

Valley Center Community Planning Group Emergency Evacuation Sub-Committee

Minutes

June 25, 2020 6:30pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 830 1456 2669



Committee

Delores Chavez Harmes
Chair / VCCPG

LaVonne Norwood
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Lisa Adams
VCCPG / Mobility

Sgt. Sean Zdunich
SD Co. Sheriff

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LAFCO

Jim Davidson
VC Fire Marshal

Dorothy Kennedy

Chief Joe Napier
Valley Center Fire

BC Robert Reynolds
Cal Fire



Representatives

Benjamin Mills
SDCo. Public Safety

Kevin Johnston
SDCo. Planning Dept.

Sgt. Patrick Shannon
SDCo. Sherriff

Mark LaTulippe
CHP

A. Attendance: Delores Chavez Harmes (Chair), LaVonne Norwood (Vice Chair), Lisa Adams, Sgt. Sean Zdunich (SDCo. Sheriff), James Gordon (LAFCO), Dorothy Kennedy, Chief Joe Napier (Valley Center Fire), BC Robert Reynolds (Cal Fire), Chief Pemperton, Rick Johnson

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Welcome & Introduction of Guests

D. Approval of Minutes

E. Public Comments

F. Action items

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1) Dee Harmes-Update:

- Lilac Hills Ranch Update

Dee shared her experience at the Board of Supervisors virtual meeting on the subject. There were a number of VC folks present & who spoke at the meeting. The project got shot down and this time she is hopping the last time. Dee shared her anxiety with adding 10,000 more residence in that part of VC and not having any emergency evacuation route.

- Ridge Ranch stop light approved.

2) Chief Napier-Update:

- Red Cross Co-ordination COVID Safe Temporary Evacuation Points (CSTEP) for Valley Center:

Chief Napier is working with Bitsy from the Red Cross to establish CSTEP. Chief stated that we want to be included in planning with the Red Cross so we have a TEP that is safe and has enough space for inventory. Chief is working with VCPUSD and a host of others who have access to large parking lots to accommodate a number of vehicles at one time. One of the prerequisites is climate control for the area to keep inventory at room temperature. He has worked with VC Storage. Dee will contact owners of local storage facilities to see if they are interested in helping the community. The Sheriffs Dept. is talking with San Pasqual Tribe as well.

Once established, Chief Napier would like to give it a dry run to make sure things go as planned and be as safe as possible and help as many residence as possible safely. Chief Napier is trying to establish with the Touchstone Properties how Road 19 will connect Betsworth with Mirar de Valle with a better understanding of access and egress.

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3) Lisa Adams inquired about a Defensible Space Brochure. Chief Napier answered by saying that Fire Station No. 1 has boxes of these brochures for property owners. Chief Napier also stated that the Ready Set Go Program is up and going. There have been VC Fire Videos produced to help residents understand defensible space around their homes.

4) VC Fire & Cal Fire have partnered together to capture as much data and enforce dead and dying spaces around local properties. VCCPG website will also post related maps, videos, and or brochures on their website.

5) Rick Johnson reported that Cougar Pass is being dealt with currently. They are three days away from starting the Welk View Break.

6) Dee reminded the subcommittee that no one is to speak on official business other than the officials. Fire personnel, CHP or Sheriff Dept. are agencies to speak with property owners regarding use of their properties for emergency evacuation routes.

7) BOS will not have any in person meetings until September or later of 2020. Virtual meetings will continue until advised otherwise.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm

Respectfully submitted by: LaVonne Norwood (VCCPG)

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