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# Jamul Dulzura

## Community Planning Group

### Unincorporated County of San Diego

#### FINAL MINUTES

June 6, 2023

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1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:13 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Janet Mulder, Steve Wragg, Preston Brown, Kevin May, Dan Neirinckx, Ed Mollon, Thomas Gray, Michael Casinelli, Paul Dombkoski, Lisa Hodgson

**Guests:**

**Excused:** Paul Romero, Rachel Vedder. Eve Nasby

**Vacant Seats:** 2,9,6

3. APPROVAL Minutes for April 25, 2023 and May 9, 2023. Passed unanimously

4. OPEN FORUM

- **Michel Casinelli** said for the property of 3025 Jamul Highland Rd. Code Enforcement continues to enforce with citations. If citations max out the County could abate, meaning it has the authority to step in and remove solid waste and inoperable cars from the properties but must go through a lengthy process for this. Also, he said that there has been dumping of concrete on the Barret House property on Jefferson Rd. but the County did not find evidence of illegal grading. The JIV is allowed to move 200 CY of material without triggering a violation. Not much has been happening yet but they will continue to monitor the situation.
- **Corey Gautreaux**, from the Moreno Campo CPG, expressed concern over the water storm runoff from the “Hillside Cemetery” where the water flows to Lake Moreno. The cemetery has 713 grave sites. **Nancy Good**, Corey’s mother, said she lives nearby and believes it will impact the quality of her water. **Steve Wragg** mentioned that his firm represents the cemetery and he must recuse himself.
- At the last meeting it was mentioned that Jackson Pendo might be the developer of Village 13. This is not true. The developer is Baldwin & Sons and Moller Otay Lakes Investments.

5. CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

Climate Justice Policy Coordinator, *Ali Mariko Dressel*, works for a non-profit organization called “The Climate Action Campaign”. Their goal is to reach out to all communities of San Diego County and raise awareness of the impacts of climate change and get input from these communities on their key issues and concerns. The link below will take you to the survey on their site. From this information they hope to help the County in forming future climate action policies. In their own words:

“This survey is an opportunity to provide feedback that can help refine San Diego County’s Regional Decarbonization Framework and may help inform future climate action plans and

policies. Your input is vital to help create community-driven climate action throughout the San Diego region. Names and emails will be kept confidential.”

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScVn3Pm1N5dDb0EThfghb7stMNWC1xIDWSgEk158Od5Dps\\_aw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScVn3Pm1N5dDb0EThfghb7stMNWC1xIDWSgEk158Od5Dps_aw/viewform).

**Ali Dressel** has a background on theater and science. She said that we are all seeing the changes on our planet of more and longer fires, rising sea levels, low lying island being submerged, long term global temperature increases, longer draught periods threatening water supplies, and all of this can be viewed as a public health crisis. **Ali** says she is working to make this a brighter future for us all. Their organization is working with policy makers throughout the County on transit, trees, clean energy and to study how we are affected by extreme weather impacts. Their work is trying to make sure there is a strong connection to the communities.

This survey is about getting a regional approach for the County’s “Regional Decarbonization Framework”. Their goals are to access pathways to lower emissions, electrify transportation through solar, designing “Net Zero” buildings, conserve ecosystems and consider food cycles in regenerative agriculture. Facing some skepticism from the members of the group and the audience, **Ali** said there are questions of local climate and bigger climate systems and we should consider the heightened impacts from different natural cycles combing and amplifying extreme weather patterns that will consequently bring instability to fragile political systems.

**Ali** encouraged everyone to join in and take the survey on line.

#### 6. JAMUL CASINO, HOTEL AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT

- **Michael Casinelli** said a Temporary Cement Batch Plant has been set up across SR-94 and under the codes they can do it, in any zone as supportive construction equipment. The problem is that it is across the highway and will be blocked or slowed at times for vehicles crossing over to the casino side of the road. He suggested that we could contact Caltrans to limit the hours of operation and SR-94 so as not interfere with commuting traffic. **Kevin May** will write a letter to Caltrans.
- **Dan Neirinckx** said they need to consider Tecate traffic times: where are they going to cross and how often, no night time use after they close the border. **Need Clarification: on the current times of opening and closing.** Hours of operation should be between 9am and 3pm.
- **Janet Mulder** said there is not requirement to keep the border open 24 hours.
- **Preston Brown** mentioned that Supervisor Joel Anderson has voiced support for a 24-hour open border.
- **Kevin May** suggested we write a letter to Caltrans. **Dan** and **Ed Mollen** agreed.
- **Michael Casinelli** agreed with the letter but suggested emailing the County and asking why the 80 acres (JIV Property), across the highway, was not considered as a site. And is there an alternative site. **Kevin** will check on that.
- **Michal** mentioned the lawsuit of a temporary restraining order that plaintiffs filed. Defendant deadline was today. Plaintiffs have till June13 to reply. Native American former tribe members have hired an attorney and the Catholic church is a defendant. The lawsuit alleges the transfer of the cemetery property was not valid. Michal mentioned that in North County there are precedents for stopping development projects through claiming burial ground rights.

7. 2023-2028 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- **Kevin May** talked to **Jim Bowles** (DWP, PM for the Capital Improvement Program) and learned that Village 13 will contribute 16.7% of the cost for the Signalized Intersection at SR-94 and Otay Lakes Road.
- When our Road work list is complete, it will be sent to James Bolz.

8. LETTERS OF SUPPORT:

- The Spring Valley Community Planning Group has requested a support letter from our group regarding the completion of the 94/125 Interchange Project. Letters should be sent to both Caltrans and SANDAG.
- **Michael Casinelli** said that **Dianne Jacob** had advocated for a less disruptive method or prebuilding the ramps and putting them in place and no action was taken. Our group letter could apply pressure and encourage Caltrans to make this a top priority to end the dangerous bottle necks on the daily commutes.

9. JDCPG OFFICERS ANNOUNCEMENT AND REPORTS

- **Kevin May** read the Rural San Diego Fire Safe Council Letter of Support for a CalFire Grant. SEE ATTACHMENT I
- The date of our next meeting is unknown. The Revised DEIR of the Cottonwood Sand Mining Project has not been released. It depends on whether we have 45 or 60 days to respond.
- SDG&E Traffic Disruption Notice was sent our group. SEE ATTACHMENT 11

10. ADJOURNMENT 8:57: pm

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.*

## ATTACHMENT I

Date: May 15, 2023

From: Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group  
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To: Rural San Diego Fire Safe Council  
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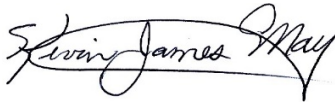
Re: Support of the Rural San Diego Fire Safe Council

The Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group would like to express our whole-hearted support of the Rural San Diego Fire Safe Council and its efforts to help the communities it represents achieve a “Fire Wise Community” designation. Regarding wildfires, we also have many common areas of interest and concern, including:

- Evacuation Routes and Safe Refuge Areas
- Fuel Reduction Programs
- Private Road Maintenance, not only for evacuation but also for emergency access.
- Water Source Availability
- Community Education
- Interagency and special interest group networking

Please keep us informed as to your efforts and what we can do to help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin James May". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Kevin James May

Chair, Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group

ATTACHMENT II

**SDG&E Traffic Disruption Notification**

From:

Sylvia Mc Nally

Municipal Infrastructure Advisor

Regional Public Affairs

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be traffic disruption on Fern Canyon Road between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:40 pm. There will be road signage and flaggers.

Please advise anybody you know who lives in that area.

Kevin May

Chair, Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group

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