

County of San Diego
Campo Lake Morena Community Planning Group
7 p.m., Monday, September 27, 2021
Approved Minutes

This meeting was held remotely via Zoom.

The public is encouraged to attend and participate in the meetings of the Campo Lake Morena Planning Group, which is the county-sponsored link between the community and San Diego County dealing with planning and land use. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak regarding any item on the agenda. In addition, during public discussion, members of the community will be given the opportunity to address other matters pertaining to land use issues in our area. No action or vote may be taken on items not on the agenda. The final agenda will be posted 72 hours prior to the meeting and may be found at the Campo branch of the U.S. Post Office, the Campo branch of the San Diego County Library and the Lake Morena Market bulletin board. Community members may also contact the group chairman to regularly receive agendas by email: campoplanninggroup@nym.hush.com.

1. CALL TO ORDER 7 p.m. by chairman

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – waived

3. ROLL CALL:

1-Wellman Simmonds Sriamorn-P	4- vacant	7- Bob Shea-A
2-vacant	5-Rob Romero-P	
3-Billie Jo Jannen-P	6-Steve Biddle-P	

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August 9, 2021

Motion by Steve Biddle second by Rob Romero, to approve. Motion passes 4,0,0

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS We welcome Wellman Simmonds Sriamorn to the group tonight. He will fill Seat 1. We will not be able to meet at the community center at least through December. Bob Shea has suggested the party building at Lake Morena County Park. I'm open to this and other suggestions.

6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION: At this time, the public is invited to speak on any item that does not appear on the agenda. Public speakers will be limited to 2 minutes.

Rob Romero attended county cannabis meeting. It will be another couple of years before growing will be legal, and unions are taking over much of the process. The unions have a lot of clout and had a strong influence on approval of the Jacumba solar project.

Carol Green also attended the cannabis meeting. No one could answer her question about when the county would address traffic accidents due to marijuana-impaired driving, as well as what supports the county's claim that prioritizing shops and consumption lounges will reduce black market sales.

Judy Strang, with regional PTA, provided a link to the county's transparency improvement survey. She is promoting earlier notices to planning and sponsor groups so people better

understand what is coming.

Cherry Diefenbach reported that Jacumba residents have filed a lawsuit challenging the legality of the Jacumba Solar Ranch project.

Rob Romero reported on the recent trash clean-up day. They filled 4 giant bins and a truck with almost all appliances. These events are very useful.

Kathleen Lippett said the BOS failed to adopt a single cannabis policy that came from residents. They were all from industry interests. She thinks the county needs to hear repeatedly that they should prioritize residents over political and money interests. The county should be made to consider newer technology than what was approved on the Jacumba solar project.

Peggy Walker urges residents to go to the BOS meetings and push back on liberal cannabis policies requested by the cannabis industry. Products are designed to attract children to their food products and branded gear. We have three times as many marijuana cultivators in California as we have McDonalds stores. We grow far more than Californians consume. Where is the excess going?

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. County of San Diego Decarbonization Framework. The San Diego County Board of Supervisors directed staff to develop a framework for a regional zero carbon sustainability plan to include strategies and initiatives to achieve zero carbon emissions in the region by 2035. Regional Sustainability Program Manager Murtaza Baxamusa to present. **Discussion and vote.**

Murtaza Baxamusa works for Land Use and Environment Group and is managing the project with UCSD researchers. This will be a guidance document to recommend regulatory actions that can be taken by policymakers to achieve zero emissions by 2035. Several areas of approach include direct emissions (cars, gas appliances, wood heat), and both artificial and natural carbon sequestration. They've been conducting focus groups and public workshops. Technical reports should be available for public review sometime in November with policy recommendations and implementation roadmap to follow. Adoption of policies, practices and governing ordinances by the county, local cities and various agencies will be based on the adopted framework language.

Issues raised by the community

Several members and residents raised the issue of pollution coming up from Mexico in greater quantities than we generate ourselves. What plan could possibly make up for that without cooperation from Mexico? Mexican trucks would still be emitting more pollution when driving north of the border.

Also mentioned was the tremendous cost to residents, particularly rural residents, who will bear the costs and deprivations of this agenda. How will this be balanced for people who have unavoidable long commutes or must travel long distances to obtain farm and home supplies?

How will equity considerations be handled for backcountry residents, most of whom already sequester more carbon on their properties than they will ever use (even if they burn wood for heat)?

How will local carbon sequestration be quantified? We will need solid information/equations so people in the community can self-evaluate their emissions and sequestration. When will the county get serious about dead brush and trees on its lands that fuel local fire risk? Why punish residents when the county isn't even measuring up? What if proper fire prevention would solve most of the soot and carbon releases out here?

