

County of San Diego
Campo Lake Morena Community Planning Group
Campo Cafe meeting room, 1247 Sheridan Road, Campo, CA 91906
7 p.m., Monday, July 25, 2022
Approved Minutes

This meeting was held remotely per our vote on June 23

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 7:02 p.m. by *Chairman Billie Jo Jannen*

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL: 1-Wellman Sriamorn - A 4- vacant 7- Bob Shea - P
2- Keith Crowl - P 5- Rob Romero - P
3- Billie Jo Jannen - P 6- Steve Biddle - P

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 23, 2022

Motion to approve by Rob Romero, seconded by Steve Biddle. Minutes approved as is, 5,0,0.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The eastbound 8 will have road construction for the next few weeks. One lane will be open. Also, during the marijuana shop tour, we learned that the Navy will soon start using the Descanso jail facility as a training base.

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.

Al Denalat of the fire safe council reported that the recent waste collection event was well-attended. These events will be held monthly going forward.

Kathy Lippett spoke against forcing farflung industrial renewables into rural areas, stating that distributed solar – placement of renewables near the end users – is the less destructive, more economical approach.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Report on the status of the Cameron Corners water system consolidation. This project is a grant-funded feasibility study to evaluate options for improving water quality and reliability in water supply systems in the Cameron Corners/Campo area. The purpose of the presentation is to provide information and obtain input from the Campo/Lake Morena planning group about the study alternatives. Toby Roy of RCAC to present. **Discussion only.**

Toby Roy said the project is nearly through the feasibility study. Challenges include providing water cleansed of uranium and nitrates to as many as nine business properties in and around Cameron Corners, possibly in addition to the homes in Campo Hills. She is looking for more people in the area who will allow water quality monitoring.

They are looking at five different ways to consolidate independent users, and even existing water districts, into one system. Options could include as few as just seven properties or extend to Freedom Ranch to the north and down to Rancho Del Campo. One option included the Lake Morena Village water companies. The project focuses on reliability and safety of water supplies.

Funding is expected to come primarily from the state, with other possible funding from USDA. The larger area is considered a disadvantaged community, so it is eligible for more help than if just the businesses at Cameron Corners were consolidated. Costs to property owners to connect would be lower if the broader consolidation were chosen. A rate study would be done to determine billing costs.

CLMPG members asked a number of questions about funding, billing costs and usage/preservation of groundwater supplies. Of great concern was the recent increase in large-scale use by agricultural concerns on top of current and future residential use. Under the California groundwater law, ag use is currently not limited or monitored except in state-designated impaired basins and Campo Valley is not one of those.

Community members are invited to participate in the project's stakeholder committee by contacting Toby Roy via email at TRoy@rcac.org.

Community members can reach out to Billie Jo Jannen to receive the audio file of the meeting (about 160 MB) containing the full discussion.

b. General report on the July 20 cannabis tour; Rob Romero Steve Biddle, Billie Jo Jannen. **Discussion only.**

Our group chairman limited the number of CLMPG members who attended the tour to three, in order to avoid having a quorum present. The shop we visited was a seedling-to-finished-product facility near Gillespie Field in El Cajon. The group reviewed photos taken by the three members and discussed the methods used to grow and process THC marijuana into various food, smoke and vape products. Contact Chairman Billie Jo Jannen if you would like the tour photos emailed to you.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Standing subcommittee reports (no action): Groundwater, Sewer and Septic, Wellman Sriamorn; Community Economic Impacts, Steve Biddle; Public Safety, Bob Shea, Cannabis, Rob Romero; Solar Projects, Rob Romero.

Steve Biddle reported that a Walmart is being built in Tecate, B.C. It is apparently getting some pushback from residents, but is expected to be built.

b. Chairman's report (no action), Billie Jo Jannen: Our ability to be indemnified is at risk so long as members fail to complete the required training. We all need to complete the state's ethics training. FPPC requires this every other year and we are all overdue. The training link is here: <https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx>. It asks you to create an account, and then will present the material and section quizzes. When you are done, it gives you a completion certificate to send/bring to me.

ALSO, please pay particular attention to **item d** in correspondence. This bill is a very ominous development for rural communities. I imagine we will shortly see a tidal wave of wind and solar applications taking advantage of the easier process.

***AB-205** would place permitting for a solar photovoltaic, terrestrial wind and electrical generation power plant over 50 MW in the hands of a state agency. Local agencies may be allowed to comment on the application and environmental work, but the lead agency will be the **State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission**. The agency will also be in charge of permitting any energy storage system capable of storing 200 megawatt hours or more of electricity and electric transmission lines to connect them to the grid.*

Bill text here: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB205

9. CORRESPONDENCE: Members of the public who wish to read the correspondence listed may request it by email at campoplanninggroup@nym.hush.com.

a. July 22, 2022 agenda for SDC Traffic Advisory Committee. Nothing in our area. Forwarded to group.

b. Regional Decarbonization Framework notice of July 26 virtual public meeting, to provide a summary of the first phase of the project/outreach effort and to share the outreach plan for the next phase of the framework process: identifying implementation pathways.

Forwarded to group.

Project website here: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/regional-decarbonization.html>

c. Letter from Dollar General neighbor Larry Johnson, with detailed vicinity map, in opposition to the requested beer and wine license. Forwarded to group.

d. Notification from Boulevard CPG about the new state law (AB-205) on permitting of renewables. AB-205 would place permitting for a solar photovoltaic, terrestrial wind and electrical generation powerplant over 50 MW in the hands of a state agency.
Forwarded to group.

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

None tendered.

11. UPDATES AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

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.

Group members remain concerned about ongoing risky driving on BSR. Bob will do a draft letter to District 2 supervisor and the Traffic Advisory Committee. The chairman will place it on the August 22 agenda.

Next regular meeting, August 22, 2022. 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.

Rob Romero moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob Shea. Motion approved 5,0,0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.