

LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

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*** MEETING MINUTES***

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 5, 2026

**MEETING LOCATION Lakeside Library, Community Room,
12428 Woodside Ave, Lakeside, CA 92040**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Meeting called to order at 6:30pm
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Invocation led by: Rod Streeper
3. **ROLL CALL**

Seat	Member Name	P/A/L	Seat	Member Name	P/A/L	Seat	Member Name	P/A/L
1	Liz Higgins	A	6	Spencer Hancock	P	11	Tony Santo	P
2	Robert Rutledge	A	7	Sam McGovern	P	12	Steve Robak	P
3	Ron Kasper	P	8	Richard Abraham	P	13	Susan Roberts-Egley	P
4	Sasha Reva	P	9	Connie O'Donnell	P	14	Kristen Everhart	L
5	Carol Hake	P	10	Rod Streeper	P	15	Mark Hartley	L

* Pending Board of Supervisors approval

- A. Determination of quorum present
- B. Group member attendance review

Quorum achieved with #11 present (13 with 2 late)
Attendance to-date read by Secretary

Seat	Member Name	#	Seat	Member Name	#	Seat	Member Name	#
1	Liz Higgins	2	6	Spencer Hancock	2	11	Tony Santo	1
2	Robert Rutledge	2	7	Sam McGovern	0	12	Steve Robak	0
3	Ron Kasper	0	8	Richard Abraham	0	13	Susan Roberts-Egley	0
4	Sasha Reva	2	9	Connie O'Donnell	1	14	Kristen Everhart	0
5	Carol Hake	0	10	Rod Streeper	1	15	Mark Hartley	3

Mark Hartley (Seat #15) has reached 4 absences. Per the Standing Rules, the vacation of Seat #15 will be placed on the September 2026 agenda for a vote. NOTE: Mark Hartley (Seat #15) arrived late, after roll call.

4. AUDIO AND/OR VIDEO RECORDING

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5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING(S) OF: JULY 2026

Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Susan Roberts-Egley, seconded by Richard Abraham
Vote:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT/VACANT	ABSTAIN
10	0	3, 1 late	1

Motion passed

Abstain – Tony Santo

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6. OPEN FORUM

This is an opportunity for the public to speak on any item within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda. No action will be taken on any items heard; however, the item can be referred to County staff or placed on a future agenda. Time will be limited to 3 minutes. There will be no discussion and no vote. If you wish to speak, please approach the podium. Please spell your first and last name for the minutes.

Olivia Webb - Legislative intern with County Supervisor Joel Anderson's office. Recapped that the Board is back from July recess (first August meeting on the 18th). Announced the ad hoc transparency subcommittee finally passed, requiring all meeting agendas, minutes, notes, presentations, and memos be posted to the county website, with meetings live-streamed and posted. Promoted two Community Coffee events with Supervisor Anderson: Rancho Bernardo/4S Ranch on Saturday, August 17th (2:30–4 PM at San Diego Oasis Rancho Bernardo) and Navajo Canyon on Thursday, August 20th (5:30–7 PM at Ledge Church, 4772 Alvarado Canyon Road). Also covered internship recruitment, grant programs (Neighborhood Reinvestment Program and Community Enhancement Program, applications open July 1 for the 2026–2027 cycle), and a newsletter sign-up. Website: supervisorjoelanderson.com.

Rod Streeper - Board member and president of the Fixed Pepper Drive Association. Reported a successful association meeting on Wednesday, July 29th at the Family Christmas Tree Farm, with 48 families (~5% of roughly 1,000 households), their highest turnout. Andrew Hayes represented Joel Anderson's office. Featured information tables and a diorama of a complete streets project with the City of Santee (first tenth of a mile of Pepper Drive), with Santee councilmember Ron Hall present; Public Works was invited but did not attend. The effort supports a community development grant with Supervisor Anderson's office.

Locken - Asked how to get speed bumps or stop signs installed on her street, specifically Castle Court. She was directed to file a road service request (online or by phone), was told that Castle Court is likely a county-maintained road, and was offered the filing information after the meeting.

Susan Roberts-Egley - President of the Veterans East County Alliance San Diego (VECASD), supporting veteran-owned and veteran-friendly businesses and resources, and helping military members transition to the civilian workforce. Announced free public events: an August 12th networking luncheon (12:30–2 PM) at the Santee Sportsplex, and a "Coffee Connect" networking event every 3rd Thursday at the Santee VFW (9–11 AM, free coffee and donuts). Noted upcoming collaboration with the El Cajon Elks on a veteran VA workshop. Website: VECASD.org.

Motion to switch the order of Public Hearing and County Presentations by Susan Roberts-Egley, seconded by Richard Abraham.

