

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
RAMONA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

A regular meeting of the Ramona Community Planning Group (RCPG) was held February 2, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., at the Ramona Community Library, 1275 Main Street, Ramona, California.

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL (Scherer, Chair, Acting)

In Attendance:	Torry Brean	Jim Cooper	Scotty Ensign
	Casey Lynch	Kristi Mansolf	Donna Myers
	Dan Scherer	Paul Stykel	Dan Summers
	Richard Tomlinson		

Excused Absence: Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas

Dan Scherer, RCPG Vice-Chair, acted as Chair of the meeting, Scotty Ensign, RCPG member, acted as Vice-Chair of the meeting, and Kristi Mansolf, RCPG Secretary, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

ITEM 2: Pledge of Allegiance

ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING 1-12-17.

Ms. Mansolf said she copied the minutes, then found a small discrepancy and made a revision. The minutes emailed to the RCPG members had the correction in it.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING JANUARY 12, 2017, AS PRESENTED, WITH THE CORRECTION BY MS. MANSOLF.

Upon motion made by Jim Cooper and seconded by Donna Myers, the motion **passed 9-0-1-0-5**, with Mr. Ensign abstaining, and Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

ITEM 4: Announcements and Correspondence Received

Ms. Mansolf reported that she received an anonymous letter from someone who said they felt Taco Bell was discouraged from being in Ramona due to design requirements, and there are now 2 in Poway. She noted that the Taco Bell in Ramona is open, so maybe the writer of the letter was unaware of the location.

ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on posted agenda.

Speaker: Curt Betz, Ramona Resident

Mr. Betz wanted to know when the RCPG would look at capital road improvement projects (CIP) for roads? He would like to see Etcheverry Road be placed on the list of roads to be paved.

Mr. Cooper suggested Mr. Betz watch the paper for when the CIP list will be coming up on the RCPG and Transportation/Trails Subcommittee agenda, and then come to the meetings and remind us of the road request at that time.

Ms. Mansolf requested he include his contact information on his speaker slip so she can let him know when the item will be coming up.

ITEM 6: APPROVAL OF ORDER OF THE AGENDA (Action)

Ms. Mansolf requested to move Item 7-D to 7-A if there were no other speakers on any of the earlier items, since someone was in attendance for Item 7-D.

MOTION: TO MOVE ITEM 7-D TO 7-A.

Upon motion made by Kristi Mansolf and seconded by Scotty Ensign, the motion **passed 10-0-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

ITEM 7: ACTION ITEMS:

7-D: Report on 1-25-17 Board of Supervisors Meeting regarding the Medical Marijuana Ordinance; Consideration of Future Direction – *Taken out of order*

Mr. Scherer said the item went to the Board of Supervisors on January 25, 2017, and the Supervisors did not take action on the options presented.

Speaker: Joe Minervini, Ramona Resident

Mr. Minervini said Supervisor Jacob is pushing for a ban with a 5 year amortization clause for those dispensaries that open. He feels pharmacies should dispense medical marijuana.

Speaker: Chris Brown, Consultant

Mr. Brown said that if a ban goes into effect, 3 medical marijuana dispensaries will open. Three are vested in Ramona and they won't be going away. If a ban goes in, there will probably be an initiative. Instead of being limited to industrial areas, they may also end up in commercial and residential areas. Newly seated Supervisor Kristin Gaspar supports a ban, along with Supervisor Horn and Supervisor Jacob. Mr. Brown said a good compromise could be worked out.

Mr. Minervini spoke again. The County can ban the sell or use of medical marijuana. It is still against Federal law. The RCPG did not address this item when it came up in 2010 or it wouldn't be here now.

Mr. Lynch said the City of La Mesa had a ban and then they changed their position. They have had 81 applicants.

Mr. Cooper said if the ban is passed, the 3 current sites would open and then operate for 5 years. California passed a law so that in the future recreational marijuana will be available. He studied the issue at UCSD and learned that vaping will work for some of the ailments medical marijuana treats. For use in children 8 and up, marijuana can cause irreparable changes to their brain chemistry. He will continue to support the current RCPG stance. The City of San Diego has begun to pass guidelines for recreational marijuana.

Ms. Myers said she watched the Supervisors meeting. Other planning groups were not aware of the RCPG preference of option 8. Regarding the meeting, she listened to the people who wanted to farm. She worked at a school and she feels the message there was to “just say no.” She feels the message of preferring option 8 is not in keeping with the “just say no” campaign.

