

**JAMUL DULZURA
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
FINAL MINUTES
March 8, 2016
Approved: March 23, 2016
Oak Grove Middle School Library
7:30 p.m.**

1. **Joe Stuyvesant, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.**
2. **ROLL CALL ;**
 - Present:** Joe Stuyvestant, Jean Strouf, Mike Cassinelli, Steve Wragg, Eileen Poole, Joan Kouns, Richard Marzec, George Novinger. Preston Brown, Earl Katzer, Elizabeth Kelly (acting secretary)s
 - Excused:** Janet Mulder, Bill Herde, Judy Bohlen
 - Absent:** Randy White
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA for March 8, 2016 and Minutes of Feb. 23, 2016** regular meeting as mailed. Approved unanimously.
4. **OPEN FORUM - Opportunity for public comment on any item not on the agenda minute time limit**
 - a. **Michael Casinelli** asked if Don Parent, SDGE representative, had given us an update or has he accepted an invite to present to the community. Specifically, how is the time line coming and when will the SR-94 project be completed. **Joe Stuyvesant** will invite Don Parent to come to our next meeting to give us an update.
 - b. **Joe Stuyvesant** reported that he has sent email to ABC (Alcohol Beverage Control) about coming to our JDCPG and making a presentation to help us understand their process of approval. He has not heard back from them yet.
 - c. **No Public Input was requested.**
5. **OTAY WATER DISTRICT'S CAMPO ROAD SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT - Design team presentation - Otay representatives included, Mark Watton, Otay Water General Manager; Paula Roberts, Humanability (a community relations, marketing, communications company <http://humanability.biz/category/about>); Kevin Gibson, Rick Engineering Company; and Stephen Beppler, Senior Civil Engineer- Otay Water** who gave the background for the project. He told us the old sewer line which is now considered undersized was installed in the 1970's . The area scheduled to be replaced is between Rancho San Diego Town Center along SR 94 to where Avocado /Calavo intersects. This old sewage line goes through an environmentally sensitive area. Any leak could have environmental impact.

They are currently getting bids for construction. **Kevin Gibson** told us Otay is replacing the undersized 10" diameter pipe with 15" pipe. The sewer line crosses Campo Road and goes East close to shoulder, then crosses back, goes past Campo into Ranch San Diego Town Center and ties in. The impacts to the Jamul Dulzura community will be traffic. Open trenching will be done in approximately 100 foot increments at night. We won't have the ¼ mile of steel plates like what SDGE is currently doing. All lanes should be open and usable at night. The plan is to start this fall 2016, starting at east side and moving west. They will stop all work during breeding season (February to September). This way they don't have to budget money on sound barriers. Delays of up to a year may occur due to timing with breeding season and inherent construction issues. The remainder should be finished mid winter 2018.

Steve Wragg asked if the pavement would be travelable versus what SDG&E is currently doing. **Mr. Gibson** says yes the road will be travelable. **Michael Cassinelli** asked if they were using the current SDGE trench and **Mr. Bepler and Mr. Gibson** replied that it was not possible as they tried to time it with Caltrans and SDG&E but the timing didn't work out. They had a lot more environmental studies to be done which delayed them vs SDG&E who were given a "categorical exemption" from CEQA. They are going to tie in some sewers, but most tie-ins will be done by the San Diego Sheriff Station area on SR-94.

It was pointed out that the area by the substation on SR 94 across from via Mercado where the kids were biking now has a chain link fence locking them out. Is that due to this sewer project? **Kevin Gibson**-No, it is not because of the sewer project. **Preston Brown**- What is the full route.? It's taking sewer from Calavalo to RSD Town Center. Most flow goes to treatment plant on Singer Lane near the Steele Bridge past the land fill and gets recycled water. **Stephen Bepler** - Recycled water gets pumped to Chula Vista including Salt Creek Golf course, parks and right of ways. 1.3 mill gallons to 6 million gallons of non potable recycled water per day produced. **Preston Brown**- What kind of treatment plant do you have? **Mark Watton, Otay General Manager** answered said it was different from what is being proposed for the Simpsons /Barrett house project and proposed casino.

One presenter suggested watching a video that is available on an online news site called South Bay Compass . It is a video tour of the Chapman water recycling facility. <http://southbaycompass.com/ralph-w-chapman-water-recycling-facility/> **Steve Wragg** -said he thought it was a good plan to keep the trenching out of the right of way and how it has less impact on environment.

