SAN DIEGUITO PLANNING GROUP
7:00 pm, Thursday, June 10th, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER: - 7:05 pm
   Present: L. Lemarie, N. Christenfeld, P. Fisch, D. Dill, B. Nelson, S. Williams, D. Willis
   Absent: S. Fogg, J. Zagara, S. Thomas

2. AGENDA REVIEW

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

4. OPEN FORUM
   Evlyn Andrade, Policy Advisor, Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer | Third District: New BOS programs being implemented focus on Best Practices, Evidence Based, Bio-Diversity, Sustainable as a roadmap for assisting in executing the annual County budget process for greater public transparency.

5. GENERAL PLANNING ITEMS:
   A. General Plan Housing and Safety Elements – Update to County PDS staff presentation of the General Plan Housing and Safety Elements, as well as the creation of a new Environmental Justice Element to the County Planning Commission meeting that was continued to Friday, June 11, 2021.
      No audience or discussion of this topic.
   B. DPW Capital Improvement Project - Prioritization Request 2021 – DPW requests participation in priorities in the SDPG communities of the unincorporated County of San Diego on Road Reconstruction/Reconfiguration/New Roads, Bridge Repair/Reconstruction, Sidewalk/Pathways/Pedestrian Access Ramps, Drainage, Traffic Signals, and Intersections. DPW will use SDPG prioritized list to assist in programming Capital Improvement Project work over the next several years. Input from June meeting to be consolidated in to list submitted to DPW. DPW Contact: Mohsen Maali, Program Manager, 858-694-2825.
      Amanda Parra, DPW CIP Project Manager – soliciting County planning groups for suggestions for Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) in our planning area. The County is compiling a CIP five-year plan. What are the planning group’s top capital improvement projects? County interested in suggestions for new ‘green’ infrastructure projects. The department is studying Pedestrian GAP Analysis (PGA) and will prepare a report identifying projects to encourage more pedestrian travel. The DPW CIP department will look at alternative funding sources such as grants, CalTrans, Federal, SANDAG local gasoline tax revenue to help expedite projects.
   C. The 22nd DAA Horse Park Update – Any changes to Horse Park status since April Meeting concerning the 22nd DAA removing all of the current tenants. SDPG Lead: Beth Nelson, 858-765-2322.
      B. Nelson: The Surf Cup organization has expressed interest in the Horse Park. The Surf Cup continues to over-use of their (old Polo Grounds) operating permit, which allows for ~25 days of events annually, currently the Surf Cup conducts over 80 days of events. The City of San Diego department that monitors/enforces such permits is small and over-worked with nearly 700 city properties to manage.
   D. Del Dios Scenic Hwy Illegal Billboard Signage Update – Any updates since the April SDPG meeting concerning progress on the Del Dios Hwy billboard removal project, working with DPS & DPW

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Michael Johnson, County Code Enforcement - summarized recent Code Enforcement along the Del Dios corridor. Feather signs used by merchants at the Cielo Shopping Center were given notice to remove feather signs by June 15th. Four billboards when researched and identified as being in the road right-of-way. CalTrans permitted two of them in the 1960’s and two are permitted by the County. Though some of the signs added a second sign on the reverse side; determining whether that was permitted. Continue to review with County legal as to whether any of these existing signs can be removed.

S. Williams: Suggests forwarding County Del Dios Scenic Hwy signage guidelines to permit holders.

Peggy Walker (audience): Are signs promoting cannabis products permitted?

M. Johnson: Can’t control what signs say.

E. Community Dark Sky Policy – Zone C Classification. Discuss current dark sky policy infringements in the Community Planning Area and options for enforcement. Also discuss a 10-year process to add the San Dieguito Community Planning Area to the Zone C Dark Sky classification; to become recognized by the International Dark-Sky Association as an International Dark-Sky Community, and protect the Palomar and Mount Laguna observatories from the detrimental effect that light pollution has on astronomical research. Current dark sky policy conforms to the County of San Diego Zone A. Possible guest presenter: Bill Siino, Zone C Dark Sky Policy Expert; SDPG Member: Laurel Lemarie, 858-756-2835.

L. Lemarie: Laurel introduced RSF resident Bill Siino, who has been involved in preparing draft dark sky policy codes for other areas of the unincorporated County. Mr. Siino provided an overview to implementing a planning group area wide uniform dark sky policy with a goal to minimize light pollution.

6. MAJOR PROJECTS AND LAND USE ITEMS:


N. Christenfeld: Request has been communicated to the applicant for photo simulations and cross-section diagram as per other new construction in the scenic hwy corridor that have been submitted for other similar development.

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B. PDS2021-AD-21-008 Administrative Permit, Molnar Fence Modification. Location of 6 foot tall security fence and gated access. Site location: 4722 Sun Valley Road, Del Mar, CA 92014; APN: 302-202-1100. Applicant: Dave and Lisa Molnar, 858-442-1599; Applicant’s Representative: Derek Berg, 760-390-0007; PDS Planner: Tabina Tonekaboni, 858-495-5418; SDPG Member: Don Willis, 858-481-6922.

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D. PDS2021-LDGRMJ-30331 Major Grading Permit. Major grading plan for the import site with excavation of 19,900 cubic yards, fill of 155,600 cubic yards, and import of 135,700 cubic yards to allow for future construction of an equestrian facility. Location: Country Club Drive, Escondido, CA 92029; APN: 235-011-01, 235-011-02. Applicant: H Grove NK Investors, LLC, Santa Monica, CA; PDS Planner (unknown as of
S. Williams: Serous concerns from the community about the scale of the grading and volume of importation of fill.
JP Theberge (audience – EFGH Town Council): pending County grading permit differs greatly from original 2006 EIR description of grading. More than 10k truck trips required to bring in that amount of fill described in the permit application.
Kevin Barnard (audience – TECC): Speculate that the increased import of fill may have to do to other development projects in the area needing to export fill. Escondido Creek is very close by; how will it be impacted?

Jon Dummer/Debbie O’Neill (audience – EFGH Town Council): A large scale horse facility should be required to be shelter-in-place to avoid congestion during a wildfire residential evacuation.

MOTION: S. Williams – prepare comment letter back to County.
SECOND: L. Lemarie
VOTE: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 3-absent, 3-vacancy

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

A. Community Reports
S. Williams: Harmony Grove Village HOA positions are now all village homeowners. Village law enforcement husband and wife tragically perished in a wrong-way accident in South County.
B. Nelson: Night Lighting issues persistent in the covenant. Association dark sky policies need to be enforced.
P. Fisch: Add to the August agenda – 4S Ranch Heritage Park Dog Park.
Judi Stang (audience): recent BOS meeting included a motion to increase cannabis retail business operations square footage from 2k to 10k.

B. Consideration and comments on circulation mail

C. Future agenda items and planning

D. Prospective & returning Planning Group members:
Secretary position OPEN
SDPG member seats #6, #8 and #13 are OPEN.
D. Dill – MOTION to add a new member to the SDPG, Jennifer Callow.
SECOND: L. Lemarie
VOTE: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 3-absent, 3-vacancy

E. Supply orders and reimbursement of expenses.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.

NOTE: The San Dieguito Planning Group currently has THREE vacancies, Seat #6, Seat #8 and Seat #13. If you wish to become a member of the SDPG, please provide the chair with your current resume and plan to attend 2 or 3 meetings in advance of processing your application for membership.


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