

**County of San Diego
Spring Valley Community Planning Group
P.O. Box 1637, Spring Valley, CA 91979**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2019; 7:00 p.m.**

**Meeting Location: Otay Water District Headquarters
2554 Sweetwater Spring Boulevard, Spring Valley, CA 91978**

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A. Members

seat	Name	absent	seat	Name	absent
1	Elizabeth "Liz" Lavertu (Co-Chair)		9	Clifton Cunningham	
2	Lora Lowes (Co-Chair)		10	Chris Pearson	
3	Jesse Robles		11	James "Jim" Custeau (Secretary)	
4	Mark Kalsho		12	Adrian Caminos	
5	Marilyn Wilkinson (Vice-Chair)	X	13	Edward Woodruff	
6	John Eugenio		14	Robert "Bob" Eble	X
7	Scott Harris	Arrived 7:35	15	Azucena Flores	X
8	Scott Shaffer				

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Public Comment:

No public Comment

C. Action Items:

1. Action Item description: Tree Removal, 1324 Cornwall Street, Presenter: Harris; Proponent: Sundahl. Request to remove Jacaranda tree. The tree is diseased and dying. The adjacent property owner is concerned about the tree falling. The property owner agrees to have it removed. The group reviewed the pictures provided by the county.

Motion: To support the county decision to remove this tree.

M/S: (Lavertu/Eugenio)

Vote: Aye(11); No(0); Abstain0 Absent:(4); Vacant: (0)

Motion: Passed

2. Action Item description: Presentation Spring Valley Skate Park Committee, Presenter: Christian M. Gregorio, Lezlie Hurtado and Felix Guerrero. These residents addressed the group to discuss the potential for a new skate park in Spring Valley. At one time there was a skate park in Spring Valley called "Skate Board Heaven" – 1977-79 (where the 125 freeway is now located). There are several locations that might be a good fit for a new park. One possible location is the current Caltrans lot along Sweetwater Rd. The speaker indicated that being able to skate at the old Spring Valley Skate park helped him stay out of trouble while he was growing up. There are grants available to help build a park. They would prefer a family-oriented park where family members, who

aren't skaters, could comfortably visit. There is interest in possibly including a BMX park adjacent to this park. Skate Boarding will be an Olympic Sport in the next Summer Olympics. Chris Pearson is willing to draft the letter of support.

Motion: Write a letter of general support for a skate park in Spring Valley.

M/S: (Lowe/Caminos)

Vote: Aye(11); No(0); Abstain:(0); Absent:(4) Vacant: (0)

Motion: Passed

3. Action Item description: Proposal to Create Subcommittee concerning M54, Presenter: Lavertu. The planning group used to have a sub-committee that looked at M-54 properties to address code violations and other concerns which can lead to unsightly properties. Member Wilkinson would like to see this start up again. Robles suggested that this committee address the rewrite of the SV Sign Design Guidelines as well. The sub-committee members will be: Robles, Wilkinson, Harris, Custeau.

Motion: Move that we form a sub-committee to look at M-54 properties and address potential changes to the signage portion of the Spring Valley Design Guidelines.

M/S: (Robles/Harris)

Vote: Aye(12); No(0); Abstain:(0); Absent:(3); Vacant: (0)

4. Action Item description: Proposal to Support Valle de Oro's Subcommittee on Short Term Rentals, Presenter: Robles. Two meetings ago we discussed this briefly. Valley De Oro has had issues with people renting out their properties for short-term rentals. They sent a proposal to Supervisor Jacob's office to address this issue. There seems to be issues with large companies buying up homes and turning this into a big business. That is quite different from individual home owners who live in their home, renting out rooms or their home on a temporary basis. Caminos, Robles, Kalsho and Shaffer are willing to serve on this sub-committee

Motion: Form a subcommittee

M/S: (Shaffer/Robles)

Vote: Aye(9); No(3); Abstain:(0); Absent:(3); Vacant: (0)

D. Approval of Minutes of February 12, 2019.

M/S: (Pearson/Woodruff) approve minutes as amended.

Vote: Aye (9); No: (0); Abstain: (3); Absent: (3); Vacant: (0)

E. GROUP BUSINESS

1. Announcements: Lowe stated that the Otay Water District is potentially interested in selling land near Dictionary Hill that might a good location for a parking area to serve people visiting the open space. Dictionary Hill Open Space Association is warming to the idea of providing parking and a focal point for access to the Park.
2. Lowe says there is a rumor Caltrans may no longer be interested in selling its surplus land adjacent to Calavo Drive. Supervisor Jacob sent a letter to Caltrans indicating the County is interest in acquiring this property for a future park.
Lastly, Lowe stated that Supervisor Jacob is really interested in getting a trail built around Sweetwater Reservoir.

3. Kalso asked for an update on the planning group logo design competition – Lavertu says it is currently under legal review at the county.
4. Next meeting: March 26, 2019

F. ADJOURNMENT: 8:03 P.M.