

Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board  
January 11, 6:00 PM

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Attendees:

Barry Cohen  
Tim Guy  
Ish Khan  
Paul Metcalf  
Wendy Poyhonen  
Elizabeth Rabbitt  
Michael Vinson  
Ron Sellemi  
Kevin Bagley

Absent:

Jeff Tibaldi  
Diane Korsh  
Derek Reeves

Call to Order:

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Roll Call:

See above.

Adoption of Agenda:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the Agenda. There were no changes or additions.

Approval of October 12, and November 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the October 12, and November 9, 2023 draft minutes. Ish Khan made the motion to approve as presented, Michael Vinson seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.

Monthly SDPD Issues Report - Officer John Briggs, Community Relations Officer

Officer Briggs was not in attendance, neither Michael Vinson or Ron Sellemi had any news or comments.

DMM Security Subcommittee Report Sellemi/Rabbitt/Guy/Vinson

Ron Sellemi asked for follow up with District for the requested two new vehicles for the RSVP crew for the Northwestern Division for which state funding may be available.

Public Forum - Non-Agenda Items (Three minutes per speaker, twelve minutes per topic)

Terri-Ann Skelly reminded the group that she is actively involved as a public health educator for San Dieguito Alliance with community presentations and if DMM is ever in need of her assistance to release ask. Chairman Metcalf asked her to join the DMMPB.

Jeffrey Schmidt from Poway joined the meeting with an interest in Del Mar Mesa Preserve and Penasquitos Preserve and biking trails.

**Chair's Remarks:**

**Planning Department Recognition of DMMCPB as CPG for Del Mar Mesa**

Chairman Metcalf reported that the Application on behalf of DMMPB was submitted on 12/30/23 and commented further on the effect on the structure of the CPGs in the higher density areas of the City, which support a variety of residential densities other than those present in the DMM Specific Plan. This might potentially raise a concerns for the DMM community. The Mesa's unique structure the Specific Plan must be preserved and not combined with the multiple zoning characteristics present in other less rurally oriented areas.

**Public Officials (Information and Announcements)**

Congressman Scott Peters Office:Priscilla Huang  
Absent

Mayor Todd Gloria's office - Emily Piatanesi  
Absent

Council District 1 - Council member Joe LaCava-Joaquin Quintero

Joaquin Quintero reported on the police chief recruitment forum which is holding a meeting at this same time. He also reported on the progress of the "greens" trash bins and will also arrange for provision of additional bins for homes needing more. Funding for the RSVP police vehicles is a better question for Gonzalo Rocha-Vargas from Brian Maienschein's office as it is related more to state budget and funding sources. Chairman Metcalf asked Joaquin Quintero to comment on his understanding of the city of San Diego's recognition and preservation of the DMMPB and concerns for loss of control through consolidation with another community, especially in light of the large proportion of open space that occupies the DMM Community and concern for protection of the preserves status of those acres. Joaquin Quintero responded that it would be necessary for him to explore and evaluate these concerns and reconnect with Chairman

Metcalf later. Chairman Metcalf's greatest concern is for consolidation with another community planning group.

Community Planning: Lesley Henegar

Absent

County Supervisor District 3 - Terra Lawson-Remer - Ciipriano Vargas

Absent

CA State District 39 Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins - Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez

Chairman Metcalf asked Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez the question raised about the funding of patrol vehicles for the RSVP's of the Northwestern Division of the SDPD. Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez replied that there would need to be a member request submitted via the Del Mar Mesa Representative, Brian Maienschein, to have included in the upcoming budget. He also reminded the group of the substantial financial deficit facing the State of California. Ron Sellemi commented further on the lack of police department staff and need to take advantage of the RSVP volunteers. Michael Vinson commented that his understanding was that new vehicles had been approved for the police department and that the current vehicles would be retired and made available for use by the RSVP team. Chairman Metcalf requested that Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez focus on two issues for DMMPB, first the ability to continue to meet virtually, and the matter of property insurance.

