

LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
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MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 6th, 2024, 6:30 pm
Lakeside Library, 12841 Woodside Avenue, 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 | ROLL CALL

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

*Off the Group- waiting for County confirmation

- Quorum reached with 13 present.

Public present: 10

A. Group member attendance review for 2024:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- *Invocation led by: Richard Abraham*

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3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF

- Date: October 2024

Minutes approved with adjustments

- **Action:** The motion was approved by Steve and seconded by Richard.

- **Vote:**

Aye	Nay	Absent/Vacant	Abstain
11	0	2	2

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

5. OPEN FORUM

Mike Fish and several neighbors, residents of Moreno Avenue, expressed their concerns during the open forum regarding the recent surge in concert events at the equestrian center. He noted that these events are running from 10 AM until 10 PM, creating considerable noise disruption for the community. Fish emphasized the need for regulations to limit both the duration and frequency of such events to preserve the quality of life for nearby residents.

Kyle Hermann, representing Senator Brian Jones's office, provided a brief legislative update and underscored the importance of community engagement with ongoing legislative matters. He urged residents to communicate their opinions on bills and issues affecting the area, emphasizing that constituent feedback is invaluable as they prepare for the upcoming legislative session. Hermann expressed his commitment to keeping the community informed about developments in Sacramento and encouraged an open dialogue with local residents regarding their concerns.

John Costigan, representing Lakeside residents, raised an issue concerning a property on Labrador Lane that is being utilized for industrial storage, despite its residential zoning. He highlighted that this misuse is negatively impacting property values in the area. Costigan urged the planning group to consider increasing penalties for zoning violations and to deny any requests for major use permits for properties that do not comply with current regulations.

Tom Schwartz voiced his concerns about road safety at the intersection of Mapleview and Highway 67. He noted issues with malfunctioning traffic lights that cause long wait times for drivers. Schwartz mentioned that he had contacted Caltrans and learned that critical traffic sensors are missing, contributing to the problem. He called on the planning group to advocate for urgent repairs to enhance safety and alleviate congestion for motorists in the area.

Nick North shared positive news about establishing an archery range in East County. He received full support from the community and the planning committee in bringing this project to life.

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North highlighted that the range will be a valuable addition for local archers, especially given the limited facilities available in the county. He emphasized his dedication to teaching archery to individuals of all abilities, including those with disabilities.

7. COUNTY PRESENTATIONS` (No Vote)

A. County of San Diego - Watershed Protection Program Magnolia Avenue Green Streets Project

The discussion regarding the Magnolia Avenue Green Streets Project under the County of San Diego - Watershed Protection Program was presented by representatives of the Department of Watershed Protection. They outlined the project's objectives, which focus on improving water quality in the San Diego River watershed and effectively managing stormwater runoff. The presentation emphasized that the project is part of broader efforts to adhere to stringent state and federal requirements for reducing pollutants like bacteria and nutrients entering local water bodies. The representatives detailed several components of the project, including the creation of green infrastructure, such as bioswales and permeable pavements, are designed to absorb and filter stormwater. They highlighted that this initiative aims not only to enhance environmental health but also to improve community aesthetics and walkability in the area. Incorporating features like trees and biofiltration basins was noted as an integral part of beautifying the walkways and enhancing the overall atmosphere of the neighborhood. As part of the community engagement process, residents were invited to provide their input on the project. The representatives encouraged attendees to share their insights and knowledge about the Magnolia Avenue area, which would aid in tailoring the project to serve community needs better. This collaborative approach was framed as essential for ensuring that the project reflects the values and desires of residents. After the presentation, the Group expressed a range of concerns and suggestions. Inquiries about community safety highlighted how the project would improve conditions for pedestrians and cyclists. There were also questions regarding who would be responsible for maintaining the green infrastructure and ensuring its effectiveness over time, as well as concerns about the project's funding and potential impacts on local taxes or fees. The representatives addressed these concerns by affirming their commitment to ongoing maintenance and community involvement throughout the project's life cycle. They informed the Group that funding details were being finalized and would be communicated as the project progressed. In conclusion, the planning group decided to continue gathering community feedback and further evaluate the proposed project components. They agreed to revisit the project after more public feedback to ensure that community concerns are reflected in the final design.

