County of San Diego Ramona Community Planning Group MEETING MINUTES September 5, 2024

7:00 PM @ the Ramona Community Center, 434 Aqua Lane

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Casey Lynch, Chair

ITEM 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEM 3: ROLL CALL (Lynch, Chair)

In Attendance: Torry Brean Janelle Clark Jonas Dyer

Debbie Foster Holly Hamilton-Bleakley

Casey Lynch Kristi Mansolf Robin Joy Maxson

Dawn Perfect Michelle Rains (Arr 7:15)

Andrew Simmons Dan Summers Paul Stykel

Lauren Elyse Welty

Members absent: Matt Rains

Casey Lynch, RCPG Chair, acted as Chair of the meeting, Lauren Elyse Welty, RCPG Vice-Chair, acted as Vice-Chair of the meeting, and Kristi Mansolf, RCPG Secretary, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MINUTES 8-1-24 (Action)

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2024, MEETING AS PRESENTED.

Upon motion made by Robin Joy Maxson and seconded by Lauren Elyse Welty, the motion **passed 13-0-0-0-2**, with Matt Rains and Michelle Rains absent.

ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

Opportunity for members of the public to speak to Group on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on posted agenda. Speakers will submit speaker slip to the Vice Chair, each speaker is limited to 3 minutes, and the elected body of the RCPG cannot respond (None).

ITEM 6: APPROVAL OF ORDER OF THE AGENDA (Action)

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA.

Upon motion made by Dan Summers and seconded by Robin Joy Maxson, the motion passed 13-0-0-0-2, with Matt Rains and Michelle Rains absent.

ITEM 7: ACTION ITEMS:

- 7-A: <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM ONLY</u>: Update from San Diego County Sheriff's Department Ramona Substation for the community of Ramona. (LieutenantMalan was unable to attend the meeting)
- 7-B: <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM ONLY:</u> Mt. Woodson Parking Lot Update Mansolf, Mt. Woodson ad hoc

Ms. Mansolf presented the update. Emmet Aquino and Michael Espiritu from County Parks, had been in attendance at the Mt. Woodson ad hoc meeting.

Mr. Aguino said New Century Construction has been selected as the contractor to do the work. Prior to construction, bird and bat surveys must be completed. A Native American study must also be done. Plants were addressed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration. Pre-construction work has been done. Caltrans has approved the project restriping plan, and it is available online. The Right of Way Permit was also approved. It took a long time. They are planning to start construction in the fall. Mr. Aquino has been in communication with the RMWD and the project overlaps with their pipeline. They have let them know where the pipes are at. The RMWD has to delineate their easement first before any work can be done. They will be using post and chain for the RMWD property easement as a fence barrier. Minimal asphalt will be used in the parking lot. Boulders and logs can be put in the parking lot to protect the oak trees from people parking too close to them. Porta-potties are still planned for the project. People will have direct access to the parking lot from SR-67 at the gate just north of the CAL FIRE station. The access will be different than it would be now if the existing gate were used. The information kiosk will be about 250 feet from the RMWD easement. The water district easement runs through the access. Mr. Aquino said people can look up details of the project on the County website. He will send the link out.

A question came up about how many RV spaces will be in the parking lot? Mr. Aquino is not sure the number of spaces, but he knows there will be some RV parking. The parking lot is planned to have 200 spaces total.

Speaker: John Neidert, Ramona Resident

Mr. Neidert is the Vice President of the Mt. Woodson HOA. He said that construction would start on the parking lot later this year, and would last approximately 1 year. He would like to see a deceleration lane for people going south on SR 67 (from the direction of Archie Moore Road) who want to enter the parking lot and possibly a barrier. When he looked at the County documentation online, he was only able to see the existing conditions and not what is planned with the parking lot. He would like to make sure people are guided to the trail and that directions to the trail are clear. The Mt. Woodson HOA is still in discussion with the County on trail access in the vicinity of the Mt. Woodson development and they are still working out the location of a post and chain barrier to help direct people. He has concerns that if the County charges a \$3.00 fee for parking, people will try to avoid paying it. He also feels there may be a problem with people parking on Archie Moore. Archie Mooie Road and Mt. Woodson will take people to the Frye Koegel trailhead. There is still a lot of details that haven't been determined yet.

