

**MEETING MINUTES | COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO | VALLE DE ORO COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, August 1, 2023, Called to order 7:07 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** Rancho San Diego Library, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego, El Cajon, CA 92019

**A. Roll Call**

**P:** Present – **A:** Absent

Seat	Member	
1	Charles Kossman	P
2	<i>Vacant</i>	
3	Danielle Weizman	A
4	Jay Steiger	P
5	Michael Herron	P
6	Kyle Hermann	P
7	Karibia Baillargeon	A
8	Daniel Conway	P

Seat	Member	
9	Allison Henderson	P
10	Michelle Kister	P
11	Staley "Bill" Pitts	P
12	Kathleen Hedberg	A
13	Susan Yepiz	A
14	<i>Vacant</i>	
15	Oday Yousif	P

**B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** (July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes)

**Y:** Yes – **N:** No – **AB:** Abstain – **A:** Absent

**Moved to Approve:** Steiger

**Seconded Motion:** Henderson

Seat	Member	
1	Charles Kossman	Y
2	<i>Vacant</i>	
3	Danielle Weizman	A
4	Jay Steiger	Y
5	Michael Herron	Y
6	Kyle Hermann	Y
7	Karibia Baillargeon	A
8	Daniel Conway	Y

Seat	Member	
9	Allison Henderson	Y
10	Michelle Kister	Y
11	Staley "Bill" Pitts	Y
12	Kathleen Hedberg	A
13	Susan Yepiz	A
14	<i>Vacant</i>	
15	Oday Yousif	Y

**Motion Carries.** 9 Yes, 0 No,

**C. Public Communication**

None heard.

**D. Consent Items**

None agendized.

**E. Information Items**

Item No.	Identifier	Discussion
E1	Climate Action Plan (CAP) Presentation for Unincorporated Area	Presentation from Sustainability Planning Division from PDS on CAP plan in County. Six part project that will lead to an actual plan for Green House Gas reductions in five sectors (solid waste, energy, agriculture, water, and built environment/transportation. Each sector will have vision, Statement, implementation plans, and enforcement. Final document likely in Fall 2024. Contact cap@sdcounty.ca.gov for more info.

**F. Action Items**

Item No.	Identifier	Discussion
F1	Cottonwood Sand Mine: Discuss Recirculated Draft EIR and Discuss Letter in Response to County	Yousif gave background on the recirculated draft environmental impact report (RDEIR) for Cottonwood Sand mine. Subcommittee on this was tasked with reviewing the RDEIR and drafting a letter for the consideration of the VDO CPG. Henderson have background on the RDEIR and what those changes are. Specifically, number of trucks (58 more), backfill of gross materials, noise, debris, and lack of specifics on mitigation. Major concerns was the large number of uncertainties and broad language that is not specific enough. Henderson presented the letter that was drafted by the subcommittee which considered these concerns.

**Y:** Yes – **N:** No – **AB:** Abstain – **A:** Absent

**Action:** Moved to Send the Letter Sent to the Group as VDOCPG’s Comment with the following changes: (1) Add “Based on inconsistencies between the DEIR and the RDEIR and numerous miscalculations, the County should engage the services of neutral mining expert thereby making their decision based on expert knowledge and objective criteria.” in second paragraph of the Introduction section before the last sentence; (2) Strike “Therefore” in the last sentence of the Introduction section and replace with “Finally”; and (3) The last sentence of the Introduction section will be its own paragraph.

**Moved:** Henderson; **Seconded:** Stieger.

Seat	Member	
1	Charles Kossman	Y
2	Vacant	
3	Danielle Weizman	A
4	Jay Steiger	Y
5	Michael Herron	Y
6	Kyle Hermann	Y
7	Karibia Baillargeon	A
8	Daniel Conway	Y

Seat	Member	
9	Allison Henderson	Y
10	Michelle Kister	Y
11	Staley “Bill” Pitts	Y
12	Kathleen Hedberg	A
13	Susan Yepiz	A
14	Vacant	
15	Oday Yousif	Y

**Motion Carries.** 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

**G. Group Administration and Business**

Item #	Identifier	VDO CPG Lead	Summary
G1	Administrative	Yousif	Gave updates on Lonny Brewer Park (construction starting this month) and Skyline Retirement Center Time Extension (previous time extension granted is void due to reliance on MUP). Also updated on progress of Fuerte Drive and Damone Lane with changes being approved and implemented.  Gave update on Association of Planning Groups and role that CPG’s should play in the County and effort of other CPG chairs to create group.  Special Election July 18 – August 15.

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G2	Subcommittee Update – Local Streets	Kister	No report.
G3	Subcommittee Update – Parklands Dedication Ordinance (PLDO)	Weizman	<i>Absent.</i>
G4	Subcommittee Update – Casa de Oro Business Corridor	Herron	No report.
G5	VDO CPG Liaison Update – Fire Safe Council	Hedberg	<i>Absent.</i>
G6	Subcommittee Update – Cottonwood Sand Mine	Henderson	<i>Discussed in Action Items section.</i>
G7	Subcommittee Update – Ivanhoe Ranch	Baillargeon	<i>Absent.</i>
G8	Subcommittee Update – Standing Rules	<i>Vacant</i>	Yousif appointed Hermann Chair of Subcommittee.
G9	Next Scheduled Meeting	--	September 5, 2023

**H. Adjournment:** 8:30pm by Oday Yousif

Minutes Submitted By: Steiger