

**Descanso Community Planning Group  
Minutes of Regular February 20, 2014 Meeting Agenda**

**Date, Time and Place: February 20, 2014 @ 7:00PM @ the Descanso Town Hall,  
24536 Viejas Grade, Descanso, CA 91916**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum
  1. Kerry Forrest,
  2. Jo Ellen Quinting,
  3. Deirdre Carter
  4. John Elliott
  5. Vacant
  6. Cathy Prazma
  7. Kevin Scott
  8. Claudia White **Absent**
  9. Terry Gibson **Absent**
3. Open Discussion/Presentation from the Floor. Any member of the public may address the Group on topics pertaining to planning, zoning and land use, which does not appear elsewhere in this agenda. No Group action is permitted on items not on the agenda in accordance with the Brown Act. Speakers will be allowed 3 minutes.
4. Approval of Minutes from January Regular Meeting **Jo Ellen/John 5-0-2-1-1**
5. Correspondence and Announcements **Sandra reported on County Rural Fire meeting she attended**
6. Prioritization of this Meeting's Agenda Items **Request Solar Facility item changed to A**
7. Treasurer's Report
8. New Business
  - A. **Administrative Permit for Second Dwelling at 10177 Oak Grove Drive, Descanso by Walt Kirkwood This is an informational presentation as Kirkwoods have not yet taken plans to the County. Need Administrative variance due to size. Second dwelling will be the larger.**
  - B. **Solar Facility on Merigan Property Project # PDS2013 MPA13-007 Up Date Carlos Valdivia reported that the initial rendering of landscape plan will be submitted to DPG within 6-8 weeks. It will go to the County in early May. They are complying with over 20 mandated studies to be done on this project. Two sites considered. Sandra concerned with lack of public survey, with proposed landscaping (trees), motion lighting, birds, fire compliance and personnel safety. Solar facility type will be similar to Alpine School although will be approx. 15 acres. Gary Underwood concerned with power lines (new, route?). Proposal is to use existing lines although SDGE may have it's own requirement. Walt Kirkwood concerned with proximity to Scenic Highway, possible underground, Sharon Penny questioned size of panels. Proposal is panels 4 1/2 feet off ground, 6.6. x 4 ft. Smaller project than Boulevard. Electricity distribution will flow to where it is needed (Descanso?) and will displace what it is currently being used. Four projects will serve 2000 homes between Descanso and Pine Valley. No change to local bills. But it is alternative energy and produces the most energy on hot days when there is additional need.**
  - C. **"Notice of Supplemental Scoping" for the San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) Master Special Use Permit and Permit to Construct Power Line Replacement Projects Kerry spoke on the project and provided maps through email. She would like DPG and community to consider writing a comment letter as it affects the community. Deadline for comments is March 7. Discussion: John attended both scoping meetings. Major concerns were regarding the replacement 69 KV lines and poles, the power (usage) carried through them, as well as the route. Jo Ellen suggested a more in-depth look at undergrounding. Kerry will draft a letter and email to DPG.**
    - To read the complete MSUP, visit <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/CNF.htm>.
    - To view the application on SDG&E's website, visit <http://www.sdge.com/regulatory-filing/3792/application-sdge-permit-construct-cleveland-national-forest-power-line> .
    - To view projects in the Forest visit <http://www.sdge.com/key-initiatives/cleveland-national-forest-power-line-replacement-projects> .
    - Hard Copy of Documents at the Descanso Library

- D. **ABC Discretionary Permit PDS2014-ABC-14-001 John recused himself. Beer and wine license. Pam Elliott spoke on background of the location, including their personal ownership and management. Kathy approve without conditions, Jo Ellen approve with modified conditions that licensee comply with all ABC regulations. Scott seconds. 5-0-2-1**
- E. **Payment to Townhall for meeting place Need minutes of last year's meetings.**
- 9. Old Business
  - A. **Ethics Training [www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=447](http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=447) , Form 700 and Planning Group Member Training, Status Update Due by end of March. MUST be done.**
  - B. **Seat 5 Notice of Vacancy Walt Kirkwood accepted an application.**
  - C. **Pathway at Viejas Blvd No information at this time.**
  - D. **Park Land Dedication Ordinance Grant: Subcommittee report. No information at this time.**
  - E. **Review of past meeting minutes RE: petty cash fund to community group. Money owed Claudia White, November vote to donate all money to Descanso Friends of Library, DPG treasurer has had no access to checking account for last two years. John suggested to change position on giving all money to Library so that DPG can pay Claudia. Kerry: pay Claudia, pay taxes if any, then donate remainder. Kerry/Jo Ellen 6-0-2-1**
- 10. Request for Agenda Items on Upcoming Agendas
- 11. Next Meeting: March 20, 2014 @ 7:00PM.

Any Questions or Comments; Please contact Kerry Forrest, Chair @ 619-445-6343 or email: [descanso.forrest@gmail.com](mailto:descanso.forrest@gmail.com)