The Chair said this project has been 8 years in the making. It has taken 8 years to develop a concept plan for the parking lot at Mt. Woodson. There have always been concerns with

neighborhood problems. Ultimately the project falls under the Caltrans umbrella as SR 67 is a state highway. The land for the parking lot was bought by the County with MSCP funds.

Mr. Brean said he has concerns with the upkeep of the porta-potties that are planned.

Ms. Perfect said she would like to have a conversation with the County about modifying the fee to be charged for parking.

The Chair said that there is an RMWD easement on the property site, with a pipe underneath that needs to be avoided. The RMWD doesn't want any activity by their easement.

The Chair said he would like someone from the County to come to an RCPG meeting to further discuss our concerns.

Ms. Maxson said that at one time she counted 110 cars parked along SR 67. There would be concerns with this many cars parking along Archie Moore and people walking to the trail.

Ms. Clark said she is also concerned with people parking along Archie Moore Road. People speed up and down that road.

7-C: <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM ONLY</u>: APG Report on updates in the unincorporated area Maxson

Ms. Maxson gave the APG report for the last month. The APG attended an open Congressional meeting. Darrell Issa had a private meeting with Mario Orso and mayors, and the APG was not invited. The APG wrote a letter and said they wanted to discuss planning with the group. The APG will have a meeting before November.

7-D: <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY</u>: Ramona State Routes Subcommittee Items Summers, RSRS Subcommittee

Mr. Summers gave the report.

- 1. Review of SR 67 & SR 78 projects
 - a. Status of SR 78 and Haverford Road

Mr. Welborn said in an email the paper work is done for Haverford Road and SR 78, so the issue is being addressed.

b. Status of bridges on SR 67 and Hope Street

The bridges at Hope Street and SR 67 are complete.

c. Any news from Caltrans on Mussey Grade Road intersection

Mr. Summers said there has been talk of a roundabout, a stoplight and possible consideration of the Dye Street Extension to alleviate the traffic issues at the intersection of Mussey Grade Road and SR 67. For the intersection of Archie Moore Road and SR 67, there are entry and exit lanes. People are happy with the work that was done. What if they did the same thing for the

intersection of Mussey Grade Road and SR 67? Parts of the road could be widened and an entry and exit lane could be added. Mr. Welborn said he would look into this. All of the land at the intersection is owned by Caltrans.

The Chair said the slope when exiting Mussey Grade Road creates a little different situation. Centrifugal force is a consideration as would be rain gutters.

The Chair said he has a concern with the litter along SR 67 and SR 78. Maybe someone needs to schedule crews to pick up the trash along the highways.

2. Discuss Caltrans letter on Medians

Mr. Summers said we asked Caltrans to consider medians at 6th and 10th. Caltrans did respond to the letter, with a letter. The letter did not say no medians and talked about beautification and safety. They handed our letter off to someone else. We need to follow up with them.

Ms. Rains said Julian had an event with diagonal parking on Main. There could be center divides or diagonal parking on Main Street.

Mr. Summers said Main Street in Julian is very wide. Our Main Street is not as wide. Ms. Perfect said diagonal parking would use 1 lane.

The Chair said medians are discussed in the Ramona Form Based Code.

Ms. Rains said that rather than looking for a cosmetic benefit, we should look for something that will benefit all of the community.

Mr. Summers said we aren't talking about a median one street to another. Medians are for safety and beautification.

Mr. Brean said a median can be put in front of the Town Hall.

The Chair asked that this item be put on a future agenda.

3. Report on Caltrans and SANDAG evacuation route tour

Mr. Summers said the evacuation route tour was given last month.

