

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 9 April 2018, at Crest Community Building, 113 North Park, El Cajon (Crest).

A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Rich, Ulm, Slagill, Carroll, Becker, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, Hertel, and Lucas were present, forming a quorum of 10. Members Trial, Harris and Underwood were absent, but excused. Seat 10 and Seat 12 are vacant.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Pat Ulm moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of the meeting of March 12, 2018, as submitted. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. Kandy Franklin, resident of Crest, reported there would be a meeting on Wednesday, 11 April, concerning the Crest Emergency Egress Route, to address the issue of how to establish the designated route to legally exist “in perpetuity.” Supervisor Jacob has been involved in discussions about this.

F. ACTION ITEMS.

F1. Compilation of a list of unreadable street signs in Crest, Dehesa, Granite Hills and Harbison Canyon. Chairman Riggs reported that he got good responses for his request for information about unreadable street signs in the Subregion, and that he will compile a master list of street signs in need of replacement and send that to Department of Public Works.

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence. Chairman Riggs reported that he attended the County’s quarterly meeting of Planning and Sponsor Group Chairs, at which the main topic was the County’s efforts to “streamline” its process for finalizing a Tentative Parcel Map to a Final Map; and that a decision about adopting changes is about 2 months away.

G2. Authorization of payment to Crest Community Assn. for meeting room for March 12, 2018 and April 9, 2018. Mary Manning moved that the Planning Group approves and authorizes payment of \$200 from the County to the Crest Community Association, for use of the CCA meeting room (\$100 per night) on 12 March 2018 and 9 April 2018. The motion passed (10 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain).

G3. Discussion of proposed Sycuan/Sloane Canyon Trail. (Information only, no action.) Chairman Riggs explained this agenda item is for Group and public discussion, without Group consideration for action tonight; that the Department of Public Works may

not be ready to present its completed plans for the proposed trail alignment by the May meeting of the Planning Group, but DPW is prepared to report on the public workshop it held in March; and that Pat Riggs, from Dehesa Valley Community Council, is present to provide an account of community involvement regarding the Sycuan/Sloane Canyon Trail development. Pat Riggs summarized DVCC and public involvement, since Conrock Fenton purchased the sand mining properties along the Sweetwater River in 1970, in the efforts to establish public community trails on sand mining property, as part of the County trails network that connects to the California Hiking and Riding Trail in Sloane Canyon. Group discussion included concerns that the 2012 Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and The Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation and the Sycuan Tribal Development Corporation was not being implemented regarding: 1) agreements on trail alignments, and 2) implementation of a trust fund for receiving mitigation funds related to Sycuan's development projects' impacts. Additional concerns were expressed about the County Department of Recreation's lack of inclusion of the local community in the past several of years of its planning for public trails on Sycuan's property, and for DPR's lack of coordination of its planning with other public agencies such as US Fish and Wildlife and California Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Group also discussed concepts from the March public workshop and a field walk in April (that included DPR staff), concerning a number of site specific constraints and possibilities for the Sycuan/Sloane Canyon Trail alignment that were considered during these public meetings.

Chairman Riggs concluded the discussion by emphasizing that the goal for the Sycuan/Sloane Canyon Trail is to create a link to the California Hiking and Riding Trail, and to improve connectivity and linkages in the County public trails system.

G4. Meeting updates. The next meeting will be on May 14, 2018, 7:00 PM, at Dehesa School, 4612 Dehesa Road, El Cajon.

H. ADJOURNMENT. Phil Hertel moved adjournment at 9:20 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)