



Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92198
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October 17, 2024, 6:30pm

Meeting Minutes

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

<u>2024 RB PLANNING BOARD</u>									
P = present		A = absent			ARC = arrived after roll call				
Robin Kaufman	P	June Smith	P	Steve Dow	A	James Nadlonek	P	Hugh Rothman	
Benjamin Wier	P	Vicki Touchstone	P	Rebecca Rapp	ARC	Alfredo Ortiz	P		
Gary Long	A	Donald Bertsch	A	Sujata Yellaepeddi	P	Keith Mikas	P		
								Total Seated	12
								Total in Attendance	10 (with new member added)

- ITEM #1** **Call to Order/Roll Call:**
 Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM
- ITEM #2** **Chair Remarks:**
 Robin Kaufman welcomed everyone and mentioned that the RB Planning board does our best to meet for an hour.
- ITEM #3** **Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker):** To discuss items not on the agenda, yet within the jurisdiction of the RB Planning Board. Board members should limit discussion of non-agenda items so as not to detract from the time available for agenda items.
 None.
- ITEM #4** **Government Staff Reports:** **Information Item**
 Various government staff have an opportunity to present updates to the Board.
 Zak, from Supervisor Anderson’s office touched base on proposition 36 and asked for support on it. Another round of loans is coming up which has a deadline of October 31, 2024.
 Angela Dane, Our Junior Planner- Planning department released their plans for 2025 which are available online only. Rancho Bernardo was chosen to receive a community plan update as it was last updated in 1988. The City planning department is still working on getting the funding and actual work will happen sometime in 2026 or 2027. When work does start, a new community planner will come and share the complete plan with the board and collect the feedback/input before starting any work. Community plans are revised every few years to stay in sync with the City’s general plan.

 Lucero Maganda, **the Mayor’s** Community Representative, participated in actual proceedings of the meeting.
- ITEM #5** **Modification and Adoption of Agenda:** **Action Item**
 Jim Nadlonek presented the motion, seconded by Alfred Ortiz. Motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.
- ITEM #6** **Administrative Items:** **Action Items**

- a. Approve July 2024 Meeting Minutes: Alfred presented the motion, seconded by June. Motion passed 6-0-2 (Jim Nadlonek and Sujata Yellaepeddi abstained as they were not present).
- b. Approve Treasurer’s Report: Motion presented by Vicki Touchstone, Seconded by Keith Mikas 8-0-0.

ITEM #7 **Request New Community Members to Identified/Seated** **Action Item**
 New members are identified and those that have been previously identified can be seated.
 Hugh Rothman presented himself to fill a vacancy. Vicki Touchstone presented the motion, seconded by Sujata Yellaepeddi 8-0-0.

ITEM #8 **Rancho Bernardo Community Plan Update** **Action Item**
 The City of San Diego Planning Department is proposing to update the Rancho Bernardo Community Plan. There is currently no funding for this project, but it is anticipated to be completed by 2028. According to the City, the updated plan will serve as a long-range vision for land use, mobility, urban design, public facilities and services, natural resources, historic and cultural resources, and economic development.
 Vicki Touchstone suggested that we should start an ad hoc committee proactively to start research on the RB plan changes that City is planning. Robin Kaufman made the motion, seconded by June Smith. The motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0 (Note – member Rebecca Rapp arrived at this point). James Nadlonek, Gary Long, Vicki Touchstone, Ben Wier and Robin Kaufman have expressed interest in being part of this ad hoc committee

ITEM #9 **Land Development Code Update** **Information Item**
 The Planning Board’s request to revise the Land Development Code to appropriately address how to process a Capital Improvements Project and/or a City Project that deviates from the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Regulations was submitted to the Planning Department on September 12, 2024. Vicki *Touchstone* submitted all the needed information to the Planning Commission before the deadline to ensure the comments are considered for the final report.

ITEM #10 **Infrastructure Planning - City Priorities.** **Information Item**
 Information on the City’s Infrastructure Plan on where their priorities are. See Links below and supporting document.
<https://webdocs.sandiego.gov/public/infrastructure-priorities-summary-report.pdf>
<https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/2024-01/fy-25-29-five-year-capital-infrastructure-planning-outlook.pdf>
 Planning board member Vicki Touchstone submitted our comments well in advance, yet they were not included in the city summary report. Vicki Touchstone presented a motion to send an email to city council member Marni Von Wilpert to follow up on the matter, seconded by June Smith. Motion passed unanimously, 10-0-0. Note: Since our meeting, it was discovered that the comments we submitted will be included in the next City CIP report.

