# Jamul-Dulzura

### Community Planning Group Unincorporated County of San Diego

### FINAL MINUTES

March 19, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:31 pm

#### 2. ROLL CALL

**Present**: Kevin May, Dan Neirinckx, Preston Brown, Michael Casinelli, Thomas Gray, Lisa Hodgson, Eve Nasby, Ed Mollen, Darla Kasmedo, Corbin Sabol, Janet Mulder, Courtney Etnyre

**Guests**:

Excused: Paul Dombkowski, Steve Wragg

Vacant Seats: 13

3. APPROVAL: Minutes for March 7, 2024. Delayed till next meeting.

#### 4. OPEN FORUM

No comments for open forum.

#### 5. JAMUL FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

Presentation by President Steve Wallace, and Vice-President Jeremy Adams
Steve and Jeremy want to work with the community and the planning group with the goal of becoming a "Firewise" community and they are looking forward to people getting involved.
Ed Mollen asked where are we in the process of getting finalized. Steve said it comes down to individual homeowners and individual properties. Jeremy said the focus should start at the first 5 feet around the home. There should be nothing in this area. This has to be clear to be Firewise designated. Also, defensible space around your home is required. There are upcoming classes on the on the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) on April 27 at our office on Lyons Valley Road. Our backyards are wildlife and this extends to brush on County State or Federal Lands.

Thomas Gray asked if Alpine was Firewise and can it help with fire insurance. Steve said it will help with fire insurance as companies start to catch on. It will grow. Darla Kasmedo asked if it is community wide. Steve said it is, for instance every house in the community like Lawson Valley. Jeremey added that it can be based or on either side of the road. Steve Wragg said there needs to be national consensus and more research to achieve this. Jeremy Said that on Darla's question the more we can hear from you the community the more we can share back to the San Diego Fire Safe Council.

**Ed** asked what is the reasonable end game. What if all Jamul is Firewise, would that bring lower rates. Jeremy said all insurance companies will join in. We also want to work on doing "fuel breaks" and work with the fire authorities on where we need them. **Steve** said we need

to work on maintenance of private roads as well like in Mother Grundy, have roads graded and work with emergency responders. **Lisa Hodgson** asked...... **Steve said** they would identify the roads and check them on yearly basis. This is methodical for FSC. They would get grants and then contract the work. Grants would come through Sunrise Powerlink. 3 million dollars is available for making communities safer. **Steve** said reach out to us to make this happen.

The next Fire Safe Council meeting is on April 9 at the fire station. **Lisa** will post this on Facebook. For more information: <a href="https://jamulfiresafe.org">https://jamulfiresafe.org</a>

### 6. OPTIONS FOR STREAMLINING AFFORDABLE AND ATTAINABLE HOUSING

**Enrique Flores** and **Sara Thornburgh** presented an update on County goals and incentives to increase housing in the Unincorporated Area. Of special focus are; <u>small lot divisions</u>, <u>senior and assisted living programs and County by rights program</u>.

**Enrique** and **Sara** expressed the goals of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) to update the "Housing Element" and explore different options for funding. These are draft options at this time but we need to hear from you, from the unincorporated community on how to produce more housing.

#### • Small lot subdivision ordinance:

This includes attached or detached, duplex or triplex. The goal is to increase opportunities for smaller scale subdivisions that will be affordable.

To meet these objectives are these options in #1.8803

- 1) property owners can subdivide and the BOS can choose guideline for this.
- 2) Use State law for guidance or Board can choose a local program.
- 3) Objective design standard that the County can streamline which can be combined with 1 and 2.

**Darla Kasmedo** asked how is septic calculated and factored in. ANS: They have to abide by the standards for this. **Darla** asked what is the objective of 8803, looking for developers to subdivide for multifamily parcels. ANS: This would be for new development not for rental.

#### • Senior and Assisted Living:

These draft options intend to provide additional incentives for developers for older adults.

- 1) Develop an overlay zone for faster development on top of existing zoning.
- 2) Utilize density bonuses like reduced setbacks, and offset costs of requirements.
- 3) Could apply accessible and universal design for all. Create incentives for this to age in place.
- 4) Support more housing on County owned land and include affordable housing for seniors.

**Ed Mollen** asked if this was conversion or new development. ANS: to capture new development. We have an opportunity for funds for conversion. We will consider this. **Eve Nasby** said that transportation is an issue. ANS: An overlay on location could focus on locations convenient for this. **Darla** mentioned that we are rural, not urban and we have a small shopping center. ANS: Transit is necessary, if you have any areas for senior housing let us know. **Darla** asked what are your objectives. ANS: we need to be close to transit and medical services. **Camilla Easland**, audience, asked if this was supported in the Assembly Bill. ANS: There is a Federal option legislation in the Senate Bill. There is not specific bill supporting this. We are looking for a local program. There is no bill for a senior housing program. This project is directed by the BOS, it is our own local program. Bonuses are already in the law and are not responsive to state law.

