



Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board Meeting Minutes February 5, 2014

Attendees: Bill Diehl, Bill Dumka, Cynthia Macshane, Dan Valentine, Dennis Spurr, Jeanine Politte, John Keating, Jon Becker, Melinda Vasquez, Mike Shoecraft, Ramesses Surban, Rod Simmons, Ruth Loucks, and Thom Clark.

Absent: Darren Parker, Joost Bende, Keith Rhodes, Mike Kenney, Steve Gore and Zachary Tanton

Community Members & Guests (Voluntary Sign-in): Caitlyn Kes, Brooke Williams, Tighe Jaffe, Harold Meza, Jennifer Palkovic, Pamela Blackwill, Anne DeBevoise-Abel, Steve Silverman

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm at the Doubletree Golf Resort located at 14455 Peñasquitos Drive, San Diego, California 92129. Quorum was present.
2. Agenda Modifications:
 - a. Motion to move Business item 1 (Approve Landscape Maintenance Assessment Districts' Budgets: Park Village/PQEast/TH) to the consent agenda. M/S/C: Bill Diehl, Jon Becker, Approved; I/O/A/R: 11/0/1 (Simmons)/0
It was noted the budgets had already been approved by the LMADs and there would be no discussion of the item.
3. Approve MINUTES:
 - a. January 2014
 - Motion to approve the January 8, 2014 minutes with Jeanine's changes. M/S/C: Mike Shoecraft/Jon Becker/Approved; I/O/A/R: 11/0/1(Vasquez)/0
 - b. December 2013
 - Motion to approve the December 4, 2013 minutes with Jeanine's changes. M/S/C: Ruth Loucks/Jeanine Politte/Approved ; I/O/A/R: 8/0/6 (Valentine, Spurr, Shoecraft, Simmons, Surban, Vasquez)/0
 - c. September 2013
 - Motion to approve the September 4, 2013 minutes with Jeanine's changes. M/S/C: Jeanine Politte/Dennis Spurr/Approved; I/O/A/R: 10/0/4 (Vasquez, Loucks, Dumka, Simmons)/0
4. Guests: N/A
5. NON-AGENDA, PUBLIC COMMENTS:
 - a. Jennifer Palkovic- Sienna's Playgarden project to renovate the playground at Rolling Hills Park. She is working with a Non-profit organization to raise funds the playground equipment, in conjunction with the City of San Diego. She reviewed fundraising activities and partnerships. Looking for a contractor in the community for the Pavers project.
 - b. Anne DeBevoise-Able - Family has owned 41 acres for almost 60 years bordering Black Mtn. Open Space Park. Recently found out about the City's plan (NRMP) includes a illegal trail that goes across their property; City has no easement to cross the property. They were never noticed about the trails plan. Trespassers have created this illegal trail across their property. The trail is bad for the environment and their safety. She has spoken with a Planning Commissioner this week asking them to postpone approval

of the NRMP as proposed and to remove the trail that goes through their property. There are 7 access points to the park in existence.

- Prinz reviewed the issue; staff did not notify the property owner and will address the property owner's concerns. The plan will be modified by removing the trail line before it goes to City Council. The NRMP will modify the BMR and Rancho Peñasquitos Community Plans.
- Politte noted that the trail 'line' should not dead end at the property line, it must be removed completely.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION ITEMS:

a. San Diego City Development Services Dept. Report – Michael Prinz – No report

b. San Diego City Council Member Mark Kersey, District 5 Report – Lee Friedman, report read by Vasquez in Friedman's absence, as follows:

