background of her community service. Motion passed with Ms. Kaufman receiving 15 votes.

Secretary: Motion Robin Kaufman, second by Roberta Mikles to nominate Sherry Guthrie as Secretary. There were no further nominations. Ms. Guthrie introduced herself and provided a brief review of her background. Motion passed with Ms. Guthrie receiving 15 votes.

Treasurer: Motion Robin Kaufman, second by Roberta Mikles to nominate Bettyann Pernice as Treasurer. There were no further nominations. Ms. Pernice introduced herself and provided a brief review of her background and community involvement. Motion passed with Ms. Pernice receiving 15 votes.

ITEM #5 Appoint Committee Chairs: Mike Lutz, the newly election Chairperson, conducted the meeting from this point onward. Appointment of Committee Chairs by the Chairperson and confirmation by the Board as follows:

Development Review: Vicki Touchstone, approved unanimously, 15-0-0.
Publicity & Election: J.C. Cochran, approved unanimously, 15-0-0.
Regional Issues: Vicki Touchstone will Chair until such time a new member becomes involved and decides To Chair this committee. Approved unanimously, 15-0-0.
Traffic: Roberta Mikles, approved unanimously, 15-0-0.

ITEM #6 Appointment of Committee/Liaison Members: Previous Committee Chairs gave a brief review of the responsibilities of the committees. Vicki Touchstone will forward information for Liaison positions to members for their review. Members can make their selection and report their choice
at the May RBCPB meeting. Mike Lutz as Chair, and JC Cochran will be alternate for the Community Planning Group Committee. Members to consider their participation on the following Board and liaison committees:

Development Review: Community Center(s):
Publicity & Election: San Dieguito River Valley Park:
Regional Issues: San Pasqual/Lake Hodges:
Traffic: COMPACT:

ITEM #7 MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA/ADOPT DRAFT AGENDA: Prior to modifications to the agenda, Garrett Hager, representative from Mark Kersey’s office introduced himself and reported Mr. Kersey is working to ensure City employees that serve in the Reserves are reimbursed for time off from work to participate in required military training exercises instead of having to use vacation time; the 2015-16 budget will have an increase in infrastructure funding; the City has turf replacement rebates available.

Tony Kempton with the City Planning Department introduced himself and reminded Board members that it is recommended new Board members attend the Community Orientation Workshop (COW) on May 16, 2015 in person. Robin Kaufman will provide the City with a new RBCPB roster and invitations to this event will be emailed to all members by the City.

Lou Dell’Angela expressed concern the review of the Revised Bylaws was not included on the agenda at his request. Sherry Guthrie noted the Administrative Committee unanimously decided the 5 new members of the RBCPB that were seated tonight were not yet familiar with the Bylaws nor Council Policy 600-24 and the Administrative Guidelines that are a significant part of the RBCPB Bylaws and felt it was reasonable to hold off discussion and/or action on this item until the May RBCPB meeting. Mr. Dell’Angela also expressed concern that email address for all Board members was not provided to a community representative on the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee. Board Secretary Robin Kaufman explained that based on City Policy, she is not authorized to provide the information anyone but Board members and referred the request to the Administrative Committee Chair.

After further discussion about the importance of completing the edits in a timely manner after the hours of hard work and effort by Mr. Dell’Angela, Teri Denlinger, and the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee members, a motion by Don Gragg, second Robin Kaufman to add Agenda Item #10 B—Appoint Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Chair. Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0.

ITEM #8 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:
Motion Robin Kaufman, second Roberta Mikles to approve the RBCPB March 19, 2015 Meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed 10-0-5. Ruth Coddington, Patti Hall, Laurie Madsen, Katie Newbanks, and Bettyann Pernice abstained as they were not present at the March 2015 board meeting.

Motion: Vicki Touchstone, Second: Don Gragg to approve the March 2015 Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0.

