

# SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

**Location:**

Governing Board Room  
San Ysidro School District Education Center  
4350 Otay Mesa Road (north of Beyer Blvd)  
in San Ysidro, California

### **ELECTION DAY**

**Monday, March 17, 2014**

**→ Polls open from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. ←**

**Regular Meeting convenes at 7:00 p.m.**

Chairman: Michael Freedman (619) 690-3833  
City Planner: Sara Osborn (619) 236-6368

Except for Public Comment, Items Appearing On This Agenda May Be Acted Upon  
Without Further Notice as Allowed by the Brown Act [California Gov. Code, §54950 et.seq.]

1. **Call to Order, Introduction and Roll Call.**
2. **Approval of the Agenda** (changes require a vote of 2/3rds of the quorum)
3. **Approval of Minutes.** Regular Meeting of February 24, 2014
4. **Announcements:**
  - a. Election results. The Chairman will announce the results of the election.  
To be seated at the April 2014 regular meeting.
  - b. Vacancies: One, for seat expiring April 2016. To be considered at April's meeting.

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- c. Chair
  - 1. Announcing the results of 2014 election. Those elected members will be seated at the April 21, 2014 regular meeting.
  - 2.
- c. Group Members
- d. City Staff
- e. Elected Representatives
- f. Other Announcements

## 5. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

Any person may address the SYCPG regarding matters which are not on this Agenda. Comments and inquiries must be related to the SYCPG purposes, described in City Council Policy 600-24. The Chair can limit comment to a set period of time per item, or per speaker. The "Brown Act", a State law, does not allow any discussion of, or action to be taken on, items not properly noticed.

## 6. Docket Items:

- a. **Annual Report for 2013.** Review the Annual Report for 2013 and direct the Chairman to deliver to the City of San Diego as required by Council Policy 600-24.

## 7. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Infrastructure and Public Improvements - (Otto)
- b. San Ysidro Community Plan Update Advisory Committee - (Freedman)
- c. Commercial Zones - (Martinez)

## 8. Representative's Reports

- a. SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration - (Aguirre)
- b. SY Smart Border Coalition – (Currie)
- c. Community Planners Committee – (Paredes/Wyman)
- d. Otay Mesa Planning Group - (Paul)
- e. Border Health Equity Stakeholder Group - (Aguirre/Flores)

## Adjournment

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Example:

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Resident
- STEVEN OTTO**  
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Resident
- JENNIFER GOUDEAU**  
Business
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Minutes from February 24, 2014

1. **Call to order:** At 5:35 p.m. Chairman Michael Freedman called meeting to order.

**Roll Call: Present:** M. Aguirre; T. Currie; D. Flores; M. Freedman; B. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; Antonio Martinez; R. Moran; S. Otto; M. Paul (5:40 pm); A. Perez; J. Wyman.

**Absent:** M. Paredes.

Quorum of 11 present at Call to Order, Item #2.

Quorum of 12 present Item #3, #6.a, 6.b, 6.c ,and 6.d

2. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by D. Flores and seconded by S. Otto to approve the agenda as published. Motion Passed (11-0-0). Yes: M. Aguirre; T. Currie; D. Flores, M. Freedman; B. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; A. Martinez; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez; J. Wyman. No: None. Abstain: None.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by D. Flores and seconded by T. Currie to approve the minutes of January 27, 2014. M. Aguirre commented that the Smart Border Coalition letter under Item #8.b, was not sent to SANDAG per Jason Wells as was stated in the Minutes of January 27, 2014. No corrected needed as Minutes reflect what was reported at that meeting. Motion Passed (11-0-1). Yes: M. Aguirre; T. Currie; D. Flores, M. Freedman; B. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; A. Martinez; R. Moran; S. Otto; A. Perez; J. Wyman. No: None. Abstain: M. Paul.

#### 4. **Announcements:**

- a. **Vacancies:** Two Vacancies, one will be filled on the March election ballot; one to be filled on the April agenda.
- b. **Chairman:** Three published announcements. (1) Elections for 7 seats in March 2014 (including one vacancy). Public Notice was distributed with Agenda. (2) San Ysidro Sin Limites on Thursday March 27 at Civic Center, 212 W. Park Ave. Update on Border Health Equity Transportation Study Existing Conditions Report. (3) Recycle : Montgomery High School parking lot on Saturday March 22, 2014, 9 am to 1 pm. Oil & Filters, all kinds of batteries, antifreeze, all fluorescent and CFL bulbs/tubes.
- c. **Group Members:** 1. D. Flores – February 27, 2014, Community Meeting at Civic Center, 212 W. Park Ave. regarding updates on SY Park Playground, San Diego Forward Regional Plan and San Ysidro Border Station (2) T. Currie – Annual Chamber Gala Dinner to be held February 28<sup>th</sup>, call Chamber for details, 619.428.1281.
- d. **City Staff: Melina Meza;** Distributed list of San Ysidro streets to be repaved. **SDPD, Officer LaCarra:** (1) 4/26/14 a prescription take back will be held from 10 am to 2 pm at 1016 Outer Rd. (2) 16 graduates from the *Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol* (RSVP) academy. Next Academy is in June. Contact Officer LaCarra if interested. (3) Reported that most burglaries could have been prevented if doors/windows were locked. **Captain Smith, SDPD:** (1) Be Aware of scams (2) On February 17, at 5 pm at 2200 Starburst an arrest was made for drugs and someone running thru