- We've had a very productive start to the New Year. On Tuesday, January 16th, the San Diego City Council unanimously approved a \$120 infrastructure bond. This surge will invest more than \$40 million toward street repairs and will provide over \$25 million in fire and public safety improvements. This includes two NEW fire stations.
- Councilmember Kersey is committed to rebuilding San Diego, and he knows we won't be able to lease-revenue bond forever. Now, we've probably got another good chunk worth of property for at least one more bond, but the Councilmember has made it a priority this year to begin the conversation of how we can fund infrastructure long-term. One of his ideas we'll be considering is dedicating 1/2 of all new revenues to infrastructure projects.
- We also just had our first Infrastructure Committee of the New Year! We had a report on our City's bridges, went over the Committee's 2014 infrastructure priorities, and self-reported summary data from our Infrastructure Workshop Questionnaires. Not surprisingly, streets and roads remains the highest priority to the respondents, followed by water and waste-water infrastructure.
- We've also put in our priorities for the other Committees the council member currently serves. For Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods, Councilman Kersey will continue to advocate for increased police recruitment and retention. Another important priority is initiating a Fast Response Squad pilot program in the San Pasqual Valley.
- The Councilman has also made regulating electronic cigarettes a priority - and we'll most likely begin this discussion in the March PS&LN committee. Councilman Kersey also sits on the Economic Development and Intergovernmental Relations Committee (formally the Rules and Economic Development committee). The Councilman has again called for Open Data policy, as well as reforming City regulations to help our emerging craft-beer/brew-tech scene. Other priorities include continued partnership with the Airport Authority to bring more direct flights to San Diego as well as working with the Brookings Institute on Foreign Direct Import and the Metropolitan Export Initiative.
- Finally, for the Budget Committee, the Councilmember has made funding police and fire positions a priority, setting and maintaining healthy reserve levels, continuing much-needed condition assessments, and accelerating the delivery of infrastructure projects.
- On a more serious note, many of you might have heard about the recent passing of Councilman Kersey's brother. Bradley Kersey, 37, died after contracting the H1N1 flu virus. It was as sudden as it was tragic. Mark urges anybody who still hasn't received a flu shot to go and get one.

- c. San Diego City Council Member Lorrie Zapf, District 6 Report –Conrad Wear
- 1) Special Mayoral election on February 11th. Absentee Ballots must be mailed by February 7th or handed in to nearest polling precinct after. 2) Councilmember Zapf will be speaking to the Rancho Peñasquitos Town Council tomorrow night on her background, accomplishments in office, as well as the future of Transit Oriented Development in this City as she is Chair of the Land Use and Housing Committee. 3) Several constituents have been notifying our office about streets that are striped differently over a few miles when repaving is done at different times (an example would be Camino Ruiz above Mira Mesa Blvd). After talking to streets, I have found that the different lines are because of the new bike master plan and its implementation and our city's new street design that has come out of it. Streets Division is currently working on a way to remove the stripes in an affordable way to correct these occurrences. 4) Lastly, our Code Enforcement division is pursuing violators who are parking RV's in a dirt lot over by Adolphia Road and Salmon River Road. Please contact me for further information by my phone number 619-533-6523 and e-mail bwear@sandiego.gov for anyone who has questions.
- d. San Diego County Supervisor Dave Roberts, District 3 Report – Tighe Jaffe
- There are two hand outs that Tighe passed out; one for free blood pressure screening at www.loveyourheartsd.org and one for locations dates and times for adoptive parents' workshops to evaluate the process in San Diego County (for current adoptive parents).
 - Last year we granted three community enhancements grants totaling \$ 530,000. This year's submission deadline is March 1, 2014 and there are no submission extensions.
 - Harold Meza is a policy intern from Cal State San Marcos for the office and will be the new representative from Dave Robert's office from now on due to a meeting conflict. His email address is Harold.meza@sdcounty.ca.gov. The number is the same; it is 760.216.8783.
- e. 77th Assembly District, Member Brian Maienschein's Office Report – Michael Lieberman, report read by Vasquez in Lieberman's absence, as follows:
- AB 230 will require that youth sports leagues disclose whether or not they conduct background checks on volunteers, or volunteer coaches. It provides parents an important tool to ensure the safety of their children. It passed the Assembly with bipartisan support, and is now waiting in the Senate.
 - AB 1335 Public Safety will increase the sentence for individuals who commit sexual assaults on mentally or physically disabled individuals. As the law currently stands, sentences aren't as stringent. This would make it so that individuals who commit these horrible crimes are more thoroughly punished. It passed the Assembly with bipartisan support, and is now waiting in the Senate.
 - Reminder: We're here in the district office to help, if you run into state-related issues. Our office is located in Carmel Mountain Ranch. Or give us a call at (858)675-0077.
- f. 52nd District, U.S. Congressman Scott Peters' Office Report – Hugo Carmona - Absent

