



Tierrasanta Community Council

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Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group

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AGENDA

NOTICE OF CORPORATE ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE OF CPG REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, March 21st, 2007 at 7:00 PM

To be held at the:
Tierrasanta Recreation Center
11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, San Diego, CA 92124

7:00 Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of Members & Quorum Check
Absent: Germain, Oates, J. Taylor, K. Taylor

Guest Sign-in

Approval of Minutes from February 21st, 2007

Agenda Review, Prioritization or Scheduling of Items;
also, **Requests for Additions** (requires 2/3 majority vote)

Special Announcement: NJROTC Appreciation to CAPT
Clark Owsley and two cadets from Serra High School

7:10 Non-Agenda Public Comment

Any member of the public may address a community issue not elsewhere included in the agenda. Upon recognition by the Chair, each speaker may take up to 3 minutes (speakers may be limited to less than 3 minutes each if several speakers want to address the same issue). While there can be limited discussion, please note that the TCC generally is *not* permitted to act on (vote on) any issue that is not already on the agenda for this meeting.



Representatives to the TCC

Government Elected Officials

S.D. Fire Dept: Battalion Captains Julie Bardsley ("A" shift), Roger Yoshioka ("B") & Dina Sickels ("C")
S.D. Police Dept: Officer Christina Burhans (tel: 858-495-7943); Police non-emergency tel: 619-531-2000
Congressman Duncan Hunter (R, 52nd District): Breanna Kingsbury (tel: 619-448-5201, Breanna.Kingsbury@mail.house.gov)
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State Senator Dennis Hollingsworth (R, 36th District): Ellen Malin (tel: 619-596-3136, Ellen.Malin@sen.ca.gov)
State Senator Christine Kehoe (D, 39th District): Sean Wherley (tel: 619-645-3133, Sean.Wherley@sen.ca.gov)
Assemblywoman Lori Saldana (D, 76th Dist.): Shawn Veen (tel: 619-645-3090, Shawn.Veen@asm.ca.gov)
Assemblyman Joel Anderson (R, 77th District): Christopher Marsh (619-441-2322, Christopher.Marsh@asm.ca.gov)
Assemblywoman Shirley Horton (R, 78th Dist.): Fernando Reyes (tel: 619-462-7878, Fernando.Reyes@asm.ca.gov)
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City Councilman Jim Madaffer (7th District): Leslie Webb (tel: 619-236-6677, LWebb@sandiego.gov)
San Diego City School Trustee: Katherine Nakamura (tel: 619-725-5550, KNakamura@sandi.net)

Changes
shown in
yellow

Representatives of Government Organizations

US Navy (Military Housing): Jerry Dunaway (tel: 619-532-1230, Jerry.Dunaway@navy.mil)
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San Diego Planning Department: Maxx Stalheim (tel: 619-235-6153, MStalheim@sandiego.gov)
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Tierrasanta Recreation Center: Mark Moncey (tel: 858-573-1394, MMoncey@sandiego.gov)
Tierrasanta Library: Jennifer Suder (tel: 858-573-1384, JSuder@sandiego.gov)

Tierrasanta Community Service Organizations

Tierrasanta Kiwanis Club: President is Rex Warburton (warbu@aol.com)
Tierrasanta Junior Womens Club: President is Amy Hall (amyhall@san.rr.com)
Tierrasanta Recreation Council: President is Linda Juhasz (ljb6752@san.rr.com)



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TCC Annual Elections are in Progress: the Polls Close at 8PM on March 21st

Ballot boxes are located at Albertsons, Vons, "The Market", the Library and the Rec Center. These ballot boxes will be collected at 6PM on March 21st except for the Rec Center, which will remain open until 8PM on March 21st.

Votes may be cast in any of the following ways:

1. By filling out a ballot and dropping it in any of the ballot boxes before 6PM on March 21st
2. By mailing in a ballot to "TCC Elections" c/o Tierrasanta Library, 4985 La Cuenta Dr, San Diego, CA 92124
3. By handing the Tierrasanta librarian a ballot in a sealed envelope marked "TCC Elections"
4. By attending the TCC meeting on March 21st and filling out a ballot in person.

Area 1 Vacancy to be Filled in March 2007

The Area 1 seat has no candidate and so this will be filled by the TCC in an appointment process. Any Area 1 resident (or homeowner) 18 years old or older may apply, but if nobody from Area 1 applies then the seat will be declared "At Large" at which point any Tierrasanta resident (or home owner) 18 or older may apply.

To apply please contact the TCC President at <egermain@pacbell.net> and/or please show up at the TCC meeting on March 21st. Applicants must be verified as eligible: it is OK to contact the chair and not show up, and it is OK to not contact the chair and show up, but if you want the seat then please contact the chair and also show up.

TIME CERTAIN 7:30 PM — Annual Meeting of the TCC as a Corporation: The TCC's corporate bylaws require the annual meeting of the corporation to convene at 7:30PM on the third Wednesday in March of each year. TCC will convene and then suspend the corporate meeting, continue with the agenda, and then reconvene the corporate meeting when the election results are available. See the section "Meeting of the TCC as a non-profit Corporation" for that part of the agenda.

Meeting of the TCC as Tierrasanta's recognized Community Planning Group

CPG business, functions, agenda items and votes are subject to the Brown Act.

ACTION & INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 111: TIME CERTAIN 8PM - FY08 Public Facilities Finance Plan (FFP) Update (30 min):

The TCC will review the existing list of projects in the current draft of the FFP and prioritize the projects. FFP manager Megan Sheffield (MSheffield@sandiego.gov, 858-533-3672) will be on hand to describe Tierrasanta's existing and new infrastructure projects and projects, and to explain the new FBA/DIF fee calculation based on the total project list.

