

# LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

## FINAL MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2013 – 6:30 PM

**Members present:** Mark Baker, George Barnard, Jeff Brust, Julie Bugbee, Lynn Carlson (vice-chair), Chad Enniss (arrived late @ 6:44pm during Item#7A), Tom Medvitz, Kristen Mitten, Paul Sprecco.

**Members Absent:** Wyatt Allen, Laura Cyphert (chair), Milt Cyphert, Glenn Inverso, Linda Strom, Bob Turner.

**Public present:** 11

### OPEN HOUSE: 6:00pm – 6:30pm

1. Call to Order: 6:34 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call
4. Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2013 were approved by a motion made by G. Barnard, seconded by J. Bugbee (8-0-0-7, C. Enniss not present for vote)

### 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**A. Potential upcoming projects scheduled for future meetings** – A list of projects and presentations tentatively scheduled for upcoming meetings is provided as an attachment to this meeting's agenda.

**B. Update on Rockcrest Road Parking Prohibition (near Riverview Elementary)** – This item was heard at the June and July meetings and was deferred to the County for more information and/or to determine if they would like further input from the planning group. The County has subsequently reported that they have worked with stakeholders and reached a compromise which will remove only 4 parking spaces (instead of the 15-16 originally proposed), and that the school will communicate with parents to discourage off-site parking. The County will also review a request to re-paint the white stripe on the curve on Industry Road.

**C. East County Equestrian Center** would like to come to the LCPG in September corner of Moreno & Willow

**D.** Julie requested to add the **DRB membership nominations** to the September agenda, since it takes so long.

**E.** L. Carlson announced that this meeting is being audio recorded.

### 6. OPEN FORUM:

A. none

### 7. COUNTY PRESENTATIONS

**A. Staff Update of the Drainage Facilities Master Plan** - The County of San Diego presented an update to the Drainage Facilities Master Plan. The fees generated from these areas apply to new development only.

-K. Mitten inquired as to whether they had spoken to the Lakeside Revitalization Infrastructure Subcommittee about their concerns with the flooding on Lemon Crest (applicant stated that Lemon Crest is in the plan).

-T. Medvitz asked how much was driven by Army Corp of Engineers (applicant stated that the Army Corps has provided funds, but has not specified projects). He also inquired as to whether the possible San Vicente Hydropower Facility would play into this plan at all (applicant stated no),

-C. Enniss stated that the County was just here to update us on items we asked them to look at previously.

-P. Sprecco asked why Lindo Lake wasn't in the plan as a drainage collector (the applicant stated that the Lake is included in the analysis, but was not in the presentation. This report concentrates on Stormwater flows and safety, and believes the issue with the silt flowing into the Lake from the drains is being addressed by County Parks.)

-G. Barnard stated that the Optimist Club stocked Lindo Lake with fish for a kids' fishing event and the condition of the lake was embarrassing.

-C. Enniss asked how much will be spent on the overall projects and stated that the fees should be spread out amongst the residents and not just on the developers. He also stated it would cost less to let the stormwater runoff and catch it in the infrastructure, settling pond, on a large scale. (Applicant did not have an estimate for the

projects). *(No vote was necessary)*

**B. Lighted Pedestrian Crosswalk on Lakeside Avenue, in front of Lakeside Farms Elementary** – Matt Widelski (Dept Public Works) and Carl Hickman (Traffic Engineering) representing the County presented the proposed In-Pavement Lighted Pedestrian Crosswalk on Lakeside Avenue, 838 feet east of Vista Camino in front of Lakeside Farms Elementary. Mid-block crossings have neither stops signs nor signals and this intersection has a lot of pedestrians crossing. The crosswalk lights are powered exclusively by solar power and will be paired with a thermal plastic crosswalk, which is durable and reflective. The school just completed a sidewalk at the north side of the parking lot and was designed to connect to this crosswalk. This project will go to the County Board of Supervisors in September and the TAC in October for approval. The County hopes to have this crosswalk installed no later than March 2014.

-G. Barnard inquired as to the cost of Lakeside crosswalk (Carl stated it would be approximately \$60-\$80,000 per crosswalk); he also asked whether the light will blink or be static when the button is pushed (applicant stated they will flash). Finally he asked if there was a need for lights due to daylight savings time (Applicant stated yes, at this area there are 40+ people/hour crossing this intersection and it needs a warning system),

-J. Bugbee inquired as to location of crosswalk,

-C. Enniss asked if there were other places we could spend these funds?