ITEM #11 **Sub-Committee Reports:** **Information Item**
 Development Review..... Benjamin Wier - Update presented by Ben
 Regional Issues..... Vicki Touchstone – No meeting
 Traffic & Transportation..... Robin Kaufman – No meeting

ITEM #12 **Liaison Reports:** **Information Item**
 Community Council.....Robin Kaufman (Did not meet)*
 Community Planners Committee (CPC).....Vicki Touchstone (Report Attached)*
 Community Recreation Group (CRG).....Robin Kaufman (Did not meet)*
 SANDAG..... Steve Dow
 San Dieguito River ParkVicki Touchstone
 San Pasqual/Lake Hodges Planning Group..... Gary Long

Commercial Representative

ITEM #13 OLD BUSINESS ITEM:

ITEM #14 NEW BUSINESS:

Robin **Kaufman** met with the Mayor and his Rancho Bernardo representatives for an hour. She asked if Rancho Bernardo will be one of the communities to have housing for unhoused mentioned in an initial report. The Mayor assured we would not be considered as we have very few unhoused in the area. Becky Rapp presented a report on how the city is unable to handle marijuana issues and has been diligently following up.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ben **Wier** presented the motion to close the meeting at 7:34 PM and seconded by Jim Nadlonek 10-0-0.

Community Recreation Group: Did not meet in October.

Community Council: Did not meet in October.

*Note from Robin Kaufman - The RB Community Council held their 14th annual safety fair, adding health and wellness aspects with a total of 43 vendor booths. It also included the annual chili cook-off contest between fire station #33 and northeastern police department. The police department won for the second year in a row.

Meeting Notes - Community Planners Committee (CPC) Meeting of 9/24/24

Provided by: Becky Rapp

Public Comments:

Mission Bay Parks improvement PEIR

Ed More: 1,000 bed shelter would be the nation's largest shelter on the smallest amount of land in the country. Equaling 65sq.ft. per person. He's strongly against it and would like to rally support.

Becky Rapp: I wanted to share with you information regarding AB 1775, currently sitting on the Governor's desk. The Bill aims to prioritize profits over health, jeopardizing California's smoke-free workplace protections allowing for the permitting of marijuana cafes. The American Cancer Society is urging Governor Newsom to veto the bill and I'd like to suggest that representatives here tonight make their planning groups aware of the bill and consider publicly supporting a Veto of the bill.

San Diego is the second largest city in the state and therefore can provide great insight when new legislation is being considered in Sacramento.

The ACS states that the legislation violates provisions of state law that prohibit smoking marijuana anywhere the use of tobacco products is banned including smoke-free restaurant laws.

The American Cancer Society and public health educators believe It's not wise to make exceptions to laws in efforts to accommodate a for-profit industry.

Item #4: Measure B

Measure B passed in 2022 allowed for the review of residential area trash collection services and fees. The cost-of-Service study will provide options for All fees, partial fees, and discounted fees. Charging a fee would free up \$60-\$80 million from the general fund.

Cost of Service Study is underway and roll-out will be summer of 2026

The city will not make a profit and won't collect more than it costs them to run the program. Rules under Prop 218 state that there's a 45-day period when mailers will be sent out. Residents can oppose the fee and will need to respond to the mailer. 50 plus 1% will be required not to have a fee implemented.

The study will cost 3-4.4 million

Item #5: Chollas Valley

Chollas Valley filed an appeal against an approved development (project) that didn't fit into the community plan. They needed \$1,000 to file an appeal but didn't have it. Residents pooled the money and filed the appeal. No notices were issued and the PG found out the hearing was happening with 1 day's notice.

The zone wasn't changed but a footnote was added. The zoning change was put into the municipal code with a footnote. I'll attach a picture

The presentation will be sent out via e-mail. Table 131-04D – Development regulations for RS Zones.

Item #6: Planning Department work program

Rancho Bernardo was discussed as a planning group that was next on the list for a plan update. Marlon mentioned that the city was looking for funding before moving forward. (I wondered why they need funding)?

Tierrasanta Rep mentioned that it wasn't a good idea to update your plan because the city will shove high-density housing into it. If you don't update, then you won't have to accommodate high density.

Community plans take precedence over municipal code.