

County of San Diego

# Rainbow Community Planning Group

**Advising the Board of Supervisors ~ San Diego County**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM held as a virtual meeting on-line**

- I. Open Provisions**
  - A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Paul Georgantas at 6:32 PM
  - B. Pledge of Allegiance
  - C. Attendance: Mark DiVecchio, Martin Kurland, Paul Georgantas, Lynne Malinowski, Greg Doud, Frederick Rasp, Donna Zakrajsek, Jon Gorr and Michele Sheehan. 9 members being present, a quorum is declared.
  
- II. Motion to approve the modified agenda by Ms. Malinowski, second Dr. Kurland, approved unanimously.**
  
- III. Public Comments**
  - A. Carol Green commented on the ongoing drought and its affect on businesses.
  - B. Kathleen Lippitt commented on the Jacumba Valley Ranch (JVR) Energy Park in Jacumba. The Jacumba Hot Springs Community Sponsor Group is actively opposing the current plan because of long term environmental effects of solar energy arrays.
  
- IV. Consolidated Motion**
  - A. Motion to approve prior meeting minutes from 16 June 2021 made by Ms. Malinowski, second Dr. Kurland, approved unanimously.
  
- V. Continued Items, Discretionary Projects and County Action Items**
  - A. None
  
- VI. Old Business and Reports**
  - A. Announcements and Correspondence Received – Chair Georgantas is forwarding all county emails to the members.
  - B. Architectural Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski presented the Conservation and Open Space section of the Rainbow Community Plan. She highlighted the need to address the upcoming agricultural development under the new Cannabis and Social Equity Program.
  - C. Social Media Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski reported that she continues to post Rainbow CPG and County generated documents on Rainbow Cares.
  - D. Parks and Beautification Subcommittee – Ms. Sheehan reported that she is continuing conversations with the County for a Dog Walk at Rainbow Park.
  - E. I-15 Design Review Board – Mr. Crocker was not present.
  - F. Roads and traffic status – Dr. Kurland reported that street markings have begun to appear for the Old 395 – Rainbow Glen traffic light.

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- G. Water and Environmental Issues Report – Dr. Kurland reported on the upcoming rate increase by the Rainbow Municipal Water District. Chair Georgantas volunteered to contact Tom Kennedy, the RMWD GM, to ask him to appear at the next meeting. Dr. Kurland volunteered to contact the District 5 representative, Mike Mack, to ask him to appear at the next meeting.
- H. ARC Update & Community News – Ms. Sheehan reported that the July newsletter will go out in a few days. Additional “RBW” stickers are available.
- I. Cannabis and Social Equity Program update – Mr. Doud reported that the County has released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to manage the Program even though the program is not yet approved. RFP deadline is 17 August. It was suggested that the Rainbow CPG get the local newspaper to help solicit public involvement.
- J. Vallecitos School District Update – Dr. Kurland reported that the Summer Program was a big success providing individual help to the students. Pre-School is being funded by a \$100K grant for low income levels and higher income parents can pay for pre-school.
- K. Member/Administrative Reports – None

## **VII. New Business**

- A. Discussed the possibility of petitioning the County to expand the boundaries of the Rainbow CPG. Because of increased traffic on Old 395 and on Rice Canyon Road and of the need for better control over wild fire escape routes, these areas should be part of the Rainbow CPG area so that we can have some say over future development. Mr. DiVecchio spoke about the discussions from 5 years ago on this subject. Then, the Group talked about moving the southern border down to SR 76 and Rice Canyon Road and to Mission Road and Old 395 (including Stewart Canyon). The discussion centered on including primarily parcels zoned A70 and A72. This item will be continued to the next meeting.
- B. Discussed the possibility of a new Sheriff sub-station in the Rainbow area. Mr. Doud indicated that a new sub-station is being proposed to the Board of Supervisors at the southwest corner of SR76 and I-15. No further group action needed.

## **VIII. Call for New Agenda Items for next meeting**

- A. Agenda items can be submitted up until the next meeting’s agenda is posted at the meeting site.

- IX.** Adjournment by Chair Georgantas at 7:42 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting 18 Aug 2021. The meeting will be either Zoom or in-person depending on the level of COVID cases.

Respectfully submitted,    Mark DiVecchio            Secretary, Rainbow CPG

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