Rich Marzec asked what happens to the old sewer line. They get abandoned and sealed over along the entire route and the new sewage line will run in parallel.

George Novinger asked if there were any thoughts of this line being extended down Route 94 Campo Rd into Jamul. The engineers replied no.

The project will have signs with phone numbers for residents to call with questions.

6. **REPORT ON PROPOSED SD COUNTY MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)with JIV – Michael Casinelli reporting** that the sub-committee met last night. Discussion centered on how we are going to

present the specifics of MOU to the public succinctly. The plan is to organize into sections. Preston Brown will organize it into a power point presentation. This will be special meeting to obtain comments from the public regarding the MOU.

**Jamul/Dulzura Community Planning Group Special Meeting
Tuesday March 15th, Jamul Primary School Multi-Use Room
7:00pm**

Format of the Special JDCPG Meeting: The public will have a 3 minute forum via microphone, they can write their comments on cards that they can submit for review that evening, and they will also have access to an email address to send questions. There will be handouts for the public.

George Novinger asked if the MOU will it be available electronically.

Michael Cassinelli replied that JAC (Jamul Action Committee) is sending out an email alert and he believes that they will be posting access the MOU. Also the public has access to our minutes from last meeting where the planning group concerns were aired.

Joe Stuyvesant is going to check with the County to see if we can publish the MOU in our minutes. **Michael Casinelli** said **Eric Lardy and Connor McGhee** from San Diego County presented it in a public meeting to our planning group. The County Board of Supervisors wants public comments at their April 13 Board meeting.

Eileen Poole pointed out that even with multiple degrees in English that the MOU was difficult to interpret due to double and quadruple negatives. She thinks it needs translation. She saw that there was a lot of non-negotiables for the casino, but none from the County that would reflect what the community of Jamul wants. **Michael Casinelli** said that is exactly the purpose of the meeting. The Subcommittee will meet one more time on Monday March 14th to tune up presentation at 7:00 p.m. in Oak Grove library. **Michael** wants a stenographer/videographer or minimally an audio recording. He pointed out that when we met on Feb 23, County staff through **Eric Lardy** said Caltrans doesn't address county roads and he has given us a new mitigation list on impacted roads due to the proposed JIV casino. They want input from JDPG and public. Eric is asking for input by Friday March 18th 2016. Whatever the mitigation that the county does, will not be done before the proposed opening of the Casino. It is not part of EIR. We haven't seen the entire document as it has not been finalized by Caltrans. **Joe Stuyvesant** is going to contact **Eric Lardy** from the County (he hasn't contacted Joe regarding input on road impacted by proposed JIV

casino) to find out what they specifically need by the 18th and why the urgency after all these years.

7. DISCUSSION ON CONDUCT OF SPECIAL MEETING TO BRIEF COMMUNITY ON COUNTY/JIV MOU AND TO COLLECT COMMUNITY INPUT – Michael Casinelli reporting.

Will need a quorum of members from JDCPG. The members of the JDCPG tonight agreed that this forum is for the public and they will be there in an advisory capacity. There will be no group comment. We are not there to influence the community. JDCPG is having this Special Meeting because there is impact on the community and this is the most efficient way to get community input in the limited time available before the Board of Supervisors Public Meeting on April 13th 2016. This meeting was originally scheduled for March and was successfully pushed to April to allow the community to respond to the proposed MOU document.

The point of meeting is to inform / help educate what the MOU is and take community feedback on this subject alone. We will come then come back and put together a subcommittee and public list of concerns / input to present to the Board of Supervisors.

Joan Kouns asked who is presenting and how the meeting would be organized. **Michael Casinelli** will introduce the MOU to the public and explain how the meeting will be open for public comment. Public comment can be made that evening in the following ways:

- community member can speak for 3 minutes at the microphone.
- filling out a comment form (available at the door/on their seats)
- post meeting comments can be emailed to JDPG who can review prior to the final input presentation to Board of Supervisors.

Joe Stuyvesant - will go over basic ground rules and then open the meeting for public comment. He will then be the moderator over the speakers (public or responding planning group members)

-If a member of the public /JDCPG strays off topic he will bring them back on point or goes over time, Joe will politely guide them to wrap up their comment or if their question is beyond the scope of JDCPG then Joe will refer that person to the County Staff.