-K. Mitten asked if the pedestrians would be able to see the flashing lights in addition to the cars so that they are alerted if the lights stop flashing (yes, they will be bi-directional lights).

-T. Medvitz asked if they're hard wired together, will they all go out if one light goes out? (applicant stated no, if one light goes out, the rest stay on).

-Carl did not have the statistics on how many accidents will be reduced with the installation of the crosswalk, but they wanted to be proactive in areas that have heavy unprotected pedestrian traffic.

No Public Comment

*A motion to recommend approval of the project was made by G. Barnard, seconded by J. Bugbee. **Motion Passed (8-1-0-6, C. Enniss dissented)***

A motion to move Items #8D and #8E up in the agenda, was made by K. Mitten and seconded by G. Barnard, so that San Diego County Traffic staff can address any questions related to those items, while still in attendance. ***Motion passed (9-0-0-6)***

**8. ACTION ITEMS:**

**D. Request for Letter of support** – Carl Hickman stated that the County is requesting a letter of support for Highway Safety Improvement Program Funds to be used for signalization of the intersection at Winter Gardens Blvd and Winter Gardens Dr. to improve access to Winter Gardens Elementary. A grant was submitted for this project as there are a significant number of collisions that have been reported at this intersection. It will be a full signal with a crosswalk across both roads, and the signals will have an interconnected system from Pepper to Woodside that will allow a vehicle, traveling the speed limit, to hit all green lights, providing no cars approach Winter Gardens Blvd on the side streets.

-J. Bugbee asked if they were concerned about southbound traffic coming down the hill too fast (applicant stated there will be adequate advanced warning for the signal).

-M. Baker stated that a signal is definitely needed at this intersection.

*A motion to recommend approval of the letter of support, as the project was presented with the interconnected signal system, was made by Barnard and seconded by J. Bugbee. **Motion passed (9-0-0-6)***

**E. Intersection Improvement Project** – Old Highway 80 and Pecan Park Lane -. County staff is asking whether the LCPG can support placing the relocation of the intersection, further east to allow for a standard tee configuration, on the Intersection Improvement List. Carl Hickman stated that a citizen brought it to the County's attention that the geometry of the intersection makes it unsafe. The County is seeking initial general support to begin seeking funding.

-L. Carlson expressed strong support for a redesign of this intersection.

-G. Barnard stated that there was a development project that is still responsible for improving this intersection and that County staff needs to do it's due diligence to ensure the developer pays for what he is committed to improving. (applicant stated that sometimes the developer is not responsible for the full amount of the improvements, but is unsure as to the specifics).

-K. Mitten stated that she addressed this issue with Transportation staff today and that they will work with PDS to figure out which developer was responsible for improvements to this intersection prior to moving forward.

*A motion to recommend Deferring this item till staff can research which development project is responsible for changing the intersection was made by G. Barnard and seconded by J. Bugbee. (~~Motion died due to passing of alternate motion~~)***[Item 8E will need to be reheard at September meeting]**

*An alternate motion to recommend Approving the reconfiguration of this intersection and placing the project on the Intersection Improvement list was made by K. Mitten and seconded by P. Sprecco.*

**Motion failed passed (5-4-0-6, J. Bugbee, M. Baker, G. Barnard and C. Enniss dissented) [A majority vote of the authorized body (8 members) was not met]**

**A. El Capitan Townhome Apartments – Discretionary Permit for Site Plan – B Designator** (PDS2013-STP-13-017) located at 9911 Channel Rd. at Parkside Street (APN 394-110-34-00). The proposed project consists of two 2-story buildings consisting of a 4 unit and 2 unit apartment complex, with a total of 10 parking spaces. **(Item deferred per request from Applicant so they can meet with DRB first).**

**B. Riverview Courts – Request for Modification of Project Condition for a Discretionary Permit for Tentative Map** (PDS2013-TM-5536R) located at 9702 Riverview Avenue for a 26-unit residential condominium project. This project was previously approved, however Dan Rheem, the applicant, has requested a modification of the condition requiring the undergrounding of utilities, and proposes instead to relocate two utility poles on the project frontage (Riverview). Applicant states that all new on-site utilities will be undergrounded. He saw that they missed a waiver for the undergrounding when they came forward with the initial application, and since staff does not have a process to amend conditions, they have to now revise the TM. He stated that his client came forward to the LCPG in April without his knowledge and he believed critical information was not included in the previous April discussion.

