Valley Center Community Planning Group

Approved Minutes for a regular meeting held on **July 11, 2022** at 7:00 p.m. in the Adams Park Multipurpose Room, 28751 Cole Grade Road, Valley Center, California 92082. Delores Chavez Harmes, **Chair**; Kevin Smith, **Vice-Chair**; James Garritson, **Secretary**

A=Absent; **Ab=**Abstention; **DRB=**Valley Center Design Review Board; **N=**Nay; **P=**Present; **R=**Recused; **VCCPG=**Valley Center Community Planning Group; **VCPRD=**Valley Center Parks & Recreation District; **Y=**Yea

A. Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order at **7:00 p.m.** and a Quorum was established with **9 members present**. Mr. Garritson arrived at 7:09 p.m and Mr. Hutchinson at 7:10.
- Lisa Adams P
- Michelle Bothof P
- Delores ChavezHarmes-P
- Susan Fajardo P
- Julia Feliciano P

- James Garritson P
- Steve Hutchison P
- Matt Matthews A
- Kathleen McCabe P
- LaVonne Norwood P
- James Radden A
- Dori Rattray P
- Roya Sabeti A
- Larry Schmidt A
- Kevin Smith P

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approval of June 13, 2022 Minutes

- Motion: To approve the June 13, 2022 Minutes.
- Maker/Second: Smith/Feliciano
- Motion Carries 7-0-2 (Y-N-Ab).

D. Public Comments: Members of the public may address the Planning Group on any topic not on the agenda.

- The County is working on a scoping letter for Amaranto Growers on the Cool Valley Road property. It will probably be on the August or September agenda. The progress of the project can be viewed online at the county's website. The items that are shown as completed are; Hydromodification review, SWMP, preliminary drainage, and specialist review.
- Multiple audience members described noise concerns from frequent parties at a property on Cool Valley Road. They also mentioned that up to 200 cars were recently parked illegally in a grassy field on the Amaranto Growers property which is across the road from the party location. One attendee stated that she had filed a complaint with Brandy (Code Compliance) and with the VCFD.
- Ms. Norwood shared that the property does have historic value.
- Chair Harmes shared an update about Amaranto Growers.

F. Action items (VCCPG advisory vote may be taken on the following items)

1) Keys Creek – SDG&E Update: (Schmidt) Update on overhead shoe fly with Kevin O'Beirne, SDG&E Regional Project Affairs Manager.

- Two representatives with SDG&E stated that the temporary overhead lines can proceed now that all three property owners have agreed to provide easements. Property owners within 1000' of the site have been informed. Drilling for four poles will take place after trenches to the existing line are established. Their goal is to have the new line operational by December.
- The reps explained that two short underground trenches will connect with the above-ground pipe. Any excess water that might come up would be filtered, treated, tested and returned to the surface at the site.
- There are no plans to truck any water away from the creek if excess water is found during the trenching or drilling process.
- David Ross asked if the County road widening is independent of the SDG&E project. The representatives explained that both projects are independent of each other.
- There was discussion about informing the County about traffic problems and some of the road problems that occurred when the road expansion began
- On a separate topic, the SDG&E reps gave an update on replacing about 50 miles of natural
 gas line. Local work on the "Lilac Project" is expected to start in November. The project will
 be done in around two years.
- Vlad (audience) asked a question about the location of the poles. The maximum depth of the poles are 19 feet.

G. Subcommittee Reports

1) Emergency Evacuation (Adams):

- Chair Harmes shared that Sergeant Michael Davis is leaving the committee.
- Neighborhoods are encouraged to report issues regarding brush management, i.e. overgrown vegetation and fire hazards.
- There is an eight second video "Ready Set Go" that is highly recommended that everyone watch.
- Chipping day is on July 23.

2) Cannabis Subcommittee (Mathews):

No report.

3) Parks & Rec/Trails (Norwood):

• There was discussion on the conditions of the parks. For maintenance concerns contact Jake Enriques, park and rec representative for Valley Center.

4) Mobility (Adams): Valley Center Corridor Study concept plan workshop meeting on July 21 at 6:00 p.m. at Valley Center Middle School.

- There is a meeting on July 21, 6:00 p.m. at the middle school for the corridor study workshop. The Ridge Ranch traffic signal is on the BOS agenda for August 17, 2022. Construction is anticipated to begin early 2023 with completion mid 2023.
- There was discussion about the lack of a turn lane going into the Park Circle development. Mr. Hutchison recommended that we remind the County to reline this area.

5) Tribal Liaison (Smith, Chair) Resignation from subcommittee

• Mr. Smith is stepping down as the subcommittee chair. Ms McCabe has agreed to become the subcommittee chair.

6) Design Review Board (Smith/Adams)

No meeting.

7) Community Plan (Hutchinson)

• There will be a joint meeting with mobility sometime in September.

8) Revitalization Subcommittee (Rattray):

• There is a Zoom meeting. At the last meeting, there was a lot of information provided about reporting graffiti. The Department of Public Works removed graffiti from structures in the public right of way.

9) Board (Harmes/Fajardo): Even numbered seats are expiring.

- Motion: To approve the application of Vlad Ciupitu to complete the term.
- Maker/Second: Harmes/Garritson
- Motion Carries 11-0-0 (Y-N-Ab)
- Candidate filing opens on **July 18, 2022** and closes on **August 15, 2022**.
- Ms. Fajardo introduced Vlad. He would like to become a planning group member to keep the community. Vlad has a background in construction and he is working on building a home at his current address.

I. Adjournment

- Next regular meeting of VCCPG: August 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.
- Minutes were approved on October 10, 2022.