the neighborhood with shot gun and waving a badge. (3) First 50 days of 2014 there were 80 murders in Tijuana and only 1 murder in San Ysidro in all of 2013. **Lt. Jerry McManus, SDPD:** Responding to complaints of drinking at the tennis courts on East/West Park Ave.

e. **Elected Representatives:** None.

f. **Other Announcements:** None.

5. **Public Comment:** None.

6. **Docket Items:**

a. **“Outlets at the Border” Sign** (Karl Lintvedt, BRG Consulting; Duncan Budinger, Shamrock Group): Amendment to Development Permit & Neighborhood Use Permit to increase sign area from 336 sf to 1,152 sf at building 1C (to allow for an electronic message sign) at 4455 Camino De La Plaza in the SYIO CT-2-3 zone. Larger sign would complement building design better than smaller sign. Other items regarding project which were discussed: City of San Diego signed IOD to dedicate land for Virginia Ave. Pedestrian Crossing, bus parking & drop-off/pick-up area; Plans for a traffic signal at Sipes Lane at Camino de la Plaza to be submitted to City in 45 days. Opening for *“Outlets at the Border”* is planned for October 23, 2014. Parents/schools who want to use the message board for school activities should contact Duncan Budinger. **A Motion was made by M. Paul and seconded by D. Flores to recommend approval of the increase in sign area from 336 sf to 1,152 sf at building 1C. Motion Passed (12-0-0). Yes: M. Aguirre; T. Currie; D. Flores, M. Freedman; B. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; A. Martinez; R. Moran; S. Otto; M. Paul; A. Perez; J. Wyman. No: None. Abstain: None.**

b. **Council Policy 600-24 Revisions.** Appointing an Ad Hoc Committee to review proposed changes to Council Policy 600-24. The draft incorporates the Community Planners Committee recommendations and the review by the City Attorney. This Council Policy governs the operations of all community planning groups. A subcommittee was appointed by the Chairman: M. Aguirre, S. Otto, J. Goudeau and M. Freedman.

c. **Election Subcommittee.** Announcement of the candidates who have qualified. Nominations are: I. Adato, Ben Meza, J. Goudeau, M. Freedman, A. Perez, S. Otto, R. Moran. There were no qualified nominations from the floor. **A Motion was made by S. Otto and seconded by A. Perez to close the Nominations. Motion Passed (12-0-0). Yes: M. Aguirre; T. Currie; D. Flores, M. Freedman; B. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; A. Martinez; R. Moran; S. Otto; M. Paul; A. Perez; J. Wyman. No: None. Abstain: None.**

Names were drawn to create two ballots. The ballots will be handed out randomly:

**Ballot A**

Raquel Moran  
Steven Otto  
Ben Meza  
Jennifer Goudeau  
Michael Freedman  
Israel Adato  
Alberto Perez

**Ballot B**

Raquel Moran  
Steven Otto  
Michael Freedman  
Israel Adato  
Ben Meza  
Alberto Perez  
Jennifer Goudeau

- d. **Candidate Forum:** candidates who wish to speak were allowed equal time as allocated by the Chairman. One candidate spoke: Benjamin Meza. Current resident for 43 years. Feels it is time to give back to his community.

7. **Subcommittee Reports:**

- a. Infrastructure & Public Improvements: No Report.
- b. San Ysidro Community Plan Update Advisory Committee: M. Freedman – Meeting on February 12, 2014. Held discussions on pocket parks, Gateway and Way-finding signage, Urban Designs, cut & cover pedestrian crossing at Willow over I-5, combined with a public park.
- c. Commercial Zones: (Martinez) – No Report
- d. Election – (See Item #6.c above)

8. **Representative's Reports:**

- a. SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration No Report. M. Aguirre appointed as new Representative to CRC meetings.
- b. SY Smart Border Coalition (Currie): No Report.
- c. Community Planners Committee (M. Paredes/J. Wyman) No Report.
- d. Otay Mesa Planning Group (Paul): Discussions on 7-11 Expansion; also Torrey Pines Bank, the owner of a 50 acre parcel is opposing the rezone of their parcel in Otay Mesa.
- e. Border Health Equity Stakeholder Group (Aguirre/Flores): Presentation on March 27<sup>th</sup>, with the initial findings comparing San Ysidro to the remainder of the City of San Diego.

