



Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198
www.rbplanningboard.com

October 20, 2022, 7:00 PM
Meeting Minutes
 Meeting was held via Zoom

<u>2022 RB PLANNING BOARD</u>									
P = Present		A = Absent			ARC = Arrived after roll call				
Robin Kaufman	A	Owen Nucci	P	Steve Dow	A	June Smith	P	Donald Bertsch	P
Benjamin Wier	P	Vicki Touchstone	P	Hugh Rothman	ARC	Patrick Batten	A		
Gary Long	P	Joni Edelman	P	Sonny Googins	P	David Wilson	P		
								Total Seated	13
								Total in Attendance	10

ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call:

Vice Chair, Benjamin Wier called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

ITEM #2 Chair Remarks:

Benjamin Wier noted that the meeting is being recorded for accuracy in the meeting minutes, and noted that it is being conducted as if it were taking place in-person and that participants should extend all courtesies as such.

ITEM #3 Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker):

N/A.

ITEM #4 Government Staff Reports (Information Item):

[Emily Piatanesi](#), Community Representative for Council Districts 5 and 7, provided updates on behalf of Mayor Gloria: the Mayor’s recommendation for Midway Rising to re-develop the San Diego sport arena was passed by City Council in September 2022; the Mayor’s convening of a Civic Center Re-Development Citizen’s Committee; continued Administration coordinated [counter-homelessness strategies](#); and the appointment of the

new city Chief Operating Officer. Also, the city (utilities staff and SDG&E) is aware and taking action regarding the on-going water leak on the side of Rancho Bernardo Rd.

Sonya Googins asked to see if Inter-Faith is being engaged as part of the counter homelessness strategies; Emily Piatenesi said she would look into it.

David Wilson asked about policies regarding providing assistance to homeless persons who resist assistance while tenting or otherwise encroaching on public grounds; Emily Piatenesi outlined the city's progressive enforcement policy.

Board member Hugh Rothman arrived at this time.

ITEM #5 Modification and Adoption of Agenda (Voting Item):

Sonny Googins motioned to approve the agenda. Gary Long asked that Item #9 of the agenda be modified to an Information Item vice a Voting Item as it was approved at the previous Board meeting. Benjamin Wier noted that the Board could table the item when it comes up during the Board. Motion to approve the agenda seconded by Gary Long; approved 10-0-0.

ITEM #6 Administrative Items (Voting Item):

Approval of September 2022 Board meeting minutes was postponed until next Board meeting.

Gary Long provided the Treasurer's Report: The Board has \$322.95 in the business checking account as of October 2022; additionally, \$500.00 in the reimbursable expense account with the city of San Diego. Gary Long motioned to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted; seconded by Sony Googins; motion was approved 10-0-0.

ITEM #7 City of San Diego 2022 Annual Land Development Code (Code) Update (Voting Item):

Background: The Board The City Planning Department is proposing 53 revisions to the Code. Some are described as corrections/clarifications, others are required to comply with State law, and the remainder are regulatory reforms that allow for easier permit processing and/or to align with the City's climate, equity, and housing goals. The list of code changes was revised and distributed by the City on October 13, 2022; the Planning Commission hearing date of October 27, 2022 remains unchanged. A summary matrix of proposed changes and the complete language changes are available at <https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/work/land-development-code/updates-in-process>.

Vicki Touchstone provided a summary of several proposed code changes that will affect Planning Groups and motioned that the RB Planning Board send a letter to the City

Planning Department outlining their concerns. Motion seconded by Benjamin Wier; passed 10-0-0.

ITEM #8 Marijuana Outlet - Project No. 625766, 16375 Bernardo Center (Voting Item)

Gary Long reviewed with the Board the draft letter to the Hearing Officer regarding the proposed cannabis outlet at 16375 Bernardo Center Drive.

The letter outlines the many concerns of the RB Planning Board regarding the location and fit of a cannabis outlet at the site, noting the change in applicable regulations that have occurred since the 2019 project submission by the Applicant and the overall strong objection of the Board for the proposed location.