B. County of San Diego – Public Records Request Center

During a recent presentation by Victor Gomez, a representative from the County of San Diego – Public Records Request Center, attendees were informed about the center's purpose and functionality, which aims to facilitate public access to government records efficiently and transparently. Victor emphasized the importance of this initiative in promoting accountability within local government. Gomez explained that the Public Records Act, enacted in 1968 and modeled after the Freedom of Information Act, allows individuals to submit requests for various government records. These records can encompass a wide array of document types, including letters, memos, emails, and other communications related to public business. The goal of the act

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is to ensure the public's right to access government records, thereby fostering transparency and enabling public scrutiny of government actions. Attendees were guided through the process of submitting a public records request. Gomez informed residents that they can access the county's dedicated website, where they can submit requests anonymously and at no cost for electronic records. For those who prefer paper records, a nominal fee may apply. He emphasized that nearly all requests are fulfilled electronically, making the process user-friendly and efficient. Additionally, the presentation highlighted features of the Public Records Request Center, such as a data portal listing previously available records and a searchable database of past public records requests. This function allows the public to view requests that have been submitted and fulfilled, promoting further transparency and helping individuals understand the types of information that can be sought. Despite the accessible nature of the system, Gomez noted certain limitations. There are exclusions for specific types of records, such as personal identifying information or documents protected by attorney-client privilege. This ensures that privacy and legal standards are maintained while still upholding the public's right to access government information. In conclusion, Victor Gomez encouraged community members to utilize the Public Records Request Center as a valuable resource for obtaining information about government operations, funding allocations, and ongoing projects that affect their neighborhoods.

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

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS - none

B. REQUIRED TRAINING

- Required training and Group Member Requirements
- Form 700s will be due next year with a new website.

C. ANNUAL TRAINING – will start in 2025

D. OTHER

- Next year we will have a vacancy for seat 15.
- Discussion of rescheduling the January 2025 meeting date
- As scheduled meeting will fall on Wednesday, January 1, 2025

SUBCOMMITTEE/LIASON REPORTS

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (DRB)

- Subcommittee Chair: Tony
- Comments: The Design Review Board reviewed the project which is rebuilding the property. The new building is going where the old building was and changing the parking lot.

TRAILS

- Subcommittee Chair: Kristen
- Comments: None but she will follow up with the equestrian center.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP)

- Subcommittee Chair: Dan
- Comments: The Capital Improvement Projects subcommittee presented updates on current and proposed projects aimed at enhancing community infrastructure. They highlighted several ongoing projects, Ashwood Street Corridor, Bradley Avenue,

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Riverford Road, El Capitan High School Traffic Signals, Wildcat Canyon Roads. The subcommittee emphasized the importance of community input in determining which projects should be prioritized for funding and development.

- The meeting extended to 8:34 pm for 5 minutes, Carol made a motion, and Sasha seconds.

Vote:

Aye	Nay	Absent/Vacant	Abstain
12	1	2	

PARK LAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO)

- Subcommittee Chair: Carol
- Comments – none

ROAD RESURFACING

- Subcommittee Chair: Sasha
- Comments: The email provides an update on the progress of the Department of Public Works (DPW) in resurfacing public roads in San Diego County's unincorporated areas. The Annual Resurfacing Program, initiated in 2015, aims to balance community needs, funding, and safety requirements. Key points include: - The program has resurfaced a total of 730 centerline miles from FY 2017-18 to FY 2022-23. - Due to factors like inflation and rising construction costs, revisions have been made to future project lists. - The upcoming 2023-24 resurfacing projects (Year Seven) will cover approximately 120.23 miles, while the 2024-25 projects (Year Eight) will include 100.32 miles. - Overall, the program aims to resurface nearly 950 miles of roads, which is about 49% of the County's publicly maintained roads. - Residents can access updated information through the DPW's interactive website.

CPG Advisory Position SANDAG Board of Directors

- Subcommittee Chair: Carol
- Comments – none

Comments: G. East County Chamber Alliance Liaison

- Subcommittee Chair: Sam
- Comments - The planning group received complimentary membership at the East County Chamber Alliance.

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, February 5th, at 6:30 pm at the
Lakeside Library, 12428 Woodside Ave, Lakeside, CA 92040.
Minutes prepared by: Sasha Reva***