9. **Adjournment** – Meeting Adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes submitted by J. Goudeau, Secretary

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## ATTENDANCE RECORD

**APRIL 2013 - MARCH 2014**

	APR 2013	MAY 2013	JUN 2013	JUL 2013	AUG 2013	SEP 2013	OCT 2013	NOV 2013	DEC 2013	JAN 2014	FEB 2014	MAR 2014	MEETINGS MISSED
ADATO	P	A		P	A	P	P	A		A	VACATED		
AGUIRRE	A	P		P	P	A	P	P		P	P		2
CURRIE	P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		0
FLORES	P	P		P	A	P	P	P		P	P		1
FREEDMAN	P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		0
GONZALEZ	A	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		1
GOUDEAU	P	A		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		1
HERNANDEZ	P	P		P	P	A	A	A		VACATED			
MARTINEZ	P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		0
MORAN	A	P		P	A	P	P	P		P	P		2
OTTO	P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		0
PAREDES	P	P		P	P	P	P	P		P	A		1
PAUL	P	P		A	P	P	A	P		A	P		3
PEREZ	P	P		P	P	A	P	P		P	P		1
WYMAN	P	A		P	P	P	P	P		P	P		1
<p><b>SYCPG BYLAWS &amp; CITY COUNCIL POLICY 600-24 REQUIRES THAT A SEAT <u>MUST</u> BE DECLARED VACATED WHEN THERE ARE:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3 CONSECUTIVE ABSENCES, OR; 4 <u>TOTAL</u> ABSENCES BETWEEN APRIL OF ONE YEAR THROUGH MARCH OF THE NEXT YEAR.</b></p> <p><b>Note: Special Meetings do not count towards attendance.</b></p>													

**SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**  
(Established in 1967)

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**Calendar Year 2013**



**What is Past is Prologue.**

(Wm. Shakespeare)

**It is the future that determines our fate.**

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## Annual Report for January – December 2013

### I. Introduction

The official name of the community planning group for San Ysidro is the **San Ysidro Community Planning Group**. SYCPG was formed in February 1967. It is one of the first of the City Council recognized Community Planning Groups.

SYCPG is comprised of individuals who have volunteered to use their talents to improve the quality of life and economic well-being for all who live, work in, and visit our community. There are fifteen board members who are elected by the community. The SYCPG receives no funds from the public treasury or any other sources. The City of San Diego provides some staff support on planning issues, and to insure compliance with California State laws.

The SYCPG is governed by City of San Diego Council Policy 600-24 and the SYCPG Bylaws.

*The officers are:*

**Chairman:** Michael Freedman (since 10/2010); **Vice Chairman:** Steven Otto (since 10/2010); **Secretary:** J. Goudeau (since 01/2013)

*Subcommittees:*

- Infrastructure & Public Improvements [I&PI] (since 04/2009)
- San Ysidro Community Plan Update Advisory Committee (since 06/2010)
- Commercial Zones (since 05/2012)

### II. Administrative Issues

*Number of meetings held during 2013:*

Regular meetings once each month except for June and December.

Special Meetings: [see Section III]

Subcommittee meetings were held as called.

*Membership changes:*

January 2013: Jennifer Goudeau was selected to fill a vacancy (November 2012 – Carlos Vasquez) for term ending April 2014. Ms. Goudeau was also elected as Secretary.

*Election:*

The next election is in March 2014

*Revisions to bylaws, procedures and/or policies:*

None.

*Appointments:*

Miguel Aguirre & David Flores as representatives to *Border Health Equity Stakeholders Group* (May)

*Annual Report:*

Acceptance of 2012 Annual Report. Passed 12-0-0 (March)

*Public Access:*

The SYCPG Agendas are posted on the City's website:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/sanysidro/agendas.shtml>

Agendas via email: [sdplanninggroups@sandiego.gov](mailto:sdplanninggroups@sandiego.gov) and indicate the community planning group.

For E-Blast, contact Chairman.

[michaelf@cox.net](mailto:michaelf@cox.net)

### III. Plan Preparation and Implementation

**Community Plan Update** : Special Meetings were held in January, March, July, September and November. The meetings were held at 6:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at Willow Elementary School in San Ysidro.

