

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 7, 2021 4:30 p.m.

**DUE TO RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC MEETINGS AS A RESULT OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS,
WE WILL MEET VIA A SCHEDULED ZOOM MEETING.**

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- A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL.** Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. Chair Rebecca Falk, Vice-Chair Bonnie Petrach, Secretary Judy Haldeman, Clint Brandin, David Farley, Bill Haneline and John Peterson were present.
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF September 2, 2021.** MOTION: Approval of the minutes with minor spelling corrections. Farley M, Peterson S. Bob Krasowski asked to have his comments about the addition of DiGiorgio Road to the CIP added to the minutes. MOTION: To amend motion to include his comments. Farley M, Peterson S. Unanimous approval.
- C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (may be limited to 3 min):** Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. Farley asked to have Sheriff enforce the speed limit for the truck traffic that comes through Borrego Springs. Petrach will discuss with the Sheriff and report back to the Sponsor Group. Nancy Mcrae stated that the turning radius for these trucks may exceed the requirements from CalTrans. Judy S commented that the 5 permitted pot shops in unincorporated San Diego County were granted the ability to expand their footage up to 10,000 square feet without planning review.

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D. ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Agenda Item (AS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY, SEE agenda packet for items received 10/5/21—items B1 – B5):**

**Continuance of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)
Motion to be considered, if made:**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e)(3), a motion to find the legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency and state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing. After some group discussion it was suggested that meetings continue via Zoom for the next 30 days. MOTION: To authorize teleconferencing meetings of the Sponsor Group because we find/understand that there is a proclaimed state of emergency and state and local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing authorizing teleconferenced meetings pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e). Peterson M, Haneline S. Unanimous approval.

E. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Community Plan Update Preparation: Community Visioning Meetings.** Stewardship Council presenting: Jim Wermers and Kathy Dice. Wermers and Dice commented that the Stewardship Council wants to assist in bringing the community together to help with this visioning. The Sponsor Group will still maintain the responsibility and the lead on Community Plan. Members informally expressed appreciation for the Stewardship Council efforts.

2. **Community Plan Update, report back from conversations with County. Also, report back on development project that may be in the works in downtown area.** Rebecca Falk
3. **9/18/21 Chair Quarterly Meeting, report back on areas being worked on currently at the County: MEHKO (MicroEnterprise Home Kitchen Operations), VMT (new standard for CEQA threshold for project level significant impacts, CAP (long range plan on how to buildout County taking into account greenhouse gas emissions goals, present to future), Smart Growth Alternatives (see note on agenda item 4), County comment letter on SANDAG's San Diego Forward Project/Report (SANDAG's plan to build out transportation, which will likely change what areas can be built out in future.) The County objected to lack of equity for the back country non-coastal areas where transportation isn't planned or available, so fees for travel should be adjusted downward and proposed mobility hubs should be further expanded to include unincorporated areas.** Rebecca Falk
4. **Borrego Maps for VMT efficient areas in Borrego to review from Darin Neufeld, in preparation for Smart Growth Alternatives discussion next month. Smart Growth Alternatives are relevant to development options that could result in land use changes and would most likely align with VMT efficient areas. See at (particularly map 020 Borrego Springs):**
https://www.dropbox.com/sh/gpmeyqcov2t5i8v/AADzcJ1Yy7OYOPmv1reC_L5Va?dl=0

F. GROUP BUSINESS:

1. **Announcements & Correspondence Received: Announcement:** COVID-19 Task force booster shot clinic at library on October 11th, see reactivation COVID-19 Task Force flyer and look for upcoming announcements in the community or on the County vaccination web page. **Response from SDCWA to letter from Sponsor Group and Water and Land Use Subcommittee on the Regional Conveyance System.**
2. **Discussion Items:** Any raised at meeting.
3. **Subcommittee Reports:** Any subcommittee reports.
4. **Meeting Updates:** See next subcommittee meeting notices at the end of this agenda.

G. ADJOURNMENT MOTION: To adjourn meeting. Farley M, Haneline S. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Judy Haldeman, Secretary.

The next regular meeting will be determined at the October 7th meeting, and is now scheduled for November 4th, 4:30 pm at the Borrego Springs Library Community Room, 2850 Country Club Rd, Borrego Springs, California or via Zoom and possibly in person with a telephone/virtual option. County policy in conformance with state policy (AB 361) on meetings under the Brown Act will be known more fully on October 5th after the Board of Supervisors meeting that day.

UPCOMING STANDING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:

County Programs and Regulations (CPRS), October 18th, 4:30 pm. Email Chair Rebecca Falk at rebfalk7@gmail.com to be put on the email list for the agenda and link to attend.

Water and Land Use, October 20th, 3:00 pm, email Chair John Peterson at petersonenv@hotmail.com to be put on the email list for the agenda and link to attend.

Road Maintenance, TBA, email chair Bill Haneline at desertwrx15@gmail.com to be put on the agenda email list. The public can submit suggestions for roads in Borrego Springs that need road resurfacing to the Sponsor Group's Road Maintenance Standing Committee. Any suggestions for next year's recommendations should be sent to Bill Haneline at desertwrx15@gmail.

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