

Jamul-Dulzua

Community Planning Group

Final Minutes

January 7, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:02 pm
2. ROLL CALL

Present: Kevin May, Preston Brown, Michael Casinelli, Thomas Gray, Lisa Hodgson, Ed Mollen, Courtney Etnyre, Eve Nasby, Paul Dombkowski, John McClure, David Imrie
Guests: Dan Neirinckx
Excuse: Darla Kasmedo, Steve Wragg, Janet Mulder
Vacant Seats: #5
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 3 and 17, 2024
Courtney moves to approve.
Motion passed Unanimously
4. OPEN FORUM
 - Anna Brown, a volunteer from Supervisor Joel Anderson’s Office, presented a framed declaration proclaiming January 7, 2025 “DAN NEIRINCKX DAY” in honor of his decades of service to the Jamul-Dulzura area as a member of the JDCPG. Dan has served as Chair of our planning group for many years. **Eve Nasby** then presented a plaque from the members of our planning group expressing our deep gratitude and appreciation for Dan’s decades of service to the community that will impact and benefit generations for years to come.
Eve also read a statement from the members of our group.
*“Dan, Thank you for your leadership through the many years.
You were always there to guide the group with a calm, steady hand.
Your experience and knowledge of our region was invaluable.
Friend and mentor. We thank you.”*
 - In reference to the Palisades Fire, **Ed Mollon** said that the LA Fire Department has told people to “shelter in place”, even though they have an easier evacuation than we have. **Paul Dombkowski** said that traffic was backed up all the way to the High School on Saturday. Evacuation would be a madhouse for us.
 - **Kathleen Lippit** says she is an environmental and public health advocate and urges our group to speak to the BOS about ground water issues. It is a public resource and needs to be overseen. Cannabis is being strewn across the desert and consuming large amounts of water. There is no regulatory oversight and private wells risk contamination in ground water.
5. COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO LOT CONSOLIDATION RESOURCE
County Staff: Sara Thornburgh, Alicia Kawamoto and Tara Lieberman presented a brief overview on the County’s new resources to simplify the process for lot mergers and

consolidations. The goal is to support property owners in unincorporated areas of San Diego County who wish to consolidate adjacent lots to optimize land use.

Lot Consolidation is the process of merging up to four (4) existing contiguous parcels (lots that touch each other) into one parcel. This website resource provides information and guidance on the process for consolidating lots to support the development of housing in the unincorporated area. Overall lot consolidation supports housing development by providing suitable, larger parcels that can accommodate diverse housing types.

The Lot Consolidation Resources are on the County's website.

They explain important definitions, what the process looks like, how to fill out forms and submit them. Also, there is important geographical information.

Dan Neirinckx made the point that this does not change the density of the zoning codes for the requirement for the number of acres per dwelling unit.

6. VACANCY APPLICATION – Seat #5 – Lucille Hargraves

Lucille introduced herself and said she has been a resident of Lawson Valley for 13 years. She retired 3 ½ years ago as a teacher and she would like to give back and contribute to the community.

Michael Casinelli asked why she chose to live in Jamul. **Lucille** said she came out here to visit a friend and fell in love with it. She moved from Santee. She is on well water. **Ed**

Mollon asked her what her position is on development. **Lucille** said she is OK with it if it complies with the zoning and building codes. **Lisa Hodgson**, also a resident of Lawson Valley, asked if she had noticed changes of migratory patterns in wildlife in our area. **Lucille** replied that she has noticed that. **Preston Brown** asked what animals she owns. She said she has 3 Cairn Terrier's like "Toto". **Lucille** said she trains dogs and has kennels and understands the amount of time this needs.

The group voted unanimously to approve **Lucille Hargraves** as a member.

7. LETTERHEAD FORMAT for JAMUL-DULZRA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Eve Nasby said they had decided to do a contest with the public. We can post it on facebook and run an ad in the Jamul Shopper to get community involvement. **Ed Mollon** suggested getting some of the artists in the school to submit drawings and also asked about Dulzura resident participating. **Dan Neirinckx** said there are a few people he could contact. He could go over to the community club near the Dulzura café and talk to them. **Kevin May** appointed **Ed and Dan** to be on the subcommittee along with **Eve**. **Courtney** moved that we place an ad in the Shopper to announce this contest for a group logo.

Motion passed Unanimously.

8. WILDFIRE EVACUATION TOUR with SANDAG and CALTRANS - Highway 94

Paul Dombkowski said the CalFire is making some progress on shrub clearing. We should follow up with a letter to Caltrans and keep them committed to this cause. **Paul** offered to

draft a letter for next meeting. **Eve** asked if we could get a timeline on the brush cutting. **Paul** said he will follow up on this.

9. ASSOCIATION OF PLANNING GROUPS (APG)

Paul Dombkowski said the APG met on Saturday the 2nd at the Lakeside Library.

