

**County of San Diego**  
**Descanso Community Planning Group**  
**Notice of Regular Meeting Minutes (Zoom)**  
**October 15, 2020 @ 7:00PM**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75943137838?pwd=TE9DbGptK2hUZ3NpNVlvTVhjMzhTUT09>

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**1. Roll Call**

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| 1. Kerry Forrest <b>P</b>     | 4. John Elliott <b>P</b>  | 7. Terry Gibson <b>P</b> |
| 2. Jo Ellen Quinting <b>P</b> | 5. Mark Gassert <b>P</b>  |                          |
| 3. Wayne Hay <b>A</b>         | 6. William Bauer <b>P</b> |                          |

**2. Approval of the Minutes / Correspondence/Announcements**

1. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of Zoom Meeting September 17, 2020 **Motion to Approved: Gassert/Quinting 6-0-1**
2. DCPG Statement: The Descanso Community Planning Group was formed for the purpose of advising and assisting the Director of Planning, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors in the preparation, amendment and implementation of community and sub-regional plans. The Descanso Community Planning Group is an advisory body only.

**3. Public Communication:** Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. Group action is not permitted on items not on the agenda in accordance with the Brown Act.

**4. Action Items**

A. NONE

**5. Group Business**

A. Discussion Items

1. Jeff Lashmet to address the Descanso planning group regarding the current easement lawsuit on Chiquita Road and the possible development of the acreage along Chiquita Road and the Olmsted property. **Jeff Lashmet and Lori Hemelele two property owners on Chiquita Road were present in the meeting voicing their concern regarding recent activities occurring in their neighborhood. They said the road has been recently surveyed with property corners being marked. There is a lawsuit regarding an easement to properties further down the road. The current owners of undeveloped lots want a 40 foot wide easement on Chiquita Road which could take out some of the trees and encroach on their properties, this is currently a narrow country road. The undeveloped properties have easements to Garwood and Miners Trail for access. Both Jeff and Lori voiced concern about a potential illegal grading activity to widen the road without proper permits and notification to the property owners currently living in the area as well as concern about being sued for easement access. They were both advised by the chair that there were no projects before the planning group and that we had not heard of any action coming before the group. They were referred to Planning Development Services for more information and to voice their concerns about future development on the currently vacant lots. Concerns such as lack of ground water, electricity and road access were voices for the 3 currently existing lots as well as for a larger lot of 130**

acers with a potential lot split being considered. The chair requested they come back to the planning group with their findings.

2. RESOURCE PROTECTION ORDINANCE AND GRADING ORDINANCE ADMENDMENT OPTIONS Webinar Zoom Meeting October 20  
Please visit the project websites below for further project related information and to register for the webinars.

Resource Protection Ordinance Update Website:

<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/RPOUpdate.html>

Grading Ordinance Update Website

<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/GradingOrdUpdate.html>

John said he had attended the webinar. Left more confused than when it started.

3. Community Development Block Grant Application  
<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sdhcd/community-development/cdbq/app-process.html> Kerry shared the information with the townhall for possible application
4. Cleveland National Forest Wildfire Management Practices- Mark Gassert Mark is looking into ways to get the Cuyamaca Rancho State Park to practice forest management similar to the way the USDA National Forest Service manages their forests. He will work with Kerry to develop a plan and bring the planning groups which share a border with the state park into the action plan. Mark has contacted Supervisor Jacob's office and spoken with one of her staff for more direction on how to pursue this. He will report back next meeting on what has been found out.

B. Request for Agenda Items on Upcoming Agendas

C. Meeting Updates

1. Next Meeting: November 19, 2020 @ 7:00PM.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Any Questions or Comments; Please contact Kerry Forrest, Chair: [descansocpg@gmail.com](mailto:descansocpg@gmail.com)

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