

**County of San Diego  
Valle De Oro Community Planning Group  
P.O. Box 936  
La Mesa, CA 91944-3956**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:** April 1, 2014

**LOCATION:** Otay Water District Headquarter  
Training Room, Lower Terrace  
2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd.  
Spring Valley, California 91978-2004

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 P.M. Lori Myers, Presiding Chair

**A. ROLL CALL.** Members present: Brownlee, Fitchett, Henderson, Manning, Mitrovitch, Myers, Perry, Reith, Schuppert, Tierney and Wollitz. Absent: Chapman, Feathers, and Hyatt.

**B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF** March 18, 2014. **VOTE:** 10 to 0 to approve. 1 abstention.

**C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:** None

**D. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Election of new member was deferred as one candidate was absent.
2. M-14-004: Request for exemption from Site Plan processing for Palisade Realty to install a 3' x 20' Illuminated Sign Cabinet on the front of their building located at 9847 Campo Road in Spring Valley. Fitchett introduced the request and explained that the Site Plan allows for 50 sq. ft. of illuminated signage and the exemption would allow 60 sq. feet. Robert Hoffman, representing Palisade Realty and NonStop Signs presented a plan for 50 sq. ft. of Illuminated Lighting to Mr. Fitchett and Ms. Myers. The revised plan was accepted. MSC(Fitchett/Henderson) to recommend denial of the request for exemption from the Site Plan processing for Palisade Realty to install a 3 ft. by 20 ft. illuminated sign. The motion was approved with an 11-0 vote.
3. M-14-003. Request for a minor deviation of the Site Plan to permit installation of signage totaling 312 square feet, on a site that has a permitted number of 200 square feet of signage. The applicant is Sports Authority in the Rancho San Diego Town Center, to be replacing the business of Peter Pipers Pizza. Mr. Perry introduced the request and provided information about the site. Tim Wald, representing Sports Authority, presented a plan which would reduce the requested square footage from 312 sq. ft. of signage to 255 sq. ft, an increase of 27% over the permitted amount. Board discussion followed. MSC(Perry/Tierney) to recommend processing this request as a minor deviation. The motion was approved with a 9 to 2 vote.

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During the discussion, Chair Myers reported that the Dept. of Planning and Development Services has changed its process for signage concerns: an applicant is directed to go to the local planning group first and then to the county department. Chr. Myers explained that the change would reduce costs for the applicant. Minor deviations are considered to be within 10% of the allocated signage. The Rancho San Diego Plans are site specific, depending on location, footage, etc.

1. Deferred Election of New Member: Ms. Brownlee provided information about the procedure for electing a new member. Two applicants had applied for the open position. Candidate Christopher Rand was present and presented his credentials and responded to member questions. Printed ballots with the names of two candidates or none of the about were distributed, marked and collected. Members Wollitz and Schuppert tallied the ballots and announced that Mr. Rand was elected by a majority vote.

**E. GROUP BUSINESS:**

Regarding the traffic safety concerns at the junction of Alzeda and Fuerte Dr., another solution has been presented . Chair Myers asked for a subcommittee to study the proposal or to decide that there was no interest in the proposal. After discussion, Mr. Schuppert volunteered to lead a subcommittee to report on the proposal.

Regarding project PDS2013-STP13-021 Rakozy - Mt Helix Stack Stone Wall. The applicant, Mr Rakozy resides at 4850 Mt Helix Drive, La Mesa, CA . This project will be revisited.

Mr. Metrovitch is moving and his seat is vacant--see the announcement in our agenda.

**F. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM

Prepared by Anita Reith