

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the  
Kearny Mesa Planning Group  
June 20, 2018  
Serra Mesa/Kearny Mesa Public Library  
9005 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

**Planning Group Members in Attendance:**

Tim Nguyen  Paul Yung  Tana Lorah  Todd Matcher  Ray Richmond  Jeff Sallen  
 John Turpit  Meridith Marquis  Buzz Gibbs  Ed Quinn  Karen Ruggels  Robyn Badilla  
 Derek Applbaum  John Mulvihill  Dana Hooper  Mike Huntoon

**Community Members in Attendance:**

Sara Adams, Phil Adams, Courtney Burger, Benjamin Peterson, Jolie Velasquez, Michael LaMarco, Brittany Ruggelswallace, Jessica Duncan, Alex Hosch, Tina Olivarez, Alex Zamora, Bryan Nunke, Mark Kirkhart, Anthony Mansour, Michael Sosamon, Jim Bartel & David Belanich

The Meeting was brought to order at 11:40 PM by Jeff Sallen, chair of the Kearny Mesa Planning Group. Copies of the **Minutes of the May meeting** were distributed and discussed. After the members reviewed the minutes, Jeff asked for any changes or corrections. They were **approved 9-0-2**.

**Public Comment:** Kathy Lippitt commented on the city of San Diego's definition of "Premises" and how this word related to Marijuana Production Facilities and the regulations that are required by the City of San Diego with regard to other businesses and housing developments.

Jeff Sallen read a letter to the audience that was sent to him via email from Mr. A. James Moxham (CEO of Cameron Brothers Company, LLC.). The letter was addressed to Jeffrey Sallen and the Kearny Mesa Planning Group. The letter opposed the CUP applicant seeking approval for project #585435 (8859 Balboa Avenue, San Diego, CA 92111). The reasoning behind the opposition was based on perceived future criminal activity at the site and surrounding areas based on the use of the subject's business workings.

**Action Item:**

1. Jessica Duncan with Trammell Crow Residential presented to the group and asked for approval to recommend further investigation into supporting a Community Plan Amendment for the JH Kearny Mesa Mixed-Use project located along Clairemont Mesa Blvd and Convoy Court. The plan amendment site is currently designated General Commercial for parcels on Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Industrial and Business Park for parcels along Convoy Court. The proposed Community Plan Amendment would change the land use designation to Urban Employment Village. The Planning Group voted in favor of the project for further study (11-0-0).
2. Jose Raul Gomez presented and asked for approval of a Neighborhood Use Permit (NUP) for a proposed auto repair facility in an existing 850 square foot building. The site is located at 3690 Murphy Canyon Road in the CC-1-3 zone. This was the groups second time presenting this project to the Planning Group. The Planning Group voted in favor of the NUP (10-0-1).
3. Jim Bartell with Bartell & Associates presented on project #585435 to approve a CUP for a Marijuana Production Facility located at 8859 Balboa Avenue, Suites A-E. A member from the planning group made a motion to approve the project and a second was received. The final vote came to (4-7-1) against the project.
4. Phil and Sara Adams from Mindset Organics, Inc. presented on project number 585423 seeking approval of a CUP for a Marijuana Production Facility located at 8333 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

The business intends to operate in approximately 7,009 square feet within a multi-tenant office building. The Planning Group voted to deny the applicant approval of the CUP. The vote came to (8-3-0). Reasons for denying approval were based on opposition of the project from current tenants in the building that were present in the audience during the meeting and spoke up against the use. The Planning Group also felt that the sites location was in direct opposition to meet potential future changes in land zoning. Such zone changes are anticipated in the Kearny Mesa Community Plan Update along Clairemont Mesa Blvd. to allow for additional residential and mixed-use development.

Jeff concluded the meeting at 1:15pm.