A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Bowen, Slagill, Carroll, Walls, Wessel, Riggs, Bretz, Manning and Harris were present, forming a quorum of 9. Members Ulm, Hertel and Underwood were absent, but excused. Seat 10, Seat 12 and Seat 15 are vacant.

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

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Lory Walls moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of its meeting on 14 July 2015 as submitted. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. Mary Manning reported that a Harbison Canyon resident had contacted her about the Planning Group not doing enough to get the public roads in Harbison Canyon paved and properly maintained; Mary requested an agenda item for the August meeting that would focus on the Group becoming better informed about Harbison Canyon road conditions and potential projects. (Chairman Riggs agreed to include this topic on the agenda for the August meeting.)

F. ACTION ITEMS.

F1. Discussion and action on Noakes Street road project in Harbison Canyon. Chairman Riggs introduced Jeff and Pamela Haas and invited them to describe their concerns about road conditions along W. Noakes in Harbison Canyon. They provided copies of ground level photographs, an aerial Google view, and a street map for the Group’s review during their description of the problems. A segment of the road is narrow with virtually no shoulders due to the steep topography of the area, with a construction project currently making an unsafe situation even more so, regarding the impacts of vehicle parking along the road segment of concern. They proposed a solution of posting “No Parking” signs along the western edge of the street, and requested the Planning Group to make a recommendation to the Department of Public Works to install such signs along W. Noakes from the intersection with Editha Drive to the driveway pulloff for 236 W. Noakes.

Mary Manning moved that the Planning Group sends a letter to the Department of Public Works, recommending that the County installs “No Parking” signs on the west side of W. Noakes, from its intersection with Editha to the property line between 244 and 236 W. Noakes, in order to maintain and enforce safe road conditions on a potentially unsafe public street segment. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

F2. PDS 2015-AD-15-018, Oversize RV canopy cover, 2006 Crest Drive, Crest (Fite Family Trust). Chairman Riggs invited Mr. Fite to explain his application to the County
for approval to construct an oversize RV canopy cover at his home on 2006 Crest Drive. Mr. Fite provided detailed drawings of the project, explaining that it is to provide protection for his personal motorhome, that the canopy is covering an existing paved space between the exterior wall of his house and a wall along the edge of his property, and that the proposed project is within zoning setbacks. He said that information about the proposed project went to 25 neighbors, but they provided no responses or comments.

Judy Bowen moved that the Planning Group recommends approval of PDS 2015-AD-15-018, permit application for an oversized RV canopy cover, as proposed. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

F3. Group Standing Rules of Order possible revision. Darin Wessel provided everyone a handout that showed proposed changes (underlined additions and striked out deletions) to the wording of the Group’s Standing Rules of Order, Item 4. Attendance. He explained that the proposed new wording is intended to assure compliance between the Board of Supervisors Policy I-1, and the Planning Group’s practice regarding attendance of members at meetings; and that the Group’s making use of a routine “standing motion” during the Roll Call of each meeting, to approve the waiving of all appropriate absences, is intended to simplify the Group’s compliance with its Policy I-1 responsibilities.

Chairman Riggs asked if “standing motions” are allowed by the Brown Act; a brief Group discussion led to consensus that the Brown Act should be reviewed to determine whether the proposed change to the Group’s Standing Rules of Order is allowed.

Darin Wessel moved that the Planning Group approves amending its Standing Rules of Order No. 4, Attendance, as proposed in the Handout (subject to finding by review that the proposed amendment complies with the Brown Act); with the amended Rule No. 4, Attendance, being considered by the Group at its August meeting as an agenda item for final discussion and action. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence received. None.

G1a. Consideration of applicants for vacant seats. None.

G2. Expense reimbursement requests. None.


G5. Meeting updates. The next meeting date of the Planning Group is August 10, 2015, at Dehesa School, 4612 Dehesa Road, El Cajon.

H. ADJOURNMENT. Ralph Slagill moved adjournment at 8:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)