

CREST-DEHESA-GRANITE HILLS-HARBISON CANYON SUBREGIONAL PLANNING GROUP. Minutes of the meeting on 10 December 2018, at Olde Ironside Park, Harbison Canyon, El Cajon.

A. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Wally Riggs called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

B. ROLL CALL. Planning Group members Rich, Slagill, Trial, Becker, Riggs, Bretz, Manning, and Lucas were present, forming a quorum of 8. Members Ulm, Hertel and Underwood were absent, but excused. Member Harris was absent, not excused. Seat 4, Seat 10 and Seat 12 are vacant.

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

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Chairman Riggs noted that in the minutes of the 12 November 2018 meeting, in the first sentence of Item F1 the words “Mr. Jeff Carlin” need to be corrected to read “Mr. Kevin Carlin.” Michael Rich moved the Planning Group approves the minutes of the meeting of 12 November 2018, corrected per Chairman Riggs’s request. The motion passed (8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain).

E. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION. Lindin Brooks, resident of Crest, asked the Planning Group to accept the 193 signatures of persons opposed to the addition of two E & B Petroleum gas pumps proposed for store at the intersection of La Cresta Road and Mt. View Road, which she collected from 7 August to 27 September, 2018.

< Chairman Riggs accepted the signed petitions with signatures of 193 persons opposed to the proposed gas pumps in Crest. >

F. ACTION ITEMS.

F1. TPMs-STP-18-040 and STP-18-041 proposal for cell site on power poles in public ROW on Mountain View Road adjacent to APN 401-090-69 and Highline Trail adjacent to APN 509-134-13. Chairman Riggs introduced Mr. Kevin ??? representing Crown Castle, which has designed the two cell antenna site projects proposed for Crest that are considered tonight. Mr. ??? explained that Crown Castle provides infrastructure services for wireless telecommunication carriers, and T-Mobile is the carrier for which the proposed projects are presented. He provided handouts of drawings and photo-simulations depicting the design, location and setting of the two projects to Planning Group members, to facilitate discussion of the project details.

Each project includes installation of a new utility pole which has a radio equipment cabinet that is mounted on it 12 feet above ground level; a 2-ft tall cylindrical antenna container that is mounted on the top of the pole; and each pole has an above ground power supply line and guy lines that connect to other nearby utility poles. These two projects, STP-18-040 and STP-18-041, are revisions of cell antenna site projects previously proposed for location on existing SDG&E utility poles in the area, but the current revised projects do not utilize existing SDG&E poles.

Chairman Riggs reviewed for the record that at its 12 February 2018 meeting, the Planning Group considered several similar cell antenna site projects in Crest. Motions that recommended approval of the proposed projects did not pass; an alternative motion that recommended denial of approval also did not pass, and the Planning Group took no action regarding those projects at that time.

Planning Group members commented and expressed concerns about the height of the proposed new poles; about the establishment of additional above ground electric power supply lines extended over community roads; about the visual impacts of the equipment and antennae cabinets attached to the poles; and about the eventual cumulative number of cell antenna sites that the wireless carrier industry will propose to support the future 5G technology the industry intends to install where permitted.

Members of the public commented and expressed concerns about the visual obtrusiveness of non-camouflaged monopole antenna sites; the additional overhead electric power lines crossing over public roads; the citification/urbanization of the historic and present rural character of the Crest community; the lack of neighborhood demand for, and the active opposition to, an intensification of cell antenna sites in Crest; the potential radio frequency interference with the Crest ham radio network used for communication during emergencies; and the piecemeal planning and proposal of individual cell antenna sites to create an eventual 5G network, rather than conducting a comprehensive planning of a single proposal for a functional 5G network that includes all necessary antenna sites, clearly making evident the full scope of the complete network project.

Chairman Riggs commented that he was unaware of the proposed projects involving the installation of new poles before the meeting tonight, and that the projects are not compatible with the present Crest community character.

Mary Manning moved the Planning Group recommends denial of approval of TPM-STP-18-040, the proposed cell antenna site project at 3001/3 Highland Trail, based on community opposition and changes to community character. The motion did not pass (6 yes; 1 no: Becker; 1 abstain: Trial).

Mary Manning moved the planning Group recommends denial of approval of TPM-STP-18-041, the proposed cell antenna site project at 512 1/3 Mountain View Road, based on community opposition and changes to community character. The motion did not pass (6 yes; 1 no: Becker; 1 abstain: Trial).

