

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
VALLE DE ORO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
3755 Avocado Blvd. #187
La Mesa, CA 91941

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: January 20, 2015

LOCATION: Otay Water District Headquarters
2554 Sweetwater Springs Blvd.
Spring Valley, CA 91978
Training Room, Lower Terrace

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 PM

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

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF December 2, 2014.
Vote: 12-0-2-1, Baillargeon not present yet.

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: Alyssa Burley introduced herself and her organization, Project Cornerstone. Project Cornerstone is a San Diego-based grassroots organization dedicated to educating the public about the importance of local construction aggregate resources like sand, gravel and crushed stone. Its goals are to inform the public that using locally sourced minerals have environmental and economic benefits; educate students how construction aggregate is produced and where it is used in their everyday lives; promote the use of local resources to satisfy demand; endorse the conservation of classified and designated mineral resources for future development.

D. ACTION ITEMS

1. M-14-014 North Bonita Road, Casa De Oro – Street-side Parking. Mr. Perry introduced the project with pictures of cars parked up on the sidewalk since the road is so narrow. Mr. Michael VandenBergh, a Casa De Oro resident is concerned that the road's narrowness and permissible street-side parking has created hazardous conditions for both drivers and pedestrians. He is asking for the Planning Group's support so that the County will work toward a solution. The County Traffic Department indicated to Ms. Myers that if we support the applicant they will poll every resident on North Bonita and if even one resident is opposed then the project would be referred to the Travel Advisory Committee and then to the Board of Supervisors. No public comments were received. Ms. Chapman questioned when it became legal to park on sidewalks. She supports the applicants desire to ask for no parking. Mr. Rand asked if we could have the cars sited for illegal parking. Mr. Schuppert asked if the overflow parking is from the multi-family housing down the street and wondered where would these people park if a no parking zone was established. He suggested that the County could look at restricting parking to just one side of the

street by moving the centerline of the street. Ms. Henderson questioned if it was our responsibility to come up with a solution or to only support or deny Mr. VandenBergh's request. Ms. Myers noted it was not our responsibility to provide solutions. It was noted that the sidewalk was added with funds from the Safe Route to School program.

Mr. Perry moved that we ask the County to evaluate the options available to address Mr. VandenBergh's safety concern on North Bonita Rd. Ms. Feathers seconds. Vote: 14-0-1-0. Baillargeon abstention.

2. STP-14-028 Verizon – Rancho Diego. Verizon Wireless is proposing to install 12 antennas, 12 remote radio units, 6 raycaps, and 1 microwave dish antenna mounted behind 2 proposed cupolas on the roof of the Rancho San Diego Town & Country shopping center - 2514 Jamacha Road, El Cajon; specifically, the rooftop east of the RiteAid. The equipment necessary to operate the facility will be located in a proposed equipment shelter and an emergency generator will reside inside a CMU equipment enclosure. The height of the new cupola is 35 feet. Ted Marioncelli and Margie Sullivan from Plancom brought photo simulations for us to review. Feathers asked if we could add varied paint color to help break up the visual impact of the cupola. Schuppert is concerned about the height and lack of a tile roof.

Ms. Henderson moved to recommend approval of this project along with the formation of an adhoc subcommittee that will be empowered to identify an acceptable exterior color scheme and architectural details of the front cupola. Schuppert seconds. Vote: 14-0-1-0. Rand abstention.

Tierney, Baillargeon and Henderson volunteered to be a part of the adhoc subcommittee.

3. M-14-013 Signage – Starbucks in Casa De Oro. The applicant is requesting permission to replace/remodel existing signage at the Starbucks located at 9809 Campo Road, Spring Valley 91977. Mr. Rand introduced the project. Mr. Tim Seaman from Champion Permits provided photo simulations for the new signs that are being modernized. 8 signs are being replaced, 3 have no changes. There is no increase in the square footage of the signs. Further, Tim noted that the digital drive thru sign will not be lite when cars are not present. All signs will have LED lighting.

Mr. Rand moved to recommend approval of the proposed signage changes. The committee was also presented with an additional change to the proposed plans to include a computer to be placed within a box behind the digital menu board. We moved that the county amend the permit application to include that additional change as well. Schuppert seconds. Vote: 15-0-0-0.

4. AD-14-059 Skyline Church-Via Mercado Clearing. The Skyline Church located at 11330 Campo Road, La Mesa is requesting an Administrative permit for the clearing of an 8-acre parcel known as the "Via Mercado Lot" for fuel management. The parcel has a General Plan designation of Open Space-Conservation. Ms. Myers introduced the project noting that an Ad-Hoc subcommittee had met with the applicants onsite. They learned

that the church had received no notification for fuel management and that they were planning on grubbing the entire 8-acre parcel. The subcommittee requested the applicant contact the San Miguel Fire Protection Services to determine the best practices for fire protection. As of our meeting date, Mr. Becker received notification from Ms. Hedy Levine, the applicant's Point of Contact that they were going to withdraw their application so there was no official vote at this time. The subcommittee was encouraged to keep watch on any activity on the site.

5. Officer Elections – Ms. Baillargeon noted that there were no nominations for the Chairperson of the group. Ms. Myers referred the group to the I-1 policy and the VDO Rules of Order Article IV, Section 3A which states “when no name is placed in nomination for Chairperson and no one accepting nominations from the floor, selection will be made by lot, with past chairpersons determining their willingness to serve again, if called.” All the member's names were entered into a bag. Ms. Brownlee drew Javier Hernandez's name. Vote 0-14-0-0. The second name drawn was Lori Myers, as a past chairperson, she declined to serve again. Another name needed to be drawn; Karibia Baillargeon's name was drawn by lot. Vote 15-0-0-0.

Ms. Baillargeon noted that the remaining slate was nominated: Vice Chair; Susan Brownlee, Secretary; Allison Henderson. Vote 15-0-0-0.

E. GROUP BUSINESS: Ms. Myers reminded everyone to complete their CPG training, Form 700s and Ethics Training (if required). The last in person training is Saturday January 31, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the **Lakeside Community Center, Lakeside**. Online training is available for seated members that have previously attended in-person training.

F. ADJOURNMENT: 9:00pm

THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015.