

Rainbow Community Planning Group

Advising the Board of Supervisors ~ San Diego County
MINUTES of Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Rainbow Valley Grange, 2160 Rainbow Valley Blvd, Rainbow CA 92028

I. Open Provisions

- A. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kurland at 6:30 PM.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Attendance: Present: Marty Kurland, Lynne Malinowski, Frederick Rasp, Jon Gorr, Ron Ehrler, Michele Dahl-Sheehan, Greg Doud, Paul Georgantas and Pat Eastman. Excused: Douglas Gastelum. 9 members being present, a quorum is declared.

II. Motion to approve the agenda by Mr. Rasp, second Mr. Georgantas, approved unanimously.

III. Public Comments

- A. Mr. Vincent Bernabeo, Public Outreach Specialist for San Diego County Dept. of Public Works introduced himself.

IV. Consolidated Motion

- A. Motion to approve prior meeting minutes from 20 November 2024 made by Ms. Malinowski, second Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan, approved unanimously.

V. Continued Items, Discretionary Projects and County Action Items

- A. Presentation by Rene Vidales, Project Manager, San Diego County Dept. of Public Works, for the updated Rainbow Green Streets project. This project will construct 3,533 total lineal feet of subsurface wetland channels along Huffstatler St., 5th Street, and Rainbow Valley Blvd in 4 specific locations. Additional improvements include 28 improved driveways and a sidewalk section from Rainbow Park to corner of Huffstatler Street. Utility relocations have been completed. Construction will commence in Spring 2025. Signage will be in place with website link and QR code for more information on project.

VI. Old Business and Reports

- A. Announcements and Correspondence Received – Chair Kurland reported that all correspondence has been forwarded to the group.
- B. Architectural Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski – Nothing new.
- C. Social Media and Membership Subcommittee – Ms. Malinowski. The presentation of the Green Streets project was publicized on social media.
- D. Parks and Beautification Subcommittee – Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan provided summary of community input for the 2024-2025 PLDO list. A motion by Ms. Eastman was made, and seconded by Mr. Rasp, approved unanimously for the following order of project priority: 1) Fitness Stations around the dirt track, 2) Continue maintenance on the park facilities, and 3) the County to purchase land for dog park and hiking area.
- E. I-15 Corridor Design Review Board – Mr. Doud reported that the meeting was postponed until January 29th. Projects to consider include a rezoning at Horse Creek Ranch development from office and

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commercial to 3-story buildings consisting of 138 condos, as well as a Site Waiver request for a parcel on Canyon Heights Rd.

- F. Roads and traffic status – Dr. Kurland. Prioritization of Capital Improvements and Maintenance projects will be discussed at February meeting, and Secretary will send out past prioritization lists. The list is due by 3/30/25.
- G. Water and Environmental Issues Report – Dr. Kurland – Nothing new.
- H. Community News and Grange – Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan reported that events will resume in January.
- I. Cannabis and Social Equity Program update – Mr. Doud reported that the PEIR is not yet been released.
- J. Vallecitos School District Update – Dr. Kurland reported that the roof work is almost done. The next step is for the solar installation.
- K. Fire Safety Council Update – Mr. Doud reported that the 1/4/25 chipping event serviced 90 vehicles, and filled three 40-yard dumpsters. They are working to get more information on the website with helpful apps, and to update the evacuation maps. (Note: the evacuation maps are owned by the Sheriff Dept. and requires their permission to make changes.) RMWD, FPUD, and NCFPD prepared a joint letter to assure the public that water service levels will not be interrupted when there are possible fire weather conditions (e.g., they will keep the water reservoirs full.) The new Hi-Lo siren being used by the Sheriff Dept. during evacuations was demonstrated.
- L. APG & SANDAG Advisory Seat for Unincorporated Communities – Ms. Malinowski reported on the recent APG meetings. Discussion about response to SANDAG over 2025 Transportation Plan to convert one lane of I-15 to managed lane. Due to truck use, that will effectively reduce lanes available to non-HOV vehicles. Recommendation for Ms. Malinowski to consult SANDAG about where the “no more construction of additional highway lanes” policy originated – California State or San Diego County? Recommendation to place considerations for traffic improvement on next month’s agenda with the purpose of composing a letter to SANDAG. Motion by Ms. Malinowski to approve letter to Congressman Issa requesting a meeting with APG representatives, second by Mr. Rasp, approved unanimously.
- M. Regional Study of Rainbow traffic concerns – Ms. Malinowski – Nothing new.
- N. Policy I-1 Review – Ms. Malinowski will report on the status of the review at the February meeting.
- O. County Code Enforcement – Mr. Doud – Nothing new.
- P. Signs in the Rights of Way – Mr. Doud reported that no new signs have been posted.
- Q. Member/Administrative Reports – Chair Kurland. Ms. Malinowski reported on the December 2024 Quarterly Chairs meeting: Code Compliance overview, North County MSCP update, VMT topic, and “Paperless” process for discretionary permits concept presentation. This change will need careful consideration due issues with plans being changed after physical stamps are done.

