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**JAMUL DULZURA  
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
FINAL Minutes  
Tuesday January 11, 2022**

\*\*\*\*\*VIRTUAL MEETING\*\*\*\*\*

CALL IN BEGINS AT 7:15 p.m.

**7:30 p.m.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Dan Neirinckx called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Dan Neirinckx, Janet Mulder, Ed Mollon, Kevin May, Summer Piper, Michael Casinelli, Rachel Vedder, Eve Nasby, Paul Dombowski, Preston Brown, Paul Romero, Streeter Parker.

**Excused:** Steve Wragg, Amber Recklau.

**Absent:**

**Vacant:** Seat 14

**Guests:** Ryan Kerswill, Becky Rapp, Judi Strang, Camille von Kaenel (reporter), Jacob Armstrong, Kelly McCormick

3. **APPROVAL** of the Agenda for January 11, 2022 & Final Minutes for December 14, 2021 Motion to approve made by Michael Casinelli. Passed unanimously.

4. **OPEN FORUM:**

A. **Preston Brown** pointed out that the developer appealed the ruling regarding Village 13 and it was denied. He stated: "*On Village 14, Jackson Pendo appealed the Court's decision, in which it had lost on all 5 counts to the conservation groups, to the Appellate*

*Court and the decision was not overturned. Their options now are to appeal to the US Supreme Court or re-submit a new and much smaller project. On Village 13, negotiations continue between the developers and the conservation groups and there is progress. On the IRC and redistricting of our County Board of Supervisors Districts, I want to reiterate that I spent many hours listening to the public meetings and I spoke in person and with written comment repeatedly saying that the idea of a "border district" extending from Chula Vista all the way east was absurd and ridiculous and that no one who lives here along the border has heard of such an idea. The rural east County is united along a north-south axis and not on an east-west axis. Most of the commissioners in the IRC were not taking this idea too seriously. Many other people from the East County called and wrote that this was a concept that made no sense and seemed to be promoted by people on the coast." He pointed out that comments regarding the redistricting were effective and he feels that East County comments made a difference.*

- B. Eve Nasby** thanked **Paul Dombkowski** for his writeup for the Jamul Shopper and encouraged others to complete their bios so the community would get to know all the members of the Planning Group.
  - C. Becky Rapp, concerned parent,** came to speak regarding the marijuana businesses that have been proposed for our Jamul area. She pointed out that that would increase the number of drivers that were driving under the influence of drugs. She encouraged us to speak tomorrow at the BOS, speaking as to the negative possibilities and she put the sign-in information on the chat.
  - D. Judi Strang** put the BOS information on the chat regarding the meeting tomorrow at which Nathan Fletcher is being renominated for Chair again and so is Nora Vargas for Vice-Chair. This is a break in tradition since the Board of Supervisors has traditionally rotated the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair amongst the members in past years. She pointed out that if we have concerns with this, we need to voice them at the meeting, remembering that Supervisor Fletcher has no unincorporated area in his district.
  - E. Kelly McCormick, Public Health Nurse,** stated, she would like to share an important new position paper from the American Psychiatric Association, which says, in part, *"Given the lack of scientific support for safe cannabis use, and the known adverse impacts and risk for addiction, the American Psychiatric Association opposes the use of cannabis by children, adolescents and young adults up to age 25."* She pointed out that as the County seeks to increase the number of marijuana businesses in the unincorporated areas, it's important to recognize that many reputable organizations like the American Psychiatric Association have spoken out against marijuana use because of the well-documented dangers. This is information that the County seems to be ignoring.
- 5. CONTINUANCE of TELECONFERENCING MEETING OPTION PURSUANT GOVERNMENT CODE 54953(e). Michael Casinelli moved "Pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e)(3), the Jamul Dulzura Community Planning Group has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency and state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing." Dan Neirinckx pointed out that this means we would continue virtual meetings. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 6. CELL TOWER MUP RENEWAL, LOCATED at 19151 SR-94 DULZURA – Ryan Kerswell** is here representing the Applicant. **Paul Romero** thanked the County for their help but had a question regarding the numbering change to see if it made any difference. **Ryan Kerswell** said there was no difference and that the original drawing was approved

and the latest drawings will also be the ones that were approved. **Paul Romero** asked to see the latest drawings before the vote is taken as the ones that are now being used are over a decade old. He would recommend we make that a condition of our vote for approval. **Dan Neirinckx** questioned the statement that it was near a high school because one does not exist there, **Paul Romero would recommend that the Planning Group make a conditional approval.** **Michael Casinelli** asked if this was a second tower on the site and **Ryan Kerswill** said no that it was only one tower and **Sophi Sakaraj** is the planner from the County. **Preston Brown** reminded us that we wanted to look at what would be appropriate design and **Paul Romero** said that this is just a renewal of an existing major use permit, and we should not be required to re-look at the design as it is okay aesthetically. **Dan Neirinckx** drove by the site this weekend and feels that it is appropriate for the area.

