

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY

November 1, 2016 7:00PM

Sweetwater Community Church Basement

5305 Sweetwater Road, Bonita Ca. Across from The Pinery

Administrative Items

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

Item #2: Approval of Minutes from September 6, 2016. Sheri moved to approve. Doc seconded. Passed, Abstentions: Irene, Doc, John, Harriet, Judy, Tony. Aye 9, seven abstentions. Passed.

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. No action can be taken on items not on the published agenda but can be added to future agendas for action. None

Action Items

Item #4: Approval of 2016-2017 PLDO Project priority list.

Refurbishing the kiosk at Summit Park was not feasible. Liz again pushed for trash cans on the Bonita Road side of Morrison Pond Preserve. The walking course was a no.

Mark made the following motion: That last year's PLDO list remain with the single exception that the number one item should be the creation of a bike skills area in or near Summit Park. We know that a feasibility study is necessary. Diane Seconded.

Vote: Aye 14 abstentions, 1 Tony Tieber.

Non-Action Items

Item #5: Review of revised plans submitted to County for PDS2016-MUP-16-010 Ace Self Storage, Bonita Road next to Bonita Sunnyside Fire Station. Presented by Brad Bailey. Mr. Bailey brought his architect who described the project. We had both large and small diagrams and plot maps to look at. He gave a short synopsis of what

had changed since the last time he came and gave a presentation and asked for views on the subject.

Also in attendance was Ben Mills the County Planner on this project. He shared with the gathering the County process of reviewing, voting on any plan that would come before Planning Group and or the County.

From the Chairs:

At the moment there is still no scoping letter from County. After that, the project goes to the Traffic consultants to see how the roads have to be changed to accommodate this project.

From the Group: The developer needs a Major use Permit. This is really early in the process, and when we are done, it still has to go to the Planning Commission.

Weeding out the many, many comments made during the time of interested party input we have questions about: what can be stored in units: household and business items, no hazardous materials. A question about the raising of the crime rate: in Brad's other facility no crime in three years. Will there be security cameras: yes.

A statement that this storage facility was for the residents only. Another that our Planning Group was 'sold' on the project, which has yet to come to a vote. There were many complaints about the landscaping.

There was one person who came to complain about SR125 who was sent to the Civic Association. Another who wanted to talk about the pending project at Tennis Court Lane. He was told that he would be notified when that paperwork came to us.

Item #5: Michael de la Rosa made these comments:

Planning Group is an advisory committee for County. They have the best interests of the Sweetwater Area in mind. Once they vote on a project, then County Staff get to look at it. Then it goes to the Planning Commission to study land use. This area is Rural Residential and according to our guidelines, putting a storage unit where you want it is within the guidelines.

Item #6: Report from PLDO steering Committee: Diane Carter:

The committee is behind the idea of a Bike Skills Park somewhere. The decision of where to put it will be up to the Park Department.

Item #7: Trails Report: There has been some movement on the Three-way stop at San Miguel Road and Procter Valley Road. What is needed is to prove there is indeed a trail crossing there. Once that is done there will be stop signs put in.

Item #8: Announcements: None

Motion to adjourn: Liz: seconded Doc.

Adjournment 9:42 P.M.

Next meeting: December 6, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary,

Sweetwater Community Planning Group