VII. New Business

- A. Oath of office administered to Pat Eastman, Seat #3.
- B. Motion made by Mr. Georgantas, second by Ms. Eastman to nominate the following officers for 2025: Chair: Martin Kurland, Vice Chair: Greg Doud, Secretary: Lynne Malinowski. Approved unanimously.

VIII. Call for New Agenda Items for next meeting

- A. Agenda items can be submitted up until the next meeting’s agenda is posted at the meeting site.
- B. Letter to SANDAG about managed lanes and other highway congestion concerns, including traffic safety with trucks.
- C. DPW Capital Improvements and Maintenance projects list recommendations
- D. April DPW Rainbow area CIP meeting should be held in Rainbow, and not Fallbrook (as scheduled) and not conflict with RCPG meeting date.

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IX. Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Doud, second Mrs. Dahl-Sheehan, approved unanimously. Adjournment by Chair Kurland at 7:55 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting 19 February 2025.

Respectfully submitted, Lynne Malinowski Secretary, Rainbow CPG

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Congressman Darrell Issa
2108 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

AND

221 W. Crest St #110
Escondido, CA 92025

RE: TRANSPORTATION FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS

Dear Sir:

The Rainbow Community Planning Group represents the unincorporated community of Rainbow in areas of planning for land use, including roadways and highways. The ability of Rainbow residents to access their homes and businesses safely on interstate and local highways is a prime concern of the community. With the increased building in neighboring Riverside County (with which our community shares a boundary), our section of Interstate 15 and local highways are excessively congested and forecasted to worsen and exacerbate the already dangerous roadways.

The Rainbow Community Planning Group supports the current efforts to hold a joint meeting between SANDAG, unincorporated area leadership, and yourself. We also stand with all other San Diego County unincorporated communities in their endeavor to bring needed attention to all of our considerable local transportation issues, and request your participation in this group meeting.

Thank you for working to protect and support our community.

Respectfully,



Martin Kurland, Chair
Rainbow Community Planning Group

Cc: Mario Orso, CEO of SANDAG

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RAINBOW LOCAL PARK PLANNING AREA AND RAINBOW COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP PRIORITY LISTS

PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PROJECT PRIORITY LIST: PLDO

Eligible Recreational Use examples include but are not limited to sport fields and courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, community gardens, and recreation buildings.

FY2024-25 Rainbow Community Planning Group (CPG) PLDO Project Priority List (List in order of priority)
1. Install fitness stations along path around soccer/baseball fields/in the tan ground covering area, as seen at the Horse Creek community park
2. Continue to maintain and repair items asap, gates/picnic tables/play equipment
3. Find local properties to purchase and pursue community goal of having an off-leash dog part and/or nature preserve for hiking and exploring . There is a property at the corner of 8th/Rice Canyon up for sale and another for sale which would be perfect for a nature preserve on Rainbow Valley Blvd North, between Highway 395 and Rainbow Valley Blvd (at the exit near the freeway)

PREVIOUS FY2023-24 Rainbow CPG PLDO Project Priority List (Listed in order of priority)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Install fitness stations along path around field 2. Install solar lighting on timers for evening use of park 3. Install disc golf baskets at a few locations around the park in grassy/hilly areas not being used 4. Update maintenance plan for landscaping and repairs to existing issues to occur more regularly.

RECREATION PROGRAMMING PRIORITY LIST:

Recreation programming examples include but are not limited to afterschool programs, sport leagues, and fitness classes.

FY2024-25 Rainbow CPG Recreation Programming Priority List (List in order of priority)
1. Allow local soccer leagues to use fields for games and tournaments, of all ages

PREVIOUS FY2023-24 Rainbow CPG Recreation Programming List