The Planning Group took no action.

G. GROUP BUSINESS.

G1. Announcements and correspondence.

G1a. Presentation of Mountain View Pipeline Project – Proposed two mile pipeline extension at Mountain View and Harbison Canyon Road (information only).

Chairman Riggs introduced Robin Bier, Project Manager for the Padre Dam Water District's Mountain View Pipeline extension project, and invited her and her staff to give a presentation and discuss it with the Group. They displayed a large map that depicted the District's current potable water distribution pipelines and associated infrastructure such as reservoirs and pump stations, including two pipelines that dead-end in the

Subregion, one in Crest and the other in Harbison Canyon; also depicted was the proposed Mountain View Pipeline project, connecting the existing water pipeline to Crest and the existing pipeline to Harbison Canyon with a new 2-mile long, 16" diameter, ductile iron pipe buried beneath 3' of fill, located within the ROW of Mountain View Road. The project is in the preliminary design stage, and geotechnical soil borings are being done currently; construction is expected to begin in Summer 2019 and last about 8 months; construction would impact Mountain View Road 5 days per week, with flagmen controlling 1-lane road conditions at the work site(s); compliance with CEQA for this project is achieved by an addendum to a previously approved CEQA document; potential issues concerning electric induction impacts have been studied; and no additional pump station or reservoirs are needed as part of this project. Details concerning new fire hydrants associated with the project were not available.

G1b. Confirmation of member Bryan Underwood's reappointment. Chairman Riggs announced that Supervisor Jacob requested the Planning Group's recommendation concerning the reappointment of Bryan Underwood to Seat 14 of the Planning Group.

Christina Becker moved the Planning Group recommends that the Board of Supervisors reappoints Bryan Underwood to Seat 14 of the Crest-Dehesa-Granite Hills-Harbison Canyon Subregional Planning Group, for a term from January 2019 to expire in January 2023. The motion passed (8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain).

G1c. Request for PLDO Priority List (Manning). Mary Manning provided a handout of the proposed 2018-2019 PLDO Priority List for the Subregion's County parks, and she reviewed with the Group the projects included on the list. Three projects are proposed for Nancy Jane Park: a) Raised Stage at corner of La Cresta and North Park, b) addition of electric service to existing Gazebo, c) 3' to 4' high fencing along playground and horseshoe pits edges; and the Crest Community has removed its request for an after-school program at Nancy Jane Park. Five projects are proposed for Olde Ironside Park: a) installed lighting at Patio near building, b) painting interior and exterior of building, c) horse hitching post and rest area for horses, d) bike ramp on south side of basketball court, and e) volley ball court.

Mary Manning moved the Planning Group approves the proposed 2018-2019 PLDO Priority List for the Subregion's parks, as presented and reviewed. The motion passed (8 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain).

G1d. Election of Planning Group Officers for 2019. Chairman Riggs asked Christina Becker, Chair of the 2019 Officers' Nominating Committee, to administer the election of Planning Group Officers for 2019. Christina thanked the Group for its responses to her email request for nomination suggestions, and reported that all of the seated 2018 officers agreed to continue for 2019 if elected, while no other Group members wanted to unseat the existing seated 2018 officers.

Christina asked for nominations from the floor for Planning Group 2019 Chairman; there were none, and she then asked for a vote of all of the members approving the Nominating Committee's candidate, Wally Riggs, for 2019 Chairman. Wally Riggs was elected 2019 Chairman (8 approve, 0 disapprove, 0 abstain).

Christina asked for nominations from the floor for Planning Group 2019 Vice Chairman; there were none, and she then asked for a vote of all of the members approving the Nominating Committee's candidate, Tim Lucas, for 2019 Vice Chairman. Tim Lucas was elected 2019 Vice Chairman (8 approve, 0 disapprove, 0 abstain).

Christina asked for nominations from the floor for Planning Group 2019 Secretary; there were none, and she then asked for a vote of all of the members approving the Nominating Committee's candidate, Bill Bretz, for 2019 Secretary. Bill Bretz was elected 2019 Secretary (8 approve, 0 disapprove, 0 abstain).

G2. Meeting updates. The next meeting of the Planning Group will be on 14 January 2019 at the Crest Community Building, 113 N. Park Drive, Crest.

H. ADJOURNMENT. Mary Manning moved adjournment at 9:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, William Bretz (Secretary)