Mr. Stykel says he supports option 8. He supports business people. Why put money into a business just to shut it down? He supports the industry.

Mr. Tomlinson said that a grow facility is going in on Pine Street/Highway 78. A lot of pipes are being put in.

The Chair said that the RCPG was the only planning group that attended the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors hearings on the medical marijuana issue. Other planning groups had the same opportunities as the RCPG, but did not get involved.

There was discussion on the cultivation end of the industry. If there is a ban, cultivation would be banned, too.

Mr. Cooper said he felt it was important to send concurrence back to the Supervisors.

MOTION: TO BRING FORWARD OUR ORIGINAL PROPOSAL (OPTION 8) AND NOT SUPPORT A BAN ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES, AND INCLUDE A MINOR USE PERMIT AS PER THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION.

Upon motion made by Paul Stykel and seconded by Jim Cooper, the motion **failed 7-3-0-0-5**, with Donna Myers, Dan Summers and Richard Tomlinson voting no, and Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

Mr. Cooper said he planned to attend the Planning Commission meeting and he would speak as an individual.

7-A: (Parks Subcommittee Meeting Item) Discussion and update of PLDO proposed language change and boundary adjustment; community’s recommendation on the proposed creation of a new Local Park Planning Area (LPPA) boundary that would align with the Community or Subregional Plan boundary. – Taken out of order

Mr. Scherer said that there was a Parks meeting on January 23. There was no quorum, but Marcus Lubich was there and he discussed the LPPA boundary realignment. Ramona will lose and gain some areas with the alignment. Ramona will have Barona within its boundaries, but they are a Federal entity and will not generate PLDO income for the community. One gain area that has some development potential is by SDCE.

MOTION: THAT THE PARKS BOUNDARY CHANGES, AS SUBMITTED BY MARCUS LUBICH, BE APPROVED.

Upon motion made by Jim Cooper and seconded by Torry Brean, the motion **passed 10-0-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

7-B: Discussion of PLDO Projects Update

For the PLDO update, the Girls Softball LED Scoreboard project has been approved for \$128,000; the Ramona Soccer League Field Expansion has been approved for \$270,000; and the 9 hole disc golf course and 15 lane horseshoe pitching concourse for a total of \$190,000. The Barnett School project was \$92,000 and the Ramona High School Dugout project was for \$100,000. After everything is done, there will be less than \$90,000, which will be used for the skateboard park. The skateboard park plans to use matching funds. The people working on the skateboard park are well organized and moving forward.

7-C: Naming of the 13th St Bridge

Ms. Mansolf was told, by Jim Piva, that the County has no policy in place for naming a bridge. Until there is a policy to name a bridge, bridges won't be named.

Mr. Ensign said he would like for this item to continue being on the agenda.

Mr. Cooper said there is a process in place. By 16th Street there is a bridge built over the stream and there is a plaque on it. He would like to know what the process was for that project.

MOTION: TO SEND A LETTER TO THE COUNTY REQUESTING A POLICY BE DEVELOPED TO NAME A BRIDGE.

Upon motion made by Richard Tomlinson and seconded by Casey Lynch, the motion **passed 10-0-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

7-D: Report on 1-25-17 Board of Supervisors Meeting regarding the Medical Marijuana Ordinance; Consideration of Future Direction – Taken out of order before Item 7A

ITEM 8: GROUP BUSINESS (Possible Action)

8-A: Election of Officers for 2017: Chair and Vice-Chair

The Chair opened nominations for Chair for 2017.

Mr. Cooper nominated Dan Scherer and Ms. Mansolf seconded the nomination.

Mr. Stykel nominated Torry Brean and Ms. Meyers seconded the nomination

Speaker: Joe Minervini, Ramona Resident

Mr. Minervini said he would like to see Torry Brean be RCPG Chair.

The Chair closed nominations.

Vote:

Torry Brean:	Torry Brean
Jim Cooper:	Dan Scherer
Scotty Ensign:	Dan Scherer
Chris Holloway:	Absent
Frank Lucio:	Absent
Casey Lynch:	Dan Scherer

Kristi Mansolf:	Dan Scherer
Donna Myers:	Torry Brean
Elio Noyas:	Absent
David Ross:	Absent
Dan Scherer:	Dan Scherer
Paul Stykel:	Torry Brean
Dan Summers:	Dan Scherer
Rick Terrazas:	Absent
Richard Tomlinson:	Torry Brean

Torry Brean: 4 Votes
Dan Scherer: 6 Votes

Mr. Brean withdrew his name from consideration for RCPG Chair.