The Tierrasanta Open Space Committee reviewed the FFP on Feb 22nd and approved the projects as presented. The Rec Council met on March 8th and also approved the projects as presented. The Community Development Committee (CDC) met with members of the Rec Council and Open Space Committee on March 5th and approved the projects as presented. The CDC also voted a relative prioritization of projects for consideration by the TCC.



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Action: TCC recommends adoption of the Facilities Finance Plan as prepared by city staff.

Action: TCC approves the following general prioritization guidelines of community preference:

- 1st Priority: Park & Rec projects (except P-14, P-15, P-16) and Fire project F-1
- 2nd Priority: Library project L-1
- 3rd Priority: Park & Rec projects P-14, P-15 and P-16
- 4th Priority: Transportation projects

Item 112: General Plan Review (30 min): The TCC is embarking on a 4-month review of the elements of the draft General Plan (October 2006 revision). The General Plan review committee supports change recommendations to the Land Use, Mobility and Urban Design elements. Draft comments will be provided separately via the website:
<http://www.tierrasantacc.org/Agendas/Agendas.htm/>.

Motion by the GP Review Committee: TCC approve change recommendations to the Land Use, Mobility and Urban Design elements of the draft General Plan.

COMMITTEE & REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: short info-only updates.

Planning Group Standing Committees: The Standing Committees (as listed in the TCC's bylaws) serve to help the TCC give advice to different parts of local government.

Item 121: **Community Development Committee (CDC)** (Bill Reschke, Chair)

Item 122: **Open Space Maintenance Assessment District (MAD) Committee** (Deanna Spehn, Chair)

Item 123: **Tierrasanta Recreation Council** (Linda Juhasz, Chair; Tracy Conroy, Representative)

Item 124: **Elections Committee** (VP Tony Tibbetts, Chair)

Planning Group Representatives: TCC members serve on city advisory groups and organizations.

Item 131: **Community Planners Committee (CPC)** (Eric Germain & Lee Campbell)

Item 132: **San Diego Airports Advisory Committee** (Scott Hasson)

Item 133: **MTRP Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)** (David Oates & Donovan Geiger)

Info: Separating MTRP from Tierrasanta is an idea that has the support of Councilman Madaffer. This action, however, will require a change to the General Plan (currently under revision). It is understood this change is planned to occur before the new General Plan is adopted this summer.

Item 134: **COMPACT** (Eric Germain)



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ANNUAL MEETING of the TCC as a 501(c)(4) Non-Profit Corporation

Corporate business, functions, agenda items and votes are NOT subject to the Brown Act.

ACTION & INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 301: Time Certain 7:30PM — Annual Meeting of the TCC as a 501(c)(4) Corporation: Convene and then suspend the Annual Meeting of the TCC as a corporation.

Item 302: Time Certain 8:00PM — Close the Polls & Count the Ballots: Elections Committee (EC) Chair Tony Tibbetts declares the polls closed and retires to the Rec Center office to verify and then count the ballots with Dr Hani Shatila and other members of the EC.

Item 303: Annual Meeting of the Corporation (approx 8:30PM): Reconvene the Annual Meeting of the TCC as a corporation when the election has ended and the votes are counted.

Item 304: Election Results: Election Committee chair announce the results of the TCC's annual elections when the votes are counted and when the other time-certain agenda items are completed. Note: all newly elected members are seated in April.

Item 305: Area 1 Vacancy: If there are no candidates for Area 1 then this seat must be filled via an appointment process. The Chair will call on residents or homeowners in Area 1 to declare their interest in the seat at which point they will be asked to verify their eligibility. Applicants may be invited to speak about themselves. The appointment procedures was approved in February and is on the TCC website.

Action: TCC appoint a new Area 1 Director. Appointee to assume his duties in April.

Item 306: “At Large” Vacancy: If there are no Area 1 applicants then the TCC must declare the seat “At Large” at which point the Chair will call on residents or homeowners from any part of Tierrasanta to declare their interest in the seat (and to verify their eligibility). Applicants may be invited to speak about themselves.

Action: TCC declare the Area 1 to be “At Large” such that it may be filled by any Tierrasantan.

Action: TCC appoint an “At Large” Area 1 Director. Appointee to assume his duties in April.

Item 311: TCC Finances: The CFO will report on the TCC's financial status, accounts & expenditures.

Item 312: TCC Annual Report: The TCC is required to prepare an annual report each year to summarize its activities of the previous calendar year.

Action: TCC approve the Chair's draft report.



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Item 313: Earlier Start to TCC Meetings: Some members have requested the TCC start its meetings earlier in order to complete business earlier. The Chair proposes the TCC schedule the April meeting to begin at 6:30 to test the change and see what people think.

Action: TCC approve changing the start time for the April 18th meeting from 7PM to 6:30PM.

Item 314: May Recognition Dinner: The Chair accepts the help of Jim and Kim Taylor in arranging the May event. Members should provide their thoughts on where the event should be held and how it should be catered (pros and cons from the past events). The Chair proposes changing the date from May 16th to May 9th (or to some other date in that week).

Action: TCC approve holding the May recognition dinner on a day prior to May 16th.

Item 315: Spring Arts and Crafts Fair: Director Susan Deininger to announce preliminary plans for the spring A&C Fair planned for May 19th, and to request TCC members sign up to help work the event with the Junior Womens Club and the Kiwanis Club. Members also should start to think about participating in the parade.

Action: TCC declare itself a co-sponsor of the Arts & Craft fair, the Patriots Day Parade and the evening Barbecue and Fireworks show.

Action: TCC approve the appointment of Jim and Kim Taylor as joint chairs of the Arts & Crafts Committee and as TCC leads for planning the Spring Fair.

Item 316: TCC Sad Farewells: Departing thoughts from retiring TCCers Brien O'Meara (Area 1), Eric Bender (Area 3), Susan Deininger (Area 4) and Tracy Conroy (Area 5).

