



**Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 7, 2010**

El Dorado Room, Doubletree Golf Resort

Members in attendance: Chair Charles Sellers, Vice Chair Jon Becker, Bill Diehl, Dennis Spurr, Keith Rhodes, James LaGrone and Bill Dumka. John Keating appeared during the presentation by Council District One.

Members absent: Tuesdee Halperin, Morri Chowaiki, John Spelta, Scot Sandstrom, Mike Shoecraft, Daniel Barker, Jeanine Politte, Lynn Murphy and Joost Bende.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Sellers at 7:41 pm without a quorum present.

Chairman Sellers announced that the Cresta Bella Monument Signs action item had been postponed at applicant's request. They will be on the May agenda if the agenda opens up, but for sure in June.

Approval of minutes was deferred until a quorum is present.

There were no Public Safety Agencies present.

Public Forum:

- Kara Palmer, a consultant for CALTRANS announced an upcoming extended closure of the express lane access from eastbound Highway 56. The six week [hopefully only three weeks] closure will begin in early to mid May. Express lane access from Highway 56 will be shifted via the Sabre Springs transit center. Ms. Palmer indicated that obvious signage will be posted.

Also during this period the bridge over Highway 15 at Pomerado Road will be intermittently closed in the evenings to complete the south span project. This will involve shifting traffic to the north span, demolishing and then construction of the south span. Estimated completion is in early 2011.

South of the Carroll Canyon bridge traffic will be shifted to the outside lanes in order to complete express lane upgrades.

Sellers and Spurr questioned contractor responsibilities and demolition schedule. Diehl questioned connections to reclaimed water piping. Ms. Palmer did not know the water answer, but she will get back to the Chair and the Secretary with answers.

- Rod Simmon of the RP city advisory committee questioned "legal" access routes to Westview High School from Park Village. He passed out a proposed Darkwood canyon trail proposal which was emailed to board members. He was concerned about illegal trespassing shortcuts through private property including the vernal pool areas. Rhodes commented about the history of his project and proposed trails within that purview.

Public Officials:

Council member Sherri Lightner announced that:

- a. Fire Station 40 is still manned despite media reports. Response time to the recent fire was faster than pre-brownout averages by 2 minutes. Average response times in PQ and University City are worse than city averages and the Fire Marshall has published his concerns. There will be no HAZMAT relocations to 4S Ranch stations - that responsibility will remain within station 40.
- b. There will be a sex offender information meeting within District One April 15th at the Torrey Hills Oceanaire Recreation Center. Please no children should attend. Future meetings will be promulgated by her office.
- c. All business enterprise zones have expired, but most are south of Interstate 8. There are some proposed zones within District One, but PQ should not be a player as industrial land is required.
- d. Prescription drug return will happen April 17th at the Poway Sheriff's office from 9am to 1pm.

~ Sellers - - pressure on CPG's to go on record re: medical marijuana establishments.

~ Rhodes - no valid enforcement by zones.

~ Lightner - District One will make recommendations in accordance with attorney general specifics.

~ Penasquitos task force will meet next Thursday [15th]. Task force wants Planning Board to attend.

~ In response to Mr. Simmon, the Poway School District is responsible for traffic in and around schools.

~ The mayor will present his budget to council on the 13th.

~ Sellers worried about city budget committee inputs prior to budget release - time is short.

~ Problem with balloon chase vehicles infringing upon private property, not being respectful to the property and especially vernal pool areas. The mayor will enforce privacy with citations if reported.

~ Keating thanked Councilmember Lightner for all the hard and quality work by Stephen Heverly.

~ Rhodes announced legislation that will allow the city to release his project instead of being held hostage by the Department of Fish and Wildlife. More to come on that.

Business:

With the arrival of John Keating a quorum was established.

LaGrone/Becker motioned that the minutes for the March meeting be approved as written.

Motion passed 7-0-1 Spurr abstained.

Verizon Black Mountain presented by John Bitterly

This project is to renew the existing Black Mountain Antenna Tower for a period of ten years.

The only modification suggested by the Telecom Committee was to change the color of the antenna covers to reduce visibility. There will be no changes to the power box or any hardware additions/deletions.

A motion [Spurr/Diehl] supported the 10 year renewal with the proviso that the antenna cover color be grey as delineated in photo simulations 1 of the project plans. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Clearwire Mesa Verde Middle School presented by Becky Siskowski.

The project is to upgrade antennae and covers as depicted in the project plans. The Telecomm Committee has forwarded the project without recommendation other than making any approval contingent upon having vertical symmetry with regard to all facade elements.A motion [Rhodes/Becker] to approve the project with the vertical symmetry requirements passed 7-1-0 [Sellers opposed].