**Paul Romero moved that we recommend approval of the project with the following condition: that the final project is consistent with the preliminary submittal: i.e., the equipment listed on the final construction drawing is consistent with the EME studies, allowing our Planning Group to review the drawings to ensure same. Motion carried unanimously.**

- 7. COUNTY VEHICLE MILES TRAVELLED (VMT) Policy.** **Dan Neirinckx** introduced **Jacob Armstrong, Chief of Land Development, of San Diego County**, who presented an overview of how the County wants to implement this Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Policy. He shared his screen and reported that Senate Bill 743 became effective as of July, 2020, as the new metric It will come before the BOS on January 26. The intent of the bill was to reduce the number of miles travelled. The law says you cannot use LOS in the EIR, but need to look at the Vehicle Trips generated and see if the project generates less than number of vehicle trips expected. Looking at the unincorporated County there are very few areas that would be considered efficient, meaning that residents did not have to travel far. They looked at different ways the County could adopt a way to look at traffic in a balanced approach that would be comprehensive. **A map was shown** that noted the areas that are considered efficient and ones considered inefficient and most of the unincorporated areas were considered inefficient. There would not be many areas that would be considered efficient but the Board will be sending this back to look at short term and long term problems which would be difficult as the VMT will also analyze areas that could be considered efficient. They will look at using VMT for CEQA and ADT and LOS within the County, identifying infill areas. The Board can look at different options and while they will not be taking specific options, they will be looking at ideas to provide guidance for planning areas. It might include reducing VMT via bike lanes, and other alternatives. Sandag's project is completely separate. **Rachel Vedder** asked how do you see it being used in Jamul in the future? **Jacob Armstrong** pointed out that all of the Jamul area would be considered inefficient so it would be more difficult to build larger projects in our area. He pointed out that anything under 11 single family units or less, would be considered small and anything over 11 would be considered large and would not meet VMT standards. **Summer Piper** asked about the mitigation efforts and who would decide what mitigation rules they can use and upon what will they be based? **Jacob Armstrong** said that a threshold would be established and some other means of transit like public transportation would be considered to reduce the amount people are driving. However there is not much infrastructure that would help in our area like public transit, ride-sharing, biking, etc. which would give some reduction but difficult in a rural area. **Michael Casinelli** reminded us that in the past, the restrictions dealing with LOS, our area often seems to have been overlooked and not treated equally regarding traffic impacts. Will this be a problem under the VMT? Are there any safeguards and will we be able to review before the decisions have been made? **Jacob Armstrong** said that the VMT would provide a standard that would be

followed. LOS was more able to be modified and mitigate problems, but VMT will make it more challenging to modify. **Summer Piper** asked if the fees that would be used in our area be able to get our VMTs down? **Jacob Armstrong** said that they do have certain qualifiers (i.e., number of public transportation stops per day). The BOS will have to come up with alternative qualifiers. **Summer Piper** asked about the consequences of over-building in our area, ignoring Level of Service, when faced with evacuation in case of fire or other emergencies. **Jacob Armstrong** said that will need to be addressed by the Board of Supervisors to look at road improvement and help to implement the local mobility thus ensuring safety. Road improvements may need to be made and if our community feels strongly about it, we need to make sure the BOS knows our concerns. **Dan Neirinckx** thanked **Jacob Armstrong** for coming and invited him back again as we get farther along in the process.

8. **COTTONWOOD SAND MINING PROJECT** **Dan Neirinckx** received a notice cancelling the meeting scheduled for tomorrow, (Jan. 12) stating that the online meeting will be Wednesday, January 19, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. It is a call-in meeting. **Preston Brown** moved our Planning Group form a sub-committee to review this project, reviewing the Draft EIR, and look at the problems associated with the Cottonwood Sand Mining Project that impact our community and recommend comments to be made by our Planning Group. Motion carried unanimously. **Preston Brown** volunteered to chair the committee. **Dan Neirinckx** volunteered to be on the sub-committee, joined by **Kevin May**. **Preston Brown** suggested that all need to look at the information presented and be aware of how it impacts our community. **Janet Mulder** reminded us that this project would have great impact on our area even though it is located outside of our Planning Area and suggested reading the **Sierra Club's** letter for some important facts regarding the problems with this project.

9. **ELECTION OF NEW PLANNING GROUP OFFICERS FOR 2022**

**Dan Neirinckx** pointed out that he spoke to **Preston Brown** who volunteered to be Chair, **Kevin May** volunteered to be Vice-Chair, and we need to have someone volunteer to be Secretary. **Summer Piper** suggested that we need not expect such copious notes as **Janet** has done, and **Eve Nasby** stated that she is willing to act as Secretary under that condition. **Dan Neirinckx** moved that we elect **Preston Brown** as Chair, **Kevin May** as Vice-Chair and **Eve Nasby** as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **JDCPG OFFICER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS.**

**Dan** read the **Decarbonization Information** he received from the County. He looked at the forty-minute presentation and told us that in March, the group working on this from the County will be available to give a presentation on what they are going to present to the BOS. He would suggest that they look at the question as to the equity of the projects and how they would impact the community, including how these large projects like huge solar/wind projects which provide benefit to the more populated urban areas and yet their location impacts the east county rural areas so dramatically. It will take until next August to have it ready to present to the BOS. **Dan Neirinckx** will give the information to **Preston Brown** and would recommend that he contact the County regarding a presentation, possibly later than March to give them more time to work on it before they present it to our Planning Group.

**Michael Casinelli** thanked **Dan Neirinckx** and **Janet Mulder** for their multiple years of service. **Preston Brown** thanked them for guiding us through this last three years.

**11. Adjournment: Dan adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m. The new officers will take charge after this meeting.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Janet Mulder, Secretary**

**NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

**7:30 P.M. TUESDAY JANUARY 25, 2022**

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**JAMUL/DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

*The mission of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is to represent the best interests of the communities of Jamul and Dulzura while adhering to County of San Diego, California Board of Supervisors Policy I-1.*

**PURPOSE STATEMENT:**

*The purpose of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is:*

*To provide a public forum where local citizens can learn about issues of importance to them and their community and provide input.*

*To carefully consider all input when advising the county on such issues as planning, land use, discretionary projects, and community and sub-regional plans.*

**APPROVED 5/12/2020**