Hidden Meadows Community Sponsor Group

Covering the area bordered by Escondido, 1-15, Valley Center, & Circle R

Meeting location: The Hidden Meadows Community Center 28208 Meadow Glen Way West
Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER: Jim Chagala, Chairman at 7:01

2) ROLL CALL: Sealey, Birch, Caster, Chagala, Cook and Gutierrez (newly approved member Irina Garland in attendance although status was as a non-voting member).

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

4) MINUTES
   a) Approval of minutes of May 23, 2019. Birch motioned to approve minutes; seconded by Gutierrez. Chair Chagala so ordered.

5) OPEN FORUM: No Speakers

6) ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE:
   a) Chagala welcomed new member Irina Garland, newly appointed by the Board of Supervisors. She still needs to complete some paperwork before becoming a voting member.

   b) Josh Menvielle from the County (along with his supervisor Robert Efird) gave a presentation of the proposed changes (38 items in total) to clean-up the General Plan. This effort is performed every 2 years. The change directly impacting Hidden Meadows is HM401 which redesignates 14 parcels from Specific Plan Area to Open Space Conservation and rezones from S88/A70 to S80. One other proposal affects proposed future trails but the related required easements are still being worked out. Sealey suggested that the HMCSG prepare a letter of approval regarding HM401. One other item discussed by Menvielle was the proposed connection of North Broadway to Mountain Meadow Road included in the North County Metro Mobility Element Network. Sealey noted there was no reference to Cougar Pass Road or other connecting roads. He also noted that this connector was important to Hidden Meadows as an evacuation route. Menvielle stated that this connector was only conceptual at this point.

   c) Chagala presented a letter prepared by County Supervisor Jim Desmond regarding a proposal for streamlining the discretionary permit process. The letter is for informational purposes only. It will be further discussed at the September 11, 2019 Board of Supervisors meeting.

   d) A memo has been received from Charley Marchesano of the County of San Diego regarding considering whether the County of San Diego should form a Community Choice Aggregator which would buy and sell electricity to unincorporated area residents and business owners. The memo was for information purposes only and this proposal will also be further discussed at the September 11, 2019 Board of Supervisors meeting.
7) SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS
   a) Mobility – Birch reiterated comments from previous meetings regarding the traffic logjam at the bottom of Mountain Meadow Road and Centre City Parkway during weekday am hours. A suggestion was made to install “no right turn on red signal” signs off of Champagne Boulevard. Cook suggested that the group describe the problem to SDTAC and request a traffic study. Chagala asked Birch to draft such a letter.
   b) Trails & Parks – Sealey has prepared a Park Lands Dedication Ordinance priority list for Hidden Meadows primarily as discussed at the last HMCSG meeting. It includes 5 items. Sealey will present the list to Parks and Recreation at the County.
   c) Boulder Oaks Golf Club – Sealey suggested that this sub-committee be discontinued based on the lack of activity at the golf club requiring the group’s attention. Chagala felt this might be premature since there might be some items in the near future. Consensus was to continue as is for now.

8) PUBLIC REVIEW / ACTION ITEMS:
   a) Small Cell Tower Zoning Ordinance Amendment—Due to the inability of some members to open the documents sent by Chagala for review, the item was tabled until next month.
   b) Special Events Zoning Ordinance Amendment—The item was tabled until next month for the same reason as explained in item 8 (a).
   c) Capital Improvement Plan-Cougar Pass Road—Jim Chagala left the dais based on his relationship with 2 developers seeking approval from the County for development in Hidden Meadows. Chagala stated that the County had rejected the developers’ proposal for partial improvements to Cougar Pass Road, indicating that they wanted a fully improved 24 foot wide road at an estimated cost of $7,500,000. The Office of Supervisor Jim Desmond had been approached about the project and they indicated that they would consider asking that the project be added to the County’s Capital Improvement Plan. Chagala was asking the Group to vote to include improvements to Cougar Pass Road on the road improvement priority list. Cook didn’t believe that such a vote should be taken without giving affected property owners a chance to comment. Sealey also suggested a delay allowing proper public notice to be given to property owners regarding any potential improvement to Cougar Pass Road. Cook motioned to continue this item until the September meeting, seconded by Birch. Motion passed unanimously.
   d) Chairs Quarterly Meeting on August 3—Chagala indicated that he will be attending.
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9) VACANCIES:
   a) Birch agreed to be a member of the I-15 Design Review Board on a temporary basis until further information is determined as to the timing of the meetings.

10) MEMBER COMMENTS—None.

11) ADJOURNMENT  8:42