

**County of San Diego
Descanso Community Planning Group
Notice of Regular Meeting Agenda
November 21, 2019 @ 7:00PM**

Descanso Town Hall, 24536 Viejas Grade, Descanso, CA 91916

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1. Roll Call

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| 1. Kerry Forrest | 4. John Elliott | 7. Terry Gibson |
| 2. Jo Ellen Quinting, | 5. Mark Gassert | |
| 3. David Mellner | 6. William Bauer | |

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of the Minutes / Correspondence/Announcements

1. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of October 17, 2019
2. DCPG Statement: The Descanso Community Planning Group was formed for the purpose of advising and assisting the Director of Planning, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors in the preparation, amendment and implementation of community and sub-regional plans. The Descanso Community Planning Group is an advisory body only.

4. Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. Group action is not permitted on items not on the agenda in accordance with the Brown Act.

5. Action Items

- A. None

6. Group Business

A. Discussion Items

1. Notice of Pending Vacancy Seat 3
2. SDGE Response letter to power pole aesthetics mitigation measures
3. Planning Group Chair Meeting of November 16, Notes
4. Request for Agenda Items on Upcoming Agendas

B. Meeting Updates

1. Next Meeting: December 19, 2019 @ 7:00PM.
2. Nomination and election of DCPG Chair and Secretary for 2020

7. ADJOURNMENT

Any Questions or Comments; Please contact Kerry Forrest, Chair: descansocpg@gmail.com

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Sent via E-mail

November 15, 2019

Ms. Kerry Forrest
Chairperson, Descanso Planning Group

Dear Ms. Forrest:

San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) understands the community's concern regarding the aesthetics of new poles and micropile foundations installed as part of the Cleveland National Forest Power Line Replacement Project. Per the Descanso Planning Group's request, SDG&E investigated the feasibility of painting electric power poles within the community and covering the foundation of micropile poles.

SDG&E has determined the newly installed poles and micropile foundations cannot be painted.

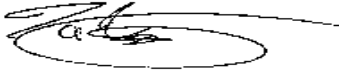
As outlined within the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (FEIR/EIS), SDG&E shall file a Scenery Conservation Plan to be approved by the US Forest Service. The US Forest service approved the plan for TL 629A on April 16, 2019. The Scenery Conservation Plan addresses aesthetics issues and outlines the proposed actions taken by SDG&E to satisfy visual mitigation Requirements (VIS-1 and VIS-2). The Scenery Conservation Plan calls for the installation of weatherized and textured climbing steps, as opposed to the standard galvanized steps and reduces the visibility of high voltage markings. Per the FEIR/EIS, the poles have been designed to have a reddish-brown weatherized appearance to appear similar to wood poles.

Furthermore, the painting of SDG&E electric power poles has the potential to detract from the yellow striping safety bands, high voltage markings and other necessary structure identifiers that conform to California Public Utilities Commission General Order 95, Rule 51.6 standards.

With that said, SDG&E is continuing to explore potential options for a shroud to be placed around the base of the micropile poles that can be quickly removed in the event of emergency or inspection and that would ensure proper drainage of water. We will keep you and the community informed as this option continues to be vetted internally.

This Project complements SDG&E's 2019 Wildfire Mitigation Plan by fire-hardening and improving the resiliency of the of the regional power grid to withstand extreme weather conditions and to enhance the company's highest priority: keeping our customers and the communities we serve safe. We apologize for the inconvenience our construction activities have caused.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Todd Voorhees', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Todd Voorhees
Regional Public Affairs Manager
San Diego Gas & Electric Company