

**LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**  
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**MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 4th, 2024  
6:30 pm  
Lakeside Community Center, 9841 Vine Street, Lakeside, CA 92040

*The Lakeside Community Planning Group is an elected body that acts in an advisory capacity to the Department of Planning & Development Services (PDS), the Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and other County departments. The Planning Group's recommendations are advisory only and are not binding on the County of San Diego.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Invocation led by:* Richard Abraham

**3. ROLL CALL / GROUP ATTENDANCE MEMBER REVIEW**

Seat	Member Name	P/A	Seat	Member Name	P/A	Seat	Member Name	P/A
1	Liz Higgins	P	6	Spencer Hancock	<b>P</b>	11	Tony Santo	<b>P</b>
2	Robert Rutledge	<b>P</b>	7	Sam McGovern	<b>P</b>	12	Steve Robak	<b>P</b>
3	Ron Kasper	<b>P</b>	8	Richard Abraham	<b>P</b>	13	Dan Moody	<b>P</b>
4	Sasha Reva	<b>A</b>	9	Connie O'Donnell	<b>p</b>	14	Kristen Everhart	<b>P</b>
5	Carol Hake	<b>P</b>	10	Rey Lyyjoki	<b>P</b>	15	Tiffany Maple	<b>A</b>

\*Off the board- waiting for County confirmation

Quorum reached with 13 present.

A. Group member attendance review

Since January of the calendar year, the board's absences:

- 1- Robert - 2
- 2- Sasha - 2
- 3- Spencer - 1
- 4- Sam - 0
- 5- Tony - 0
- 6- Steve - 1
- 7- Kristen - 1
- 8- Tiffany - 3
- 9- Liz- 0
- 10- Richard - 0
- 11- Carol - 0
- 12- Dan - 0
- 13- Rey - 0
- 14- Connie - 0
- 15- Ron - 0

**4. AUDIO AND/OR VIDEO RECORDING**

*Notification is hereby provided that the LCPG meeting may be audio recorded for purposes of preparation of the meeting minutes.*

**5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF August 2024**

Minutes approved with adjustments

- **Action:** Motion to approve by Kristen seconded by Richard.

- **Vote:**

Aye	Nay	Absent/Vacant	Abstain
12	0	2	1

**6. OPEN FORUM**

*None*

**7. PUBLIC HEARING (Discussions and Vote)**

A. *STP-99-072W2- Major Use Permit (MUP) Modification (W2)  
Verizon Cell Site off Highway 67 near San Vicente Reservoir.*

- **Cancelled**

**8. COUNTY PRESENTATIONS (No Vote)**

A. *Development Feasibility Analysis (DFA) – Presentation only*

Project update after stakeholder feedback.

- Claire Moss, Madeline Dougherty with SD County, and Julian, Heather, and Alison Lee from MIT Consulting have been working on the Project for the County Land Use Group and Long-Range Planning. The DFA aims to identify barriers and opportunities for housing development in specific communities, focusing on Buena Creek, Lakeside, Casa Oro, and Spring Valley. These areas were selected due to their access to transit, funding opportunities, and the presence of underutilized parcels. The presentation highlighted that the DFA specifically targets a niche area within Lakeside, not the entire community. The team has conducted extensive outreach over the past few months, engaging with residents at local events to gather input on housing development priorities. Key concerns from Lakeside residents include maintaining the semi-rural character of the community, the need for more affordable housing, and the constraints imposed by county regulations. Additionally, they emphasized the importance of infill development and the need for complete communities with existing infrastructure. The presentation concluded with a mention of ongoing technical analyses, including infrastructure assessments, to support the findings and recommendations for future housing development.

*B. Cactus Park Preschool Playground Replacement – Discussion and CPG Vote*

Replacement of the preschool playground equipment at Cactus Park. Removed by Park staff a couple of years ago due to safety concerns. Discussion and vote to replace equipment.

- During the meeting, the Parks and Recreation Department presented the new design for the playground, which includes features like a giant baseball glove, climbing equipment, and an inclusive carousel and swings for children with disabilities. While the design aims to create a safe and engaging play area, some members voiced concerns that the equipment may not be fully suitable for preschool-aged children, feeling it might be too advanced. Additionally, members expressed frustration that they were only involved at this late stage after the design had been finalized, rather than being consulted earlier in the planning process. Despite these concerns, there was general agreement on the importance of having a playground that promotes physical activity and social interaction for all children. Suggestions were made to explore potential design improvements, including adding more preschool-friendly features or expanding the sports theme to be more inclusive.

- **Action:** Motion to approve by Kristen with recommendations made by the Board seconded by Connie.

- **Vote:**

Aye	Nay	Absent/Vacant	Abstain
12	1	1	1

**9. GROUP BUSINESS (*Discussion and Possible Vote*)**

- A. Announcements and Correspondence Review
  - *New meeting space for meetings – Lakeside Library, Woodside Avenue, Lakeside.*
- B. Required Training and Group Member Requirements - *none*
- C. Website Updates - *none*
- D. Seat Vacancies - *none*
- E. Other – *n/a*

**10. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (DRB) - *Tony*

Two agenda items, safe light on Greenfield and tentative map modification on Old Highway 80 both were approved.
- B. TRAILS – *Kristen, none*

C. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP) - *Ron*

**Comments:** The discussion highlights significant concerns regarding pedestrian safety, particularly for children near schools and busy roads. The focus is on areas like Moreno Avenue, due to high-speed traffic, and the need for safety measures such as lower speed limits and better pedestrian infrastructure. There is a specific mention of Pepper Drive Elementary School, where the lack of sidewalks poses a safety risk for students walking to school. The planning group has previously voted to recommend improvements in this area, emphasizing the need for continuous sidewalks to ensure safe passage for children. Additionally, implementation of roundabouts and the need for pedestrian safety measures in those designs, especially considering the behavior of middle school students who may not always be attentive while walking. The group is advocating for sidewalks along Las Coaches Road, where gaps in the sidewalk create unsafe conditions for pedestrians, particularly children.

The board took a vote to extend the meeting for two minutes.

- **Action:** Motion to approve by Kristen and seconded by Dan.

- **Vote:**

Aye	Nay	Absent/Vacant	Abstain
13	0	2	0

D. PARK LAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) – *Carol, none*

E. COUNTY ROAD RESURFACING – *Sasha, none*

F. ASSOCIATION OF PLANNING GROUPS SANDAG – *Carol, none*

G. NEW LCPG LIASON – EAST COUNTY CHAMBER - *Sam*  
Attended government affairs meeting, some developments in Santee

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm by Carol Hake.

**NOTE: The next regular meeting of the LCPG will be on  
Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 6:30 pm  
Lakeside Library, 12428 Woodside Ave, Lakeside, CA 92040.**

**Minutes prepared by: Sasha Reva**