



**Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board**  
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198  
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**March 18, 2021 7:00 PM**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Via Zoom**

Due to precautions related to the present concerns of COVID-19, this meeting took place via a zoom meeting.

<b><u>2020 RB PLANNING BOARD</u></b>									
<b>P = present</b>		<b>A = absent</b>			<b>ARC = arrived after roll call</b>				
<b>Robin Kaufman</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Sonny Googins</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Joni Edlemen</b>	<b>P</b>				
<b>Patrick Vincent</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Vicki Touchstone</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>David Wilson</b>	<b>A</b>				
<b>Gary Long</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Thomas Lettington</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Terry Norwood</b>	<b>A</b>				
<b>Benjamin Wier</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Hugh Rothman</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Dan Grobee</b>	<b>P</b>			<b>Total Seated</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Mark Huettinger</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Steve Dow</b>	<b>P</b>					<b>Total in Attendance</b>	<b>10</b>

**ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call:** Chair Robin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. A quorum was met with 10 out of 14 members present.

**ITEM #2 Chair remarks:** Chair Robin Kaufman welcomed everyone and reminded attendees that while this is a zoom meeting, we follow the same protocol as if we were meeting in person. She also took time to recognize and express gratitude to the two members who will be stepping down – Terry Norwood and Mark Huettinger.

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

- Becky Rapp had comments pertaining to marijuana outlets, commenting that the County recently passed an ordinance allowing them to have lounge areas.
- Kathleen Lippit commented on lack of enforcement of Proposition 64 which does not allow billboards to promote products that can entice minors or business promotions. She commented that training of officers is required to enforce this proposition, but has yet to transpire. She also gave the following telephone number to call when someone sees a billboard with such promotions: 1-833-WEEDTIP (9333847).

**ITEM #4 Government Staff Reports:**

**Information Item**

-Eric Young, II, representing Councilwoman von Wilpert’s office informed us that the Councilwoman is Co-chair of the Covid Response committee. He also informed us there is state funding available for rent relief. He updated us on two matters he assisted with in the community – a damaged fence between residential property and City property (the City will be replacing it at no cost to the residents), and a long-time, damaged security fence at the community park that he assisted in finally getting fixed. Finally, he encouraged people to utilize the Get It Done app.

**ITEM #5 Modification and Adoption of Agenda:**

**Voting Item**

-Motion made Patrick Vincent/Hugh Rothman to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0.

**ITEM #6 Administrative Items:**

**Voting Items**

- a. Approve February 2021 Meeting Minutes: Motion made Sonny Googins/Gary Long to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed 9-0-1, with Dan Grobee abstaining as he was not present at the last meeting.
- b. Approve Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Gary Long presented our financial status: ending

balance of \$322.95 and City funds of \$206.78. We still have an outstanding invoice (to the City) of \$44.97. Motion made Gary Long/Patrick Vincent to accept the report as presented. Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0.

**ITEM #7 2021 RBCPB Election Results and Approval:**

**Voting Item**

The Election Ad Hoc Committee presented the final election details, including City Council action for temporary amendment to Council Policy 600-24 in response to COVID-19 and how it related to our election process this year:

[https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/city\\_council\\_action\\_for\\_temporary\\_amendments\\_of\\_council\\_policy\\_600-24.pdf](https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/city_council_action_for_temporary_amendments_of_council_policy_600-24.pdf). Motion made Patrick Vincent/Steve Dow to approve the election results of seat Benjamin Wier (District D), Joni Edelman (District f), Gary Long (District G), Hugh Rothman (District A) and Rebecca Cole (District D). Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0.

**ITEM #8 Request Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment to Open Vacancies in Districts:**

**Voting Item**

Owen Nucci presented himself for the vacancy in District A. He is a retired Marine and works for Northrop Grumman in Rancho Bernardo’s industrial park. Motion made Vicki Touchstone/Sonny Gogins to approve the appointment of Owen Nucci. Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0.

**ITEM #9 Sub-Committee Reports:**

**Information Item**

- Development Review..... Benjamin Weir
- Regional Issues..... Vicki Touchstone – the committee will be meeting next month.
- Traffic & Transportation..... Robin Kaufman – the committee will be meeting next month.

