

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

**Regular Meeting Minutes  
TUESDAY, April 26, 2022, 7:00 P.M.**

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**Chair: Tim Snyder E-mail: [tsnydersvcpg@gmail.com](mailto: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	<b>X</b>	10	Chris Pearson	
3	Jesse Robles		11	James "Jim" Custeau	
4	Chris Pierce		12	Victoria Abrenica Vice-Chair	
5	Hoger "Roger" Saleh	<b>X</b>	13	Edward Woodruff	
6	John Eugenio		14	Robert "Bob" Eble	
7	Scott Harris		15	Tim Snyder Chair	
8	Scott Shaffer				

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

**B. Public Comment:**

Chris Pearson reminded that the staff at Calavo Park is changing and is hoping for a briefing and update on this project soon with the new staff.

Becky Rapp spoke regarding cannabis ordinance being considered by San Diego County. Ms. Rapp expressed concern about the Earth Fair event at Balboa Park which had a "cannabis row" and wants strong language in the ordinance regarding cannabis at public events.

Judi Strang spoke about a recent Board of Supervisors meeting where she shared concerns regarding flavored tobacco products and on the San Diego City Council's recent ban on such products. Ms. Strang feels they should pass a similar ban on flavored cannabis products.

Ryan Trabuco, representative for Supervisor Nora Vargas, shared update on pending items on the Board of Supervisor's agenda, including the improvements to areas of Jamacha Boulevard which is approved, construction will begin in the summer. The County sanitation district is also considering improvements to the Spring Valley outfall near the Spring Valley mall, near intersection of Sweetwater Road and Jamacha Boulevard with construction to begin in summer with completion in the fall. Mr. Trabuco reminded the group that Southbound 125, including on and off ramps, will be closed this coming Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### C. Action Items:

John Eugenio entered meeting at 7:10pm.

**1. Ricky Williams, Land Use/Environmental Planner | Sustainability Planning Division, will provide an update on the Clean Mobility Options project in La Presa.**

Mr. Williams shared about the needs assessment and survey that was completed in the Spring Valley community in terms of mobility. This included infrastructure assessments, such as walkability and access to public transportation for residents. The data gathered demographic information and input on travel needs, regarding areas of travel, and how participants travel. There were 102 participants. Upon completion of the assessment, the options for potential solutions are as follows: community shuttle, electric carshare program, rideshare discounts, and non-vehicular infrastructure improvements. These options will be discussed and a project determined to address the need.

Malcolm Gettmann asked if emissions considerations were taken into account or if there are plans to address this issue.

Pierce expressed concern about the two apartments that were sampled, as they are very close to the shopping center and grocery stores, as opposed to many other complexes and homes which are farther away. He inquired on if there was consideration of the cost of electric vehicles and how the addition of charging stations would improve mobility when the cost of the vehicles is prohibitive to resident being able to use such stations.

Custeau asked if the assessment parallels or looks at the County's climate action plan. He also asked about MTS and bus routes as his perception of seeing these buses through the community is that they do not seem efficiently used.

Abrenica remarked on sustainable options of walking and biking as a more positive area to work on to improve community mobility needs. Efficiency of public transportation should also be addressed so it can be more usable. Abrenica felt there was a lack of perspective as the majority of participants were not of ages of youth.

Robles expressed thanks to the presenters and echoed sentiments of other comments made by others.

Eugenio asked for clarification on the term “environmental justice communities”. He agreed that the electric vehicle solution was probably not suited to this community due to the economic condition of the area and residents.

Abrenica asked if the County might have to work on a program, like Cash for Clunkers, that assists residents in accessing electric vehicle options.

**2. Discretionary Permit Application, PDS2022-ER-22-19-001, PDS2022-MUP-22-002 Wireless telecommunication facility,** install wireless telecommunication equipment on the Monte Vista High School, 3230 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard, Spring Valley CA 91977, football field light with associated equipment within a new concrete block wall enclosure. Presenter is Gibbons, proponent is Franklin Orozco

Pierce asked if the lights on the pole would be replaced with LEDs. Proponent Orozco stated that the lighting company would be in charge of what lighting would be put in place.

Custeau asked for clarification on how and where the new pole would be installed. Mr. Orozco stated that the old pole would be removed and space made that allowed for the new pole. The technology that will be used is 5G. Custeau asked about noise levels of the cooling system that will be used. Mr. Orozco answered that while operating, it will not be significant noise.

Harris asked if there would be any possible health issues with the 5G technology to the students or people in the area. Mr. Orozco answered that an evaluation was performed finding no concern and that these antennae are within standards established by the FCC and should not pose any hazard.

Mr. Gettmann asked what the construction impacts would be of this installation work. Mr. Orozco answered that there should be minimal impact as there is an access gate that will primarily be used for staging and work. He is not aware of what will happen to the old poles, which is up to the school.

**Motion:** Approve the plans as presented.

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

**Vote: Aye (13); No (0); Abstain (0); Absent (2); Vacant (0)**

**Motion: Passes**

**3. “B” Waiver, Request for Exemption from Site Plan Permit Processing, APN 503-290-09-00, New Steel Accessory Building, 8921-B Troy Street, Spring Valley, Ca.** Presenters are Schaffer and Snyder, Proponent is Mike Somo.

Chair Snyder continued this item until the next meeting as information is still being gathered in conversations with the property owner, architect, and the planner.

**4. Request Recommendation for Minor Deviation, APNs 584-420-29-00 and 584-420-30-00, 9536 Jamacha Boulevard, Spring Valley, CA 91977, Automotive Facility.** Exchange previously approved south elevation window system to west elevation, placing the window system with the doors currently on the west elevation to the south elevation. Presenter is Pearson, proponent is Michael Kinoshita.

**Motion:** To approve the plan as presented.

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

**Vote: Aye (13); No (0); Abstain (0); Absent (2); Vacant (0)**  
**Motion: Passes**

**D. Approval of Minutes of April 12, 2022 meeting.**

**Motion:** Approve the minutes of April 12, 2022 meeting

**M/S: (Custeau/Woodruff)**

**Vote: Aye (11); No (0); Abstain (2-Harris, Eble); Absent (2); Vacant (0)**

**Motion: Passes**

**E. GROUP BUSINESS**

1. Announcements.

- a. Chris Pierce shared that there will be coffee with the Sheriff at the auditorium. Adopt-a-highway is doing maintenance on Southbound 125 on Saturday, 4/30. This group will meet at 8am. The Spring Valley Community Alliance held a community forum with guest speakers on community revitalization.

2. Reports:

- a. Chair: Snyder was at the event held by the Spring Valley Community Alliance. Tomorrow the County Board of Supervisors will be voting on the crosswalk at the intersection of Sweetwater and Jamacha.
- b. CSA 128: Abrenica updated that Spring Valley Earth Day was held at Lamar County Park on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. A meeting of CSA128 will be next Tuesday.
- c. TAC: Custeau spoke about all-way stops set to be put in at Lamar Street intersections with Helix Street and Vista Drive but this needs to be approved by the Board of Supervisors prior to the installation work. He estimates they will be up toward the end of summer. He reviewed a priority list of items and shared the Local Roadway Safety Plan.
- d. Highway Cleanup: Eugenio updated about the cleanup on Southbound 125 this Saturday.

3. Assign projects: No new projects as of today. Pending more information on incoming projects.

4. Next meeting: May 10, 2022

**F. ADJOURNMENT: 8:40 PM**