ITEM #9 APPOINTMENT OF BOARD VACANCIES: There were no individuals that presented themselves at this meeting.

ITEM #10 A. VERIZON WESSEX ROW (CITY PROJECT #392236): The Development Review Chair, Vicki Touchstone, presented information relating to the Proposal for a wireless communication facility that requires replacing an existing light standard to support 3 panel antennas, along with adding new above ground equipment. This project is located at the south-west corner of Pomerado Road and Cloudesly Drive. Verizon representative, Kerrigan Diehl distributed plans and an example of the wrap that will be used on equipment for the project to the Board. A motion by Vicki Touchstone, second Robin Kaufman to send a letter to City staff indicating that the Planning Board recommends approval of the Verizon Wessex Row project provided that: 1) the proposed cabinets are wrapped with a photo film that illustrates the existing vegetation behind the equipment during mid-season, and 2) the final drawings show the proposed telco equipment on a steel H-frame and the proposed electrical equipment on a steel H-frame will be located to the north of the light-standard near an existing landscaped area, as shown on plans dated 4/16/15. Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0.
ITEM #10  
**B. APPOINTMENT OF BYLAWS AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIR:** The Board unanimously concurred with Mike Lutz’s appointment of Don Gragg as Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Chair. Other members that will participate on the committee include: Sherry Guthrie, Robin Kaufman, Roberta Mikles and community representatives Lou Dell’Angela and Teri Denlinger. The Committee will meet and have edits prepared and distributed in sufficient time to be acted on at the May 2015 Board meeting. JC Cochran reminded the Ad Hoc Committee that according to Council Policy 600-24, they are legally required to post meeting notices 72 hours in advance. Mr. Kempton requested any edits after the April 9, 2015 edition be highlighted in yellow.

ITEM #11  
**APPROVAL OF ANNUAL REPORT:** A Motion by Roberta Mikles, second Robin Kaufman to forward the RBCPB Annual Report for 2014 to the City. Vicki Touchstone was thanked for assisting Mr. Dell’Angela with the preparation of this report. Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0.

ITEM #12  
**“HATS OFF” UPDATE:** Robin Kaufman reported the Hat’s Off event is scheduled for Saturday, April 25 at 9:00 AM at RBHS. Volunteers are needed to staff a table that has been reserved for RBCPB. Mike Lutz volunteered and will coordinate with Vicki Touchstone.

ITEM #13  
**“RB ALIVE” UPDATE:** Robin Kaufman reported that a booth has been reserved for RBCPB to participate in RB Alive on June 7, 2015. Vicki Touchstone will forward emails to all members so they can coordinate their times to volunteer at the booth. Motion by Vicki Touchstone for the RBCPB to authorize an amount not to exceed $100 to cover the cost of posters for the event, second Robin Kaufman. Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0.

ITEM #14  
**COMMITTEE REPORTS (see attached draft of minutes)**
- Bylaws Ad-Hoc: Refer to item #10B.
- Development Review (Meetings are held the Tuesday before the Administrative Committee Meeting.)
- Publicity/Elections/Nominating: No report.
- Regional Issues (Meetings are held the Tuesday before the Administrative Committee Meeting.
- Traffic & Transportation (Vicki will forward the pedestrian crossing project to Roberta Mikles.)

ITEM #15  
**LIAISON REPORTS**
- Community Council: See attached report.
- Community Planners Committee (CPC): No report.
- SANDAG: No report.

ITEM #16  
**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing reported.

ITEM #17  
**NEW BUSINESS:** Nothing reported.

