

MIRAMAR RANCH NORTH PLANNING COMMITTEE

MRNPC MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Virtual Meeting

<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community>

<http://www.scrippsranh.org/committees/advisory-groups/mrnpc>

Meeting Called to Order at 7:07 p.m.

Members Present: Michelle Abella-Shon (Chair), Doug Kurtz (Vice-Chair), Lin Schoeneberg, Daniel Brast, Thomas Leeman, Russel Shon.

Guests: Becky Rapp (resident), Gerry Braun (resident), Joe Manheim (resident), Quinton Grounds (Wilpert's office), Marc Schaefer (Anderson's office), Blaze Zarev (YMCA).

Introductions: Board members & guests introduced themselves

Public Comment (Non-Agenda items): None

Modifications to the Agenda: Bill Crooks moved to modify the Agenda to add a discussion item regarding the upcoming MRNPC Officer Elections. Doug Kurtz seconded the motion. Motion passed (7-0).

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **City Mayor Todd Gloria ((Chris Ackerman-Avila or Rep):** Not Present.
2. **City Council District 5 – Councilmember Marni von Wilpert (Quinton Grounds):** Karen Rice from VNA Healthcare is looking for people to volunteer to spend time with hospice patients, she can be contacted at (949) 263-4747. Lighting update for community center still being discussed.
3. **San Diego County Supervisor Dist. 2 Joel Anderson (Marc Schaefer):** Working with County on homeless outreach. Provided information on availability of micro-loans for businesses with 6 employees or less. For those interested in signing up for Anderson Alerts (news from Joel Anderson's office), contact Marc Schaefer at marc.schaefer@sdcounty.ca.
4. **77th District California Assemblymember Brian Maienschein (Rob Knudsen):** Not present.
5. **US Congressman Scott Peters (Jessica Brown or Rep):** Not present.
6. **City of SD Planning Dept. (Tony Kempton):** Not present.
7. **SDUSD, Caltrans or Other State Agencies Rep:** Not present.
8. **Scripps Ranch Planning Group (SRPG) –Wally Wulfeck:** Not present.
9. **Scripps Ranch Civic Association (SRCA) - Bob Ilko or Rep:** Not present.
10. **Scripps Ranch Community Recreation Group (CRG) –Marc Sorensen or Rep:** Not

present.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS/ACTION ITEMS:

Info Items:

- 1. Cannabis Retail Ordinance Amendments** – Presentation from Bill Perno of SAY San Diego regarding the Proposed Cannabis Retail Outlet Ordinance Amendment which would remove certain local restrictions on the location of cannabis dispensaries which have been in place since 2011 as sensitive use restrictions. The Amendment would leave in place only those restrictions set by California law. Discussion by the board and guests regarding the lack of public outreach and opportunity for comment on the proposed Amendment, especially the lack of engagement with community planning groups. Board will consider an action item for the next meeting to potentially draft a letter to the communities representatives to requirement dialogue at the community planning group level.
- 2. Recommended Approval of CPC’s Recommended Revisions to Council Policies 600-09 and 600-24** – discussion of this item was different to the committee report from Bill Crooks.
- 3. March 2022 Election Results:** MRNPC held its annual member elections on March 1, 2022 from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. in front of the SRCA Community Center. There were 4 membership positions up for election, but only three candidates. All three incumbent candidates, Daniel Brast, Russell Shon, and Claude Braunstein were elected to new four-year terms.
- 4. MRNPC Officer Elections:** Officer elections among the MRNPC Members will occur at the next meeting in April 2022. The slate of candidates is Bill Crooks for Chain, Doug Kurtz for Vice-Chair, and Lin Schoeneberg for Secretary/Treasurer. If any other member is interested in running for an officer position they should contact Daniel Brast or Michelle Abella-Shon.

Action Items:

- 1.** Doug Kurtz moved to authorize the MRNPC to hold its next regularly schedule meeting via Zoom in recognition of the continued concerns over health and safety of the community and the lack of technology to be able to conduct meetings in a hybrid format, seconded by Russel Shon.

Abstain: None. 7 Yays, 0 Nays. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA:

February 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes approved on consent.

Moved to approve by Bill Crooks, seconded by Doug Kurtz. 7 Yays, 0 Nays.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 1. Chair’s Report:** Michelle Abella-Shon advised that she will be stepping down as MRNPC Chair next month and leaving the Board in light of a potential conflict of interest. The MRNPC members thanked Michelle for her many years of service to the community.

2. Community Planners Committee (CPC):

Bill Crooks provided the following update:

1. Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), there was discussion at CPC as to how City planned on prioritizing CIP projects. The City projects about a half billion dollar short fall in available revenue.
2. CPC was set to discuss the Cannabis Retail Outlet Ordinance Amendment, but Councilmember Whitburn canceled at the last minute. William Perno with SAY San Diego spoke and provided the same presentation as was presented at the MRNPC.
3. CPC discussed the draft revisions to Council Policies 600-24 and 600-9. The revisions presented by Councilmember Lacava would gut the local planning groups, like MRNPC.

3. MRNPC Maintenance Assessment District (MAD):

Tom Leeman provided an update on his discussions with Mike and Saul about proposed changes to butterfly park including milkweed berms, signage/displays to educate the community on monarch butterflies, and potential for education classes in the future. The hope is to have some improvements made prior to the fall when the butterflies return. Will need to get sources funding. The Voice of Scripps Ranch has offered some funds for this purpose.

6. Round Table: Further appreciation by the members of Chair Michelle Abella-Shon's service to the MRNPC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Next Meeting DATE: Tuesday April 5, 2022