Preston Brown is heading up technical aspect of presentation by organizing and setting up the power point presentation, organizing a sound system, trying to arrange that the meeting be videoed/ tape recorded and find a stenographer.

Joe Stuyvesant wants the group to vote on how the JDPG will conduct the meeting to ensure we are collecting community input and not influencing the community.

Steve Wragg moved that we pledge to remember that the JDCPG needs to be in a receptive mode listening to community input, and to remember this is not meant to be a forum for the JDCPG alone. He reiterated that this is not a JAC (Jamul Action Committee) meeting, but a planning group meeting to determine how the MOU impacts Jamul Dulzura residents. He emphasized the limited time we have to organize our presentation to the Board of Supervisors, and that if JDPG or community members continuously stray off topic that the meeting won't be fruitful, so for all of us to remember this pledge. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Jean Strouf advised the group tonight that she will be speaking at the meeting as a long term resident of Jamul and will be making comments as a member of the community not as a planning group member.

8. ELECTION OF PLANNING GROUP OFFICERS, CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND SECRETARY FOR 2016-17

Joe Stuyvesant-Chair

Janet Mulder -Secretary

Bill Herde -Vice Chair

Motion carried unanimously.

Michael Casinell, past Chair, would like to publicly thank **Joe Stuyvesant** for the excellent work he has done for the past year. The job is extensive and time intensive. **Joe** thanked the group for the support. **Preston Brown** seconded Mike's comments.

- 9. JAMUL INDIAN VILLAGE UPDATE-** Michael Casinelli pointed out that JAC's lawyer Steve Volker had won a suit and that Penn National the corporation backing the JIV proposed Indian Casino were instructed to pay Volker's costs. He referred the Group to the JAC website for the following: *"JAC won an important victory in the California Court of Appeal. The court ruled IN FAVOR of JAC and reversed a lower court ruling that had dismissed JAC's lawsuit against the California Wildlife*

Conservation Board (WCB) for unlawfully facilitating JIV's construction of its casino. JAC had sued the WCB for granting an easement on the Rancho Jamul Ecological Reserve to Jamul Indian Village without complying with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)”

Michael Casinelli said these things are usually settled at the Appellate Court level and he brought up the next case pending: From the JAC website. *“JAC has a second case pending in the Court of Appeal that will be heard on March 23rd. That appeal requests reversal of the trial court's dismissal of a second JAC lawsuit challenging Caltrans' approval of encroachment permits that likewise facilitate JIV's construction of its casino without compliance with CEQA “*

Michael Casinelli brought up there was a motion for summary judgment filed at the Federal level. It is in regards to the land on which the Casino is being built. Not all of the property is in trust. It is actually on 4 separate parcels, one is fee simple owned and owned by the county. This one parcel of land is needed by the Casino for its entrance. This is the area that currently has a stop work order on it.

10. JDCPG OFFICER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:

a. Rich Marzec -Popular Meadows application was delayed, one item still open will be coming up to the planning group in the future.

b. Michael Cassinelli will email subcommittee regarding time and place.

- **Meeting of the MOU subcommittee will be Monday 14 March at 7 pm.**

c. Earl Katzer would like to go on record in response to the earlier presentation tonight made by Otay Water tonight. Otay had indicated that there were no plans to bring sewer up SR-94 into Jamul. He pointed out that the Noah Homes subdivision on SR94 in Jamul had sewer. **Steve Wragg** pointed out that Faraday Ridge also had sewer. **Earl Katzer** feels this is important and that this is to be clarified in minutes.

11. SCHEDULED SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday March 14 – 6:00 p.m. Oak Grove Library - Sub-committee to set agenda for the public meeting

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by Chair Joe Stuyvesant at 9:00pm

JDCPG Minute Notes taken by Elizabeth Kelly in the absence of Janet Mulder, Secretary.

**NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, March 22 2016
OAK GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY
Meeting minutes and agendas can be accessed at
<http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/CommunityGroups.html>**

REMINDER:

**JDCPG SPECIAL ONE AGENDA ITEM MEETING TO SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT
ON MOU BETWEEN JIV AND SAN DIEGO COUNTY
TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016
7:00 P.M. JAMUL PRIMARY SCHOOL MULTI-USE ROOM**

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