-There was a general discussion about the two scenarios as to where poles would be if undergrounded or not, and several members expressed a desire to hold the developers responsible for undergrounding, so that the County would not need to pay if undergrounding happened in this neighborhood at a later date.

-P. Sprecco stated that in certain situations we may want to consider exceptions.

-L. Carlson inquired as to how many units were in this project (26).

Public Comment: None

*A motion to recommend Approval of the project was made by J. Bugbee and seconded by M. Baker.*

**Motion failed passed (7-1-1-6, L. Carlson dissented and K. Mitten abstained) [A majority vote of the authorized body (8 members) was not met]**

**C. Panwebster Minor Subdivision off Los Coches Rd – Tentative Parcel Map** (TPM-212014) (APN 397-060-80-00) – Applicant proposes to subdivide the property into four residential parcels and a remainder residential parcel.

-J. Bugbee expressed general concerns regarding drainage to Los Coches, advised the applicant to connect to Lakeside Water District, and to improve access to driveway. She also inquired about which oak trees would be removed (applicant stated the driveway will be 20% and will meet code requirements, all areas will drain to Los Coches, and that no oak trees will be removed).

-K. Mitten expressed concern about the proximity to the lower houses and the height of the walls and homes towering over the lower residences. She asked if they could reduce the density to move the houses further from the neighbors (applicant stated that the project only pencils out with five houses).

Public Comment:

- Ellie Durban, an adjoining neighbor, is concerned about losing her privacy and views and does not like the proposed heights or proximity of the proposed houses, but expressed general support for this project.

- Rose Hanington lives on the corner property and is concerned about the proposed house along Los Coches

backing up to the rock outcropping. She asked if the bedrocks of the boulders next to Los Coches, along the back of her house will be disturbed (applicant stated those rocks will not be touched).

G. Barnard asked the applicant to work with the residents on the design. J. Bugbee asked the motion maker if conditions could be placed on the motion to include Draining to Los Coches, utilizing the Lakeside Water District (not Helix) and to address steep slopes. M. Baker stated he did not wish to amend his motion, and that those issues would be worked out by staff and at subsequent planning reviews.

*A motion to recommend Approval of the project was made by M. Baker and seconded by C. Enniss.  
**Motion passed (9-0-0-6)***

**D. Los Coches Substation Rebuild** –on Lake Jennings and El Monte Rd. SDG&E presented plans to rebuild the Los Coches Substation. Don P. stated that this is not a typical planning project, but they are here as a courtesy to share how the project may impact the community and to get feedback. This project is essentially just maintenance of a 50+ year old substation, and the voltage will not change. This project is only being undertaken to update old and potentially unreliable equipment and to meet current safety standards. There will be a new pad constructed to support the new equipment, but there will not be any planned interruption of service during construction, and there will be a reduction of 20-25 poles/structures. Additionally, there will be a landscaped berm along the road to provide screening. There will be a traffic control plan in place during soil/rock removal and they will need to get permits for blasting.

-G. Barnard expressed a concern of through trucks (applicant will work with County to provide a safe traffic control plan, the applicant also stated they will need an encroachment permit for work in the street when they need to connect to the lines in the street.

-SDG&E anticipates they will begin site preparation in September 2013, pads should be complete in June 2014 and the whole project should be completed by December 2016.

Public Comment:

- Karen Ensall asked if there was going to be any obstruction to the point of access for the equestrians. (applicant stated that only a part of the trail access will be blocked.)

- Patt Bixby inquired about local bids (applicant stated that the bid has been out for a month.)

*(No vote necessary)*

**9. GROUP BUSINESS:**

**Reimbursement:** Vote on reimbursement requests for June, July & August photocopies for \$19.21. A motion was made to approve the reimbursement by J. Bugbee and seconded by G. Barnard.  
**Motion Approved (9-0-0-6)**

**10. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Design Review Board - none

B. County Service Area 69 - none

C. Trails - none

**11. ADJOURNED:** 8:53 p.m. The next meeting will be in the gymnasium on September 4, 2013 at 6:30 pm with the Open House starting at 6:00pm.

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