- **Commercial & Industrial Zones** – The Commercial and Industrial Zoning Subcommittee presented recommendations for the zoning for commercial and industrial properties. The recommendations were discussed with much of the discussion focusing on the zoning of the 700 block of East San Ysidro Blvd. regarding height limits and whether residential was to be allowed in that area. The recommendations were accepted with the following changes: (1) correct an error to the proposed CR-1-1 zone by removing an asterisk (star); (2) show an asterisk (star) [which allows that *"the community plan will support a higher height limit"* in that area of the proposed CR-2-1 zone that is north of Camino De La Plaza, east of the CR-1-1 zone, and west of Interstate 5; (3) change the CC-2-2 zoning recommended for the area generally south and east of East Beyer Blvd to CC-3-5 to allow a height limit of 100 feet and residential uses. Passed 10-3-0 (February).
- **Commercial Zones Subcommittee:**  
A new zone would be created for the CC3-5 zone at the POE area allowing 150' with a 2.0 FAR. Additional language would be added to the Community Plan allowing residential and additional height with a master development and additional environmental review.  
Passed 9-0-1 (August)

### IV. Special Projects

- **Air Quality Exposure Study:** A study measuring exposure to persons walking to/from school sites in San Ysidro. Casa Familiar, UCSD & SDSU. Passed 13-0-0 (May)

- **San Ysidro Land Port of Entry.** Support the *San Ysidro Smart Border Coalition* reply to the Draft Supplemental EIS. Passed 11-0-0 (November)

## V. Project Review

### *Major discretionary projects:*

- **Sprint San Ysidro East:** PDP/NUP to modify existing WCF at 4350 Otay Mesa Road. Passed 10-1-0 (April)
- **Proposed Stop Sign:** Eastbound Via Del Bardo at Alaquinas Drive. Passed 14-0-0
- **City Property Reuse:** Transfer of city-owned property at 175-179 West San Ysidro Blvd [old fire station 29] to Parks Dept. Review by SYCPG in 3 years. Passed 13-0-1 (July)
- **Propose Commercial Redevelopment.** Proposal for the demolition and construction at 165 West San Ysidro Blvd for future mixed use retail and office use. Passed 14-0-0 (July)
- **Bazaar at Border Station.** CUP extension for retail operation at parking lot 4570 Camino De La Plaza. Passed 14-0-0 (July)
- **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church SCR.** Construct permanent porticos to replace temporary tents. Passed 11-0-0- (August)
- **165 West San Ysidro Blvd.** Demolish existing structures on .32 acre site and construct 8000sf of commercial uses in two stories. Passed 12-0-0 (August)
- **Living Rooms @ the Border.** SDP for 10 affordable rental units at 114/122 West Hall Ave. Various setback deviations. Passed 11-0-1 (September)

- **Capital Improvements Program (CIP) 2014–2015.** Review and approve the final recommendations in accordance with Council Policy 000–32. Passed 11–0–0 (September)
- **La Bodega Remediation.** CDP/SDP for drainage over 6.58 acres at 388 West Calle Primera. Passed 12–0–0 (October)
- **Rain Tree Terraces.** CDP/TM to demolish 4 SFR and construct 18 MFR (3 affordable) on one acre lot at 307 Sycamore Road. Passed 12–0–0 (October)
- Other Project Reviews (where no action was taken) are recorded in the official Minutes.

## VI. Objectives

- Act with the highest regard for what is in the best interest of the community of San Ysidro (as well as the City of San Diego), in good faith and without prejudice, and to refrain from conduct that is detrimental to the community planning group or its purposes.
- Diligently carry out those responsibilities in City Council Policy 600–24 and the planning group’s approved bylaws. We will make recommendations to the City Council, Planning Commission, City staff, and other governmental agencies on land use matters, especially when they are concerning the preparation of, adoption of, implementation of, or amendment to, the General Plan or a land use plan. The SYCPG may also choose to advise on other land use matters affecting the City of San Diego and/or another governmental agency.
- Insure that all development projects presented will focus on conformity with the adopted San Ysidro Community Plan and the City of San Diego General Plan so that a formal planning group recommendation can be submitted, when possible, no later than the end of the public review period offered by the environmental review process.

SYCPG will continue its representation to and provide reports from the following:

- San Ysidro Port of Entry Expansion and Reconfiguration Committee
- San Ysidro Smart Border Coalition
- Community Planners Committee
- Otay Mesa Planning Group
- Border Health Equity Stakeholders Group

SYCPG reviewed, approved, and forwarded to City on March 17, 2014.

**For the San Ysidro Community Planning Group**

**Michael R. Freedman**  
Chairman