

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

**Regular Meeting Minutes
TUESDAY, February 22, 2022, 7:00 P.M.**

Join Meeting on-line:

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Chair: Tim Snyder E-mail: tsnydersvcpg@gmail.com; Facebook: [Spring Valley Planning Group](#)

A. Members

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

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

B. Public Comment:

Mr. John Eugenio spoke about landscaping around post office on Austin Road and was wondering if the planning group could put a letter together or something to improve that landscaping.

Mr. Malcolm Gettmann asked what the future plans for the old 54 route right of way and brought up concerns about cars parked outside of auto body shops on various roads in La Presa community.

Ms. Carol Green shared about recent reports of DUI accidents from last year and mentioned statistics of those accidents that involved use of drugs in addition to alcohol.

C. Action Items:

1. Jim Bolz, Project Manager – County of San Diego Capital Improvements Program, Update on Quarry Road Low Water Crossing Community Input.

Mr. Bolz shared the report from recent online survey regarding impact of the road closure and proposed. 90% of the respondents are in favor of improving water crossing with 84% in favor of the option A bridge construction. 62% were highly impacted and 14% were minimally impacted by the road closure.

Eugenio spoke in favor of the rendering of the proposed bridge construction.

Gonzalez spoke positively about the survey response and how the data collected reflects the community need for the project. She hopes the next solicitation for community input will be able to gather more input to support this data with a larger volume.

Custeau spoke about the planning group's continuous support since 2014 of the construction of this bridge improvement for Quarry Road. He mentioned the availability of funding and reiterates that he is in support of project moving forward.

Abrenica spoke about the known issues regarding emergency delay response times and negative community impacts of the project not being completed. She mentioned her support of the project moving forward for the benefit of the community as a whole.

Mr. Gettman spoke about the history of construction of the project being delayed. He mentioned the pollution left behind as a result of flooding. He also spoke about the acquisition of local business property being limited to spaces not affecting retail and would also serve to improve their property.

Mr. Ted Christiansen spoke about the survey structure and questions. He stated his concerns about the financial detriment to the neighboring businesses.

Ms. Kristine Alessio believes there may be a better solution to the problem and emphasized that there are effects on the surrounding business owners.

2. Marcus Lubich, Senior Park Project Manager, County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation, Update on Calavo Park Progress.

Mr. Lubich gave a thorough update on Calavo Park, including layout, uses, overall progress, and next steps. Park will be open from sunrise to sunset daily and no charge for use. He went over the environmental review that was completed which included biological resources report, cultural resources study, noise and traffic reports.

Custeau gave kudos to those involved in design of park and spoke positively about what this will do for the community.

Eugenio congratulated Mr. Lubich on presentation and mentioned the bus stop in front of the park, inquiring if improvements will be made to that bus stop.

Pierce thanked Mr. Lubich and expressed concerns about what surface would be used for the dog park, remarking also on the park host's pad being blended into the park design. Pierce requested a copy of the presentation slides be sent to the Chair for dissemination to the planning group.

Pearson thanked Mr. Lubich and applauded how suggestions from the community meeting were incorporated. He is excited to see the park completed and open for the public.

Abrenica thanked Mr. Lubich for the work on the park.

Mr. Gettmann asked about shade structures, the entrance off Calavo, if EV charging stations could be incorporated and inquired about the adequacy of fence height around the dog park area.

Mr. Lubich acknowledged that sustainability is important and mentioned the structures and charging stations that would be put in place.

Abrenica asked what would be underneath play areas. Lubich believes the nature play area would have wood chips and the traditional play area would have rubberized floor.

3. Marcus Lubich, Senior Park Project Manager, County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation, Presentation on real property acquisition process for county parks.

Mr. Lubich discussed the PLDO process for community priorities and funding requests. He mentioned different requirements and eligibility criteria for land to be used as parkland and referenced the Park Design Manual.

Pearson inquired about the current acquisition list and how can we find this info. The acquisition coordinator is Eira Whitty, contact eira.whitty@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Pierce inquired if there are plans to make Del Parque and Bancroft Parks functioning parks, exploring a water front park on Sweetwater Reservoir, and hopes for completion of the Sweetwater Reservoir Loop Trail.

Multiple community members and planning group members introduced inquiries about potential parks and projects. Lubich and his team were very responsive and provided various points of contact for community gardens, acquisitions, and other processes for parks and trails development.

4. Jamaela Johnson, Community Representative, Office of Chair Nathan Fletcher, County of San Diego, Fourth District, As a result of the recent IRC (Independent Redistricting Commission) final map, the Spring Valley Community Planning area is no longer within Supervisorial District 2. The planning area is now split between Supervisorial District 1 (the La Presa Census Designated Place) and District 4 (the Spring Valley Designated Place). Jamaela will introduce herself to our planning group members and the members of the community for sharing the pressing issues within our community.

Ms. Johnson is the point of contact for Supervisor Fletcher's office to the districted portion of Spring Valley.

Pearson hopes to bring to the Supervisor's attention the goal of completing the 125/94 interchange.

Lowes mentioned coordinated between the reps from Supervisor Fletcher's and Supervisor Vargas' office for better understanding of the Spring Valley community.

Custeau inquired about his position under District 2 for the Traffic Advisory council.

Gonzalez asked what priorities or projects were on the Supervisor's radar as of yet. The group was encouraged to bring any priorities to Jamaela.

Pierce hopes to see if we are able to give a tour to the Supervisor's office, sooner than later.

Abrenica mentioned space for community garden and expediting use of said space.

Christian from Spring Valley Skate Park introduced himself and his co-chair, spoke about their program in professional skateboard educating. He would like to speak about a network of community engaging outlets, such as skate parks and community gardens, for youth and community members.

Mr. Gettmann introduced himself and his background with the community.

Lora Lowes entered meeting at 7:58pm.

D. Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2022 meeting.

Motion: Approve the minutes of February 8, 2022 meeting

M/S:(Custeau/Pearson)

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

Motion: Passes

E. GROUP BUSINESS

1. Announcements.

- a. Pierce announced Spring Valley Community Alliance will host a community discussion event for mid-March on homelessness and sheriff response times. Pierce reminded of the point-in-time count to occur this Thursday.

2. Reports:

- a. Chair: March 8th meeting will have Connor McGee on code compliance issues. Snyder hopes to have zoning discussion soon but no new projects. Will agendaize a vote for March 8 meeting on whether the planning group will record future meetings.
- b. TAC: Looking to address traffic issue near Bancroft school and near Terrace mobile home park.
- c. Other:

3. Assign projects: No new projects as of today

4. Next meeting: March 8, 2022

F. ADJOURNMENT: 9:35 PM