7. BUSINESS-

- a. **Consent Agenda Approval - Approve Landscape Maintenance Assessment Districts' Budgets: Park Village/PQEast/TH (Action Item)**
- Motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. M/S/C: Shoecraft/Valentine/Approved, 13 in favor – 0 against – 0 recusals/abstentions.

M/S/C: Motion/Second/Carried; I/O/A/R: In Favor/Opposed/Abstained/Recused

b. Proposal to Install Speed Humps on Via Fiesta between Via Inez and Camino De La Rosa, SD City Traffic Dept - Thom Clark/RPPB (Action Item)

- Clark reviewed Claudia's (Traffic Engineering) email requesting our support for speed humps that he sent out to RPPB. Additional information: Average ADTs on Via Fiesta were 768 ADTs which is below the street capacity. Her email noted that speed humps were recommended to reduce speeds with the condition that they would not be installed Via Azul. Analysis of traffic diversion onto other streets has not been done. Keating noted that 85% of the traffic were recorded going 35mph or less.
- Shannon Matwiyoff, Verrazzano HOA President, noted that residents have attended HOA meeting with numerous complaints about speeding on Via Fiesta. She personally spoke with residents and all were in favor of speed humps as was the Montessori School. They have looked at flatter road humps and placement so as to not impact resident's bedroom windows. The recommendation is for 4 speed humps approximately 250-300 ft. apart. Discussion on the 3 point turns that parents take on Via Vivaldi and option to put bollards to block that road access from Via Fiesta. She added that Santaluz Assisted Living and the Muslim Community Center have not been consulted, but she did talk with Joe Taylor and is sure that the MCC representatives would be in favor. SDPD has been out to enforce and given out tickets. The cost will be approximately \$6,000-\$8,000 for the 4 humps.
- Keating noted that it is a local problem, there may be a few drivers that are going 50-60mph, but not many. He would like to recommend the alternative process (political route) and install an all-way stop mid-block to control the speed.
- Motion to recommend the alternative process, that the city install an all way stop (Via Fiesta and Via Landini), and stripe school cross-walks at all three legs of the intersection (stop signs); with that the city can install the pedestrian signs and a speed limit sign. M/S/C: John Keating/Jeanine Politte/Approved; I/O/A/R: 10/3 (Ruth Loucks, Dennis Spurr, Bill Diehl)/0/0
- Discussion:
 - Politte – Question about putting 3 additional stop signs, and 2 additional crosswalks at via Fiesta and Via Landini, you are not talking about any other intersections?
 - Becker – No.
 - Keating – Crosswalks should be at North bound Fiesta, South bound Fiesta and West Landini.
 - Diehl – How far does the school zone encompass? Are there any school signs on Fiesta.
 - Keating – All within the physical boundaries of the fenced school property; it should be obvious with the cross walks that it is a school zone, not 10 blocks away.
 - Dennis – Is there a need for a pedestrian cross walk at that point? Is it to justify the stop signs? I am in favor a continuous traffic flow verses a stop sign. I am in favor of speed bumps, etc. When people see a stop sign they will look for another area. It will irritate people who are actually traveling 25 miles an hour.
 - Politte – Provided examples of other locations where all way stops have been installed. On Peñasquitos Drive, at Del Diablo there is a 3 way stop. There is a 4 way stop at Twin Trails where at one point it went all the way through. It was a speeding problem and they put a 4 way stop instead of a 2 way sign and it slowed people down.
 - Shannon – I am sensitive to the alternative process but as a resident it is an issue and that is why we were looking at the speed bumps because whatever the speed it is, it is well over 25 miles so they are going to continue to speed up until the stop sign.
 - Thom Clark – I will get back with Claudia and give her the motion and the vote.

