
Jamul Dulzura

Community Planning Group

Unincorporated County of San Diego

“ Final ” MINUTES

September 5, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:33pm
2. ROLL CALL

Present: Preston Brown, Kevin May, Michael Casinelli, Janet Mulder, Thomas Gray, Paul Dombkoski, Rachel Vedder, Lisa Hodgson,
Guests:
Excused: Paul Romero, Steve Wragg, Ed Mollen, Eve Nasby, Dan Neirinckx
Vacant Seats: 2,9,
3. APPROVAL: Minutes for August 1 and August 15. Delayed until next meeting.
4. OPEN FORUM
 - **Michael Casinelli**, reported on the 3025 Jamul Highland Road property. The County enforcement did meet with the owner. The owner needs to: remove the toy/trailer hauler coach, spread the asphalt grindings on the drive access road, remove the solid waste piles and recycle the metal scraps, and needs to store items to be saved in a structure.
 - **Kathleen Lippitt** reported that she attended the SD BOS meeting on 8/29/23 where the Board considered (AB-399) which would stop smaller water districts from separating from the County Water Authority. Supervisor Anderson requested support from the Board for this legislation. Click link his [Letter](#). **Kathleen** stated that the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) approved the application of Rainbow and Fallbrook to separate from the County Water Authority and become independent. The San Diego County Water Authority has filed suit against LAFCO in August 2023. This “detachment” effort is the first of its kind in California. This bill would take away the rights of local water districts to decide how best to control the costs of their water and to protect communities. **Kathleen** said the City of SD which owns the Lake Hodges Dam release 10 billion gallons of water because they did not have storage. **Michael Casinelli** said that water districts are not regulated like utilities; they only answer to their boards. There are no checks and balances. **Thomas Gray** added that the County would have to approve this. **Kathleen** stated that LAFCO voted to allow them to separate. **Kathleen** shared 2 documents concerning the BOS Hearing and the Otay Water District.
5. SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments)

Kevin May, *Chair*, and **Preston Brown** attended the recent meeting of the newly formed Association of Planning Groups (APG) where the groups voted to approve the By-Laws. **Kevin** participated in drafting these By-Laws which will form the legal structure for this body that will participate on the SANDAG Board of Directors with an “*advisory seat*”. This will give the 500,000 residents of the Unincorporated portion of San Diego County, its 2nd most populous area, meaningful and significant representation on the SANDAG Board. The hope and goal is to

eventually have a seat as “*voting member*”. Each planning group must now formally vote to participate as a member in this group.

- To comply with the Brown ACT, meetings of this Group must be held in a public forum. The conference room at County Operations Center was chosen for this.
- The Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group needs to elect a representative to meet with this group.
- Sponsor groups can participate in the Association Meetings but cannot vote.

Kevin said that the BOS supported this idea of an Association of Planning Groups. In order to move forward we need our groups approval to join this group. **Michael Casinelli** mentioned that Sponsor group members don't have to actually live in the area they represent. **Kathleen Lippitt** Stated that the City has a similar arrangement wherein of the 55 CPG's in the City have to representatives on the City Council.

Michael moved; “that our group vote to approve the acceptance of the By-Laws for participation in the newly formed Association which will use the “Roberts Rules of Order”. Michael added that these rules tend to work better for larger groups.

Motion passed unanimously.

Kevin said that we need to elect representatives to attend monthly meetings. The first will be sometime in October. We can do this at our next meeting.

SANDAG is holding Regional Plan Workshops to learn about transportation improvements coming to your area and share what improvements are important to you. Plus, learn how community ideas are used in planning! Click on the following link to learn about future workshops for the Unincorporated San Diego County

[SANDAG Regional Plan Community Workshops \(google.com\)](https://www.sandag.org/Community-Engagement/Workshops)

6. REMOVAL OF A DELIQUENT MEMBER

Kevin May recommended that Seat #5 be forfeited for excessive unexcused absences. This requires a majority vote. Kevin said that Paul Romero has missed over a year of meetings and is not responding to emails or calls to contact him.

Rachel Vedder moves: “that we vote Paul Romero out of office for lack of attendance and for no responding to Chairs requests. Per Policy I-1.”

Motion passed unanimously.

7. JAMUL CASINO, HOTEL AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT

Kevin May has contacted Mark Slovick, Deputy Director PDS, and Caltrans concerning the hauling trucks crossing SR-94 and how this would be managed but with no response but will keep trying.

8. PARK LANDS DEDICATON ORDINANCE (PLDO) PROJECTS

PLDO has a November 30th deadline for submission of proposals from Planning Groups.

- The current funds available for Jamul Dulzura is \$470,000.
- This is funded by “*park impact fees*” collected from private residential development projects.
- The last submission was on 12-14-2021. We can leave as is or we can edit it. WE submitted the following in rank order.
 1. “*Community Center with Park like facilities purchased and maintained by CINA funding.*”
 2. “*Continued improvement of athletic facilities at local schools for public use through a “memorandum of understanding”.*”

Kevin stated that new housing is charged a fee of \$8,500. He met with the District Office and talk to **Liz Bystedt**. In the past we have worked solely with the schools to distribute these funds for various projects. Steele Canyon is not in our district but 1/3 of the student body attends this high school. **Liz** talked about projects they needed to have done like work with the painted lines for the basketball court. Oak Grove did a great job upgrading their tennis courts. **Lisa Hodgson** said there is need for a baseball diamond on the side of the track field. **Michael Casinelli** said that when we approve funds for a school the public has a right to access these projects for 20 years and then loses the right of access. We have been giving to the school district but our responsibility is to our community and these projects are not a total community benefit. He also mentioned that **Dianne Jacob** gave a community enhancement fund of \$200,000 to Oak Grove and \$350,000 to Steele Canyon High School. **Preston Brown** added that we have until 2027 to spend these funds or we lose them back to the general fund.

9. JDCPG OFFICER’S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:

- **Kevin May** wrote a Letter to **Linda Turkatte**, SEE ATTACHMENT I, urging that the county keep “permanent records” of OWTS. Lisa Hodgson and Rachel Vedder both said that when they contacted the County for records and were told they had deleted the “original permits”. This raises the question of how successful is the effort to maintain all digital records to account fully for OWTS in the county.
- In responding to PDS2023-TPM-21442 – Kirovski Tentative Parcel Map, we have contacted the Project Manager and requested the final “Scoping Letter” and our report did not make a formal recommendation.

10. ADJOURNMENT 9:17 pm

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 @ 7:30pm

Jamul-Dulzura Union School District - Jamul Education Center

14581 Lyons Valley Road

Jamul, CA 91935

Hybrid Meeting: Both In-Person and Zoom Attendance

<http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/CommunityGroups.html>

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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.*

ATTACHMENT 1: JDCPG Letter to Linda Turkatte

August 24, 2023

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County of San Diego

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**RE: Additional feedback to LAMP presentation from Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group
(August 15, 2023)**

Dear Ms. Turkatte,

Thank you for providing a wonderful presentation regarding the Local Area Management Program, on August 15, 2023, to the members of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group.

In addition to the comments provided during your presentation, we offer the additional comment:

We recommend the county endeavor to keep any and all records, drawings, permit applications (regardless of age) in the historical record, whether on paper or microfiche, to be accessible to the public. As we see a surge in home building and renovation in our area, these records will prove invaluable to current and future homeowners as they improve and/or build their homes in the Jamul and Dulzura areas.

Thank you again for your thorough and informative presentation.

Respectfully,

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