

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 11 January 2016, at Crest Community Building, 113 North Park Drive, El Cajon (Crest)

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

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Bowen, Ulm, Slagill, Walls, Wessel, Riggs, Bretz and Manning were present, forming a quorum of 8. Members Carroll, Hertel and Underwood were absent, but excused. Member Harris was absent, but 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. Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of the meeting of December 14, 2015, as drafted. The motion did not pass (7 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain: Slagill).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. Planning Group member Lory Walls said that she had been asked if Sloane Canyon Road is not a public road, by some persons who had been challenged while walking on the road in Sloane Canyon. They told her members of the Sycuan Tribe warned them not to trespass there.

Planning Group member Darin Wessel reported that the remains of a stolen ATM machine were found dumped on the side of Sloane Canyon Road in December.

F. ACTION ITEMS.

F1. Verizon at Harbison Canyon, Pre-Submittal Review (information only).

Chairman Wally Riggs introduced Mr. Chris Harris of M & M Telecom, representing Verizon, and invited him to describe the project Verizon is planning for an additional cellular telephone wireless communications facility installation at the 987 Crows Nest Lane antennae site in Harbison Canyon. Riggs reminded everyone there would be no Group action taken, concerning this information-only presentation.

Mr. Harris explained that Verizon has not yet filed a permit application with the County for the proposed project, and is presenting its details to the Planning Group now in order to determine if there are community issues or concerns that should be addressed prior to applying for a permit. He distributed design and engineering drawings of the project, current photographic views of the project site compared with simulated views of the post-project conditions, and also maps showing the predicted improvement in wireless telephone coverage in the Harbison Canyon area, for members of the Planning Group to review and discuss with him. The proposed co-located Verizon wireless antennas would be mounted to a stealth broad leaf tree, limited to 35' height, located between the two existing antenna trees on the site. The lease between Verizon and the landowner, and details in relevant County code, fully addresses removal of the antennas at the end of their functional service. Harris said the project application would be filed in about a month, after which he will return to give another presentation to the Planning

Group to ask for its recommendation, including any specific conditions concerning ultimate removal. This will probably be by April 2016, at the latest.

F2. Landscape Ordinance Amendments recommendation. Chairman Riggs informed the Group the County is requesting an immediate (15 January) response about the Group's recommendation concerning the currently proposed Landscape Ordinance Amendments. Group members briefly discussed the proposed amendment package. Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group recommends approval of the County's proposed Landscape Ordinance Amendments, as presented. The motion passed (8 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence. Mary Manning announced that on 23 January 2016, at Olde Ironside Park in Harbison Canyon, the Harbison Canyon Lions are sponsoring a Free Pasta Cook Off event, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. There will also be a program about "Guide Dogs Service Animals," providing an opportunity to meet a working guide dog and see a demonstration of her work.

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

G1b. Planning Group training reminder. Chairman Riggs reminded the Planning Group members of the annual mandatory training the County requires, and that upcoming training sessions are scheduled for 23 January and 30 January; and that the County requests an RSVP from each attendee to these sessions. An on-line training opportunity is also available.

G2a. Subcommittee reports. Community parks priority list. Planning Group Chairman Wally Riggs opened the topic of community park funding priorities, and invited comments from Crest resident Bonnie Weischedel. She described her 25-year interest in South Lane Park, and how she would like to see improvements such as functional exercise equipment for adults.

Park Land Dedication Ordinance (PLDO) Subcommittee Chair Judy Bowen began a Group discussion about the need for a formal, legal entity that can assume responsibility for the permanent maintenance of any new improvements funded by PLDO funds at established community parks. She mentioned that she did not think the Crest Community Association had sufficient funds to take ownership of any new PLDO-funded improvements at South Lane Park. Bowen also informed the Group the current balance of PLDO funds of parks in the Subregion amounts to \$223,910; and that County Department of Parks and Recreation informed her that in February the County will begin installation of ADA-accessible playground equipment, parking spaces and a pedestrian bridge at Olde Ironside Park utilizing non-PLDO funds. She distributed a copy of the 2014/2015 PLDO Priority List for the Subregion's parks to everyone, for review while preparing an updated list for 2016.

Pat Ulm suggested that the County might fund some ADA-accessible improvements at South Lane Park, without the issue of a maintenance entity being a problem; and that

members of the Crest Garden Club had asked her about the possibility of having a raised gazebo/bandstand with electric service constructed in the northeast corner of Nancy Jane Park, which could be a possible PLDO project.

Wally Riggs informed the Group that in a December email, Supervisor Jacobs expressed interest in considering options for updating the PLDO, which was originally written in 1973 and last updated in 2006. He noted the long standing issue about maintenance responsibility at South Lane Park, and said he would send an email to Supervisor Jacobs' assistant, Adam Wilson, explaining the need for resolving this problem with the current PLDO funding requirements for parks in our Subregion.

Pat Ulm said she would contact Kandy Franklin about the present status of the Crest Equestrian Group, and about the previous legal arrangements the equestrian group may have had with the County regarding South Lane Park.

Chairman Riggs authorized Mary Manning to draft a letter to the County to request non-PLDO funding to correct long term maintenance problems at Olde Ironside Park Community Building that result from lack of gutters, which causes rain water to flood the building wall and rot its base.

Judy Bowen will prepare a draft 2016 PLDO Park Projects Priority List for consideration at the February meeting.

G3. Meeting updates. The next meeting will be 8 February 2016, at the Crest Community Building, 113 North Park Drive, El Cajon (Crest).

H. ADJOURNMENT. Judy Bowen moved adjournment at 8:45 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)