

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 14 January 2019, Crest Community Building, 113 N. Park Drive, El Cajon (Crest).

A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM, and welcomed two new members to the Planning Group: Bill McAndrews, Seat 10 (Harbison Canyon); and David Jones, Seat 4 (Crest).

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Ulm, Slagill, Jones, Trial, Becker, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, McAndrews, Hertel, and Lucas were present, forming a quorum of 11. Members Rich, Harris and Underwood were absent, but excused. Seat 12 is vacant.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Christina Becker moved that the Planning Group approves the minutes of the 10 December 2019 meeting, as corrected by providing the name of the Crown Castle representative in Item F1, line 1 and line 3. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain: Ulm).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. A resident of Crest expressed concern about overhead electric supply lines to cellular phone antennae sites causing potential wildfire safety hazards, and asked if these electric lines could be underground instead.

< Chairman Riggs and Group member Trial briefly discussed relationships between the utilities, the Public Utilities Commission and its policies, and the County and its regulations, that are all involved with implementing any project to convert overhead electric lines to underground lines. Riggs invited the Crest resident to email him with a request to schedule an agenda item related to her concerns about the overhead electric service to cellular phone antenna sites if she wanted to have the Planning Group consider the issue. >

F. ACTION ITEMS. No action items.

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence. Chairman Riggs announced that: 1) Jason Harris, who currently fills Harbison Canyon's Planning Group Seat 11, apologizes for being unable to attend recent Planning Group meetings due to work demands which are unlikely to change, and a potential replacement candidate for appointment to Seat 11 is needed; 2) the County's scoping tasks for the proposed project to install two gasoline pumps at the Crest retail store at the corner; 3) the final annual required training workshop for Planning Group members will be on Saturday, 2 February 2019, from 8:30 AM until noon, at the Lakeside Community Center; and 4) the Planning Group training requirement can be met with online training opportunities if attending the training workshop is not possible.

G2. Review of wording cleanup for various County Regulations with emphasis on Parks, Second Dwelling Units, and Cell Sites. Information only – no action.

Chairman Riggs asked the Group for its discussion and comments concerning Planning and Development Services' proposed Zoning Ordinance Clean Up, the County initiated Zoning Ordinance Amendment intended to make changes to the Zoning Ordinance to allow for corrections discovered during implementation or to reflect changing circumstances. He explained that the County is not yet requesting Planning Group input, but the Group may recommend changes (or not), prior to the Board of Supervisors hearing to consider approval of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment; and he asked everyone to take time to review the proposal and think of relevant comments and recommendations for future input to the County.

The meeting discussion included the following concerns of members of the Group or of the public: 1) opportunities for community involvement in determining cellular telecommunication antenna sites' locations and impacts; 2) regulations determining secondary dwelling accommodations or accessory dwelling units; 3) impacts of split zoning (residential/commercial) of legal lots; 4) implications of the density bonus policy; and 5) the possible need for changes to small animal regulations.

G3. Meeting updates. The next meeting of the Planning Group will be on 11 February 2019 at the Crest Community Building, 113 N. Park Drive, Crest.

H. ADJOURNMENT. Phil Hertel moved adjournment at 8:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)