**ADJOURMENT:** Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 PM by Robin Kaufman, second Scott Hall. Motion passed Unanimously, 15-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Sherry Guthrie, RBCPB Secretary

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**
Thursday May 21st, 2015 @ 7:00 PM
RB Swim & Tennis Club – Club 21 Room

**STANDING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Administrative Committee**
- 6:00 PM - Monday, 10 days prior to Board meeting
- RB Swim & Tennis Club - Ceramics Room

**Development Review Committee**
- 6:00 PM – The Tuesday prior to Administrative Comm. Mtg.
- RB Swim & Tennis Club – Ceramics Room

**Traffic & Transportation Committee**
- 5:00 PM – 4th Monday of month
- RB Swim & Tennis Club – Ceramics Room

**Publicity/Election Committee**
- 7:30 PM - 4th Tuesday of month
- RB Swim & Tennis Club – Ceramics Room

**Regional Issues Committee**
- 7:00 PM - The Tuesday prior to Administrative Comm. Mtg.
- RB Swim & Tennis Club – Ceramics Room

**By laws (Ad-Hoc) Committee**
- Time and location TBD
Introduction
The Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board successfully completed a range of actions this year thanks to exceptional participation by all members. Major accomplishments include developing goals to guide the Board over the next few years, drafting revised bylaws for approval by City staff, expanding our public outreach through improvements to the Planning Board website, and providing the Mayor, City Council, and City staff with a range of recommendations regarding development proposals, community traffic and transportation issues, and regional issues that have the potential to impact the Rancho Bernardo Community. Specific accomplishments are presented below.

In August 2012, the Planning Board approved the following goals for the Planning Board:

1. To reestablish community confidence in the Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board and demonstrate the Planning Board's focus on achieving the goals and vision for the Rancho Bernardo community as set forth in the Rancho Bernardo Community Plan.

2. To initiate a comprehensive update of the Rancho Bernardo Community Plan that will ensure the preservation of the initial vision for the Rancho Bernardo Community as an outstanding livable and business community.

3. To adopt and submit to the City for approval updated Board Bylaws including new voting procedures which are consistent with City ordinances and policies.

4. To initiate outreach programs to homeowners associations and the business community to identify areas where our Community Planning Board can best cooperate and assist in addressing their respective needs and goals.

5. To initiate a concentrated effort to recruit and appoint new members to fill all currently vacant Board seats.

6. To update the Board's web site.

Traffic and Transportation Issues
A range of actions were taken to improve traffic circulation within Rancho Bernardo.

- **Street Striping on Pomerado Road for Speed Control:** The Board requested the City to evaluate the potential for traffic calming actions on Pomerado Road, specifically adding striping along the curbs, as has been done elsewhere in the community, to provide a more narrowing appearance to the street that could result in reduce speeds within the travel lanes.

- **Speed Change Studies:** The Board sent a letter to the City requesting that for better continuity, they review larger portions of long thoroughfares in the community when assessing proposed speed limit changes.
• **Responses to the City’s Proposed Speed Limit Increases:**
  
  o Oppose an increase from 35 mph to 45 mph on West Bernardo Drive in both directions, between Aguameil and Interstate 15 (I-15).
  
  o Oppose an increase from 40 mph to 45 mph on the south bound portion of West Bernardo Drive between Duenda Road and Rancho Bernardo Road (the north bound portion of this segment would remain at 40 mph).
  
  o Recommend that the speed limit of 45 mph on Pomerado Road between Escala Drive and Highland Valley Road, both north and south bound, and the speed limit of 40 mph on Pomerado Road between Highland Valley Road and the I-15 entrance, both north and south bound, remain as presently designated because an increase in the speed limit would negatively impact residents ability to safely enter/exit Pomerado Road where there are currently no traffic signals, especially during the peak traffic hours in the a.m. and p.m.
  
  o Recommend the installation of stop signs at the intersections of Lomica Drive and Rodada Drive and Lomica Drive and Hispano Drives.

**Recommendations on Development Proposals**

• **T-Mobile – Bernardo Heights:** The Board successfully argued before the Planning Commission that T-Mobile should not be permitted to construct a cellular facility on a street light along Avenida Venusto.

• **T-Mobile Rancho Bernardo Country Club:** The Board recommended approval of updates to an existing faux palm tree cellular facility with conditions.