Vote:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT/VACANT	ABSTAIN
10	1	3, 1 LATE	0

Motion passed

Nay - Steve Robak

8. COUNTY PRESENTATIONS (Presentation Only – No Vote)

A. LINDO LAKE PARK PHASE II PLAYGROUND STRUCTURES

Present the updated design for the school-age playground (5 – 12 years old)

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Brad, a project manager with over 20 years at the County's Development Division and a certified playground safety inspector, presented the playground redesign. He explained that a few years ago the department assessed 10 playgrounds over 20 years old that had reached the end of their useful life, and the Lindo Lake playgrounds were among them; they no longer met ADA standards. The design process began in 2019, with funding eventually allocated by the Board of Supervisors. He walked through the history of playground accessibility: before 1990, children in wheelchairs often couldn't even enter playgrounds; the ADA (1990) required compliance, but adoption was slow. He described how woodchip surfacing punctures wheelchair tires and how transfer platforms alone were inadequate for children who couldn't pull themselves up. The proposal replaces this with "inclusive" playgrounds using rubberized resilient surfacing, allowing wheelchairs and walkers to move freely. He emphasized that when able-bodied and disabled children play together, "the disabilities kind of slipped away."

For the preschool playground (ages 2–5), Brad described bird/fish/water themes tied to Lindo Lake, interpretive signage, a basket swing, a curved slide with a rear transfer platform, a frog climber, water elements, and a first-of-its-kind numbered-footprint surfacing game. Responding to prior feedback, they added swing options: two enclosed seats, or a "selfie"/southeast swing where a parent faces the child with a phone slot for photos. For the school-age playground (5–12), he showed a Thunderdome climber, freestanding slide, balance log, inclusive spinner (holds 15–20 kids), and a three-bay swing with adaptive/open/enclosed seat options. Construction would begin January 2027.

Matt then presented the shade structures, targeting fall 2027 completion, requiring transfer of PLDO funds. He offered three options: ~\$250K for five cantilever structures (~40% coverage), ~\$215K for two hip shades plus a cantilever (~25%), and ~\$350K for a multi-panel sail system (100% coverage, adjustable, colored). The school-age playground was the focus since the preschool area already has tree shade. Canvas life expectancy is ~15 years.

Board and public comments were divided. Part of the board thinks refurbishing rather than demolishing. The board also raised concerns about inadequate community notification for a project of this scale. Several parents visited daily, asked to preserve the gated preschool playground, which they called one of the most inclusive in San Diego.

Carol clarified that PLDO money is collected specifically for park improvements. Parents were upset that equipment had been purchased and park/recreation staff weren't informed. Josh explained the Lindo Lake subcommittee is not a governing body (no Brown Act, no votes, no money), existing mainly for county staff to give transparency updates, largely on maintenance.

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Swing selection was left to the professionals as informal feedback. County staff emphasized the design is not final and they'll return in October with more detail.

Motion to extend discussion for the board for 10 minutes and public for 20 minutes by Kristen Everhart, seconded by.

Vote:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT/VACANT	ABSTAIN
13	0	2	0

Motion passed.

Motion to allocate Lakeside's PLDO funds for 100% shade coverage over the school-age (5–12) playground by Spencer Hancock, seconded by Sam McGovern. (The preschool playground was not included, as it already has substantial tree shade.)

Vote:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT/VACANT	ABSTAIN
8	5	2	0

Motion passed

Nay – Kristen Everhart, Steve Robak, Tony Santo, Connie O'Donnell, and Susan Roberts-Egley.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

A. N. ANZA STREET AND SUMNER AVENUE STOP CONTROL REQUEST

A stop control is to be placed facing Westbound traffic on Sumner

Review and recommend request

Final recommendation to be forwarded to Traffic Advisory Committee, Department of Public Works

Motion to recommend the stop control request by Sam McGovern, seconded by Richard Abraham.

Vote:

AYE	NAY	ABSENT/VACANT	ABSTAIN
9	1	2	3

Motion passed

Nay - Steve Robak

Abstain – Kristen Everhart – due to lack of procedural clarity, Spencer Hancock – due to lack of procedural clarity, Tony Santo – due to lack of procedural clarity.

9. GROUP BUSINESS:

B. Announcements and Correspondence Review - NONE

C. Required Training and Group Member Requirements - NONE

D. Website Updates – NONE

E. Other - NONE

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10. STANDING COMMITTEES, SUBCOMMITTEE BOARDS, AND OFFICERS REPORTS:

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| A. Design Review Board (DRB) | Tony | None |
| B. Trails | Kristen | |
| After roughly two years of work, improved trail signage and posting of ordinances (no off-road vehicles) are being installed, and directional arrows are being repainted/updated. | | |
| C. Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) | Rod | |
| This month is the last opportunity to submit feedback for the 2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP); August 30th is the deadline for the annual comment cycle. | | |
| D. Park Land Dedication Ordinance (PLDO) | Carol | NONE |
| E. County Road Resurfacing | Sasha | |
| The County has been actively resurfacing many roads in the Lakeside area in response to ongoing requests. Residents can check the resurfacing schedule online. | | |
| F. Association of Planning Groups SANDAG | Carol | NONE |
| G. East County Chamber Liaison | Sam | NONE |

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Meeting adjourned by Carol Hake at 8:20 pm

The next meeting of the LCPG will be on Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

FINAL AGENDA WILL BE POSTED 72 HOURS BEFORE THE MEETING

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Minutes prepared by Sasha Reva, Seat #4

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