Clearwire Canyonside Park - Becky Siskowski

The proposed project is to replace the light pole nearest the park entrance and to enlarge one of the current kiosks to house electrical equipment. The other existing kiosk would be moved closer to the gymnasium. An additional requirement would be to preclude parking just west of the "T" intersection of ballpark/gymnasium roads. There is a property line problem with city/county property that might preclude fencing.

~ Becker: Who will maintain the complex – Clearwire.

~ Keating: Why is the building there in the first place - concerns about sight line obstructions with approaching and departing traffic. Building will house the cellular equipment.

~ Siskowski - there is an alternate location at the pump station across the road.

~ Keating: Can we twist the building 45 degrees to improve visibility?

Motion {Sellers/Spurr} to approve the project as submitted with the proviso to [a] rotate the building 45 degrees and [b] the applicant will install parking prevention subject to recreation council approval or [c] make a \$1000 donation to the recreation council. Motion passed 8-0-0.

Elections:

A motion to certify the election results promulgated at the last meeting [LaGrone/Becker] passed 8-0-0.

Dist 2 - Dennis Spurr

Dist. 4 - Lynn Murphy

Dist. 8 - Joost Bende

Dist. 10 - John Keating

BMR2- John Spelta

TH2 - Scot Sandstrom

A motion to confirm the appointments of James LaGrone from the Recreation Council and Mike Shoecraft from the Town Council [Becker/Dumka] passed 6-0-2 Diehl and LaGrone abstained.

A motion to confirm the appointments of Bill Dumka to Commercial 2 and Thom Clark to District 3 [Becker/LaGrone] passes 6-0-2 [Sellers and Dumka abstained].

These actions leave the District 6, District 7 and Renter at Large positions vacant.

Nominations:

A motion to continue Charles Sellers as Chairman [Becker/Rhodes] passed 8-0-1 Sellers abstained.

A motion to continue Jon Becker as Vice Chair [Sellers/Rhodes] passed 8-0-1 Becker abstained.

A motion to continue Jeanine Politte as Secretary [Sellers/Becker] passed 9-0-0.

Reports:

Chairman:

- a. This will be my last year as Chairman - Jon Becker will move up and Joost Bende will take over Land Use.
- b. Proposal to move the July meeting to June 30th and the September meeting to September 8th will be discussed next month.

Vice Chair:

- a. Thanks again to Stephen Heverly from the District One staff!
- b. Has received grants for trees for planting October 23rd.
- c. Stephen Heverly will coordinate TRANSNET funds to fix drainage across Black Mountain Road from Canyonside Park.
- d. Muslim Community Center - there are concerns for screening the church and grounds from Santa Monica street and Camina de la Luna. A group petition for the screening is in progress.

Secretary: No report

Land Use: Cresta Bella scheduled in May or June

Telecom Committee:

- a. Two projects - a. Evergreen Nursery pineapple awaiting revision and b. a project for Park Village Drive and Ragweed is awaiting inputs.

Ad Hoc Committees:

Rhodes reported a possible conflict with these meetings and the Brown Act. He proposed closing non-active committees and possibly re-establishing them upon need.

Fire Protection and Transportation committees were reassigned to Liaison and Organization categories.

Liaison and Organization Reports:

Black Mountain Open Space

- a. Two rattlesnakes seen in the open in the last two weeks - beware.
- b. The trails master plan is in work and it will eliminate personal trails.
- c. The glider port hydrospray is growing with the recent rains.

MCAS Miramar

- a. Tours are being organized for the vernal pool areas
- b. New airfield hours were discussed

Recreation Council:

- a. Excellent Egg Hunt April 2 - very well attended
- b. Eight benches for the dog park have arrived
- c. Treasurer has been appointed to the city economic improvement committee

Town Council: No representative

Park Village LMAD

- a. Park and open space improvements underway

Penasquitos East LMAD

- a. Tree stump removed along Black Mountain Road
- b. Diehl has been reappointed to the city Park and Recreation Board

Torrey Highlands LMAD:

- a. Authorized RFP for landscape monument signs
- b. Expect to choose architect May 5
- c. Three new trash cans installed at Westview, It's a Grind and bike path at Camino del Sur

Meeting adjourned at 10:10pm.

Prepared by Jim LaGrone in the Secretary's absence.

Approved 5/5/2010; 9 in favor – 0 against – 0 recusals – 4 abstentions (Murphy, Barker, Politte, Shoecraft).