

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**  
**LOS PEÑASQUITOS CANYON PRESERVE CITIZENS 'ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

TIME AND PLACE

The meeting of the Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens 'Advisory Committee was held at 7:00 PM on September 16, 2021 on Zoom virtual meeting platform.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

MEMBERS

Frank Landis, Chair, California Native Plant Society  
Anne Fege, Vice-chair, Member-at-Large  
Pamela Stevens, Treasurer, Mira Mesa Community Planning Group  
Matthew Bartelt, San Diego Mountain Biking Association  
Lillian Barnes, Audubon Society  
Les Braund, Friends of Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve  
Tim Gross, Member at Large  
Ann Harvey, Carmel Valley Community Planning Board  
Ken Heinz, Rancho Peñasquitos Community Planning Board  
Rob Osbourne, Canyonside Ranch LLC  
Shital Parikh, Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board  
Jim Royle, San Diego County Archeological Society

Members Excused

Erik Basil, Multi-use Trails Coalition  
Bunny Clews, Carmel Valley Trail Riders

Members Absent

Torrey Hills Community Planning Group

City of San Diego

Gina Washington, Senior Park Ranger, City of San Diego Parks & Recreation

County of San Diego

Gabby Widseth, Park Ranger, County of San Diego Parks & Recreation

Others Present

Marilyn Teague, Sorrento Mesa Resident

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of September 16, 2021

**MOTION:                      MOVED/SECONDED                      Bartelt/Barnes**

The motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2021 was made by Mr. Bartelt and seconded by Ms. Barnes. The motion passed 11/0/1

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES - None

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – Mr. Landis shared that he contacted Stormwater to see if they wanted to send a representative to tonight's meeting, they declined.

TREASURER'S REPORT – The account balance is \$1,899.58.

### RANGER REPORTS

County Ranger Widseth reported that the CAC meeting was a week prior to their large maintenance project walk through so she will have a report at the next scheduled CAC meeting.

City Senior Ranger Washington reported that they have installed a long-term temporary bridge until the swing bridge at Wagon Wheel Crossing is replaced/repaired. They have been continuing with regular patrols assisting visitors by handing out water, providing first aid and answering questions. They have also been performing random weeding and various maintenance projects. She gave an update on the status of City volunteer participation.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

ACTION ITEMS - None

### INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

201. Kiosk and Public Education Project – Ms. Teague shared that the User Survey is complete, they will post a link for the committee to look at it. The electronic Kiosks Inspection Form is complete and ready for a beta test. She has worked closely with the rangers to develop a signage plan. The next step is implementation. The project needs a fiscal agent to facilitate donations and to hire a couple of staff to oversee the project. It was suggested that the Friends of LPCP could be the fiscal agent as they are a 501C not for profit agency. There were other suggestions made on how to raise funds for kiosk replacement and maintenance.
202. City of San Diego El Cuervo Adobe Ruins Interpretive Panels – Senior Ranger Washington shared a Power Point outlining the progress of the interpretive panel project including the presentation to the San Diego Historic Resource Board Archaeological and Tribal Cultural Resources Subcommittee in July of 2020. She also shared draft mockups of what the panels will look like. The committee members were all pleased with the project.
203. Discussion of LPCP Task Force, their historic role, whether to inform the current Supervisor and Councilmembers of the Task Force and what the CAC is doing, and whether to encourage them to become active again. Lead-in to possible action items in November – Mr. Landis led the discussion. It was agreed upon that the LPCP CAC is a great asset to City Council as it is a sort of one stop shop to representatives of all trail user groups. This is a good time to reacquaint the Task Force with the CAC as it is an opportunity to get the City and County talking to one another to develop consistency in the Preserve. It was also mentioned that there have been recent large-scale projects planned without the input of the CAC, which is not acceptable. It was decided that Mr. Landis would draft a letter to the Task Force to be presented at the November CAC meeting for a motion of approval.

## ORGANIZATION REPORTS

Archeological Society – Mr. Gross shared that City College is excavating on the 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays this semester. Please feel free to drop by.

Mr. Royle stated that Arch in the Park will be held Saturday October 3, 2021

Friends of LPCP – Mr. Braund shared that the Friends again paid for spraying oak trees on City property for GSOB. He thinks the spraying may be successful. He is hoping the City will be able to take on the financial responsibility next year. The Friends lead a hike of 40+ international students from USD's Nation Student Conference. All the students were exceptionally bright; most of the students think the environment is beyond saving when asked what they thought about the future of the environment. He also shared the sad news of the passing of long-time Friend and geology hike leader Don Albright's wife. The Friends have a new geology hike leader.

## COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS

Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – Ms. Stevens shared that the MMCPG is still working on the Mira Mesa Community Plan Update, you can follow the progress in the meeting minutes on the Mira Mesa Town Council website. The Mira Mesa Street Fair is scheduled for October 22, 2021.

Carmel Valley Community Planning Group – Ms. Harvey shared that there are so many wildlife pictures in people's backyards posted on NextDoor. She is very heartened to read the comments of "we're living where they used to live". The main issued discussed within the group is opposing the fire station.

Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Group – Ms. Parikh shared the following: 1. Opposing the fire station. The City update is that the project is just going to go ahead despite community opposition. The HOA is hiring a lawyer to oppose this position. 2. The group is opposing the redistricting maps. 3. There is an item on the next group agenda to discuss adding parking at Elizabeth Rabbitt Park. There is no legal parking to access the trailhead at Duckpond. A handful of members are not opposed to the lack of parking. A traffic study is being conducted; a report will be given at the next month's meeting. Any plans will ensure the bike lane on Carmel Mountain Rd remains. Ms. Parikh urges the CAC to support the need for more parking. She will draft a letter to be presented at the November LPCP CAC meeting.

Rancho Peñasquitos Community Planning Group – Mr. Heinz reported that the planning group met in August and wrote a letter in support of the CAC's position of El Cuervo Del Sur Mitigation project.

## NON-AGENDA MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

## ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Letter from Shital Parikh concerning parking at Elizabeth Rabbitt Park and on Carmel Mountain Road  
Letter from Frank Landis to request the reconvening of the LPCP Task Force

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Gina Washington