- c. **Black Mountain Ranch, NUP and PDP for a Sprint Wireless Communication Facility at Santa Luz Fire Station; Project # 338841 – Caitlyn Kes (Action Item)**
- Clark reviewed the project. 8 antenna will be installed within the existing fire station tower and installation of an equipment enclosure (10' x 21') with matching finish. Conditions he would recommend include: FRP finish texture and color should be the same as the fire station and the equipment enclosure should be finished on all sides, caps and returns with the same texture/color and have a solid gate instead of wrought iron .
 - Caitlyn Kes noted that approx. 6' of the tower façade will be removed and replaced once the antenna are installed. There will not be an emergency generator, but a plug is included if one is needed. The community was noticed, but most properties were too far away. SDFD is onboard.
 - Clark read Darren Parker's email on the Scope of work: 1. Install 4 equipment cabinets inside the block enclosure, 2. New block enclosure, 3. 8 panel antennas inside the existing Building tower, 4. 16 RRH inside the existing building tower, 5. 1 GPS unit.
 - Motion to recommend approval of Project No. 338841; Black Mountain Ranch, NUP and PDP for a Sprint Wireless Communication Facility at Santa Luz Fire Station to install 8 antennas inside the existing tower by removing the tower sides and replacing them, with the following conditions: 1) the tower sides need to match the finish at the top of the fire station – not a painted FRP but a textured FRP tower, 2) the equipment enclosure needs to match the building including wall cap and the returns at the gate jambs, and 3) the enclosure gate should be a solid gate . M/S/C: Dennis Spurr/Jon Becker/Approved; I/O/A/R: 12/0/1 (Cynthia Macshane)/0
- d. **Verizon Wireless Westview High School LTE SCR; Project #345682 -- Pete Shubin (Action Item)**
- Mr. Shubin was not present. It was noted that the project would be approved by the project manager, not us; sent to us as a courtesy.
 - Motion to acknowledge receipt of the ministerial notice. M/S/C: Bill Dumka/Ramesses Surban/Approved ; I/O/A/R: 13/0/0/0
- e. **Plan Amendment Initiation to change the designated classification of Black Mountain Road, from Twin Trails Drive in the north to the southern community boundary, from a 6-lane Prime Arterial to a 4-lane Major, except in the vicinity of SR-56 --Steve Silverman/BMR (Action Item)**
- Becker noted that on March 2, 2011, RPPB voted to approve removal of the 6-lane designation from the Rancho Peñasquitos and Black Mtn. Ranch PFFPs and recommended removal of the project from the Pacific highlands Ranch PFFP. The vote was approved 12 in favor – 0 against – 0 abstentions with 3 recusals (Rhodes, Dumka & Spelta). A sponsor has been found to initiate the CPAs, Black Mtn. Ranch LLC.
 - Prinz added that staff would do analysis and review other issues that may arise if this is implemented.
 - Michael Prinz – Request by the community without a sponsor. Council initiated it, and staff will provide a budget and scope to be completed. Black Mtn LLC will be the applicant. We ask that it come back to the group since it has been 3 years, to determine any issues. It is really to be sure that the community understands that the road would not be expanded.
 - John Keating – Initially was fearful about the predictions for traffic time but I think we need to move forward with the study to analyze the report.

