
Jamul Dulzura

Community Planning Group

Unincorporated County of San Diego

Final MINUTES

May 9, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:32 pm
2. ROLL CALL
 - Present:** Janet Mulder, Steve Wragg, Preston Brown, Kevin May, Dan Neirinckx, Ed Mollon, Thomas Gray, Michael Casinelli, Paul Dombkoski, Eve Nasby, Lisa Hodgson
 - Guests:**
 - Excused:** Paul Romero, Rachel Vedder
 - Vacant Seats:** 2,9,6
3. APPROVAL Minutes for April 25, 2023
 - Delayed till next Meeting
4. OPEN FORUM
 - **Michael Casinelli** announced that the trailers on the Simpson Farm property have been removed. Code Enforcement does not chase them down to see where they moved to.
 - **Ed Mollen** informed us that more asphalt and various junk is being dumped at the property on Jamul Highland. This had been going for 2 -3 years. The original property had been blighted before the new owner purchased it offering commitments to clean it up.
 - The EIR for the Cottonwood Sandmine Project will be sent out for public comment in June. The public will have 45 days to respond. **Michael Casinelli** said that under the County laws, the developer has no obligation to inform the public of the trucking routes they may use and the County cannot restrict their choice of routes for hauling rock and sand. The impacts from this could be very detrimental for our community.
5. MEETING CHANGES
 - Kevin May** stated that the rules for “Hybrid” Meetings required we vote on 3 separate items for this change.
 - Change meetings from in-person only to hybrid (in-person and on-line) meetings.
Motion passed unanimously.
 - Change meeting dates from the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month to 1st and 3rd.
Motion passed unanimously.
 - Change meeting site from Oak Grove Middle School Library to Jamul-Dulzura Union School District Office, 14581 Lyons Valley Road, Jamul, CA.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
6. RURAL SAN DIEGO FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT
 - Cesar Sterling** had requested a support letter for his grant proposal to Calfire for fuel reduction, water tanks for greater access to the rural areas and improvements for Proctor Valley Road to insure. a safe route for emergency evacuation. His goal is to achieve a

“Firewise USA Site” designation which will benefit homeowners with lower fire insurance rates. The grant was not offered for our review.

- General Discussion of the conflicts between Alpine and Jamul over access to fire prevention resources. Our FSC Area has greatly expanded and now includes part of Alpine. Thomas Grey attended a monthly meeting of the Jamul FSC meeting and learned an attorney in Alpine is not in agreement with the idea of joining with Jamul in the same FSC area possibly because it could lessen their allocation of funds. Lisa Hodgson pointed out that they get funding from their district and somehow, they could be in conflict with the interest of Jamul. Alpine is currently the only Firewise community in the Unincorporated County.
- Michael Casinelli said there has been conflict in the past as the Alpine District has competed for fire funds from the Sunrise Power Link. In the past, residents in Jamul have applied for grants and been denied because they ran out of money. There was evidence of misappropriation of funds from the Sunrise Power link grants that favored Alpine. Dianne Jacob got involved in this problem.
- Ed Mollen suggested we approve a letter to Calfire that strongly supports the efforts of this Grant to make Jamul a “Firewise” Safe community.
Motion passed unanimously.
- Chair Kevin May will invite Cesar Sterling back at a future meeting to get an update on the Grant “Draft”.

7. JAMUL CASINO, HOTEL AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT

County Updates on Negotiations and Agreements with the Jamul Indian Village (JIV) and Subcommittee updates and recommendations.

- There have been no further updates or responses from **Mark Slovick**, Deputy Director PDS.
- **Janet Mulder** said she had counted 400 cars while driving north on SR-94 entering the casino for a prize give-away this last Sunday.
- **Michael Casinelli** said that Judge Sturgeon has postponed the Hearing for the “Restraining Order on the Soil Nails” till Thursday. The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) had approved the soil nails easement for the CFW back in February of 2023.

8. 2023-2028 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- Update on **Lawson Valley Road Bridge** at Lawson Creek (West). **Kevin May** spoke to **Jim Boles** about the plans for a new bridge. The County will build a new bridge about 200 feet from the old bridge and it will be completed in 2025-2026. They are currently in the design phase. There are a number of complications concerning soil differences, map discrepancies, and geological issues.
- Update: Jamul Indian Village signalized Intersection at SR-94 and Otay Lakes Road. The County has estimated 12 or 14 million dollars for the “roundabout “solutions proposed by Caltrans. **Michael Casinelli** asked if there was any commitment from Village 13 for funding. **Preston Brown** mentioned that they are still in negotiation with the environmental groups. This will not be discussed until permitting and final approval for construction. The alternative mentioned by the County is a “2 stop signal”.
- We will finish our CIP road work list and prioritize them at our next meeting, to be submitted to the Department of Public Works.

9. JDCPG OFFICERS ANNOUNCEMENT AND REPORTS

- SDG&E Traffic Disruptions ALERTS:
 - May 17th at 14615 Otay Lakes Road
 - 16224 Lawson Valley Road.

- May 19th at 14940 Lyons Valley Road
- A new Feasibility Analysis on Tiered Winery Expansion is in the works. The effort is to expand wineries that are not yet up and are not yet approved or up and running. This concerns small boutique or medium size operations.
- **Ed Mollen** said the 524-acre parcel in Lawson Valley is in escrow and the selling agent cannot disclose the buyer yet.

10. ADJOURNMENT 9:09pm

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 @ 7:30 P.M.

Oak Grove Middle School Library

14344 Olive Vista Drive

Jamul, CA 91935

Meeting Minutes and Agendas can be accessed at

<http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/CommunityGroups.html>

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COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

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“The mission of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is to represent the best interests of the communities of Jamul and Dulzura while adhering to County of San Diego, California Board of Supervisors Policy I-1.”

PURPOSE STATEMENT

The purpose of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is:

- *To provide a public forum where local citizens can learn about issues of importance to them and their community and provide input.*
- *To carefully consider all input when advising the county on such issues as planning, land use, discretionary projects, and community and sub-regional plans.*