

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 14 December 2015, at Olde Ironside Park, Harbison Canyon Road, El Cajon.

A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Bowen, Ulm, Walls, Wessel, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, Harris and Hertel were present, forming a quorum of 9. Member Underwood was absent, but excused. Members Slagill and Carroll were absent, not excused. Seat 10, Seat 12 and Seat 15 are vacant.

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

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Judy Bowen noted that the minutes for the meeting of November 9, 2015, needed correction at Item E, line 1: change the name “Camilla Mitchell” to “Pamela Mitchell.” Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group approves the November minutes with the needed correction. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. No one requested to speak.

F. ACTION ITEMS.

F1. AD-040, APN 512-100-17, 2416 Euclid Avenue, El Cajon; proposed second dwelling to be used as living quarters. Planning Group members Phil Hertel and Bryan Underwood reviewed this proposal to construct a second dwelling unit for a family member. The project needs approval because the area of new construction exceeds 30% of the existing residence. There is no known opposition by neighbors; the project design fits the community character and lot; the new construction is well buffered by the surroundings and is not visible from Euclid.

Phil Hertel moved the Planning Group approves AD-040 as proposed, as it fits the community character, the lot and surroundings, and there is no known opposition. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence. Mary Manning announced that the County is looking into the establishment of urban agriculture incentive zones, following the recent approval of AB 551 that authorizes cities and counties to enter into contracts with owners of vacant, unimproved, or other appropriate land to allow small-scale production of agricultural crops and animal husbandry.

Chairman Wally Riggs announced that he was informed the Department of Parks and Recreation will replace the old playground equipment at Olde Ironside Park, and that the work should be done within a week or so; also, additional exercise equipment will be installed later.

G1a. Consideration of applicants for vacant seats. There were no applicants.

G2. Subcommittee Reports.

G2a. Community parks priority list. No report on the PLDO priority list.

G3. Election of group officers for 2016. Planning Group Chairman Wally Riggs asked Mary Manning, Chair of the Group's Officers Nominating Committee, to take charge of this agenda item. Mary first explained that the committee, composed of Phil Hertel, Lory Walls and herself, sought information by email from Planning Group members (including sitting officers) about who was interested and/or willing to be nominated for any officer position for 2016. Chairman Wally Riggs said he was interested in serving in the Chairman position; Vice-Chairman Jason Harris said he was interested in serving as Vice-chairman, but not if another Group member was interested. Secretary Bill Bretz said he was interested in serving as Secretary. Member Darin Wessel said he was interested in serving as Vice-chairman.

Manning announced that the committee nominates the following for 2016 Officers of the Planning Group: Wally Riggs for election as Chairman, Darin Wessel for election as Vice-chairman, and Bill Bretz for election as Secretary. She asked for any other nominations from the Group, but there were none.

Lory Walls moved that the Planning Group approves the slate of officers nominated by the committee: Riggs for Chairman, Wessel for Vice-chairman, and Bretz for Secretary. The motion passed (9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

G4. Meeting updates. The next meeting will be on 11 January 2016, at Crest Community Building, 113 North Park Drive, El Cajon (Crest).

H. ADJOURNMENT. Phil Hertel moved adjournment at 7:30 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)