4. Report from Elio Noyas about repaving issues

Mr. Summers said Elio Noyas, RSRS member, has concerns with the SR 67 paving project at some locations.

ITEM 8: GROUP BUSINESS (Possible Action)

8-A: Announcements and Correspondence Received.

Ms. Mansolf said the County plans to remove adying eucalyptus tree in the County right of way along Humiston Way at SDCE, and they asked that we announce it at our meeting.

The Chair said there is no cool zone in Ramona on Sunday. The library is not open on Sundays. Maybe this could be addressed at the Community Center.

Ms. Perfect said the Community Center would be easy to open on Sunday. It is open in the morning for church services.

Ms. Perfect announced the crosswalk is complete on Hanson Lane. She asked that people give feedback on this improvement.

8-B: <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u>: RCPG Standing Rules Update Clark

Ms. Clark has been looking at the RCPG Standing Rules with respect to updating for absences. As far as absences, the County feels there are only unexcused absences. There is no such thing as an excused absence. She feels this information in our Standing Rules is misleading. She thought our Standing Rules should align with Policy I-1 People do not have to say why they are missing a meeting. Policy I-1 says that if a member has 3 consecutive absences, put on the fourth agenda an item for the person having to vacate their seat. She doesn't feel this aligns with the Code of Conduct.

The Chair said that we have never enforced absences. The people serving on the board have to have personal responsibility.

Ms. Maxson said that we don't ever judge whether an absence is excuxed or not.

The Chair said that a big part of absences is for the RCPG not being able to field a quorum.

Ms. Welty said it is more of a common courtesy to call out.

Mr. Dyer said that as far as missing meetings - if we lose a quorum, it hurts the applicants.

Ms. Perfect said that having to give cause is intrusive.

The Chair said that we are bound by Policy I-1.

Mr. Brean said to maybe add to the Standing Rules, with regards to absences – "In accordance with Policy I-1."

The Chair said we have had a member miss 4 times and not acted on it.

Ms. Clark said she thought page 6 of the RCPG Standing Rules, where it talks about absences, should mimic Policy I-1, Section VI, Item III. She made the following motion:

MOTION: TO REMOVE THE SECOND PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 5 OF THE RCPG STANDING RULES UNDER #7, ABSENCES, AND TO LEAVE THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THAT SECTION AS IS, EXCEPT TO MAKE IT EXACTLY LIKE IT IS IN BOARD POLICY I-1 (PAGE 19, SECTION III). TO INCLUDE THIS SAME LANGUAGE IN THE RCPG STANDING RULES, UNDER SUBCOMMITTEES, PAGE 6, SECTION 6, ITEM 5.

Upon motion made by Janelle Clark and seconded by Michelle Rains, the motion **passed 14-0-0-0-1**, with Matt Rains absent.

Ms. Perfect said she would like the subcommittee agenda in the RCPG Standing Rules to include a template like in Policy I-1.

The Chair suggested referring to Attachment A (Policy I-1) in the RCPG Standing Rules where it talks about subcommittee agendas.

MOTION: TO INCLUDE IN OUR STANDING RULES A SAMPLE TEMPLATE FOR A SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA.

Upon motion made by Dawn Perfect and seconded by Janelle Clark, the motion was withdrawn.

MOTION: TO HAVE ITEM 8, UNDER SECTION VI SUBCOMMITTEES (RCPG STANDING RULES), REFLECT BOARD POLICY I-1 AGENDA TEMPLATE FOR SUBCOMMITTEES.

Upon motion made by Dawn Perfect and seconded by Janelle Clark, the motion **passed 14-0-0-0-1**, with Matt Rains absent.

8-C. <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u>: Telecommunication/Virtual Meeting Possibilities
Clark

Ms. Clark would like the RCPG to have telecommunication/virtual meeting options. The County is very specific about how many virtual meetings Planning and Sponsor Group members can attend in a give time frame if someone cannot attend a meeting in person.

