

Southeastern San Diego Planning Group

Elections Agenda

(Revised-1) Monday, 14th of March, 2016, 6:00 pm

Neighborhood House, 841 S. 41st Street, San Diego, CA 92113

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Note: Meetings must end promptly by 7:50 p.m. or SSDPG will be charged fees.

1. **Call to order and introductions:**
2. **Adopt the Agenda**
3. **Public Comment:** The public may speak on matters not on the agenda up to 2 minutes.
4. **Elections**
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Section 1. General elections of recognized community planning group members shall be held during the month of March in accordance with procedures specified in adopted planning group bylaws. Planning groups shall hold elections every year or every other year.

In the election process, a planning group shall seek enough new candidates to exceed the number of seats open for election in order to allow those who have served for eight or nine consecutive years to leave the group for at least one year.

In order to be a candidate in the March general election, an eligible individual of the community must have documented attendance at a minimum of **three** of the planning group's last 12 meetings prior to the February noticed regular or special meeting of the full planning group membership preceding the election.

Planning groups may establish voting procedures that include opportunities for multiple voting times on the date of the election, or for multiple locations, or both, provided those procedures allow for the completion of the election during the month of March and they demonstrate an ability to assure fair access and avoidance of voting improprieties.

Where an opportunity to vote on more than one date is proposed, the voting procedures for such an election shall be submitted at least forty-five (45) days in advance of the first day that voting is proposed to occur to the offices of the Mayor and City Attorney, respectively, for review and approval. All voting procedures must insure that voting is done only by eligible members of the community.

Section 2. The City shall publicize the elections of recognized community planning groups through the City website, City TV24 programming, electronic mail, the City's webpage, and other available effective means.

A planning group shall make a good faith effort to utilize means appropriate to their communities to publicize the planning group's eligibility requirements for candidacy and the upcoming elections.

Section 3. Voting shall be by secret written ballot. Recognized community planning groups may establish bylaw provisions to address procedures for mailing in ballots for elections if the planning group determines that this procedure, or another specified procedure, would increase community participation in the election process. Under no circumstances is proxy voting for elections allowed. At a minimum, ballots shall be available for a specified period at the noticed planning group meeting at which the election will be held.

Section 4. Unless otherwise explicitly provided for in a recognized community planning group's bylaws, an election becomes final after announcing the election results at a noticed planning group meeting. New members shall be seated in April.

5. Adjournment