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November 16, 2023, 7:00 PM

7 Oaks Community Center 16789 Bernardo Oaks Dr, San Diego, CA 92128

DRAFT Meeting Notes

2023 RB PLANNING BOARD - Total Seated 13; Total in Attendance 9*

2023 RANCHO BERNARDO COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD ROSTER									
P = present, A = absent, LE = left early									
Robin Kaufman	P	Sara Nucci	A	Steve Dow	P	June Smith*	LE		
Benjamin Wier	A	Vicki Touchstone	P	Hugh Rothman	P	Sujata Yellaepeddi	A		
Gary Long	P	Donald Bertsch	P	Sonny Googins	A	Keith Mikas	ARC		
Rebecca Rapp	P							Total Seated	13
								Total in Attendance	9*

*Keith Mikas arrived after roll call. June Smith had to leave mid-meeting; leaving 8 in attendance, which was still a quorum.

ITEM #1 Call to Order/Roll Call: 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order

ITEM #2 Chair Remarks:

Chair Robin Kaufman had no remarks. However, she deferred to member Becky Rapp who did have some comments:

Becky Rapp informed the board that Howard Wayne passed away. She appreciated his service. He was very kind and accommodating to Becky, he was an assemblyman for many years.

Cannabis city business has been moved to the city’s department of race and equity, but will be moved to cannabis business division at the first of the year. Becky would like to make a presentation regarding these changes. Chair Robin Kaufman requested Becky remind Robin about this at the beginning of December.

Becky also appreciated the water district presentation last month and their follow-up to some issues that Becky’s parents had been dealing with.

ITEM #3 Non-agenda Public Comment: None

ITEM #4 Government Staff Reports: No government representatives were present. However reports were submitted by the following representatives:

- Eric Young from Councilmember Marni Von Wilpert's office sent a report read by chair Robin Kaufman. The councilmember is working on issues regarding firearms and flavored tobacco. She is working with City Attorney Mara Elliot's office. The SAAFE act passed. Regarding public utilities, the city council approved water rate hikes. Marni voted no. The councilmember participated in statewide roundtable discussions on Fentanyl enforcements. The Escala brushfire was contained to just 5 acres and no damage occurred. Note that chair Robin Kaufman saw this when it started and got photos.
- Emily Piatanesi from Mayor Todd Gloria's office sent a report also read by chair Robin Kaufman. Safe Sleeping program is starting. It gets people sleeping in clean locations. Smart streetlights were approved, a total of 500 smart streetlights. Police Chief Neslitt retiring, so the city is searching for a new chief. There is a content to be Mayor for a day. K-12 students may submit essays. Submission deadline is December 15th.

ITEM #5 Modification and Adoption of Agenda: There were no modifications to the agenda. Gary Long made a motion to adopt the agenda; seconded by Don Bertsch. Approved unanimously (9-0).

ITEM #6 Administrative Item:

- a. **Approval of the October, 2023 Meeting Minutes:** Gary Long made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19th, 2023 meeting and seconded by Vicki Touchstone. The minutes were approved by a vote of 7 in favor and 2 abstentions (abstaining due to non-attendance at the October meeting were Robin Kaufman and Hugh Rothman).
- b. **Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** Gary Long presented the treasurer's report. The Board's account is at \$322.25. The City account, which provides \$500 for Board expenses on a reimbursable basis, was renewed in July and \$426.28 will pay for web services. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Gary Long and seconded by Vicki Touchstone. The motion for approval was unanimous (9-0).

ITEM #7 Bernardo Oaks Sewer Project (Information Item): Pedro Rodriguez, project manager. Rancho Bernardo Improv 1, sewer project in seven oaks was in attendance to give a presentation.

The project will rehabilitate 4.1 miles of sewer. Adding pipes and cleanouts, rehabilitating and adding manholes. 11 locations of point repairs, requiring some digging. Anyone within 300 feet will be presented a location map or fact sheet. Affected residents will be notified 5 days in advance.

Sewers will be relined, half an inch of plastic. Used to be clay pipe. Reline them inside, go from clay to plastic. Some locations will need to be repaired, so trenching will occur, roads will be repaired, resulting in longer project duration time for these affected areas.

Part of project is to add a cleanout at the property line of each property that is missing a cleanout.

This will not affect sewer service at all, unless there is an unusual issue, at which point, the affected home owners will be notified, and it wouldn't be more than half a day. Part of property

might be dug up. City will restore plants, and even driveways if the work requires access to those locations.

Street parking will be affected, 5 day notice. Normal working hours is 7am to 5pm.

The city is hoping to award the contracts by end of the year, but probably later, and the project is likely not going to begin until Spring/Summer 2024. Project end is expected to be Summer 2025. Scheduling details won't be known until an actual contractor is on board.

Robin suggests that Carol bring in representatives for this project to present to Karen, who is the president of the seven oaks community.

ITEM #8 Bylaws Committee Report (Information Item): Bylaws draft sent out to members. Still looking for last-minute changes. Will submit in December. Need to pick one person to be responsible for the bylaws. Gary will send the most-updated version to our members this weekend. Robin suggests we all review for grammatical and verbiage changes. Gary needs last updates by Dec. 1st. Gary will be the point person, per Becky's suggestion.

ITEM #9 Letter to City to Fix Our Streets (Voting Item): Chair Robin Kaufmann made a motion to have the Traffic and Transportation Subcommittee compile a list of streets within our community that need repair. Vicki Touchstone seconded. Passed unanimously (8-0). This will be done at the subcommittee's Dec. 4th meeting. Hugh will work with Robin on getting information to the newspaper.

ITEM #10 Request for Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment to Open Vacancies in Districts A, B, C, E, F, and G and Appoint Qualifying Candidates: No one was present to express interest.

ITEM #11 Sub-Committee Reports:

Development Review Committee – Ben Wier stated the committee did not meet last month.

Regional Issues Committee – Vicki Touchstone stated the committee did not meet last month.

Traffic & Transportation Committee – Hugh Rothman stated the committee did not meet last month.

Item #12 Liaison Reports:

Community Council.....Robin Kaufman prepared a report, which was attached to the agenda.

Community Planners Committee (CPC)..... Becky Rapp prepared a report, which was attached to the agenda.

Recreation Community Group.....Robin Kaufman prepared a report, which was attached to the agenda.

SANDAG..... Steve Dow

San Dieguito River ParkNo report.

San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group....Did not meet.

Commercial RepresentativeNo representative.

ITEM #13 Old Business Item – None

ITEM #14 New Business:

Gary Long proposed we reserve \$70 for election fund. It will be placed on the agenda for next month's meeting

ADJOURNMENT: Robin Kaufman made the motion to adjourn and Gary Long seconded the motion. By unanimous approval (8-0), the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.