

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

**Regular Meeting Minutes  
TUESDAY, March 23, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

Join Meeting on-line:

<https://zoom.us/j/99098366187?pwd=WWFmS3g5Syt0TUVJSldiZ1FOck11UT09>

Meeting ID: 990 9836 6187

Passcode: 501981

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**A. Members**

seat	Name	absent	seat	Name	absent
1	Tiffany Gonzalez		9	Rod Gibbons	
2	Lora Lowes		10	Chris Pearson	
3	Jesse Robles		11	James "Jim" Custeau Chair	
4	Mark Kalsho	X	12	Victoria Abrencia	
5	Marilyn Wilkinson		13	Edward Woodruff	
6	John Eugenio		14	Robert "Bob" Eble	
7	Scott Harris	X	15	Tim Snyder Vice-Chair	
8	Scott Shaffer Secretary				

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

**B. Public Comment:** Robles introduced San Miguel Fire Chief Criss Brainard. Chief Brainard expressed his interest in working closely with our planning group. Kathleen Lippitt brought up three concerns regarding the emergence of a legal Cannabis market to include water usage, road safety, and increases in crime. Judi Strang spoke against a legal Cannabis market due to potential cannabis delivery to minors and THC content in Cannabis

**C. Presentation:** Planning & Development Services (PDS) will present information on its efforts to streamline discretionary permit processing. The County's streamlining process is an effort led by the Board of Supervisors to reduce the time and cost of discretionary permit processing. Discretionary permits require general and project specific conditions of approval and mitigation measures to meet State and County regulations and requirements and to address environmental impacts. Examples of discretionary permits include: Tentative Maps, Tentative Parcel Maps, Administrative Permits, Site Plans, and Major Use Permits. Through the County's streamlining effort, we aim to improve the process of applying for these permits while continuing to balance community, economic, and environmental interests that enhance the quality of life in the unincorporated area of San Diego county.

The following topics will be covered:

1. Updating discretionary permit applications and forms.
2. Updating internal discretionary permit processing procedures.

3. Revising public noticing procedures for discretionary permits.

**D. Action Items:**

**1. Discount Tire; 491 Sweetwater Rd; APN:584-520-27-00; PDS2021-STP-21-005.** This project involves the demolition of an existing building and construction of a new building for automotive tire service and repair. Presenter: Lowes; Proponent: Candyce Burnett

*Lowes provided project overview with several concerns including landscaping, architectural relief in the north elevation, entrance, illumination plan, and the general incompleteness of the plan. Gibbons asked questions whether the parking lot would be resurfaced? Robles highlighted the challenges in the process where we receive plans that are not complete or lack information. Custeau concurs with the recommendation to move the entrance to the north side. Abrenicia recommends the parking lot be resurfaced. Proponents were present and appreciated the feedback. Proponents look forward to working with the planning group going forward. Group indicated that this project needs full site plan approval.*

**No action taken at this time**

**E. Approval of Minutes of March 9, 2021 meeting.**

**Motion:** Approve the minutes of March 9, 23 2021 meeting as amended

**M/S:(Pearson / Snyder)**

**Vote: Aye (12); No (0); Abstain (0); Absent (2); Vacant (1)**

**Motion: Passes**

**F. GROUP BUSINESS**

1. Announcement: Custeau brought up concerns about new zoning plans from the county and we will have a special meeting next week. Also, Custeau reminded members to complete their Form-700's and I-1 Training.
2. Reports: Robles reports from PDS that they did a clean up at Orville St and that residents wanted restrooms and cleaning stations removed. However, the county is following CDC guidelines. Also, Spring Valley Community Recreation Center as a potential COVID-19 vaccine area. Wilkinson requests members send her submissions for roads that need resurfaced.
3. New projects: None
4. Next meeting: March 30, 2021

**G. ADJOURNMENT: 8:37 PM**