**ITEM #10 Liaison Reports:**

**Information Item**

- Community Council..... Robin Kaufman (Report attached) \*
- Community Planners Committee (CPC)..... Vicki Touchstone – there was discussion on the City’s Utility franchise contract.
- Recreation Advisory Board..... Robin Kaufman (Report attached)\*
- SANDAG..... Steve Dow (Report attached) \*
- San Dieguito River Park ..... Terry Norwood
- San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group.... David Wilson Mayor Gloria attended as did council member Marnie Von Wilpert. It was great to have them both on the call. Chair Linshield explained some of the ongoing issues, and there was a brief discussion of lease renewals for the land.
- Commercial Representative .....

**ITEM #12 OLD BUSINESS ITEM:** Tom Lettington expressed concerns pertaining to any possible ordinance changes to the City’s marijuana outlets including possibly allowing lounges and distance changes. Resident Becky Rapp commented that the County recently passed the ability for outlets to have lounges and some distance changes. She also made reference to the City putting together a marijuana bureau to look into such matters for outlets in the City.

**ITEM #13 NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made Joni Edelman/Dan Grobee to adjourn at 8 p.m. Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0.

**STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Regular meeting dates & times for committees will be set.

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

**RB Community Council Summary by Robin Kaufman \***

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-The Board had two guest speakers in March – Todd Glory, San Diego Mayor and County Supervisor, Terra Lawson-Remer

-The Board reviewed the insurance policies due in April. It was agreed to have the executive board review more details and make the final decision of renewing it prior to the deadline.

- The Board approved the final details for the pizza fun run to take place this summer.

- The Board approved to recognize volunteers of all ages, during national volunteer week (April 18-24). Anyone can nominate an individual who resides in RB by completed the application and submitting a photo by April 16. That information, along with the photo, will be posted on the RB Community Council’s Facebook page during national volunteer week. No restrictions with the exception that the volunteer must be a resident of Rancho Bernardo - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScc9v84YmSDOU-o8ZhMgu2ZD4jLc2HphZdkIyuWVtpWrq4QBw/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&fbclid=IwAR0xHhruCKo-kdpVe7ert9H8Y-peRmSAsjfXQvEt4YGIzLSWVN45xH7PhqE>

- The Board approved to hold the annual chalk it up event virtually again this year. The event will take place Saturday, May 1.

-The Board approved a date for the annual safety fair – Saturday, September 18.

-The Board appointed a resident to fill a vacancy in the Bernardo Heights area.

-The Board’s election process has begun. Deadline for submitting a declaration of candidacy form is April 30: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GXvPstkMJUZPoxevHmJq0fN9lziJX-ms/view>

**Recreation Advisory Board Summary by Robin Kaufman\***

-The off-leash dog park ad hoc committee will be holding a public meeting on Wednesday, March 24.

**SANDAG Summary by Steve Dow \***

- **SANDAG March 2021 Newsletter Highlights:**
  - National City Mayor elected second SANDAG Vice Chair on 2/12/2021
  - SANDAG released “Our Commitment to Equity”:
    - *“We hold ourselves accountable to the communities we serve. We acknowledge we have much to learn and much to change; and we firmly uphold equity and inclusion for every person in the San Diego region. This includes historically underserved, systemically marginalized groups impacted by actions and inactions at all levels of our government and society. We have an obligation to eliminate disparities and ensure that safe, healthy,*

*accessible, and inclusive opportunities are available to everyone. In 2021, SANDAG will develop an equity action plan that will inform how we plan, prioritize, fund, and build projects and programs; frame how we work with our communities; define how we recruit and develop our employees; guide our efforts to conduct unbiased research and interpret data; and set expectations for companies and stakeholders that work with us. We are committed to creating a San Diego region where every person who visits, works, and lives can thrive.”*

- SANDAG joined ~80 CA agencies in signing the Digital Equity Bill of Rights
- SANDAG released report indicating impacts of delays at the Mexican border.
  - [https://www.sandag.org/uploads/publicationid/publicationid\\_4745\\_28761.pdf](https://www.sandag.org/uploads/publicationid/publicationid_4745_28761.pdf)
  - \$3.4B loss estimated in 2016 in SD/Tijuana region due to crossing delays
- Construction Activities Update:
  - Del Mar Bluff Stabilization – An area of the bluffs that was in the design phase recently failed in February 2021. SANDAG is reassessing. REMINDER TO STAY OFF THE BLUFFS.
  - State Route 11 / Otway Mesa Entry – ongoing.
  - Bike lanes 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street ongoing.
- 2021 Regional Plan
  - Link to 2/12/2021 presentation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f9NFXmODGro>
  - Additional presentations to community being planned
  - Funding strategy underway.