1. California Insurance Regulations and the consequences related to cost and availability-After Chairman Metcalf discussed the impact on the ability of insurance companies due to the regulations which are preventing actuaries from adjusting insurance cost related to existing conditions and are forced to withdraw from the market rather than offer insurance at the actuarially appropriate rate, resulting in the lack of ability for homeowners to procure coverage. Chairman Metcalf asked what is Senator Atkins position on this matter? Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez reported that this is a huge priority and the sustainable insurance strategy which is the insurance commissioner's number one strategy noting that all insurance carriers are required to cover a set percent (85%) of homes within wildfire zones and calculation of the impact on rate increases would be limited to the state of California and not be negatively impacted by losses in other states. The Insurance Commissioner is focused on accessibility, and affordability and ensure that the market is competitive. Kevin Bagley asked Gonzalo about the processes or procedures required to go through to change the rules Gonzalo was describing. Gonzalo will follow up on this question and report back. Michael Vinson mentioned the conflict between the state and the wild space or open protected space such as insurance carriers requiring two hundred feet of clearance while the state allows for only one hundred feet of clearance which creates an obvious conflict with the insurance carriers. Chairman Metcalf mentioned actuarial consideration of the fire prevention aspect of house hardening which has the greatest impact on wildfire protection, much greater than an additional one hundred feet of brush clearance.

## 2. SB 411 and CPG Virtual Meetings

Chairman Metcalf asked about budget or funding for RSVP vehicles for the police department and he advised that member requests need to be recorded via the Senate Office structure. Ron Sellemi commented further on the lack of police department staff and the need to take advantage of the volunteers and need to know more about how to make a “member” request related to the acquisition of new RSVP vehicles. Michael Vinson commented that his understanding was that new vehicles had been approved for the police department and that the current vehicles would be retired and made available for use by the RSVP team.

CA Assembly District 77: - Brian Maienschein-Mark Manning

Absent

City Park & Recreation Department - Debbie Marcotte

Absent

### **Information/Presentation/Discussion Item**

Alta Del Mar Fires Station Status - Jeff Tibaldi

Absent

CPB Status with City Planning - Submittal Update

Community Plan PFFP Update - Ad Hoc Committee - Rabbitt/Guy/Metcalf

Chairman Metcalf commented that this is low priority for the city planning department and also speculated that perhaps it is better to let it be.

### **DMM Subarea V OS/Trails Preservation and Improvements - Guy/Vinson/Metcalf**

#### **-Washington Plan**

Nothing new to report. Barry Cohen asked about the provision of the \$150K by the Grand Del Mar, and Chairman Metcalf commented on the meetings with Ian and Brendan and the fact that the Grand is still very interested in supporting the trails. Elizabeth Rabbitt asked about the status of the whereabouts of \$150K and if the check has actually been written and if so to what and where? The answer was that no funds have changed hands yet. Michael Vinson has been working with his crews on the trails around the resort on their own. Chairman Metcalf will return to this subject for next month.

### **Beautification Committee - Christian Tresize has resigned**

## **Del Mar Mesa Road Entry from Carmel Country Rd**

### **City Refusal. To maintain the ROW**

### **Bob Howards water bill charges from PUD**

Joquin Quintero reported that there is nothing new to report, but asked for more time to follow up.

## **Subcommittee Reports and Discussion**

Community Plan-PFFP Update - Ad Hoc Committee - Rabbitt/Guy/Metcalf

DMM Subarea V OS/Trails Preservation and Improvements - Guy/Vinson/Metcalf

Beautification Committee

### **Action Items:**

### **Board Liaison Reports**

Los Penasquitos CAC - Guy

Nothing to report Elizabeth to find out schedule to attend.

Friends of Del Mar Mesa-Metcalf

CPC-Tim Guy and (Ron Sellemi Alternate)

Northwestern Police CAB - Elizabeth Rabbitt/Christian Tresize/Ron Sellemi

No meetings.

Carmel Valley Park and Recreation Council-Wendy Poyhonen

Wendy Poyhonen had nothing new to report but did note that things in general do seem to be a bit better. She did see the latest communication about volunteer projects, but continues to be interested in segmenting areas to “sponsors” such as the Bougainvillea HOA. She did mention a pepper tree that is blocking the view of pedestrian by drivers at the corner of Del Vino Court and Little McGonigle Ranch Rd. Wendy Poyhonen also asked about tree branches have been left on the side of Del Mar Mesa road, she will send pictures to Michael Vinson.

### **Ongoing Discussion - Active Items**

Developer Signage on existing Signs

DMM Historical Documentation and Photos

Hollywood and Vine sign - Jerry McCaw

Street work

Ish Khan brought up the issue of all of the street repairs that have been going on without resident notification and leaving the road full of patches. Wendy Poyhonen reported on one of the areas that was ripped out and not finished. TerriAnn Skelly reported that she was prevented from leaving her home on two separate occasions. Joaquin Quintero will look into it noting additionally that all residents are to be notified of such activities.

Adjournment: Michael Vinson made the motion to adjourn bat 7:02 PM was seconded by Ish Khan and the motion was carried

Next Meeting:

February 8, 2024 6PM