- 1) Eileen Delany, Vice Chair of the APG, reported on the SANDAG Board of Directors. The APG drafted a letter to Mario Orso asking questions about the accountings of the Transnet Funding for the Unincorporated Area. Basically, what is the plan going forward? Previous distributions have enhanced coastal cities and not helped the Unincorporated Areas. **SANDAG** still has 6 billion to allocate funds for San Diego County.
- 2) We will move to try and get a voting role on the SANDAG Board. We have over 500,000 people and should have some representation. That there is a new leadership should be helpful to us. Nora Vargas has resigned from the BOS and the SANDAG Board. Caltrans and Sandag are working to identify the most egregious intersection. We should stress the need for a development plan for the SR-94/ Otay Lakes Intersection.
- 3) We are trying to pin down Darrell Issa for a meeting. Robin Joy Maxson sent a letter to him and she recommends that other CPG's do the same and discuss the needs we have. **Paul** will draft a letter for this.
- 4) There are five SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees. from the APG. **Paul** was chosen as the APG lead rep for the Public Safety PAC and as the Alternate for the Transportation PAC. Jim Custeau from the Spring Valley CPG is APG lead for Transportation. Bottom line, the APG will now be represented at all SANDAG Policy Advisory Committee meetings.

Michael Casinelli pointed out that SANDAG cares more about reducing auto traffic than they do about traffic safety. They allocate multi millions of dollars to create bike lanes in urban areas because their goal is to get people from driving cars. The fallacy is SANDAG is creating supply where there is no demand; whereas in rural areas where there is a plethora of recreational cyclists on two-lane roads with no shoulders much less bike lanes, there is a demand for bike lanes due to a need for road safety, but SANDAG does not provide a supply.

10. JAMUL CASINO HOTEL AND ENTERTIANMENT EXPANSION PROJECT

No Updates

11. “JAMUL INDIAN LAND TRANSFER ACT” H.R. 6443, Bill sponsored by Rep. Darrel E. Issa (R-CA-48), and associated Senate Bill S 3857, sponsored by California Senator Alex Padilla

Michael Casinelli said that the Bill did pass the House on a Floor Vote on December 18, 2024 and was presented to the President who signed it on December 24, 2024

12. PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE: Emergency Evacuation, Traffic and Crime
No Updates

13. FACEBOOK PAGE

No Updates.

14. JAMUL SHOPPER

Ongoing discussion of Notices for the Shopper.

15. OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE PARK (OHV)

For updates go this LINK:

<https://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/park-pages/OffHighwayVehicles.html>

Lisa reported that Emmet Aquino expects to be able to post something in January. But there is nothing there yet.

16. COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

Dan Neirinckx visited the site for a local park. It lies behind the baseball field of the school and **Dan** said it looked pretty good. It is good that it is not on SR-94 and is big enough. It will need some minor grading. The problem is that there are staff that uses the ballfield and they clean up the bathroom at the end of the day. We could use a portable bathroom as one solution. We need to get a design for the square footage available and also get an agreement for access for certain hours that we can walk through the school and still use the parking lot. There is one lane parking space for an ADU. The bathroom would be locked up.

Ed Mollon said that Little League and the school day coincide and asked if we could get access on the other side without going through the school. **Michael** asked how far would PLDO money go. **Dan** said we have a small amount of grading to do and we need to get a design for this. And we need to get word out to the community on what they want. I'll have a site plan next meeting showing acreage. We probably need a fence to close off the park. Park equipment will need to be determined. **Ed** said that maybe the school will allow us to use the adjoining ball courts and fields. **Michael** said it will need some drainage on the lower part where it gets wet and soft. **Ed** says there is a high-water table and a good well there. **Darla** and **Eve** volunteered to work on this. **Ed** said we need an agreement between the school and the County. He said the County likes it when it aligns with the school.

Kevin May the deadline is March 31. It would be good to have a survey and input from the community and school district.

17. JDCPG OFFICERS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- SDG&E Announcement of electric system hardening activities in the vicinity of the 19,700 block of Lyons Valley Rd, Jamul, CA. There will be occasional power outages

- and traffic disruption for 2-8 weeks once construction begins in a few weeks.
- Department of Public Works is requesting input on prioritizing capital improvement and maintenance projects for County maintained assets – Project Request Form due March 30, 2025
 - Form 700 Electronic Filing can be done online.
 - Annual CPG Training – Saturday February 1, 2025, 8:30 -1:00 via zoom.
 - Ethics Training

The group held elections for New Officers.

- 1) Lisa Hodgson elected as Chair. Vote unanimous
- 2) Paul Dombkowski elected as Vice-Chair. Vote unanimous
- 3) Courtney Entyre elected as Secretary. meeting. Vote unanimous

ADJOURNMENT: 9:33pm

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024 @ 7:00 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.*