

Hidden Meadows Community Sponsor Group

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

Meeting location: Online virtual meeting per COVID-19 guidance

Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: James Chagala, Chair, at 7:06 PM
- 2) ROLL CALL: Quorum established
 - a) Present: Birch, Caster, Chagala, Cook, and Sealey
 - b) Excused: Garland and Gutierrez
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
- 4) OPEN FORUM: No speakers
- 5) ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS/CORRESPONDENCE
 - a) Perspective member – Mark Wozmak

Mr. Wozmak provided his background why he is fit to fill a vacancy on the Sponsor Group

Chagala made a motion to recommend Mr. Wozmak to Supervisor Desmond to become a member of the Sponsor Group. Second by Chagala. 5-0-2-2, the motion passed.

- b) Ivy Del RV approval by Planning Commission, April 3

Information only; action had occurred.

- c) Letter from Parks and Recreation

County parks didn't support any of the parks options provided by the Group.

Group requested the Trails & Parks Sub-Committee meet with Ben Mills, Supervisor Desmond's Land Use Aide to review alternatives and larger community parks and recreation goals.

Group also indicated that there may be the potential use of land recently purchased by the Escondido Creek Conservancy.

- 6) PUBLIC REVIEW / ACTION ITEMS:
 - a) North County Resources request for 15183 CEQA Exemption

Regina Ochoa from Planning and Development Services repeated the overview provided during the June 4, meeting because the discussion was cutoff due to technical difficulties. On June 25 the Zoning Administrator will review and make a finding of yes or no of 15183 exemption. She also indicated that public comments are now posted on the County's website where participation guidance is also provided

Ms. Ochoa confirmed that the previously submitted comments from the Sponsor Group are included in the Zoning Administrator's review package.

Public comments:

- Katsuri Rangan: General Plan (GP) Update Environmental Impact Report (EIR) did not take into consideration the site being used for recycling, at the time the application was for a nursery; Ashley Smith (PDS) indicated that the Zoning and Use Regulation and designation allow for proposed use of recycling center (allowable use by right).
- Byron Marler: Discussed the need for project specific EIRs, Ms. Smith indicated that project specific EIRs were applicable for GP amendments, not current authorized zoning.

Group discussion:

- Mr. Caster expressed concern that the GP EIR may not have taken into consideration this specific of a use case.
- Mr. Chagala: indicated that there are peculiar affects in CEQA requirements of finding that don't meet the GP EIR intention.

Chagala made a motion to recommend denial of the request for 15183 CEQA Exemption. Second by Birch. 5-0-2-2, the motion passed.

7) MEMBER' COMMENTS - None

8) AJOURNMENT James Chagala, Chair, at 7:46 PM