

SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Minutes from February 17, 2009

1. **Call to order:** At 5:32 p.m. Chairman David Flores called meeting to order.
Roll Call: Present: I. Adato, J. Barajas; M. Cather; T. Currie (5:34); D. Flores; M. Freedman; B.A. Gonzalez; S. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; S. Otto; M. Paul (5:34); A. Perez; F. Sanchez.
Excused: R. Moran; J. Wyman
Unexcused: None
Quorum of 11 present at Call to Order,
Quorum of 13 present at Vote Item #2
2. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
Minutes of January 20, 2009 were continued.
3. **Agenda Modifications:** A motion was made by J. Goudeau and seconded by T. Currie to add as **Item 6(d) the recommendation of a traffic signal at the intersection of West San Ysidro Blvd. and Averil. Motion Passed: 13-0-0. Yeas: I. Adato, J. Barajas; M. Cather; T. Currie; D. Flores; M. Freedman; B.A. Gonzalez; S. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; S. Otto; M. Paul; A. Perez; F. Sanchez. Noes: None. Abstain: None.**
4. **Announcements:**
 - a. **Vacancies:** None
 - b. **Chairman:** Five announcements were on published agenda.
Additional announcements:
 1. Invitation to opening of Community Center at Villa Nueva, 1901 Del Sur Blvd., on 2/5/09 at 3PM
 2. Start a Home Based Business Workshop Friday February 20, 2009 at 5:30 pm at The Front, 147 W. San Ysidro Blvd.
 - c. **Group Members:**
 1. Local attorneys Felix Sanchez and Manny Sanchez will be holding free legal clinics for businesses and residents. Times and dates to be announced.
 - d. **City Officials Announcements:**
None
 - e. **Members of the Public:**
None
5. **Public Comment:** None.
6. **Docket Items:**
 - a. **San Ysidro Project Area Committee (PAC):** The City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency PAC formation will have elections on Wednesday March 4, 2009. The SYCPG will have an appointed seat on the PAC board, and is to select a representative and forward that

representative's name to the SYPAC. Community members interested in voting and volunteering for the PAC should contact Eriberto Valdez at (619) 236-6524 or Sam Johnson at (619) 236-6265. **A motion was made by M. Cather and seconded by I. Adato to appoint M. Paul as the representative from the SYCPG and M. Cather as alternate representative (if an alternate is allowed). Motion Passed: 13-0-0. Yeas: I. Adato, J. Barajas; M. Cather; T. Currie; D. Flores; M. Freedman; B.A. Gonzalez; S. Gonzalez; J. Goudeau; S. Otto; M. Paul; A. Perez; F. Sanchez. Noes: None. Abstain: None.**

- b. **Beyer Boulevard Pedestrian Improvements:** The City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency is following up on previous request by the committee for pedestrian improvements at the crosswalk connecting the Beyer Trolley Station to the SY Health Center. Mr. Xavier Del Valle to present. **Item was continued.**
 - c. **San Ysidro Border Station U.S. Customs House:** Presentation of GSA for options for the Old U.S. Customs House with respect to the San Ysidro POE Expansion & Reconfiguration. As a part of the Coalition, the request is extended to the committee for review and recommendations. A Tour of the Old U.S. Customs House is planned for 9 AM on Thursday, 2/19/09. All interested please meet at the east side pedestrian POE. **Item continued until next month after the tour.**
 - d. **Traffic Signal at the intersection of West San Ysidro Blvd. and Averil:** Two projects are planned for that intersection (Southwest College and El Pedregal Apartments). Both projects will add traffic to that already congested intersection. As there are Public Facility funds available in the amount of \$200,648 as of 9/30/2008, it was suggested to use those funds for the traffic signal. It was also suggested that the planned projects should pay their share for the signal. **Item was continued to allow for Chair to obtain additional information.**
7. Subcommittee Reports:
- a. **Housing Element Subcommittee:** No Meeting.
8. Representative's Reports:
- a. **SY POE Expansion & Reconfiguration** (D. Flores/I. Adato): The east/west pedestrian bridge to be relocated on the east side of freeways to south of Rail Court. Phase 1A (Pedestrian Bridge and Employee Parking Structure) to go out to bid in September 2009, with construction to be complete in 1 year. EIS is due to be complete in April 2009.
 - b. **Community Planners Committee** (M. Cather/S. Otto): Continuing updates on draft Indemnification Ordinance for Planning Group Members.
 - c. **Otay Mesa Planning Group** (M. Paul): Group is in support of sidewalks along Otay Mesa Rd.
 - d. **Transportation Collaborative** (J. Goudeau): Phase I was a \$225,000 cash grant from CalTrans with a \$25,000 grant from the Redevelopment Agency which is complete. Phase II is a \$150,000 grant from CalTrans to fund a Border Area Master Plan on Mobility.
9. **Other Items** – None.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jennifer Goudeau, Secretary