

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY

May 1, 2018 7:00PM

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Steve Stonehouse brought the meeting to order at 7:00

Item #1: Roll call: Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Harriet Taylor, co-chair, Liz Stonehouse, secretary, Uwe Werner, Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek, Michael Garrod, Rick Blacklock, Irene Blacklock, Sheri Todus, Judy Tieber, Tony Tieber, John Taylor, Daryl Hern

Excused: James Stokos

Item #2: Move to approve: With following changes, \$500 K and 13 members voted Diane Carter Abstained.

Item #3: No one spoke. Steve Stonehouse as chair asked for a motion. Michael Garrod so moved to move item #5 to next position. Sheri seconded. 14 voted aye.

Action Items

Item #5: Presentation by Jeff Phair concerning PDS-2018-LP-18-023 Carriage Hill Estates, an 18 home development, adjacent to intersection of Quarry Rd. and Sweetwater Road. Former U>S. Grant Jr. property. The actual address is 5771 Sweetwater Road. Mr. Phair stated that two and one half acres of the land has been set aside for a wildlife pass through adjacent to a connection to the Regional Trail system. There would be a DG park with no play equipment and no swimming pool. He wanted a trail to go from the Animal Shelter to Degan Drive to be a connector.

Per Diane's question, he answered that the Grant Jr.'s house was first to be a sale's office then become a historic home. The properties were to be 'horsey' in aspect but not horse property. There were to be 18 homes on 7 and ½ acres. There would be no cars on the street. Ground would break when the paperwork was finished.

Item #4: Taken out of turn. PDS-2018-STP-18-001 Starbucks renovation 5035 Central Ave. Cross Street Bonita Road. Chris Post ATC Design presenting. Chris stated that Starbucks was planning to demolish the building it is in now, and renovate the building that the Mexican Restaurant is in now and make part of that property into a drive-thru. To Uwe's question about time-about 6 months total. Diane requested that the architecture remain as the rest of the Center. Rick asked that the lighting follow the design guidelines for Sweetwater. Harriet thought the wait for drive-thru was too long as exemplified by Spring Valley's wait time. Liz wanted to be assured that no oleander would be planted.

Another problem seemed to be the amount of cars turning onto Bonita Road to turn left toward Bonita. The drive-thru would exit the cars onto Central. A resident from Bonita Glen Terrace complained that cars exiting from the Shopping Center made turning from his street onto Central very hard. Liz mentioned the lack of handicapped parking and was told that more further away caused issues.

Motion: To accept the Starbuck's proposal with the following: that appropriate signage is used: that a striping of the parking nearest the Post Office be considered as part of their proposal. Rick. Sheri seconded. Vote: 11 Aye, two noe; Harriet and John Taylor, Abstention: Tony Teiber. One absent: James Stokos

Non-Action Items

Item #6. Presentation by Parks and Recreation regarding Bonita Community Garden. Chelsea Vander Project Manager reported: The back side of the Pinery is less than three acres. It is fallow ground. We are proposing to have a gate on Sweetwater Road with 88 parking spaces. The garden itself would be low visual impact, using a raised-bed concept of various sizes from 20'x20' to 10'x20' plots. The alleys between would be 13 feet across to allow access of wheel barrows. The site operators would be responsible for trash pick-up and locking gates and sheds. Diane requested an educational garden and that the area be more like Escondido than Imperial Beach.

Item #7: Victor Avina with a Community update: Sunnyside Elementary Safety is adding rectangular beacons. They should be in in about 8 weeks. CHP offered stop signs that would flash as help at the Central and Bonita Road cross walks. This will come with the trail alignment which is going before the Board on June 20th not after the bike course is finished. San Miguel Road has agreed to have certification down to twenty-five to catch speeders. Public Works radar enforcement and CHP Captain agreed to put stop signs at San Miguel and Proctor Valley. Something is going to be done about the wide area of San Miguel by Sunnyside School.

Victor was asked to get someone out to get debris, a couch and fallen branches out of the right of way along San Miguel Road. Judy complained about people driving in the middle of the road on Proctor Valley.

Item #8: Trails Report: The bike park is coming along. There is a request for a stop sign by the Tieber Trail. The cemetery trail at Glen Abbey is out for bid. The new bridge in the River Bottom by the driving range washed out. There was a clean-up at the end of Conduit Road on April 21st. The workers took 4000lbs of garbage out. Along with Arundo cane which made up half, they removed 2000lbs of homeless garbage. The homeless are now all up and down the parkland. Hopefully they will move on before October's nesting season.

Adjournment: 9:30 PM
Liz Stonehouse, Secretary

Next meeting June 5, 2018 Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station.

