

Rainbow Community Planning Group

Advising the Board of Supervisors ~ San Diego County

MINUTES of Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Rainbow Valley Grange, 2160 Rainbow Valley Blvd, Rainbow CA 92028

I. Open Provisions

- A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kurland at 6:30 PM.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Attendance: Present: Marty Kurland, Lynne Malinowski, Greg Doud, Frederick Rasp, Jon Gorr, Ron Ehrler, Michele Dahl-Sheehan, Paul Georgantas, and Douglas Gastelum. Excused: Pat Eastman. 9 members being present, a quorum is declared.

II. Motion to approve the agenda by Mr. Rasp, second Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan, approved unanimously.

III. Public Comments

- A. None

IV. Consolidated Motion

- A. Motion to approve prior meeting minutes from 15 January 2025 made by Mr. Georgantas, second Mr. Rasp, approved unanimously.

V. Continued Items, Discretionary Projects and County Action Items

- A. Motion to approve NCFPD Fire Station #3 Site Waiver and all permits for project by Ms. Malinowski, second Mr. Rasp, approved unanimously.

VI. Old Business and Reports

- A. Announcements and Correspondence Received – Chair Kurland reported that all correspondence has been forwarded to the group.
- B. Architectural Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski – Nothing new.
- C. Social Media and Membership Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski is exploring placing ad for the RCPG vacancy in the Village News, dependent on the cost. If the cost is greater than \$100, preapproval from the County would be required. The effort is to try to reach more potential candidates than methods of social media and posting of flyers. A report will be made at March meeting. Mr. Georgantas will reach out to a previous party who filed candidacy for the 2022 election.
- D. Parks and Beautification Subcommittee – Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan submitted the 2024-2025 PLDO to the County in February.
- E. I-15 Corridor Design Review Board – Mr. Doud reported that the Passerelle project at Horse Creek Ranch development needs to be redone because of parking issues.
- F. Roads and traffic status – Dr. Kurland. Historical input and current suggestions for prioritization of Capital Improvements and Maintenance projects were discussed. Resurfacing requests are on a separate list. (The 2023-2024 resurfacing projects are scheduled to be started in Spring/Summer 2025, with web-sites available to track their progress.) The new lists are due by 3/30/25, so the final recommendations will be made at the 3/19/25 meeting.

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- G. Water and Environmental Issues Report – Dr. Kurland – Nothing new.
- H. Community News and Grange – Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan reported there will be outreach for Community Service days, and the SD County Neighborhood Reinvestment Grant application status is still pending.
- I. Cannabis and Social Equity Program update – Mr. Doud reported that the PEIR has been released. Reminder that comments are due by 3/31/25. The report is 1,000 pages long. Highlights: No dispensaries or consumption lounges will be allowed in zoning A70 or A72. Concern about outdoor grow operations with 100-foot setbacks allowed for adjacent vacant land parcels versus 300 feet for parcel with house. Problem if vacant land parcel gets built after grow operation is established. Should setback be 300 feet for all to prevent situation? Problems with odors reported in other counties, and their Air Pollution Control Districts’ attempts to resolve them. Issue with current regulations not allowing control of odors for agricultural businesses (e.g., chicken farms, etc.) Cannabis crops have odors, and if require that ‘cuts’ are mandated to be sent inside, then a second permit would be required to process after the cut. Size of operations: if less than 5,000 sf will only require a ministerial permit, but if over 5,000 sf, will require a discretionary permit and may need a second CEQA. No generators will be allowed on any size operation – must have electricity.
- J. Vallecitos School District Update – Dr. Kurland reported that the roof work is almost done. The next step is for the solar installation.
- K. Fire Safety Council Update – Mr. Doud reported on the upcoming 2/22/25 Chipping Day at the Pala Mesa fire station. A large turnout is expected because of the recent fires. Updates for the website are under way. CalFire is assembling a list of temporary evacuation sites. Dr. Kurland will investigate whether the Vallecitos School field can be used as a large animal temporary evacuation site. Work to update the fire evacuation maps continues.
- L. APG & SANDAG Advisory Seat for Unincorporated Communities – Ms. Malinowski reported that there has been no response to the request to Congressman Issa for having a meeting with APG and unincorporated leaders. Ms. Malinowski reported on information from Antoinette Meier, SANDAG Senior Director of Regional Planning, that the policy for no new highway lanes in San Diego County is attributable to CA SB375 and the CA Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations implementing the law. To meet the goal, SANDAG must limit the capacity increasing roadway projects. Their plan is to make conversions and to create new managed lanes. Is sending a letter to SANDAG to object to conversion of I-15 northbound general lane to managed lane from Hwy78 to County line pointless? Suggestions to think about other I-15 traffic solutions: Fastrak, consider relocation of Del Mar train route to center of I-15.
- M. Regional Study of Rainbow traffic concerns – Ms. Malinowski – see discussion of Item VI.F, especially for road visibility. Ms. Malinowski will request that DPW staff present guidelines on maintenance of right of ways at future meeting.
- N. Policy I-1 Review – Ms. Malinowski has received no status update, will furnish for March meeting.
- O. County Code Enforcement – Mr. Doud – Nothing new.
- P. Signs in the Rights of Way – Mr. Doud reported that he has taken down more signs recently. Questions about the proliferation and legality of real estate signs in rights of way. Mr. Doud will investigate.
- Q. Member/Administrative Reports – Chair Kurland – Nothing new.

VII. New Business

- A. DPW Rainbow area CIP meeting location and date scheduled in April. Ms. Malinowski will request that the DPW CIP tour for Rainbow be held at the RCPG meeting site instead of the Fallbrook Public Library since their tentative schedule is for the 4/16/25 RCPG meeting date.

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- VII. 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.
- VIII. Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Doud, second Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan, approved unanimously. Adjournment by Chair Kurland at 7:27 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting 19 March 2025.

Respectfully submitted, Lynne Malinowski Secretary, Rainbow CPG

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