- Jon Becker – The initiation will identify the potential impacts which may occur to acquire properties adjacent to the Black Mtn Rd. and then incur the impacts to implement the construction. The initiation process will bear the results for the potential impacts of the project.
- Motion to approve the Rancho Peñasquitos Community Plan amendment initiation to change the classification of Black Mountain Road from Twin Trails Drive in the north to the southern community boundary. The designation of Black Mountain Road should be changed from a 6-lane Prime Arterial to a 4-lane Major, except in the vicinity of SR-56 and remain unchanged. M/S/C: Ramesses Surban/Dennis Spurr/Approved ; I/O/A/R: 11/0/1(Shoecraft)/1(Dumka).

1. REPORTS

a. Chair Report – Thom Clark

- Annual Report revisions will be reviewed and finalized at the March meeting. Dumka added that the scope of our responsibilities did not cover TH & BMR well; Clark asked for input from the group so the objective encompasses all 3 planning areas.
- Clark noted that he sent Darshana Patel a letter from RPPB in support of the Fiesta at her request.
- Tracy Moehnke with Cook and Schmidt sent a request via email. They have an inter play with the Port Authority and the master plan for the San Diego Port over the next 30 years. She wants to come here in March to give a presentation on the master plan for the SD Port. Becker noted that one of the Commissioners also wanted to attend a Planning Board meeting.
- Received notice that the Hilltop Park Storm Water BMP retrofit, bio-retention areas are exempt from CEQA and another notice that the comment period on NRMP is open until mid March.
- Clark received two letters from Joe Ramos with SDPD. They are reinstating the Rancho Peñasquitos Community Foundation and meeting from 9-10 am on February 15, 2014 at the station on Salmon River Rd.
- CPC is reviewing and emailed me the working draft for the Climate action plan. Clark noted how much traffic is being mitigated with the plan but the question was not addressed.
- Clark asked if homeless people in RP are an issue in the community because the CPC discussed it being an issue in the City. Vasquez noted that she sees them in Carmel Mtn. on the medians. Politte stated that they have also been at the Peñasquitos Drive/Carmel Mtn. Rd. intersection . Clark noted that other areas of the City are discussing their concerns.
- Clark states that it is budget time so we should contact our City Council Member regarding the budget if we have concerns.
- Clark asks that if anyone is interested in a board or commission position with the city, then check out their website. There are several different commissions. Diehl stated that Filner didn't do any of the appointments and that the interim mayor can't make those appointments so that is the reason for the number of open positions.

b. Vice-Chair Report – Jon Becker

- No additional updates.

c. Secretary Report – Melinda Vasquez

- No updates

2. Standing Committee Reports:

- a. Land Use (Ramesses Surban) – Plan Amendment initiation on Black Mtn. Rd. is moving forward and Sea Breeze representative is going to be at the next LUC meeting as an informational item.
- b. Telecomm (Darren Parker) – Clark reported that Brooke Williams, representing a Verizon presented a project to install an emergency generator near the La Quinta Hotel. The draft plans are available for review by the board. Generators are being installed City wide to keep the system operating so 911 will be available in an emergency. Clark will forward the project pdf to the members.

3. Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

- a. DoubleTree Resort (Jeanine Politte) – no report
- b. Santa Fe Summit II & III (Darren Parker) – no report
- c. RPPB Electronic Media (Steve Gore) – no report
- d. Santa Fe Summit IV (Thom Clark) – Clark heard nothing from Robin. It doesn't sound like there has been anything new done on this issue.
- e. Merge 56 Development (Jon Becker) - They will be back next month as an information item.
- f. Black Mountain Road Reclassification (Mike Kenney) – Becker stated, the CPA initiation is scheduled for the planning commission meeting on February 20, 2014. Clark noted that Kenney will not be running to fill his seat and is looking for a new chair. John Keating volunteered to chair.
- g. Elections (Jeanine Politte /Bill Diehl) - Politte reported that we have applications from Mike Shoecraft (D4), John Keating (D10) and Dan Valentine (TH2). Rod Simmons can be reappointed to fill the new term for D6. Mike Kenney (BMR2), Joost Bende (D8) and Zachary Tanton (Renter-at-large) are not running and we have no other applicants. Stephen Egbert has shown interest in running for D2, but we haven't received his application. Bill Dumka has submitted his application for appointment to the Commercial 2 seat. Diehl asks the board if they know when they were elected. Politte has the records since she joined the board in 2007. Diehl states that we can have up to 25% of the members exceed the 8 years.

