

JAMUL DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
FINAL MINUTES
October 10, 2017
APPROVED 11-28-17
Oak Grove Middle School Library
7:30 p.m.

1. **Michael Casinelli, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.**
2. **ROLL CALL:** Dan Neirinckx, Michael Casinelli, Janet Mulder, Judy Bohlen, George Novinger, Jean Strouf, Steve Wragg, Eileen Poole and Richard Marzac.

Excused: Hannah Gbeh, Randy White, Joe Stuyvesant, and Bill Herde
Absent: Earl Katzer, Preston Brown
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA for October 10, 2017, and the Final Minutes of the JDCPG September 12, 2017 meeting with corrections as mailed, noting that Sept 26, 2017 meeting was cancelled by the Chair. Approved unanimously.**
4. **OPEN FORUM**
 - a. **Dan Neirinckx has several maps from various General Plan Updates over the years – shows boundaries of our Planning Group and old zoning boundaries he is willing to give to any of the JDCPG who would like to have them for their files.**
 - b. **Michael Casinelli read the response letter from SDG&E Joe Gabaldon. Public Affairs Manager, re our letter asking for the donation of the SDG&E property at Simpson’s Nursery location. SDG&E turned our request for donation of the land down at this point, leaving open the option of perhaps a discussion in the future. Michael will keep in touch with them.**
 - c. **Michael Casinelli read about the County’s road improvement list for resurfacing program. There are ten roads in Jamul on the list. Derek Gade could answer questions from the community. The County is spending \$56 million per year for the next five years to improve our roads.**
 - d. **Michael Casinelli announced an Historic Site Board meeting is to be held on October 16 at the County Operations Center. No one volunteered to attend. Hopefully we will receive the minutes of the meeting and be able to comment then.**
 - e. **Michael announced that the boundary elimination of area codes is coming, and that will require people to enter the area code on their phones in order to make a call. In addition land line owners with need to start with a “1” first.**
 - f. **George Novinger pointed out that the fires up north should remind us of the fire danger here.**
 - g. **George Novinger and Jean Strouf will not be at the next meeting. (Please always alert the Secretary and Chair when a member will not be at a meeting.)**
5. **PDS2017-TPM-21104-TE, 3259 Heidi Lane, TPM time extension, owner, Videovich-Dan Neirinckx reported that the scoping letter shows no changes, except the water runoff requirements are more restrictive. There are requirements that improvements be made to**

Olive Vista Rd. eastward where it connects with Heidi Lane to Kimberley Lane. The County phone call from Emmett Aquino stated something about lighting, and we would not want them to use street lights due to our dark skies policy in our JDCPG Plan. Dan also reminded them that our policy is that mitigation land be purchased within our Planning Group Area. They will need to deal with the new storm water drainage plan. **Dan Neirinckx moved that we recommend approval of the Time Extension with the following concerns: any mitigation land be purchased within our Planning Area, any street lighting proposed be brought before our Group under our dark skies policy, and that they comply with current storm water policies. Motion carried unanimously.**

6. **PLDO community projects wish list for 2017/18 - Discussion and vote**
Michael Casinelli presented a letter from the County, which stated that our Planning Area has a balance of \$58380.00 in the PLDO Fund. There is a \$1000 charge to our account for “encumbrances”. **Michael** will check on the details. Last year our top priority was a centrally located community park and the second was joint recreation projects with the Jamul Dulzura Schools on our Group’s Recreation Programming Priority List. **Jean Strouf** asked us to consider putting some money into the Safe Passage Under the Concrete Bridge on SR94 near Singer Lane and putting it on the Wish List for PLDO funds. She pointed out that this project would require funds (County or Caltrans) to make a mostly permanent trail/path on both ends, North and South, underneath the concrete bridge. **Michael Casinelli** suggested **Jean Strouf** check with Parks and Rec. as that was not in our Planning Area. **Bill Saumier, of Parks and Rec was in the audience**, and reminded us that our Planning Group had used funds for Steele Canyon High School fields and that was out of our Planning Area. He told us that the encumbrance money is held at PLDO and if it is not used it stays in for the next year. **George Novinger** pointed out that the land for a park we asked about was not available now and perhaps we need to move the park down on our priority list. **Janet Mulder** suggested we use the money to fix the tennis courts at Oak Grove Middle School, as **Randy White** had pointed out the need several meetings ago. She reminded us that our community has use of the fields, courts, and rooms for meetings, so in effect the schools is our community park which is maintained by the school with some help from the community, i.e., Little League and AYSO. **Steve Wragg** suggested we keep the money in the account building to have a community center in Jamul, and suggested that our community could possibly use Steele Canyon High School’s Tennis Courts during non-school hours. **Dan Neirinckx** stated he also felt that we needed to keep the money for a community center in Jamul. **Judy Bohlen** agreed with Steve and Dan. **Bill Saumier** will look into possible vacant land out here that might be available for a community park **George Novinger** suggested that using the money for improvements to the tennis courts would be an immediate benefit for the community, whereas holding it for a park would be long-term. **Michael Casinelli** pointed out that development is what raises the fund and it has not been as strong in our Planning Area in recent years. **Kim Hamilton**, resident, has been a community school director and pointed out that a facility that is not manned or used constantly can be a magnet for problems, whereas the school is available and has security. **Dan Neirinckx moved we maintain the current list looking to the future, realizing we could make changes any time. Motion passed, 8 Yes, 1, No (Mulder)**
7. **Sunrise Fire Mitigation Grants Program - Information provided at Open House Sept 19, 2017 - Janet Mulder and Kim Hamilton reporting that the meeting was like**