Corporate Committees: These committees facilitate the TCC's business as a non-profit corporation.

Item 321: **Budget** (Fred Zuckerman, CFO)

Item 322: **Arts & Crafts** (Susan Deininger, Chair)

Item 323: **LogoWare** (Lee Campbell, Chair)

Item 324: **Others:** Webmaster, Insurance, Recognition, Audit



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Meeting of the TCC as Tierrasanta's *de facto* Town Council

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Item 211: FireSafe Flyers (10 min): The FireSafe Council wants to print up flyers for handing out at the Spring Arts & Craft Fair and Patriots Day festivities.

Action: TCC approve expenditure of up to \$250 to produce fire and canyon safety flyers.

Item 212: Presidents Award for 2007 (10 min): TCC members are asked to consider a Tierrasantan that should receive the 2007 President's award for exemplary community service.

Action: TCC members are requested to forward their suggestions to the Chair.

COMMITTEE & REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS: short info-only updates.

Council Committees: These committees serve to improve quality of life in Tierrasanta and in some cases they also help the TCC give advice to different parts of local government.

Item 221: **Bylaws** (Eric Germain, Chair)

Item 222: **Tierrasanta CERT** (Pat McNamara, Chair)

Item 223: **Tierrasanta FireSafe Council** (Lee Campbell, Chair)

Item 224: **Military Housing** (Deanna Spehn, Chair)

Item 225: **Public Services & Safety Committee (PS&S)** (David Ferguson, Chair)

Item 226: **CC&Rs** (contact Eric Germain for more information)

Item 227: Others: Rock Quarry, Transportation, Noise

Council Representatives: TCC members serve on other advisory groups and organizations.

Item 231: **MCAS Miramar Community Leaders Forum (CLF)** (Tracy Conroy & Mike Ogilvie)

Item 232: **San Diego River Coalition** (Lee Campbell)

Item 233: **County Water Authority** (Donovan Geiger & David Oates)

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Adjourn approx 10:30 PM

**The next regular meeting of the TCC is April 18th 2007.
Agenda inputs are due on April 9th 2007.**



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STATUS OF PROJECT REVIEWS. Below is a summary of projects being worked with changes shown in **yellow**.

Project	Applicant	Name	TCC Review	Status
61500	INTRACORP	Tierrasanta Townhomes	Project Approved by City Council	24Oct06: Approved by City Council. Late 2007: construction to begin. Early 2008: sales to begin.
61738	Sprint	Cell Tower at the Rec Center	Completed	7Nov05: TCC approved w/ comments. 6Jul06: Final Negative Declaration. Feb07: construction scheduled to begin.
67993	Andrew Krutzsch	Tucker Self Storage	Completed	16Aug06: TCC vote results in a tie, report to city staff is "no recommendation." 15Feb07: Planning Commission hearing.
82448	Cingular	Cell Tower at 7 th Day Adventist Church	Completed	15Feb06: TCC voted to approve.
85448	Cingular	Cell Tower at La Mirage Apartments	Completed	28Nov05: TCC voted approve. 26Jul06: city staff hearing to approve.
89848	Cingular, Sprint, Verizon, T-Mobile	Cell Towers at Tierrasanta Townhomes	Project Approved by City Council	24Oct06: Approved by City Council.
102422	Ascension Church	Youth Center and Education Building	Not started	9May06: drawings received by TCC. Aug: plans withdrawn for further review.
123685	La Mirage Apartments	Security Gate on Reflection Dr	Not started	27Feb07: Initial project paperwork issued by DSD
n/a	Caltrans	SR-52 EB & WB Widening Project	TBD	26Jan07: Initial Study, Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Assessment report issued

Ministerial Cellphone Infrastructure Projects (Process 1: TCC review neither required nor permitted)

88549	Cingular	Cell Tower at Eldyne Research Park	No review	Received notice on 20Dec05: Ministerial review; no TCC action
94996	(unknown)	Cell Tower at Gateway Business Park	No review	Received notice on 16Feb06: Ministerial review; no TCC action
95509	T-Mobile	Cell Tower at Tierrasanta Baptist Church	No review	Received notice on 22Feb06: Ministerial review; no TCC action Project drawings reissued on 26Jan07
97327	Cingular	Cell Tower at Tierrasanta Baptist Church	No review	Received notice on 10Apr06: Ministerial review; no TCC action
97899	Cricket	Cell Tower at Round Table Pizza	No review	Received notice on 30Mar06: Ministerial review; no TCC action
100205	T-Mobile	Cell Antennas at Dr Yorobe Office	No review	Received notice on 3May06: Ministerial review; no TCC action



Additional Information

Item 111: Facilities Finance Plan (FFP) update for 2008. The following projects are in the compiled list of projects and hopeful projects for review and prioritization:

Existing Projects in the current FFP	Proposed and Eligible Projects for the FY08 FFP	Possibly Ineligible Projects proposed for the FY08 FFP
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tierrasanta Blvd Extension to Mission Gorge <i>(proposed for deletion)</i>• Clairemont Mesa Blvd Extension thru Mission Trails <i>(proposed for deletion)</i>• Santo Road Extension to Friars <i>(proposed for deletion)</i>• New Camp Elliot Neighborhood Park• Tierrasanta Skateboard Park• Joint Use Facility at Future Camp Elliot Elementary School• Fire Station 39 Relocation & Expansion• Tierrasanta Library Expansion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Tierrasanta Community Center• DePortola JUA - MP Courts with lighting• DePortola JUA - Expanded Parking Lot• Rec Center - Sports Lights on MP Courts• Monserate Park - ADA Upgrade• Picnic Shelters at 3 Community Parks• Villa Norte Park - ADA Upgrades• Rec Center - Hex Bldg ADA Upgrades	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rec Center - Artificial Turf• Rec Center - Sports Lighting on Turf• DePortola JUA - Artificial Turf• Rec Center - Security Lighting• Tierrasanta Elem Sch - Expand JUA• Sierra High JUA - Comfort Station• Sierra High JUA - Artificial Turf• Rec Center - Upgrade Gym Lighting• Hancock Elem Sch - Expand JUA• Miller Elem Sch - Expand JUA• Monserate Park - Security Lighting• Villa Norte Park - Security Lighting• Road Runner Park - Security Lighting• Serra High JUA - Tennis Courts & Lighting• Tierrasanta Blvd – improve Colina Dorada to Terminus• Tierrasanta Blvd Terminus - SD River Park Staging Area

