

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 7:00PM
Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Administrative Items

Chair, Felix Felix called the meeting to order at 7:10.

Item #1: Roll call by Liz Stonehouse - Michael Clowers, Uwe Werner, Harriet Taylor, Patty O'Mara, Michael Garrod, Daniel Diaz, Felix Felix, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, John Taylor, and Penni Neely. Excused: Mark Kukuchek and Lori Noe.

Item #2: Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #3: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Planning Group on any subject within Planning Group's purview but not on the agenda. Presentations are limited to three minutes, and no action can be taken. John asked that we meet Paloma on her turf as quickly as possible. Liz mentioned that Harriet's 'night sky' comment should have been 'Dark Sky' as that was what the initiative was called. Felix agreed. Bonita Optimists are having a blood drive.

Action Items

Item #4: Approval of order of the agenda - Liz made the motion, Uwe seconded. Passed with 12 voting Aye, no noes, two excused and one chair vacant.

Item#5: PLDO for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 presented by Chair. After much discussion, the PLDO list remains the same with added requests for benches every ¼ to ½ mile on our trails and Morrison Pond along with more trash cans and recycling receptacles. The other addition was to include converting the abandoned animal shelter into a Community Recreation Center with several programs for trail use, fitness and afterschool programs. Liz motioned to accept, Uwe seconded. Passed with 12 voting Aye, no noes, two excused and one chair vacant.

Non-Action Items

Item #6: Presentation on Community Nuisance Noise, associated enforcement challenges and proposed solutions through stakeholder collaboration by Jesse Connor, Bonita-Sunnyside resident - Jesse started his presentation with whining noise and went on to give stats on what sleep deprivation can do, also discussing the sources of the noise, and the difficulty with Sheriff's resolve. The Sheriff's non-emergency number is 1-858-565-5200 and you need to be persistent with noise complaint calls to get a response. Most everyone had a story or

suggestion, but the solution is to get new I.B. Lieutenant Chris Galve involved so he can provide resolve.

Item #7: Code Compliance on Noise and Other Misc. Ordinances: presented by Chief, Departmental Operations Code Compliance Division Conor McGee and Code Compliance Gerardo Vargas & Pablo Colins - The current noise codes are from 1982. Once again almost everyone had a story of suggestion. At the end of the discussion, Conor gave an email contact:
PDS.codecompliance@sdcounty.ca.gov.

Item #8: LAFCO Commission Hearing to Annex 10.7-acre Parcel in Bonita to the San Diego County Sanitation District for Wastewater Services for Secure Self-Storage Facility, Review - The annexation passed unanimously.

Item #9: Update from Supervisor Paloma Aguirre. Staffer absent.

Item #10 Assembly Member David Alvaraez's update. Ernesto Castaneda was absent.

Item #11: Community Update: Harriet Taylor: The Auto Zone in Bonnie Brae Center has stalled. Consideration was brought up about ensuring downward-facing lighting was implemented and that other lighting was removed in parking lot. They spent a lot on the new drainage pond.

Item #12: Trails Update: Mark Kukuchek absent.

Item#13: Traffic Advisory Update: Mike Clowers: The next meeting is on Friday. There is nothing for us or Spring Valley on that agenda.

Item #14: Ad Hoc updates for San Miguel Community Watershed. Nothing to report.

Item #15 Design Reviews update- Nothing to report.

Item#16. Adjournment: 9:10

Our next meeting will be November 4, 2025.

Respectfully submitted:
Liz Stonehouse, Acting Secretary