

CARMEL VALLEY COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD

Meeting Minutes

7 pm, Thursday, August 23, 2018

Carmel Valley Library, Community Room
3919 Townsgate Dr., San Diego, CA 92130

Board Member	Representing	Present	Absent	Absence (Board Year)
1. Ken Farinsky	CV Voting District 1	x		1
2. Barry Schultz, Vice Chair	CV Voting District 2	x		1
3. Steve Davison	CV Voting District 3	x		2
4. Debbie Lokanc	CV Voting District 4	x		0
5. Frisco White, Chair	CV Voting District 5	x		0
6. Donald Billings	CV Voting District 6	x		0
7. Annie Glenn	CV/ PHR Business	x		1
8. Allen Kashani, Secretary	CV Developer		x	0
9. VACANT	CV Property Owner			
10. Nate Smith	CV Property Owner		x	1
11. Shreya Sasaki	PHR D1		x	0
12. Stella Rogers	PHR D2	x		1
13. Vic Wintriss	Fairbanks Country Club/Via de la Valle/North City Subarea 2	x		2

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 26, 2018

July 26 Meeting:

Motion: Stella, to Approve July Minutes. 2nd: Donald. Approved 7-0-0

C. CONSENT AGENDA

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - Speakers are limited to topics not listed on the agenda. Presentations are limited to 2 minutes or less.

Pacific Highlands Ranch resident Lucas Kurlan asked the Board to consider walkability and light pollution when considering whether or not to support future developments. Lucas stated that by working with developers to ensure lights are downcast will result in decreased light pollution, reduced sky glow, improved quality of life, and improved quality of research from the nearby observatory.

Captain Gregory addressed the issue of noise caused by military aircraft. Captain Gregory reminded the community that as soon as aircraft are in the air they are controlled by the Federal Aviation Administration and that the Federal Aviation Administration will redirect aircraft to fly

wider paths if the need arises. Captain Gregory also stated that the sound footprint of aircraft is affected by the type of aircraft, air temperature, and other factors.

Ken Farinsky asked why there has been a recent increase in aircraft flying over the community. Captain Gregory informed the community that a lot of aircraft have returned to the base from international locations.

Donald Billings stated that the flight corridors are routinely being violated. Captain Gregory responded that this is a reality of living near the base and that safety is the top concern. Captain Gregory continued that San Diego has congested airspace limiting the route military aircraft can use. Captain Gregory stated that there are two routes to the base and they intersect above the Carmel Valley community. Donald asked if it would be possible to increase community outreach to inform the community of increased noise and duration. Kristen answered that at most they could inform the community to expect increased operations.

Stella Rogers asked if there's a time when military aircraft are not allowed to fly. Captain Gregory stated that the airfield is open at all hours, but a majority of training operations occur during the day.

A resident asked what the community could do to encourage compliance with the business rules of Miramar base. Captain Gregory answered that community members can call the base with noise complaints.

Captain Gregory ended his presentation by informing the community that Southern California is vital for military operations. Captain Gregory stated that two-thirds of the United States' military airspace is located off the San Diego coast. Captain Gregory emphasized that this allows the military to practice skills they cannot practice over land.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS - San Diego Police Department, Officer Trevor Philips

None.

F. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

G. COMMUNITY PLANNER REPORT - Nathan Causman (CV/PHR/NCFUA Sub 2) and Lesley Henegar (Fairbanks CC/Via de la Valle), City of San Diego

None.

H. COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 REPORT - Steve Hadley, Office of Councilmember Barbara Bry

Steve Hadley informed the community that Sharp HealthCare is hosting a free workshop on September 20, 2018 at Ocean Air Recreation Center.

Steve indicated that the Mayor is working to synchronize the lights on Carmel Valley Road from Santa Fe Farms Road to Del Mar Heights Road prior to the school year starting.

Ken Farinsky highlighted that the Board has been urging the City to place no right turn signs in the community. Ken stated that it would be ideal to have an alternative process that involves community input to place no right turn signs.

Donald Billings asked about pensions. Steve answered that the ramifications of Proposition B are unknown until the appellate court reviews the case.

I. MAYOR'S REPORT - Francis Barraza, Office of Mayor Faulconer

None.

J. COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S REPORT - Corrine Busta, Office of Supervisor Kristin Gaspar

None.

K. STATE ASSEMBLY REPORT - Bob Knudsen, Office of Assemblymember Brian Maienschein

None.

L. STATE SENATE REPORT - Chevelle Newell-Tate, Office of State Senator Toni Atkins

Chevelle stated that there have been multiple state of emergencies across the state due to fires. Chevelle stated that as part of the newly-enacted budget, \$673.3 million dollars were allocated to recovery efforts stemming from the 2017 fires. Chevelle continued by stating that there have been conversations to help communities affected by fires this year.

Chevelle introduced Senate Bill 1260 which would fund the removal of dead trees from high-fire-hazard zones and establish a cost-sharing program to assist homeowners with fire-resistant improvements. Chevelle also introduced Senate Bill 824 which would prohibit insurance companies from canceling or not renewing a homeowner's policy for one year in counties with a declared state of emergency. Chevelle stated that both bills have passed the Senate and are waiting for a vote on the assembly floor.

Chair White asked about a ballot measure by the Emergency Medical Technicians. Chevelle stated that the proposition was not placed on the state ballot by the legislature. Chevelle informed the community that they could visit the Secretary of State website to view all the propositions and accompanying descriptions.

