

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 14 March 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, Carroll, Walls, Wessel, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, Hertel and Underwood were present, forming a quorum of 11. Member Harris was 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.** Darin Wessel moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of its meeting on 8 February 2016 as submitted. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain: Ulm).

**E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION.** Crest resident Khandy Franklin informed the meeting that an official evacuation map for Crest is available for review at the San Miguel Fire Station; that the Crest Fire Safe Council is paying for and putting up signs identifying the “Crest Evacuation Route”; and that the Council is planning a Crest Evacuation Practice Day for later this spring.

<Chairman Wally Riggs announced that he was moving Agenda Item G2a, PLDO Update, ahead of the agenda action items, to allow the visiting County staff persons to make their presentation and have a discussion at the beginning of the meeting, rather than waiting until the end of the meeting. >

**G2a. PLDO Update presentation by County Staff.** Chairman Riggs introduced Jeremy Fantaroni from the County Department of Parks and Recreation, and invited him to give the Group his presentation on the Park Land Dedication Ordinance Update. Mr. Fantaroni distributed and discussed a handout that outlined the planning background of the ordinance, its current implementation, and the Board of Supervisors’ directive for updating and improving the ordinance in Summer 2016.

Planning Group members discussed problems with existing PLDO constraints that limit its usefulness at the Subregion’s parks, including: 1) the definition of “active recreation” is different for the elderly compared to the young, but this is not given appropriate consideration when qualifying projects for PLDO funding; 2) South Lane Park in Crest has no active maintenance agreement with the County, and does not qualify for either PLDO funds or general funds expended by DPR, but the community wants South Lane Park to become an active County park that receives appropriate funding for improvements and maintenance; the community building at Old Ironside Park needs maintenance to correct destructive water damage, but PLDO funds cannot be used for that type of project. Chairman Riggs agreed to send a letter expressing these Planning Group concerns about PLDO and other DPR funding issues to DPR Director Marcus Lubich.

Judy Bowen distributed a handout of the 2015/2016 Crest-Dehesa-Granite Hills-Harbison Canyon Community Planning Group Priority List of projects for possible future PLDO funding. The list included 1) a 2<sup>nd</sup> Gazebo with electricity at Nancy Jane Park, 2) an outdoor weight training station in Old Ironside Park, and 3) renovation of the Nancy Jane Park tennis court. Mary Manning asked why the Old Ironside Park project, which was first priority on the 2014/2015 List but not implemented, was moved to second priority on the 2015/2016 List. Bowen had no objection to switching priority #1 with #2 on the proposed list, and she moved that the Planning Group accepts and recommends approval of the 2015/2016 PLDO Priority List as follows: #1, Old Ironside Park outdoor weight training stations; #2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gazebo, Nancy Jane Park; and #3, tennis court renovation, Nancy Jane Park. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

## **F. ACTION ITEMS.**

**F1. Continuing discussion of proposed cell site on Alta Lane in Crest.** Chairman Riggs began this agenda item with the announcement that the County has filed a code enforcement action for the removal of the obsolete microwave tower and associated equipment at the end of Alta Lane; and that no new applications for cell phone antennas at that property will be processed by the County, until the code enforcement action against the property owner is completed. Riggs also said that since T-Mobile has not yet formally applied for a cell phone antenna site on Alta Lane, the planning and permit process has not yet officially involved the Planning Group for its recommendation about that.

Sandy Draper, Crest resident, provided a handout to Planning Group members that summarized a number of antenna site impacts that were not previously considered by the Group in its past discussions. Residents from Alta Lane, Crest, and members of the Planning Group discussed the past and recent history of cell phone antennas on Alta Lane; various impacts associated with present and past antenna technologies; and the residents' request that the Planning Group reconsiders its previous vote in August 2014, recommending approval of a cell phone antennas project on Alta Lane. Planning Group members agreed that there appears to be sufficient new information that was unavailable previously, to justify the Group reconsidering its vote and recommendation of August 2014.

Darin Wessel moved that at its 11 April 2016 meeting, the Planning Group would examine and reconsider its vote on 11 August 2014 recommending approval for a Verizon cell phone antennas project on Alta Lane, on the condition that Wessel's review of relevant laws and policies determines the proposed reconsideration is appropriate and valid. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

**F2. Authorization for \$130.00 reimbursement to Chairman for Post Office Box.** Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group authorizes and recommends approval of a \$130.00 reimbursement to Chairman Wally Riggs, for his personal payment of the annual rental fee for the Planning Group post office box. The motion passed (11 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

## **G. GROUP BUSINESS.**

**G1. Announcements and correspondence received.** None to report.

**G1a. Consideration of applicants for vacant seats.** No applicants to consider.

**G1b. Planning Group Training reminder.** Chairman Riggs reminded the members of the Group that 31 March 2016 is the deadline for filing the financial disclosure Form 700, and for completing Department of Planning and Development Services annual training.

**G2. Subcommittee Reports.**

**G2a. PLDO Update presentation by County Staff.** See entry on page 1 following Item E.

**G3. Meeting updates:** The next meeting of the Planning Group will be at 7:00PM, on 11 April 2016, at Crest Community Building, 113 North Park Drive, El Cajon.

**F. ADJOURNMENT.** Phil Hertel moved adjournment at 8:30PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)