

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

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 7:00 P.M.

Otay Water District Headquarters
2554 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard
Spring Valley, CA 91978

A. Members

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| 1. Elizabeth Lavertu (A) | 9. Clifton Cunningham |
| 2. Lora Lowes (Chairperson) | 10. Scott Harris (A) |
| 3. Jesse Robles | 11. Jim Custeau (Vice Chairperson) |
| 4. Pete Saucedo | 12. Walter Lake |
| 5. Veronica Spagnolo (A) | 13. Edward Woodruff |
| 6. John Eugenio | 14. Robert Eble |
| 7. Coreena Mulloy | 15. Azucena Flores (Secretary) (A) |
| 8. Scott Shaffer | |

Chairperson Lowes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of 9 members present. Group members Eble and Robles and Cunningham arrived at approximately 7:04.

B. Approval of Minutes

Vice Chairperson Custeau moved to approve the minutes for October 10, 2017. Shaffer seconded.

Vote: Aye: 8 No: 0 Abstain: 3 (Eble, Robles, Cunningham) Absent: 4 Vacant: 0
Motion Passed.

C. Public Comment

Brookside resident, Brian Labania, read a statement to the group outlining road maintenance problems in the Brookside area, the lack of sidewalks which necessitates walking on the street, and the inherent danger of walking on streets in disrepair. He encouraged the board to add this area to the suggested list of repairs submitted to the County.

D. Action Items

1. S.D. County Traffic – All way stop at Apple/LaPresa/Banock. Proponent - Zoubir Ouadah; Presenter – Custeau

County of San Diego traffic engineer, Zoubir Ouadah, presented the County’s plan to create an all way stop at this intersection. After discussion, a motion was made by Custeau, seconded by Eugenio to endorse the traffic engineer’s study and support the all way stop and continental crosswalk, along with the possible relocation of the stop sign at Banock Street and La Presa Avenue.

Vote: Aye: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 4 Vacant: 0
The motion passed.

2. Marijuana Licensing and advertisement – proponent Lt. Tom Seiver, San Diego County Sheriff’s Dept.; Presenter – Lowes

Lieutenant Tom Seiver from the San Diego County Sheriff’s Department to address the group on the large number of marijuana dispensaries in Spring Valley, particularly along Bancroft Ave., and the blatant advertising in adjacent markets that is clearly visible to children.

Lieutenant Seiver gave a thorough presentation of all the factors and obstacles facing the Sheriff in their efforts to shut down illegal dispensaries. Seiver has a six-person task force solely assigned to identifying and attempting to shut down illegal dispensaries, and they have raided several dispensaries this year. Items of note were the reluctance of the district attorney’s office to prosecute these types of cases, a \$50,000 annual limit on the amount of fines these owners can be assessed, and the huge amount of cash and profit generated by these stores, along with California voters approving recreational use of marijuana.

There was some discussion on the state agency that is being created and will be active in January 2018. No motion or vote was taken.

3. TM-5316TE – Time extension for 13 proposed homes on Montemar Dr. Project is zoned as 2dua. Approximately 8 acres. Proponent - Larry Walsh; Presenter – Woodward

Proponent was not present, and Presenter Woodward explained to the board that it was solely for a time extension, and we will see a full site plan when they are ready to proceed. A motion to approve the time extension was made by Woodward, and seconded by Robles.

Vote: Aye: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 4 Vacant:0
Motion passed.

4. PIA – 5 apartments on property with 2 apartments already existing -1132 Sweetwater Lane; Proponent – C. Lowery, Presenter – Lowes

Proponent Lowery and the landowner were present to explain their plan to build three new units (2 existing units will remain). Their intent was to obtain feedback from the group. No motion was made, and no vote was taken.

5. Proposed Tree removal – 1315 Darby St. Proponent – S. Nelson; Presenter - Lake

Proponent Nelson from the County was not present. Presenter Lake gave a presentation on the removal a large tree in the front of a residence located at 1315 Darby St. It was noted that the tree’s roots were intruding on sewer lines and sidewalks, and there were SDG&E power lines running through portions of the tree. A motion was made by Lake, and seconded by Cunningham to remove the tree and coordinate the removal with SDG&E because of the power lines running through it.

Vote: Aye: 8 No: 2 (Lowes & Cunningham) Abstain: 1 (Mulloy) Absent: 4 Vacant:0 Motion passed.

6. Completion of Rules of Order – standing rules. Lowes

Amendments to Rules of Order regarding appointment of group members for vacant seats was previously approved at the last group meeting. Chairperson Lowes distributed the final rules, and she will forward them to the County for formal approval.

E. Group Business

1. Announcements: Lowes’ attendance at the Stakeholder’s meeting this morning for Casa de Oro rejuvenation was for the County’s information and input from the CPG and others. Our position was that \$50,000 in taxpayer dollars that goes to one portion of another community was not well received. Concern that more money will be given to this project by other communities that will receive no benefit.

2. Correspondence: None

3. Projects: New projects were received and distributed as follows: Roadway improvements – Robles; 9236 Olive cell tower – Mulloy; Proposed day care center – Robles; Jamacha and Grand project – Eble; B waiver request at 948 Grand Ave. 7-11 – Remodel for ADA compliance and improvement – Eble.

4. New Business: A nominating committee formed for nomination of officers for the 2018 year consisting of: Woodruff, Robles, and Shaffer.

5. Meetings: Next SVCPCG meeting is set for November 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Otay Water District Headquarters, 2554 Sweetwater Springs Boulevard. There will be only one meeting in December, on the 12th.

F. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10 p.m.