Donald Billings asked about State Senator Atkins' position on Proposition 10. Chevelle stated that State Senator Atkins did not have a position on Proposition 10 yet. Donald stated that there are no places where rent control works. He continued by stating that housing isn't created by penalizing housing investment.

M. US CONGRESS - Kiera Galloway, Office of US Congressman Scott Peters

None.

N. INFORMATION AGENDA:

None.

O. ACTION AGENDA:

1. **SDSU West / Soccer City:** Consider the proposed initiatives by Soccer City and SDSU West and decide whether to support or not support any of the ballot measures.

•Applicant - Chair

SDSU West representative, Steve Doyle, stated that polling shows a 62% support rate for SDSU West's Measure G. Councilmember Barbara Bry stated that she believes SDSU West will benefit the community for generations to come.

Soccer City representative, Nick Stone, encouraged residents to vote for Measure E on the November ballot. Nick informed the community that the City of San Diego has recently sued San Diego State University due to issues mitigating offsite impacts as a result of Adobe Falls expansion efforts.

Chair White, Barry Schultz, and Steve Davison shared their dismay of planning by initiative. Stella Rogers also shared her dismay of planning by initiative but stated that it was important to guide the community towards the better option, Measure G. The remaining members placed their support behind Measure G. Chair White asked how the community would be involved in the planning process of the SDSU West initiative; SDSU West was unable to answer the question. Ken Farinsky asked what would happen if the University and the City were unable to reach an agreement. Councilmember Barbara Bry responded that the City would retain the property.

Motion: Stella, To Recommend the Community Vote No on Measure E. 2nd: Ken. Approved 9-0-0

Motion: Stella, To Support San Diego West Proposal/Measure G. 2nd: Ken. Denied 6-3-0

2. **Carmel Mission (Powerline) Park:** Consider the multi-year or simultaneous program for the removal and re-planting of trees designated by SDG&E as protruding into the power line no-tree zone.

•Applicant - SDG&E

Don Calhoun, SDG&E, stated that actions are driven by regulatory compliance. Don stated that SDG&E has annual inspections to monitor trees and identify trees that have the potential to fall and damage lines. Don stated that regulations determine the scope of trees to be removed in order to ensure public safety. Don stressed that down power lines have the potential to spark and

start fires, possibly resulting in injuries and death.

Don stated that the annual inspection revealed 16 stumps revealing that 16 trees had failed. Don reviewed the original proposal: remove 74 trees identified as safety hazards. Don then introduced a new proposal: remove 40 trees and prune 35 trees. Don continued that both proposals included replacing the removed trees at a 2:1 rate with trees that are compatible with overhead electric lines.

Donald Billings asked if it would be possible to flag trees so the community can easily identify which trees are identified for removal and pruning. Chair White shared that one community concern is the removal of Torrey Pine trees. Ken Farinsky asked if it was necessary to remove all the trees on the northwest portion of the park. Don responded that this decision was based on the slope of the area and that many trees have failed in this location.

A resident asked if the stumps of failed trees would be removed. Don responded that it was best to leave the stumps in place as the root systems keep the hillside stable. Don stated that the stumps could be lowered to reduce their visibility.

Don stated that there are lagging and leading indicators that indicate that the trees are probable to failing. Don stated that lagging indicators are trees that have failed in the past. Don stated that leading indicators include the slope of trees, height of trees, canopy of trees, lean of trees, and the soil stability. Don stated that these factors were considered in the selection of trees for removal.

Chair White asked about the timeline to remove, prune, and plant trees. Don stated that crown reduction will begin early next year and that new trees will start to be planted by February 2019. Don stated that proposal two is between six to eight months.

Tara Mackey stated that members of the community had paid for arborist Bradley Brown to assess the trees. Tara stated that Bradley assessed the trees as low risk. Tara asked SDG&E to hold a meeting at the park between SDG&E's arborist and Bradley to reassess the trees and find a solution.

Steve Hadley stated that SDG&E and the community will meet at the park so the arborists may reassess the trees. Steve stated that the city council office will help facilitate the meeting.

Motion continued to September or October meeting.

P. SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subcommittee	Representative(s)	Report	Next Meeting
1. Design & Planning Subcommittee	Chair White, Jan Fuchs & Anne Harvey	Chair White stated that the subcommittee met on the senior residence project by Seabreeze Farms.	No Report.
2. CV FBA and PHR FBA	Chair White	Chair White met with the City in order to obtain a	No Report.

Subcommittees		CIP number to start a subcommittee of Livability.	
3. CV MAD Subcommittee	Ken Farinsky	No Report.	Next meeting is September 4, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. at Carmel Valley Recreation Center.
4. CV MAD N10 Subcommittee	Donald Billings	No Report.	No Report.
5. PHR MAD Subcommittee	Stella Rogers	No Report.	Next meeting is September 4, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. at Carmel Valley Recreation Center.
6. Bylaws, Policy & Procedures Subcommittee	Chair White	No Report.	No Report.
7. Open Space Subcommittee	TBD	No Report.	No Report.
8. CPC Subcommittee	Barry Schultz	No Report.	Next meeting is August 28, 2018.
9. Livability (Special)	Ken Farinsky/Chris Moore	No Report.	TBD.

Q. CHAIR'S REPORT

None.

R. OLD / ONGOING BUSINESS

None.

S. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

T. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 27, 2018
Carmel Valley Library, 7 p.m.