

**County of San Diego
Valle De Oro Community Planning Group
3755 Avocado Blvd. #187
La Mesa, CA 91941**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: August 19, 2014

LOCATION: Otay Water District Headquarter
Training Room, Lower Terrace
2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd.
Spring Valley, California 91978-2004

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

A. **ROLL CALL.** Feathers, Becker, Rand, Perry, Tierney, Myers, Brownlee, Reith, Baillargeon,, Henderson, and Schuppert. Absent: Chapman, Fitchett, Hyatt and Wollitz.

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF August 5, 2014. Vote: 9-0-2-4.

C. Public Communication: None.

D. ACTION ITEMS:

1. AD-14-042. Administrative Permit. The applicant is requesting acceptance of a concrete block wall that exceeds permissible height per Zoning Ordinance. Ms. Henderson presented information and distributed photos of the walls that were taller than permitted by Code, at 10411 Grandview Drive, La Mesa. This request was the result of a codes enforcement complaint. Owner of said property, Thomas Hensley, presented photos and information about the walls, concrete block, and wood slat, which had various heights all above the permitted 6 foot limit. Henderson reported that her concerns centered on the formal complaint, the extent of the concrete block wall, and the importance of supporting and adhering to the regulations in our zoning ordinances versus the cost to the applicant to return the wall to the regulated height. During group discussion, Myers, Feathers, and Schuppert stressed that the code (which allowed 6 foot walls) was not being met, and that any variance should have mitigating factors, and there were no mitigating factors in this request. Ms Henderson informed us of several inaccuracies contained within the application as well. MSC(Henderson/Feathers) to recommend denial of administrative permit as the concrete block wall does not conform to the zoning ordinance. VOTE: 8-2-1-4. Claimant requested the Chair to include his willingness for arbitration in her report. Chair approved Mr. Hensley's request.
2. Presentation Only: Development of a new ordinance for regulating beekeeping. Dr. Tracy Ellis, Dept. of Agriculture, Weights and Measures, County of San Diego presented the proposed regulations. These regulations were discussed. Additional information was presented by Mark Kukuscher, San Diego Beekeepers Association

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and Alan Mikolicy, a professional beekeeper. Schuppert had questions regarding “Area B”, the permitted 20 boxes, the lot sizes, etc.

E. Group Business:

- Chair Myers requested members to review accuracy of roster and email address list. Members requested more information re privacy of information. Chr. Myers will check with clerk of BOS to ascertain what is present on our record and ask what needs to be on that record.
- Chair Myers requested reimbursement approval for expenses totaling \$128.46. MSC(Brownlee/Tierney) to approve request for reimbursement.
- Members reported on the status of projects that had come before VDOCPG in recent months.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM

Anita Reith, Secretary