

**County of San Diego
Valle De Oro Community Planning Group
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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: March 18, 2014

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

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM Lori Myers, Presiding Chair

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

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 18 **VOTE: 10-0 to approve.**
Abstained: Feathers and Reith

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: None

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. M-14-001 was deferred.
2. M-14-002. Proposed streetlight at the intersection of Chase Ave and Fuerte Dr. Information was presented by Mike Kenney, Dept. of Public Works. The proposed streetlight is the result of a request by a community member. Various information about the project was shared, and Mr. Fitchett reminded us the acceptable type of streetlight is included in the Valle de Oro Plan, and it is the low pressure mono-chromatic light. Mr. Kenney said that any streetlight would be shielded to limit light pollution.

Chair Lori Myers reported information re: number of accidents and times of accidents at that site, interviews with the neighbors of that site, possible light pollution, affect of light on night vision. Laura Peterson, area resident, reported that her neighbors were in support of the light, Robert Kincaid area resident reported that the light would add additional security to the area, and Steve Kincaid reported that the light would provide safety for walkers that have only the south side, and would prevent the damage to mailboxes that havew been occurring.

It was moved (Myers/Mitrovitch) to not install the streetlight. The reasons were: that there was no evidence to consider it as a dangerous intersection, that neighbors were not concerned, and there may be an interference with night vision. The motion passed, (7 for and 5 against the motion). The chair ruled that there was a lack of agreement, and asked for suggestions. A motion (Chapman/Fitchett) was made to install a streetlight at that intersection provided the type of light was in accordance with the VDO Community Plan. The motion failed, 5 for and 7 against. Mr. Mike Kenney indicated he would discuss this lack of consensus with the Dept. of Public Works.

3. Watershed Protection Program: The County is beginning its identification of areas which interfere with water quality, and requests our help in identifying areas of concern in our planning area. Printed information was distributed.
4. County Beekeeping Ordinance. Printed information was distributed. Dr. Tracy Ellis presented information and responded to questions regarding the proposals for changing the ordinance re hobbyist bee keeping.

E CHAIRMAN’S REPORT: None

F. ADJOURNMENT at 8:32 PM

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