the Caltrans/JIV Open House with posters and people at CottonWood but it was held at Alpine Community Center and the posters dealt with the SFMP grants. Information included the fact that many people in Deerhorn Valley, which is the area most impacted, received little or no grant money. **Kim Hamilton, Deerhorn Valley Resident**, reported that 1409 was the number of homes that were listed at the beginning to be impacted. However, there were 13,494 this year that were considered eligible parcels and 8,000 were in Alpine, which has underground wiring and far less possibility of high risk of loss and also included community protection grants. The Crown Hills Community has been given 40 grants to replace doors and windows, and it is located in Alpine on smaller lots. **Michael Casinelli** asked if litigation was being considered, and **Kim Hamilton** said not to her knowledge. Some of the people were told that they did not receive grants because the fund ran out of money, as there were too many applicants. **Kathie Collins, resident**, received only half of the grant for which she applied, and she lives right under the Power Line. She said the people who were under the greatest risk received either half or no grants. **George Novinger** said that since the CPUC does not seem to feel it is their responsibility to monitor this fund, there is not much we can do. Perhaps turning to the press is the best plan. SDG&E counted 173 homes that were most at risk and suggested that even under normal weather conditions they were under risk. Another 150 homes were declared under risk and finally in a Santa Ana condition the risk was calculated. The Alpine Fire Marshall is a voting member of the Sunrise Fire Mitigation Grants Program and we question the ethics of being able to vote on grants in their areas. It was recommend that Janet contact Bonnie Burchill regarding the question of ethics or lack thereof, determining how the votes came down and report back to the Group.

7. **Village 14 and Planning Areas 16 & 19 (PDS2016-SP-16-002) synopsis of subcommittee meeting and preliminary discussion – Dan Neirinckx** held a sub-committee meeting and noted that the plan is not complete. Discussion was held regarding the identification of open space, septic systems vis a vis sewer system. Our understanding was that planning areas 16 and 19 were to be septic, but the County and City of Chula Vista agreed that there would be sewers sized to limit to the capacity of the units being developed. This is a concern for our Group. We had additional concerns regarding Proctor Valley Road realizing that it would be a short cut to the casino, and were assured that it was not going to be improved after Echo Valley as development area 19 ends at Echo Valley and they will transition Proctor Valley's two lanes into the existing two lanes at Echo Valley. They are proposing five roundabouts on Proctor Valley Road that will make the road safer and slow down the traffic. In lieu of money, the PLDO is providing parks for that development area, for Otay Ranch Village 14 is to be in the Chula Vista School District, and Planning Areas 16 and 19 to be in Jamul School District Boundary. The Jamul Dulzura School District does not agree with this analysis of District lines. **Steve Wragg** asked about the parks and was told there are active and passive parks within the area. He asked about the access to Proctor Valley Road and they are working on providing access. **Rob Cameron** pointed out that they are providing more trails but they are resisting the County's suggestion of one along the back of the houses as they feel it will be a problem for the potential land owners who live at the back of the development between the houses and the preserve as riders and hikers on the trail would have proximity to and a clear view into the owners backyards. The developer is providing 4.5 miles community pathway between Chula Vista and Jamul along with a 3-mile park to park loop and access points for public use that go into the preserve. The sub-committee

suggested that the money for the perimeter trail could be better spent creating a staging area for people who were going to use the trails. **Rob Cameron** agreed that was a good idea. He thinks the EIR will possibly be ready by the end of this year, and he will check on the status of the scoping letter which we have not received.

8. **JAMUL INDIAN VILLAGE UPDATE - Michael Casinelli** pointed out that the Casino is having promotion nights on Wednesdays which has been a real traffic problem. He would like to send a letter and ask Caltrans for electronic signs alerting people to this problem and in addition, to have California Highway Patrol be visible and help with traffic at the casino. **Eileen Poole** reminded us that the JIV told us that the community would be alerted to any promotions and we need to ask that it be done, for they have not notified us at this point of any promotions, but have in fact had several. **Michael Casinelli** will contact Murali Pasumarthi informing him of the casino buses travelling Jamul Drive and as he feels that we need signs prohibiting heavy oversized vehicles on this narrow winding road. Similar signs are used elsewhere in San Diego County.

9. **JDCPG OFFICER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:**

Michael received information on a proposed cell tower ATT MUP17-018 17288 Lawson Valley Road that includes a 45 foot faux water tank according to the information received, although the photo sim shows a 45 foot tree. **Jean Strouf** agreed to take the project and **Janet Mulder** agreed to help.

ADJOURNMENT: Michael Casinelli, Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Mulder, Secretary

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, October 24, 2017

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