**Enrique** said there are 2 elements. One, "by-right" approval, non-discretionary approval and Two, (RHNA) Regional Housing Needs Allocation. It originally was given a number of new homes to plan for, to incorporate into the plan. The goal was to ensure a range of incomes on mixed use and commercial projects.

If the developer makes 20% affordable there are 2 options for where and how a program can be implemented: One, to support RHNA if 20% affordable, and Two, 100% affordable if not RHNA.

**Darla** asked if this was the right area to consider that is not walkable and with no access to things and services. ANS: We are trying to look t all the ways and we don't want to make assumptions. Darla added that we don't have accessibility, we have to drive. ANS: The options are on our website. Public comment is open through April. This goes back to the BOS in the fall.

**Summer Piper**, audience, asked if the BOS would commit to transit opportunities for rural areas. We do not have a town and these features would help. ANS: Good comment.

- For more information click on: <u>Housing Options (sandiegocounty.gov)</u> or <u>https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/housingoptions.html</u>
- To receive updates click on: <u>County of San Diego, California (govdelivery.com)</u> or <a href="https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CASAND/subscriber/new?topic\_id=CASAND\_2016\_id=CASAND\_20
- 7. LOVELAND RESERVIOR: SDGE Easement Approval of Letter of Support Kevin May read the letter of support and the group thought this was a good letter. Preston Brown moved that we approve it.

  Motion passed unanimously

#### SEE ATTACHMNET I

8. AT&T APPLICATION TO CPUC - Approval of Letter of Concerns

**Kevin May** read 2 letters addressed to the California Public Utilities Commission each addressing two different actions and application.

**Darla Kasmedo** asked if "designating" is effective. **Kevin** said it is contractual, a designated "Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) is specific. **Janet Mulder** suggested a stronger statement, …'the JDCPG would urge the CPUC to deny the Application.'.

**Summer Piper** asked if we even knew how many LAN lines there are in Jamul Dulzura. **Kevin** said we do not know but we are writing the letter for the people affected. **Ed Mollen** said they do have a map of no coverage areas on their website.

**Lisa Hodgson** talked about her poll on Facebook asking the question "Which do you rely on for communication", and 34 responded: 14 said they relied on other sites and 58% said they ley on LAN lines. **Lisa** said she checked elected representative support and it seemed stronger in Northern California. This issue was not on Darrell Issa's or Joel Anderson's website. Are Southern California representatives getting involved at all? Maybe we should CC. to local representatives. **Chris Boehmer** said he lives on Skyline Truck Trail and we have an AT&T Lan Line and cell service is unreliable. They rely on the Lan Line for medical needs and communications.

Ed moved that we approve the <u>first letter</u> with the changes.

Motion Passed unanimously.

**Dan Neirinckx** moved that we approve the <u>second letter</u> with the same cc. list to political representatives. **Lisa** moved to approve.

#### <u>SEE ATTACHMENT II & ATTACHMENT III</u>

#### 9. JAMUL CASINO EXPANSION PROJECT

**Kevin May** gave an update on the Batch Plant. Caltrans can get signage for the road but needs to talk to legal counsel. There is a question of whether the Cement Co. is responsible for this. The Border Patrol in Dulzura had a sign out ½ mile ahead. The cement trucks start moving between 7 and 7:30 am. The County will have a grading permit soon.

#### 10. JAMUL INDIAN VILALGE: Bill HR 6443 Darrell E. Issa "Land Transfer Act"

**Preston Brown** suggested we write a letter to Senator Padilla asking for a meeting with staff. **Ed Mollen** we should have a representative group for a meeting and moved that Preston write the letter with the talking points that we can then review and possibly approve. <u>Motion passed unanimously.</u>

#### 11. PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMMITTEE

**Preston** said the subcommittee will meet with Captain Vargas of the CHP, El Cajon Office next week. **Darla** asked if we could put something up on the Facebook page about the problem of reporting incidents of crime and getting reports into the record. **Kevin** suggested asking Captain Vargas how to do this. **Darla** said maybe we should contact Joel Anderson. This is a good point about social media getting information out. People are waiting on the phone a long time. **Lisa** said she runs a Facebook page and statistics come in from groups all along the 94 corridor down to Potrero. **Summer Piper** said the Sheriffs don't take reports unless you have specifics. There are reports taken then not reported. What is the difference? **Lisa** said you can get repeated reports of the same crime like of a guy exposing himself and how can you separate that out.

#### 12. FACEBOOK PAGE

**Lisa Hodgson** said we have 120 members and several hundred to process. Tell your neighbors to sign up.

#### 13. OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE (OHV) Park

There is no update.