The Chair said when we had virtual meetings during the pandemic – sometimes the meetings went to midnight. We could send a letter to Dawn Noble at the County that would ask for help with funding resources. We can ask if a County IT person is available to come to our meetings and run the equipment, and see what our options are for virtual meetings.

Ms. Clark said she would like for a letter to be sent to the County asking for additional resources to help with the RCPG having the ability to have virtual meetings. She will write the letter and it will be reviewed at the next meeting.

MOTION: TO WRITE A LETTER TO THE COUNTY REQUESTING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO HAVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ABILITY FOR VIRTUAL MEETINGS.

Upon motion made by Janelle Clark and seconded by Holly Hamilton-Bleakley, the motion **passed 14-0-0-0-1**, with Matt Rains absent.

8-D: <u>DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION</u>: Regarding the Posting of RCPG Agenda: California Government Code § 54954.2

(a)(1) At least 72 hours before a regular meeting, the legislative body of the local agency, or its designee, shall post an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting, including items to be discussed in closed session. A brief general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words. The agenda shall specify the time and location of the regular meeting and shall be posted in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public and on the local agency's Internet Web site, if the local agency has one. If requested, the agenda shall be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. The agenda shall include information regarding how, to whom, and when a request for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, may be made by a person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting. Lynch (Chair)

Lynch (Chair)

The Chair presented this information from the State of California relating to the posting of the agenda in a place accessible to the public, and not necessarily/specifically at the meeting location. We have tried to ask the Ramona Library to have a board for us to post the agenda on. We are compliant with State law.

8-E: Discussion Items:

1. Concerns from Members

Ms. Rains said that the County updated having live music at wineries. People still have to get the right permits to do so.

2. Future Agenda Item Requests

Ms. Mansolf said there are pending agenda items for the Transportation/Trails Subcommittee to review, such as a "through traffic doesn't stop" sign on D St at the intersection of 5th and D and a 3 way stop At Montecito Rd and Ramona St-consideration of sending it to the County Supervisor as it did not meet County criteria for a 3-way stop.

3. Addition and Confirmation of New/Continuing Subcommittee Members

Ms. Mansolf made a motion to add/confirm Janelle Clark to the Mt. Woodson ad hoc Committee.

MOTION: TO ADD JANELLE CLARK AS A MEMBER TO THE MT WOODSON AD HOC COMMITTEE.

Upon motion made by Kristi Mansolf and seconded by Robin Joy Maxson, the motion **passed 14-0-0-0-1**, with Matt Rains absent.

4. Reimbursement request to PDS for the secretary for copies made for the 8-1-24 and the 9-5-24 meetings

Ms. Mansolf put in a reimbursement request for \$22.50 for copies in August and September.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR \$22.50 FOR THE RCPG SECRETARY FOR COPIES IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.

Upon motion made by Casey Lynch and seconded by Lauren Elyse Welty, the motion **passed 14-0-0-0-1**, with Matt Rains absent.

F. DESIGN REVIEW REPORT (Jonas Dyer) – Update on Projects Reviewed

Mr. Dyer gave the Design Review Report from the August 26, 2024, Design Review Board meeting:

Site Plan Review

- 7th & B Street: Mixed Use Project
 - APPROVED

Waiver Requests

- 1315 Main Street (California Bank of Commerce): New Signage
 - APPROVED
- G. Meeting Updates
 - 1. Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission and TAC Meetings
 - 2. Future Group Meeting Dates Next RCPG Meeting to be 10-3-24, meeting location to be determined.

ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Mansolf

The RCPG is advisory only to the County of San Diego. Community issues not related to planning and land use are not within the purview of this group. Item #6: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the RCPG on any subject within the group's jurisdiction that does not appear as an item on this agenda. The RCPG cannot discuss these matters except to place them on a future agenda, refer them to a subcommittee, or to County staff. Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes. Please fill out a speaker request form located at the rear of the room and present to Vice Chairperson.

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