MOTION: TO CONFIRM DAN SCHERER AS RCPG CHAIR.

Upon motion made by Kristi Mansolf and seconded by Scotty Ensign, the motion **passed 8-2-0-0-5**, with Donna Myers and Richard Tomlinson voting no, and Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

Mr. Brean was asked if he would serve as RCPG Vice Chair, and he confirmed that he would.

MOTION: TO CONFIRM TORRY BREAN AS RCPG VICE CHAIR.

Upon motion made by Jim Cooper and seconded by Casey Lynch, the motion **passed 10-0-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

8-B: Appointment of Subcommittee Chairs for 2017 (Chair)

Mr. Scherer brought forward the following names for subcommittee chairs: Paul Stykel, CUDA; Elio Noyas, South; Kristi Mansolf, West; Frank Lucio, East; Casey Lynch, Parks; and Jim Cooper, T&T.

MOTION: TO CONFIRM THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS FOR SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS: PAUL STYKEL, CUDA; ELIO NOYAS, SOUTH; KRISTI MANSOLF, WEST; FRANK LUCIO, EAST; CASEY LYNCH, PARKS; AND JIM COOPER, T&T.

Upon motion made by Jim Cooper and seconded by Paul Stykel, the motion **passed 10-0-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

8-C: Annual County Training for Planning Group Members; Biennial Ethics Training; and Form 700

The Chair gave a reminder for RCPG members to complete their annual planning group training, biennial ethics training, and to complete the Form 700.

8-D: DESIGN REVIEW REPORT (Ensign) – Update on Projects Reviewed

Mr. Ensign gave the Design Review Board report. Casa Rustica came in with corrections. They will be having pottery, art and a monument sign. They will be back before Design Review in the future. The La Cocina mural was reviewed.

Mr. Cooper said there was discussion of linking the sign to Ramona. There was a motion to redraw the mural and bring it back.

Mr. Ensign said 3 representatives met with the County regarding the illegal signs throughout Ramona. There is a new Code Enforcement officer, and the meeting was very productive.

8-E: Discussion Items (Possible Action)

8-E-1: Concerns from Members – *None*

8-E-2: Future Agenda Item Requests

Mr. Summers requested putting a permanent barrier between Cloudy Moon Drive and Rockhouse Road on the agenda. He has reviewed data, and in 5 years there have been 10 accidents and 5 fatalities.

Ms. Mansolf said she would like the RCPG to look at the road improvement proposed in the future to widen SR-67 to 4 lanes, which would include between Archie Moore and Mussey Grade Road. Between Cloudy Moon Drive and Mussey Grade Road, there are over 60 private road easements in this 3-1/2 mile stretch, with approximately 30 on both sides of SR-67 and only a few left turn lanes. There have been accidents where SR-67 has already been improved to 4 lanes, and she is concerned with making it all 4 lane because it will be difficult for the people living along the highway to cross the highway to get to and from their private road easements.

8-E-3: Addition and Confirmation of New Subcommittee Members

Mr. Cooper said he would like to add Dan Summers to the Transportation/Trails Subcommittee.

MOTION: TO ADD DAN SUMMERS TO THE TRANSPORTATION/TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE.

Upon motion made by Jim Cooper and seconded by Paul Stykel, the motion **passed 10-0-0-5**, with Chris Holloway, Frank Lucio, Elio Noyas, Dave Ross and Rick Terrazas absent.

8-F: Meeting Updates

8-F-1: Board of Supervisor and Planning Commission Meetings – *Integrated into the meeting*

8-F-2: Future Group Meeting Dates – Next RCPG Meeting to be 3-2-17 at the Ramona Community Library, 7 p.m.

ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Mansolf

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The RCPG is advisory only to the County of San Diego. Community issues not related to planning and land use are not within the purview of this group. **Item #5: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the RCPG on any subject within the group's jurisdiction that does not appear as an item on this agenda. The RCPG cannot discuss these matters except to place them on a future agenda, refer them to a subcommittee, or to County staff. Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes. Please fill out a speaker request form located at the rear of the room and present to Vice Chairperson.**

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