Gary Long motioned to send this letter to the City Project Manager; seconded by Benjamin Wier; motion passed 10-0-0.

ITEM #9 Marijuana Outlet - Project No. 625766, 16375 Bernardo Center (Voting Item)

At the September 2022 meeting, the Planning Board voted to appeal the decision of Hearing officer should the subject project be approved. However, the Hearing has been postponed. Benjamin Wier motioned to table any appeal until the Hearing takes place; seconded by Gary Long, motion passed 10-0-0.

ITEM #10 Appointment of Election Committee (Voting Item):

Sonny Googins and Vicki Touchstone volunteered to join Robin Kaufman on the election ad hoc committee for the upcoming 2023 RB Planning Board election. Benjamin Wier motioned that this election ad hoc committee be approved; seconded by Gary Long; motion passed 10-0-0.

ITEM #11 Request Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment to Open Vacancies in Districts B, C, D, E, and F (Voting Item):

N/A

ITEM #12 Approval for Virtual Meeting for Next Month’s Full Board Meeting (Voting Item):

Benjamin Wier motioned that the Board approve the use of virtual meetings for next month; seconded by Vicki Touchstone; approved 10-0-0.

ITEM #13 Sub-Committee Reports (Information Item):

Development ReviewBenjamin Wier

Regional Issues.....Vicki Touchstone
Traffic & TransportationHigh Rothman

ITEM #14 Liaison Reports (Information Item):

Community Council.....Robin Kaufman (Report attached)*
Community Planners Committee (CPC)..... Vicki Touchstone (Report attached)*
Community Recreation GroupRobin Kaufman
SANDAG..... Steve Dow (Report Attached)*
San Dieguito River Park David Wilson
San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group.... David Wilson
Commercial Representative TBD

ITEM #15 OLD BUSINESS ITEM:

N/A.

ITEM #16 NEW BUSINESS:

N/A.

ADJOURNMENT:

Gary Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Sonny Googins seconded; motion passed 10-0-0. Meeting adjourned 8:19pm.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Owen Nucci.

Standing Committee Meetings:

Regular meeting dates & times for committees are set as follows:

<u>Administrative Committee</u> The Monday 10 days prior to Regular Meeting, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.	<u>Traffic & Transportation Committee First</u> Monday of each month, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.
<u>Development Review Committee</u> First Tuesday of each month, 6 PM Via Zoom meeting.	<u>Regional Issues Committee</u> First Tuesday of each month, 7 PM Via Zoom meeting.

**SANDAG Update
(Steve Dow; 10/12/2022)**

• **October 2022 highlights**

- SANDAG “Special Board of Directors, Policy Advisory Committees, and Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee” Joint Meeting – Oct 14
 - Asked to adopt updated financing strategy for Otay Mesa Port of Entry. Resolution No. 2023-05 discusses toll revenue sharing agreement with Mexico’s Ministry of Infrastructure, Communications, and Transportation.
- SANDAG Community Fair held October 9
- SANDAG’s Pledge to Rideshare Program (Rideshare Week: October 3 - 9)
- \$27 Million in funding obtained for replacement of 100-year-old, LOSSAN Corridor Bridge (San Luis Rey River Bridge). LOSSAN refers to the “Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo” rail corridor.
- Walk Bike & Roll to School Day – October 12

RB Community Council:

- The Board appointed an Earth Day Ad hoc committee
- The Board approved to hold the annual Hot Cocoa with Santa, December 3
- The Board approved to have a booth at the Halloween event at the RB Community Park, Oct. 28
- An update was given on the annual student member recruitment. Deadline for juniors to file is Oct. 31. Two applicants so far.

- Summary of 12th annual safety fair – very successful event, which included a chili cookoff between fire station 33 and northeastern police division. Fire department won by 2 votes.

Community Planners Committee (CPC):

- The Committee met September 27 and voted to support all Land Development Code (LDC) updates with the exception of #3, 15, 21, 22, 27, and 50 pending their final resolution of language.

RB Community Recreation Group:

Did not meet in October.