Can Murtaza bring us a presenter to explain how soil and plant sequestration assessment will be carried out? Murtaza says no; the team is still deciding how they will do that. Maybe after October.

b. Microenterprise Kitchen Operations. Once approved, this new ordinance would allow home cooks to prepare food for sale to the public, after satisfying health department and other requirements. We heard this proposal in 2019, when the state first passed this law, but they weren't ready then to write an ordinance. Now they are moving forward and looking for input. Planner Vince Nicoletti to present. **Discussion and vote.**

Ryan Johnson, Department of Environmental Health and Quality, presented. DEHQ would manage enforcement of the ordinance, if BOS adopts. Under state law, residents would be able to up to 30 meals a day, or 60 per week (less than \$50,000 gross sales a year). They can do dine-in, order pick-up or delivery. This would be a by-right operation in residential zones, subject only to operating within health department rules. These are intended to be small startup businesses, not large-scale operations, and the ordinance won't require commercial kitchen equipment. Food handlers card will be required. DEHQ is supposed to come back to the BOS in January with ordinance language.

Kathleen Lippett expressed concerns about sanitation and food-borne illness. Wellman

Sriamorn asked if grease traps will be required (answer no). Steve Biddle asked if DEHQ plans to increase staff and what the permit will cost. Ryan said that is unknown so far, but the department is going to create a cost recovery program for BOS approval.

Public input will also be accepted on the project website prior to the January BOS meeting.

The planning group will do a comment letter once some ordinance language is available.

c. Capital Improvements Needs Assessment and priority list. Carrie Hoff and Marko Medved, both of the General Services Department, will provide an overview of the county's Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA) process. Our deadline for recommendations, if any, is Sept. 30, per Supervisor Anderson who requested this review. **Discussion and vote.**

Department of General Services Director Marko Medved said the department oversees county facilities, buildings, vehicles and other property. General Services staff is charged with handling funding from multiple sources (general fund, special purpose grants, etc) and arrangements for capital projects identified as priorities. Examples: they acquire land for county projects/preservation and build libraries.

Among the projects on the current strategic plan is the addition of a community room to the Campo library. Star Ranch is among the real estate acquisitions it has made recently. Our

input on how that land should be handled would be tendered to parks department, and then parks department would formulate its plans and forward to CINA to make it happen. Supervisor Anderson's office has asked whether we would like some of our money spent on monument signs for rural communities. Steve Biddle made a motion, seconded by Wellman Sriamorn, to reject community monument signage, as we already have signs that were constructed by local non-profits. Motion failed 3,1,0, with Rob Romero voting nay. No other motions were tendered.

d. Review applicant to fill our Seat 2 vacancy. One application, received and certified, from Keith Crowl. **Discussion and vote.**

This item was voted on ahead of item c.

Motion from Rob Romero, second by Wellman Sriamorn, to forward Keith's application to BOS for appointment to the planning group. Motion passes 4,0,0.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Standing subcommittee reports (no action): Groundwater, Rob Romero; Sewer and Septic, vacant; Community Economic Impacts, Steve Biddle; Public Safety, Bob Shea. *Steve Biddle reports that the Subway is now closed, so there are no businesses left in that little mall anymore, causing more local job losses. Cameron Corners store has been hit with multiple extra requirements from the county in order to complete its gas station pump update, but are hoping to open soon.*

b. Chairman's report, Billie Jo Jannen (no action). Chairman will report on followup actions we have taken in response to the certified letter from Supervisor Anderson, regarding seat vacancies.

9. CORRESPONDENCE: Members of the public who wish to read the correspondence listed may request it by email at campoplanninggroup@nym.hush.com. September's correspondence will be listed on the next agenda.

10. EXPENSES: Report any valid expenses for group approval. Discussion and vote.

11. UPDATES AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

Naval Base Coronado has asked to provide an update on Camp Michael Monsoor activities at the next planning group meeting. This will be on the October agenda. In addition, we have been asked to review implementation of the proposed Vehicles Miles Traveled ordinance on new projects. We have a third request to review the county's plan to do a community benefit program (payment) for towns that are impacted by new development.

12. REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING AGENDAS: All requests for placement of agenda items must be to the planning group chairman by the third Tuesday of each month.

Motion to adjourn at 10 p.m. by Wellman Sriamorn, seconded by Rob Romero, motion passes 4,0,0.

Next regular meeting, October 25, 2021. If you wish to appear on the agenda, please contact CLMPG Chairman Billie Jo Jannen, at campoplanninggroup@nym.hush.com or call 619-415-6298. Final agendas are posted at least 72 hours prior to meeting.