Refer to the website for the detailed project descriptions as provided by the city for this review:
<http://www.tierrasantacc.org/Agendas/2007/February/111%20-%20FFP%20Data%20Sheets%20Feb07.pdf>

Item 112: General Plan Review Comments. The proposed changes are on the TCC's website at:

- **Land Use:** http://www.tierrasantacc.org/Agendas/2007/March/112-GP_Land_Use.pdf
- **Mobility:** http://www.tierrasantacc.org/Agendas/2007/March/112-GP_Mobility.pdf
- **Urban Design:** http://www.tierrasantacc.org/Agendas/2007/March/112-GP_Urban_Design.pdf

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Draft Minutes

**From the Regular Meeting held on
Wednesday, February 21st, 2007**

**at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center
11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, San Diego, CA 92124**

P Eric Germain – President & Chair	P Brien O'Meara – Area 1	A2 Tracy Conroy – Area 5
P Donovan Geiger – Vice President, Plans	P Chris Nowacki – Area 2	P Scott Hasson – Area 6
P Tony Tibbetts – Vice President, Issues	A3 Eric Bender – Area 3	P Tim Taylor – Area 7
P Fred Zuckerman – Chief Financial Officer	P Dan Lazzaro – Area 3	P David Oates – Area 7
P Kim Taylor – Secretary	P Lee Campbell – Area 4	P Jim Taylor – Area 7
P Lou Binford – Commercial Director	P Susan Deininger – Area 4	P Jerry Bierman – Area 8 (A.L.)
P = Present A1 / A2 / A3 / A4 = Absent (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th) A.L. = At Large		
<i>CP600-24, Art IV, Sec 1: a vacancy exists upon the 3rd consecutive absence or 4th absence in 12 months (April through March).</i>		

The February 21st meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council (TCC) was called to order by President Eric Germain at 7:02 PM in the Tierrasanta Recreation Center. Director Susan Deininger led the TCC in reciting the pledge of allegiance. A quorum of fourteen was declared present (two other members joined late).

Note: Events reported below did not occur in the sequence shown below.

Approval of Minutes from January 17th: The Chair reviewed some proposed changes.

Motion (Tibbetts / Lazzaro): TCC approves the revised minutes for November.
Passed: unanimously

[Note: The final minutes can be found on the TCC website at www.tierrasantacc.org]

Agenda Review, Additions & Continuances: The Chair cancelled Item 111 resulting from a meeting earlier in the day at City Hall during which it was determined there insufficient reason for Ms Sheffield to appear. By prior arrangement also earlier in the day, Item 211 will be held time certain at 8PM (30 minutes earlier than originally scheduled). The agenda was adopted with these two changes.

The Chair also offered an opportunity to expedite matters via a consent agenda that included six agenda items. Four items were pulled for discussion by members leaving Items 113 and 114 on consent. The vote was conducted later in the meeting (see below).

Special Announcements: The Chair announced the County Water Authority (CWA) will be boring holes in Mission Trails park over the next several weeks, and affected residents should have received a

notice in the mail on this activity. The No on Prop A (NOPA) committee is having one last victory celebration event in order to retire the committee's outstanding debt. The event is on March 22nd from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at "Trellises" in the Town & Country Hotel in Mission Valley. Donations are accepted even if you cannot attend. There will be a joint meeting of CDC, Open Space and Rec Council on March 5th to look over the community's Facilities Finance Plan and prioritize the list of projects that will be carried forward to a vote by city council later this spring.

Director Deininger announced the Spring Arts and Crafts Fair will be held on May 19th along with the Patriots Day parade. She will be seeking volunteers to support activities during the Arts and Crafts Fair.

The Chair then recognized the presence in the audience of TCC Past President Bill Reschke the Rec Council President Linda Juhasz.

Non-Agenda Public Comment: The Chair invited candidates in the election to say a few words.

Area 5 candidate **Sam Meyers** introduced himself as a 30-year resident of Tierrasanta, a past chair of the Villa Monterey Homeowners Association, and a retired local business owner.

Area 6 candidate **Neil Thornton** introduced himself as a 3-year resident who became interested in the TCC because of the No on Prop A campaign.

The Chair noted that any vacant seats will be filled at the March meeting, so if any candidates are not successful in the election then they should consider showing up to apply for the vacancies.

Reports from Elected Officials and Organizations

Station 39 Fire Captain Julie Bardsley passed out a flyer on Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning and noted that the Fire Department will check homes for CO levels using a tester has given to the department by the military. She commented on clothes dryer and washing machine safety issues and passed out safety brochures on both issues. The final step in Station 39 remodeling, new flooring, will happen soon.

Related to Item 215: She reported the SDFD are involved in the evaluation of fire safety inspections along the canyons as was reported in the local press. They are looking for violations to the fire safety regulations in order to better protect peoples' homes from a wildfire. She invited anyone with concerns over fire safety to contact the Fire Department at 619-533-4300 and report their concern (complaint are received anonymously). When violations are reported the SDFD will issue a violation and then the homeowner has 2-3 weeks to remedy the violation. If the homeowner refuses or cannot fix the problem then the SDFD may a contractor and bill the owner for costs.