4. Liaison and Organization Reports:

- a. Black Mtn Open Space Park (Bill Diehl) – The Trail for All People is moving along. There are several hand glider / para glider people present that are looking for access to the road at Black Mountain which goes to the top so they can launch higher up the mountain. The Ranger Station is still a work in progress. The San Diego Park and Recreational Board / San Diego Regional Park Improvement Fund Oversight Committee vote to give \$500,000.00 for the restoration of the Mohnike Adobe and Hay Bank located at Horseman's Park. The Total project cost is \$1.5 million, the remaining \$1 million will be provided in FY-17. (report emailed)
- b. Community Funds (Bill Diehl) – The Rancho Peñasquitos Recreational Council will be asking for \$390,000.00 of Community funds for the construction of the Overflow park lot at Canyonside Community Park. The Recreational Council has contracted with Estrada Land Planning for a Updated General Development Plan (GDP) for the park along with construction plans for the Overflow parking lot. Last balance on all four funds was \$1.3 million. (report emailed)
- c. MCAS Miramar CLF (Dennis Spurr) – No report

- d. PQ Fire Safe Council (Dennis Spurr/Mike Shoecraft) – The next PERC event is Tuesday at the Library at 6:30pm with the United Policy Writers representing the insurance policy holders.
- e. PQ Town Council (Cyndy MacShane) – No report
- f. PQ Recreation Council (Steve Gore) – Diehl reported in Gore's absence. The account balances Canyonside \$349,567.00 Hilltop \$36,311.00. We approved the following items; \$1950 for fertilizer for Black Mountain Community Park, Approval for Little League to add solar scoreboard on field #6; Approval for Little League to add artificial turf on one field (either field 2,3 or 4); Approval for field closures for 2014; BMR June 16 - Aug. 4, Canyonside #1 June - Aug., Views West upper Dec. - Jan., Canyonside Middle Quad Dec. - Jan., Approved 2014 Special Events; Spring Egg Hunt, Fireworks (July 3rd), Polynesian Night (Aug), Oktoberfest, Winter Wonderland (1st Saturday of December). Additionally, the Skateboard Park will be open later this month. (report emailed)
- g. Los Pen Cyn Prsv CAC (John Keating) – Cell site at Black Mtn Rd. & Mercy Rd. was approved.
- h. Park Village LMAD (Jon Becker) – Group met last night. We planted 31 trees out of their budget yesterday. Conversion of potable water to recycled water is in process. We got SDG&E to install an electric meter. They have had discussions on the installation of ranch rails at the park to force kids to the traffic light and ped ramps to cross over to the school.
- i. Peñasquitos East LMAD (Bill Diehl) – We installed new watering system on Black Mountain Road between Vons and Carmel Mountain Road; we installed the Bark west side of Black Mountain Road between SR-56 and Twin Trails; and we installed Bark at Sunridge Vista Mini Park in the play area. (report emailed)
- j. Torrey Highlands LMAD (Darren Parker) – No report
- k. Transportation Agencies (John Keating) – The 56 bike path illuminated signage at Black Mtn Rd. project – Caltrans waited too long to inspect them and now has issues with the new signal light poles.

Discussion on Liaison & Organization Reports list and whether any report should be moved to the Ad-Hoc Committee list. No changes were recommended.

Stephen Egbert submitted his application to run for Rancho Peñasquitos District 2 seat prior to the conclusion of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Vásquez
RPPB Secretary

Approved 3/5/2014 – 12 in favor – 0 against – 3 abstentions (Bende, Gore, Rhodes).