# **BONSALL COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP**

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# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BONSALL COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 7:00PM In Person at the Bonsall Community Center

- A. CALL TO ORDER: Members Present Steve Norris, Larissa Anderson, Dawn Apsley, Jennifer Haider, Ray Botta, Jared Rowley
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Botta to accept the minutes dated December 5, 2023. Second by Haider. VOTE: Aye: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Vacant: 1

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

One community member was concerned about dumping and debris on Old River Rd.

Another guest, a commercial driver, expressed concern regarding trucks taking short cuts through Bonsall with their excessive weight to avoid the I-15 grades. Proper weight signs are needed. Norris added that many 10-wheelers were on the Bonsall roads, and it's out of control. More enforcement is needed.

Someone else mentioned concern about dead trees in the median down Old River Rd. and how it is affecting fire insurance rates. There are sprinklers, but the water meter was removed. Who is responsible for the watering and maintenance (between 31103 and 31279 on Old River Rd)?

E. REPORT FROM BONSALL SCHOOL BOARD

Larissa Anderson, Chair of the Bonsall Unified School District (BUSD) Board of Trustees, provided the following information:

- 1. After a two-week recess, school resumed today.
- 2. The old Bonsall schoolhouse was renovated, and it now has an EA compliant ramp.
- 3. The BUSD Board Meeting on December 13 had a room full of people from the community who were concerned about Willow Tree building an educational facility on W. Lilac Rd. There was standing room only.
- F. REPORT FROM I-15 CORRIDOR DESIGN REVIEW BOARD Rowley stated that the meeting on Wednesday, December 13, was cancelled.
- G. COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (PDS)
  Luis Duran, PDS Project Manager, presented a PowerPoint slideshow and provided an overview, including the purpose and goals, why Objective Design Standards (ODS) are needed regarding the design review of a project in relation to state law.



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The County will be reviewing the Design Review Checklist for each rural area regarding what is objective and subjective. The goal is to have a design review list that is objective, not subjective. They will then contact each of the Community Sponsor Groups (CSGs) so each group can review a draft of their respective checklist to ensure it conforms to their community design standards.

Seven (7) of the 28 rural areas in San Diego County already created a Design Review Checklist. Alpine, Bonsall, Fallbrook, Lakeside, Ramona, Spring Valley, and Sweetwater. Bonsall's design review guidelines were adopted in 1991. The County will use the adopted design review guidelines for the seven areas, and a general checklist will be sent to the other community groups that do not have design review lists.

After the presentation, time was allowed for questions and answers.

To obtain more information about ODS or listen to the public meeting that occurred on October 6, 2023, please go to <a href="https://engage.sandiegocounty.gov/ods">https://engage.sandiegocounty.gov/ods</a>. To contact the Project Manager, email <a href="mailto:PDS.longrangeplanning@sdcounty.ca.gov">PDS.longrangeplanning@sdcounty.ca.gov</a> or call 858-505-6677.

- H. ACTION ITEMS: (Voting Items)
  - 1. Amendment to Vista Valley Country Club Specific Plan Record ID#: PDS2014-MUP14-021W1, Tract 3791-1

A supplemental application was received by the County of San Diego on December 4, 2023, by David Pallinger, to request a permit modification regarding an amendment to the Vista Valley Country Club Specific Plan. The project is a proposed golf cart crossing under Gopher Canyon Road by utilizing one of four 9'x12' reinforced concrete box culverts. The project site address is located at Gopher Canyon Road and Spa Havens Road. A "Notice to Property Owners" was sent out to property owners within 1,500 feet. APNs: 127-570-15, 170-272-02

Applicant, David Pallinger, provided pictures and informed the BCSG that Vista Valley Country Club would like to use the eastern-most existing 9x12' culvert. It would be paved, have safety lights, and gates would be installed on top that would close during heavy rain storms. They would also maintain the crossing.

Haider was concerned about a possible sinkhole near the culvert. Pallinger stated he would look into it.

A guest asked if another culvert would be needed due to the future Bonsall Oaks residences. Pallinger replied no because there is a retention pond.

Several were concerned about the automatic gates locking someone in the culvert during heavy rain. Pallinger stated the gates would be closed before storms occur. The gates can also be opened and closed manually. Norris added that people need to use their judgment when they're driving their golf carts.



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Motion by Haider to support the amendment to the Vista Valley Country Club Specific Plan for a golf cart tunnel. Second by Rowley. VOTE: Aye: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0 Vacant: 1

### I. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

- 1. BCSG Applicant Update The application for seat #6 has not been placed on the Board of Supervisor's docket yet as voter registration approval is still pending.
- 2. Bonsall Community Park (BCP) The BCSG sent a letter to the County of San Diego with the BCSG and community concerns mentioned at the BCSG meeting on November 7, 2023. Due to the delay in building BCP and changes in the community over the past two years, suggestions were also provided. Hunter McDonald, Land Use Policy Advisor, responded with a voice mail message to Norris in December 2023, and with an email on January 2, 2024. The email stated that "the train has already left the station on this project... the Parks Department is nearing awarding the construction contract". The BCSG deemed the response as unfavorable and will respond.
- 3. SD County Supervisor, Jim Desmond, or a representative may be able to attend a future BCSG meeting. Haider is working with the County regarding a date for a Zoom meeting where the BCSG may provide a presentation regarding the multiple infrastructure problems in Bonsall.
- 4. The next BCSG Meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2024, at 7:00 PM.
- J. ADJOURNED at 8:23pm

Respectfully submitted, Dawn Apsley Secretary

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