Senator Dennis Hollingsworth (R, 36th Dist.): Ellen Malin (Ellen.Malin@sen.ca.gov, tel: 619-596-3136) handed out some information on SB 236, a health care bill intended to expand community clinics and relieve congestion at the emergency rooms. He is also working on a bill to help out farmers that were hit by the freezes of January.

Assemblywoman Lori Saldana (D, 76th Dist.): Shawn Veen (Shawn.Veen@asm.ca.gov, tel: 619-645-3090) reported on AB 48 that would place controls on electronic waste disposal in landfills, on AB 170 that would help military families qualify for preschool programs, and on the initiative to hold the California Presidential Primary in February 2008.

Laura Thornton from MCAS Miramar (858-577-6603) reported that the 3rd Marine Air Wing is returning from Iraq on March 30th which for many will conclude their fourth deployment to the war zone. She commented on possible restructuring of the SD Airport Authority and how its control over land-use matters may shift to SANDAG.

Ms Thornton also reported that the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for reconfiguring Miramar to support MV-22 Osprey (tilt-rotor fixed wing) operations is due this coming August. The point of contact for the MV-22 DEIR is Deb Theroux at 619-532-1447.

City Planner Maxx Stalheim (tel: 619-235-6153, MStalheim@sandiego.gov) reported that the matter of making MTRP its own planning area and disassociating it from Tierrasanta's planning area would be the matter of an amendment to the city's General Plan. He said the only thing happening now in this matter are initial conversations and no formal action has begun.

Recreation Council President Linda Juhasz reported on the upcoming baseball season and provided an update on the DePortola dirt parking lot. She said the Rec Council may need to close some playing fields over the summer for maintenance. She announced the Rec Council soon would become a tax exempt 501(c)(3) California corporation as required by the city's Park and Rec Department.

Meeting of the TCC as a Town Council and a Non-Profit Corporation

ACTION & INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 211: Proposed Increases in Water & Wastewater Rates. The following city officials appeared before the TCC to review the Mayor's plan to increase rates:

- Richard Haas, Mayor's Deputy Chief for Public Works
- Jim Barrett, P.E., Mayor's Director of the Water Department
- Dr Tim Bertch, Director, Metropolitan Wastewater Department

Deputy Chief Richard Haas began by saying that public notification of the proposed rate increases results from Prop 218, the public law that controls how rate increases are made known to property owners. Their visit to the TCC is in compliance with Prop 218, as was the mailer sent to residences and homeowners explained the proposed increases. The mailer also offered people the opportunity to vote "no" to the increases, and as required by Prop 218 the following also apply: 1) a non-vote results in a "yes" vote, and 2) a majority of the population must vote "no" to stop the increase. As of this meeting the City Clerk has received 6,500 envelopes presumably containing "no" votes, but per Prop 218 it would take close to 100,000 "no" votes to overturn the rate increase. It seems clear there will not be a public vote to reject the rate hikes, and they will go into effect as proposed by the Mayor.

[Note: since the TCC meeting the due date for voting has passed, the citizens did not reject the rate hikes, and the city council voted to approve the Mayor's plan. The Mayor's emailed statement of Feb 26th read as follows: " Late this evening, the San Diego City Council voted to adopt my recommendations for repairing and improving the City's crumbling water and wastewater systems. On a 7 to 1 vote for wastewater and a 6 to 2 vote for water, the Council approved a plan that will allow the City to address the regulatory mandates, court orders and other needs facing these systems. ... I commend the City Council for adopting my plan to fix the water and wastewater systems. The package of improvements they approved today will let us get back on track toward meeting our responsibilities and ensuring the safety and reliability of these systems into the future. The water system must soon begin construction of projects called out in a Compliance Order issued by the California Department of Health Services. The wastewater system must build

projects required under a consent decree issued on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency in federal court. ... By adopting the package of improvements, the Council also endorsed my four point safeguard plan for protecting ratepayer funds. My plan includes four specific elements: creation of a new **Independent Rates Oversight Committee**, installation of a "**Dedicated Reserve from Efficiencies and Savings**" to help offset future rate increases in both systems, annual **audits** for both systems and the **Limitation of future "Bid-to-goal" contracts** with City employees to one year increments. ... Each of these elements is being implemented to help assure ratepayers that the revenues generated from my plan will be used efficiently and for the purposes called out in the proposal. ... I am gratified that the Council moved forward on this critical issue and has taken the steps we need to begin repairing and improving our water and wastewater systems." *Note: emphasis above is from the Mayor and paragraphs have been replaced by "... " to conserve space.]*

Water Department Director Jim Barrett gave a presentation on San Diego's water supply and the need for the rate increase. The brief can be found on the TCC's website (with the February agenda).

The SD Water Department operates:

- 30 reservoirs
- 9 storage lakes
- 3 treatment plants
- 3,460 miles of pipe (190 miles of cast-iron pipe)
- 49 pumping stations
- 90 pressure zones (needed to keep an even water pressure across the city).

Other Water Department stats:

- FY07 annual budget: \$359 million
- Department size: 914 employees (10% of city employees)
- Customers served: over 1.3 million spread out over 403 square miles
- Total water meters in service: 274,000
- Water treated and delivered per day (average): 210 million gallons
- "Rest of the story": the vast majority of water meters are residential (hooked up to peoples' homes) but only 38% of the water used per day is used by homeowners.

The dire need for funds in the Water Department results from a 1997 Compliance Order issued by the California Department of Health Services (DHS). The DHS order specifically directs some 100 discrete actions required to be taken by the Water Department in order to avoid fines. As detailed in the presentation, work is needed at all three treatment plants and at the pump stations, and the cast-iron pipes (a lot of which have been breaking lately) need to be replaced. Of all the work listed in the briefing some 61% of projects are required by DHS and another 21% are directly related to the DHS mandates.