• **Verizon Carmel Highlands Cellular Facility:** The Board recommended approval of a new faux eucalyptus cellular facility near the southeast corner of I-15 and Camino del Norte.

• **Request to Initiate an Amendment to the RB Community Plan and San Diego General Plan by Americare Health and Retirement:** The Board recommended initiation of an amendment to the Rancho Bernardo Community Plan and San Diego General Plan, provided thoughts regarding the three initiation criteria, and presented issues that should be addressed by City staff as part of their analysis of the project application.

**Regional Issues**

• **San Dieguito River Valley Regional Open Space Park:** Requested that the Mayor and City Council reinstate the City’s financial support for the River Park.

• **600-24 City Council Revisions:** Provided City staff with comments regarding language included in the proposed revisions.

• **Draft 2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program:** Provided comments to SANDAG regarding the range of transportation projects included within the draft 2014 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP).

• **Urban Forest Management Plan for the City of San Diego:** Provided some minor comments regarding the content of the plan for City staff’s consideration and recommended approval of the Urban Forest Management Plan.

• **Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the draft Climate Action Plan:** Provided input to City staff regarding issues that should be address in the draft EIR.

• **Proposed 9th Update to the City of San Diego Land Development Code:** Reviewed the proposed changes and provided comments to City staff related to issues that could affect residents in Rancho Bernardo.

• **Charging Stations for Electric Vehicles:** Approved a proposal by the City to install charging stations for electric vehicles in the Community Park.
Elections
The 2014 Election Committee reviewed issues raised following the 2014 elections and provided recommendations for improving the election process in 2015. Following those recommendations, the 2015 Election Committee implemented a success election process with a number of new candidates from various districts. The Committee continues to work to identify interested individual to fill all remaining vacant seats.

Bylaw Revisions
A bylaws committee was formed to review the current bylaws, making revisions per the newly adopted Council Policy 600-24 and updating election procedures. The Committee worked with City staff to resolve issues and presented a final version to the Board at the March 2015 meeting for consideration at an upcoming meeting.

Zoning Maps
Problems with the current City zoning maps for Rancho Bernardo were identified during review of the 9th Land Development Code Update. The Planning Board will work with City staff to resolve these issues.

Contribution to Swim and Tennis Club
The Planning Board donated $50 to the Swim and Tennis Club for allowing us to use their facilities for Planning Board related meetings. Several Board members also contributed additional funds toward this effort.

Public Outreach
- **Website Update**: Through the efforts of Scott Hall and Sherry Guthrie, the Planning Board’s website was updated to enhance the Board’s public outreach efforts.
- **RBAlive**: The Planning Board staffed a booth at RB Alive and provided the public with information about what the Board does and how they could get involved.
- **Hats Off**: The Planning Board will recognize Sherry Guthrie at Hats Off 2015 for her contributions to the Board in 2014.
- **Media Contacts**: The Board successfully filled several vacancies as a result of public outreach efforts with the media, as well as individual outreach by Board members.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lou Dell’Angela
2014/2015 Chair, Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
RB Community Council
April 2015 Report:

-The RBCC approved the T-shirt design for the 5th Annual Chalk It Up event. The first 200 participants will receive a commemorative T-shirt. T-shirts are being paid for through sponsorship.

-The RBCC approved to be one of the sponsors for the 2nd Annual Intergenerational Olympic games on April 16.

-The RBCC approved a new utility box painting. It is a painting done by a young Westwood girl who tragically lost her life. A family friend will be painting it.

-The RBCC approved to work with the police department in a community wide Stranger Danger presentation set for April 30. This came to light due to the recent attempt to kidnap an elementary school child.

-The RBCC election filing deadline is April 30. At this time, there are several returning members as well as three new individuals who have submitted applications.

-The RBCC will have an information table at the Hats Off to Volunteers event April 25

-The RBCC will have a booth at RB Alive on June 7.