For more information: Contact Emmet Aquino at EmmetAquino@sdcounty.ca.gov or call 619-318-6929. The OHV County website is below:

https://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/park-pages/OffHIghwayVehicles.html

#### 14. JDCPG OFFICER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Kevin announced there will be four meetings on wells.

- <u>County Depart. of Environmental Health & Quality Engagement Sessions Cost</u> Recovery Proposal
  - Wells 3/27 Wed. 10-11:00 am Wells Program Microsoft Teams Meeting Link
  - o <u>State Small Water Systems − 4/2 Tues. − 1:30-2:00 pm State Small Water</u> System Program - Microsoft Teams Meeting Link
  - o Recycled Water 4/2 Tues 2:30 3:00 pm Recycled Water Program Microsoft Teams Meeting Link

- <u>Land Use (Septic) + LAMP update 4/3 Wed 11-Noon Land Use Program Microsoft Teams Meeting Link</u>
- <u>Lea (Solid Waste) 4/3 Wed 1-2:00 pm LEA (Solid Waste) Program Microsoft Teams Meeting Link</u>
- Sustainable Land Use Framework Virtual Workshops 6:00 pm
  - = #1 4/3/24 https://bit.ly/framework-workshop1 Housing & Transportation
  - o #2 4/17/24 https://bit.ly/framework-workshop2 Economy and Human Health & Equity
  - o #3 5/1/24 https://bit.ly/framework-workshop3 Environment, Hazards, & Climate Change

<u>For more information: https://engage.sandiegocounty.gov/sustainableframework or call 858-505-6677</u>

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT 10:07pm

#### **ATTACHMENT I:** LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR LOVELAND RESERVIOR

March 19, 2024

#### RE: Increasing Public Access to the Open Space Surrounding the Loveland Reservoir

To Whom It May Concern:

The Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group has always supported efforts to increase public access to recreational opportunities in San Diego County. Recently, one of those opportunities has presented itself and we would like to express our support of that endeavor: Allowing Public Access to the SDG&E Easement at the Loveland Reservoir.

We feel that this will provide an excellent opportunity for hikers, nature watchers and many others to enjoy this beautiful area in a way that was not available before, thus increasing the public use of one of San Diego County's natural wonders.

We encourage your support of this opportunity to help increase public access to the Loveland Reservoir area and look forward to its implementation.

Respectfully,

Kevin James May

Chair, Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group

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**ATTACHMENT II:** RE: A. 23-03-003

March 19, 2024

California Public Utilities Commission Public Advisor's Office

# RE: A. 23-03-003 – AT&Ts Application for Targeted Relief from Its Carrier of Last Resort Obligation and Certain Associated Tariff Obligations

The Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group (JDCPG) is not in favor of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approving AT&T's request for relief from its Carrier of Last Resort (COLR) Obligation. To do so would jeopardize public safety.

In some areas of Jamul and Dulzura, residents have no alternatives to land line service for voice communications. If land line services are not available during times of personal emergencies, unnecessary deaths or permanent injuries may occur due to a delay or inability to get emergency services. The same goes for natural disasters, like wildfires for example, where a timely response could be the difference between a small incident and major disaster where there is also significant loss of property.

For the CPUC to approve the above request, it <u>does not</u> require that there be another carrier that would fulfill the COLR obligation for the areas that AT&T would be relinquishing. The JDCPG would like to request that the CPUC <u>not</u> grant the above request until a COLR is obligated to provide service to the areas that AT&T previously covered.

Respectfully,

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ATTACHMENT III: RE: A. 23-03-002

March 19, 2024

California Public Utilities Commission Public Advisor's Office 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

# RE: A. 23-03-002 - AT&T's Application To Relinquish Its Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation

The Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group (JDCPG) is not in favor of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approving AT&T's request to relinquish its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC). To do so would jeopardize public safety.

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deaths or permanent injuries may occur due to a delay or inability to get emergency services. The same goes for natural disasters, like wildfires for example, where a timely response could be the difference between a small incident and major disaster where there is also significant loss of property.

For the CPUC to approve the above request, it is requiring that AT&T demonstrate that another ETC provider <u>can</u> provide universal support in the areas they wish to surrender their ETC designation. The JDCPG would like to request that the CPUC require that AT&T's request not be granted until another ETC provider *is designated* to provide universal support in those same areas.

Respectfully,

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#### NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 @ 7:30 pm.
Jamul-Dulzura Union School District - Jamul Education Center
14581 Lyons Valley Road, Jamul, CA 91935

Hybrid Meeting: Both In-Person and Zoom Attendance

Meeting Minutes and Agendas can be accessed at http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/CommunityGroups.html

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# JAMUL DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

#### MISSION STATEMENT

"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.