The problem is the Department does not have enough cash on hand to do take the actions, nor can it borrow the funds needed to take the actions. The water rate increase is needed to build a level of liquidity that will allow the Department to access the bond market, borrow a lot of cash, and begin work on the directed actions. But as everyone has heard, the city's access to the financial markets has been shut down for some time: the city cannot access the bond markets because the city's finances are in a shambles, and specifically because there has not been a valid audit of the city books since 2003. *[Chair's comment: All of this can be traced back to the illegal under-funding of the union pensions, the back-room dealings of the prior Mayor and city council, and the unwillingness of anyone to seriously address these problems until the election of Mayor Sanders.]*

The propose rate increase is required because the Department must complete the following:

- Construct new pipelines and upgrade treatment plants to comply with the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the California DHS Compliance Order.
- Replace aging infrastructure to reduce the number of pipeline breaks and emergency repairs.
- Increase treatment capacity and improve technology
- Meet ongoing operational and maintenance needs of the system.

The Mayor has proposed raising Department revenue by 6.5% per year for 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011. This amounts to an aggregate 28.7% increase in revenue as of 2011. Note that individual rate payers may see a rate increase more or less than 6.5% per year depending on their meter size and on their level of consumption, but “for the moderate residential user, we expect a billing increase of 11-12%.”

In addition there will be a refiguring of how water bills are computed using the two rate measures described below:

1. The “Base Rate” is based on water meter size (the size of the pipe entering your house). Currently 33% of the Department’s revenue comes from Base Rate fees, but after the change this will be reduced to 23%. The TCC expressed some concern that base rates for residential meters (typically 3/4-inch connections) won’t be adjusted as favorably as are the rates of larger industrial customers, including beverage bottlers.
2. The “Commodity Rate” is based on consumption (the number of HCF you use per month). This will go up such that those who use more water pay higher bills, thereby encouraging water conservation. Currently 67% of the Department’s revenue comes from Commodity Rate fees, but after the change this will be increased to 77%. This is what will account for Mayor’s the rate increase.

Mr Barrett also described a somewhat complex creation of classes or tiers including: 1) single-family residential, 2) multi-family residential, 3) commercial and industrial, and 4) temporary construction. It is not altogether clear what the results of this structure will be, but some on the TCC were concerned that its purpose was to fragment the residential weight on the Mayor’s proposed Independent Rates Oversight Committee (IROC). Some Q&A followed:

Q: Does some of the proposed increase go towards union pensions?

A: Yes to the extend the Department’s budget spend money on employee benefits: about 3-4% of the Dept’s budget will go towards employee pensions and about 1% to employee health care.

Q: Isn’t the Water Department just piling on and adding every project it can think of?

A: “Yes, absolutely.”

Q: What about the additional proposed increase by the Metropolitan Water District?

A: That is in addition to but independent from what we’re proposing. The MWD proposes a 5.8% increase that will raise a homeowner’s annual bill by about \$30/year; ours will be much more significant.

Q: Will water revenue end up in the general fund?

A: No, although this did happen in the past. The Mayor’s plan is that the IROC will oversee the money and ensure any surpluses are kept from ending up in the general fund.

Wastewater Department Director Tim Bertch gave a presentation on San Diego's sewer system and the need for a rate increase in addition to the water increase. The brief can be found on the TCC's website at (with the February agenda, starting at slide 14).

The SD Wastewater Department operates:

- 4 sewage treatment plants
- 3,000 miles of pipe
- 84 pumping stations
- 55,000 manholes.

Other Wastewater Department stats:

- FY07 annual budget: \$414 million
- Department size: 900 employees (10% of city employees)
- Customers served: over 1.3 million in SD and another 1 million in other jurisdictions
- Wastewater treated and delivered per day (average): 180 million gallons

Dr Bertch noted that they have taken significant recent action to correct the sewage spills we've heard about from time to time (e.g., Tecolote Canyon, Mission Bay). They have used closed-circuit television in the pipes to determine that certain pipes are in good shape but others require urgent attention. This "intelligence" on where to focus their effort has resulted in a \$46 million program to clean and apply new lining to older pipes, and this has resulted in a 77% reduction in spills.

But as noted in the Mayor's Feb 26th statement, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sued and today City Wastewater is operating under Consent Decrees, the last of which was signed in June. The deal in federal court effectively was "sign the decrees and take action, or pay fines".

The Consent Decrees required the Department to replace or rehab 200 miles of piping by June 2007 and they are on track to achieve this requirement. The challenge now is raise the \$648 million needed to effect the repairs, which is the reason for the Mayor's propose rate hikes. Some 78% of this amount is for Consent Decree projects, with the remainder a grab-bag of projects deemed important. None of the increase will go towards operations and maintenance, it all goes to the improvement projects.

As for Water, the Wastewater rate hikes are needed to produce liquid funds that will allow the city to re-enter the bond market. The annual rate increases therefore serve as a "mortgage payment" on the bond debt service. The amount borrowed will pay for the projects that allow the city to achieve compliance with the EPA Consent Decrees and avoid the fines and penalties that otherwise would be imposed. Some Q&A followed:

Q: Does the Mayor's proposal include "Toilet to Tap"?

A: No. There is no "Toilet to Tap" in the budget for the next four years.

Q: What about customers outside the City of San Diego?

A: There are 15 surrounding jurisdictions that pay about 34% of the Department's annual budget.

Q: What about the "purple pipes" of recycled water?

A: These are reclaimed water generally used for golf course irrigation and public landscaping. There is no plan to bring purple pipes into residential neighborhoods.

Tanya Duggan, the Mayor's staff representative to the TCC, commented for Mayor Sanders by saying there really was no choice but to make the required improvements and this mandated the rate hikes.

Deputy Director Haas observed that there had been no rate increases from 1987 to 1997 because of political unwillingness, but these eleven years have put the city in a position where now some serious rate hikes are needed. The pipes that are 100 years old are going to disintegrate and if we don't fix them on a scheduled basis then we will have to fix them on an emergency basis. When asked, he said only about 1% of the total budget was misappropriated by past city councils and the prior Mayor. Per the Shames lawsuit only one year of misappropriation will be refunded to rate payers.

TCC Director Lee Campbell, who in the January TCC meeting championed this issue and requested this agenda item, recommended that the future bills explain in greater detail where all the money is going; much like the County Tax Collector's property tax bills were updated to show all the taxes, fees and assessments that go into a homeowner's tax bill (as briefed to the TCC in January).

Director Campbell then moved for discussion his motion (provided to the TCC in advance) to oppose the rate increases because they unfairly burden the single-family rate payer. The city staff insist the hikes are being applied fairly, and they explained the many protections in place: how the IROC will do financial audits and performance audits and ensure any monies remaining will be used to defer future rate increases.

Motion (Campbell / Hasson): TCC opposes the Mayor's proposed rate increases and asks that it be reworked for fairness to the single-family rate payer. Motion failed: 4-10-1
(Tibbetts abstained because he had not read the draft motion prior to the vote.)

Item 212: Tierrasanta Recycling for Youth (TRY) Grant Request. Vice President and TRY Chair Donovan Geiger presented a new draft policy for managing TRY Grants for TCC consideration. It proposes limiting grants to Tierrasanta youth groups (no individuals), giving to three times per year (in February, in June and in September), limiting grants to one per year per group, and encouraging community service (particularly recycling) as a preference for awarding grants. TCC members discussed but rejected possible life-time caps on total grants to a group and placing a limit on total grants issued per year. The draft was amended to require grant applications be received by the first of the month when they are awarded; that grant requests must be submitted by February 1st, June 1st and/or September 1st.

Motion (Geiger / Tibbetts): TCC approves the new policy on TRY Grants.
Passed: 14-0-0

Item 213: Updates to and Cleanup of the TCC Website. Vice President Donovan Geiger, the TCC Webmaster, wants access to funds to pay a professional web designer to update the website. He may be able to have it done for free, but if payment is required he wants to be able to complete the needed improvements in the near future. Director Campbell opposes spending funds on this task and believes TCC volunteers should do this work themselves.

Motion (Geiger / Tibbetts): TCC approves spending up to \$250 on TCC website maintenance at the discretion of the TCC Webmaster.
Passed: 12-2-0

Item 214: Strong Mayoral Authority. The Chair presented his draft resolution (provided via the website) to request that Councilman Madaffer change his vote of February 5th vote and, at the second reading of the measure, to endorse the Mayor's efforts to restore the city to financial solvency. He believes the TCC should express the sense of the community by endorsing the Mayor's approach to handling the financial crisis—cutting bureaucracy and improving efficiency rather than raising taxes—and by asking that Tierrasanta's Councilman support the mayor in this approach. The Councilman sent an email the on this matter wherein he said he supported the Mayor and a compromise was in the works. Some TCC members believed this matter too political and thus inappropriate for the TCC. Some members expressed their support for the Mayor and endorsed the TCC taking this action. Others said they didn't much like the resolution, but they support the backing of the Mayor.

Motion (Hasson / Deininger): TCC approves the resolution expressing support for the Strong Mayor and urging Councilman Madaffer to support the Mayor in his efforts to bring solvency to city finances.

Passed: 9-5-0

[Note: The approved resolution is on the TCC website with the February agenda. On March 1st the Mayor issued the following statement: "Earlier this afternoon, City Council President Scott Peters, President Pro Temp Tony Young and I held a news conference to announce that we had arrived at a compromise on budget authority. I am pleased to support the compromise and want to personally thank them for the way in which they collaborated on this effort. ... I do believe that this compromise is in the best interests of our city. The plan allows us to continue to make meaningful and necessary changes to City government and avoids a procedural fight that could have had the unfortunate result of bringing governmental decision making to a halt. That wouldn't have been good for anyone - most importantly, our citizens who are hungry for reform at City Hall. ... Over the past several weeks, we have worked collaboratively to craft a plan that allows me to continue to bring meaningful and lasting reform to City government while recognizing the Council's desire to approve substantive changes made to the budget. I believe our plan achieves both goals and as such I am happy to support it. ... My goal throughout this process has been to reform and streamline city operations, to make financial stability a priority, to make government more accountable to our citizens and to inject transparency into all of our decision-making processes. All of those remain as my goals. ... In that the Charter may not be as clear as it should be, I will pursue an amendment to the Charter next year that clarifies the mayor's ability to control spending and make City government more efficient and accountable for our taxpayers. ... A copy of the plan as well as President Peters' memo to his colleagues can be accessed at this link: http://www.sandiego.gov/mayor/pdf/budget_authority.pdf"]

[Note: The second reading was planned for March 5th but this was postponed due to the ongoing negotiations in crafting the language of the compromise bill described above by the Mayor. The second reading now is scheduled for March 19th.]

Item 215: Fire Safety Inspections of Tierrasanta Residences. This was addressed during the SDFD's public comment at the start of the meeting.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Item 224: Military Housing. Director Lazzaro attended the committee meeting of February 14th and provided a summary: the schedule is still changing but as of now earth moving and unexploded ordnance (UXO) clearance is to begin late in 2007, construction will begin in late 2008, and first occupation of homes will happen in late 2009 with multiple phases of occupation over about five years. There is concern that UXO cleanup within a year may not be realistic. There needs to be a new look at the impact to schools due to the change in bedroom mix and the predicted increased population of school-aged children. Also, the Santo Road bridge would be closed for a period of time while an HOV lane is built and the bridge is rebuilt.

Item 225: Public Services & Safety. A petition is in hand that soon will be circulated to gauge interest in adding speed bumps (actually speed lumps) on Camino Playa Norte.

CORPORATE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Item 321: Budget: Audit Committee Report. Audit Committee Chair Kathy Cronin reported that she, Secretary Kim Taylor, Donovan Trisko and CFO Fred Zuckerman performed a detailed review of the TCC's financial records including all bank and investment accounts. They found no errors and declared the books "clean" and congratulated CFO Zuckerman on another year of perfect records. The committee recommended the TCC pursue higher yield investments to improve account performance.

Meeting of the TCC as Tierrasanta's Recognized Community Planning Group

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item 113: TCC Elections Committee. Action: TCC approves the filling of any vacant billets during the March meeting and approves the proposed vacancy procedure.

Item 114: Planning Group Indemnification. Action: TCC approve the proposed letter for delivery to councilman Jim Madaffer.

Motion (Tibbetts / Geiger): TCC approves Items 113 and 114. Passed: 15-0-0

[Note: the approved vacancy procedure is available on the TCC website with the February agenda, and the letter to Councilman Madaffer dated 22 February 2007 will be posted to the website shortly.]

ACTION & INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 111: FY08 Public Facilities Finance Plan (FFP) Update. CFO Zuckerman updated the status of the TCC's efforts to update the existing FFP with the current priorities of the community, things like: deleting the boulevard extensions through MTRP and across the river, building a new fire station and library, and building a community center and senior center. Some of these changes would impact the fees charged to developers when building in Tierrasanta, but there remains uncertainty in some projects whether or not they can be included in the developer fee calculation. City staff and the city attorney's staff are working the matter. This will be brought back to the TCC in March for a formal vote.

Item 112: General Plan Review. The Chair presented his markups to the Conservation and Noise elements of the draft GP. There was much discussion on the merits of certain proposed changes including changes intended to soften the language and to *suggest* rather than *require*, such as in the GP's mandate for more expensive building techniques (that must be paid for by taxpayers). Other TCC members insisted the GP be more directive in nature, not softer, and that mandating more expensive building design is good when it comes to environmentally friendly designs. The Chair offered that each proposed change be handled separately, but due to the lateness of the hour the TCC had no stomach to continue debate and the Item was tabled without action.

Motion (Tibbetts / Deininger): TCC approves the changes to the General Plan.
No vote taken

Motion (Lazzaro / Binford): TCC tables discussion of the proposed General Plan changes, possibly to be brought back in March.
Passed: 10-5-0

Item 115: Brown Act. The Chair announced his plan for adapting the TCC's business process to satisfy the many requirements of the Brown Act as follows:

The agenda is broken into 1) functions related to the TCC's role as a Planning Group, and 2) functions related to the TCC's role as a Community Council (often called a Town Council in other neighborhoods) and 3) functions related to the TCC's role as a non-profit Corporation. The application of Brown will depend on whether or not an agenda item is noticed as a Planning Group agenda item:

1. All agenda items on the Planning Group agenda ("100-series" agenda items) **ARE** subject to the Brown Act, but
2. All agenda items on the Town Council agenda ("200-series" agenda items) and all agenda items on the Corporation agenda ("300-series" agenda items) **ARE NOT** subject to the Brown Act.
3. In a general sense, Planning Group functions and agenda items relate to land-use matters, project reviews, General Plan review, community plan review, matters discussed in Council Policy 600-24, committees of the TCC that themselves are subject to Brown (CDC, Open Space, Rec Council), and membership in outside committees that are subject to Brown (such as CPC and the MTRP CAC). ALL other functions of the TCC are either Town Council functions or Corporate functions.
4. In terms of the noticing requirements of Brown (72-hrs minimum): the entire agenda will be noticed as required by Brown.
5. In terms of public access to records and briefing materials: only the CPG agenda items will be controlled by Brown.
6. In terms of limitations imposed on casual speech or emails between TCC members regarding a matter they may have to consider: only the CPG agenda items will be controlled by Brown.
7. The above notwithstanding, the TCC believes we have been operating largely according to Brown for a long time (72-hrs notice, public meetings, public participation, no closed sessions) and this functioning in the spirit of Brown will continue for the Town Council and Corporate functions of the TCC as it always has.
8. The city staff is still working on implementing Brown, and in many cases the details of how we are to function are still being worked out, so the Chair's policy in this matter is subject to revision.

COMMITTEE & REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:

Item 124: Elections Committee. Vice President and EC Chair Tony Tibbetts announced that there were candidates for all seats except the Area 1 seat.

Item 133: San Diego Airports Advisory Committee. TCC Director and AAC Representative Scott Hasson reported on the matter of the Montgomery Field (MYF) displaced threshold, which is the point on the runway that is 1000 feet from the actual start of the pavement where an aircraft may touch down. There is a proposal to move the threshold back by 500 feet in order to lengthen the runway, primarily to benefit heavier corporate jets that need a longer landing strip. Currently there is a 12,500-pound limit on aircraft that may use MYF, but moving the displaced threshold would permit MYF to service aircraft up to 20,000 pounds in weight. This would put MYF roughly equal to Carlsbad airport in terms of its ability to handle commuter traffic. All on the TCC viewed this development with extreme apprehension. Director Hasson was asked to arrange a visit by Airports Director Mike Tussey in the very near future.

NEW BUSINESS:

Item 511: “Taste of Tierrasanta”. The Chair quickly reviewed the initial plans of Coldwell Banker to plan and conduct a new community fundraising event later this summer. The “Taste” will involve many local restaurateurs providing samples of their best dishes. The Chair is involved in the early planning and will provide updates.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item 611: Tucker Self Storage. Director Scott Hasson appeared at the Planning Commission to speak against the project, but the Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval to the city council. He intends to try again when the matter comes before the city council.

The TCC adjourn at 10:35 PM