

**OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES**

Robert Egger, Sr. - South Bay Recreation Center
November 13th, 2024

Members Present:

District 1 Edgar Garfias
District 2 Mary Lou Tarobal
District 4 Omar Araiza
District 5 Alexis Gonzalez
District 8 Steve Egger
District 9 Albert Estrada
District 11 Albert Velasquez
District 12 Carlos Sanchez
District 13 Brian McGonagill
District 14 Augie Hernandez
District 15 Gary McGrath
District 16 Bobby Hicks

Members Absent:

District 3 Robert Broomfield
District 7 Johnny E. Swanson
District 10 Bob Mikloski

Vacant District Seats:

District 6

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** Albert Velasquez, Chair of the Otay Mesa Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG), called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. He welcomed all Board members and members of the community to the meeting.
2. **Approval of the Minutes:** The draft minutes of the October 9th OMNCPG meeting were approved unanimously.
 3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:** (2-minute limit per speaker).
 - a. Gary McGrath asked for public attendance to be added to the agenda moving forward.
 - i. Will start with January meeting.
 - b. Resident brought up harassment attack against someone that was part of the Otay Mesa group, not the Otay Mesa-Nestor.
 - c. Resident brought up issues in the Tijuana River Valley. There were issues included trash, debris, and sewage sludge. Advocating for returning to a single channel in the valley to avoid any standing water.
 - d. Kate Sessions Commitment representative offered help in the community for mapping and planting trees in the community.
2. **San Diego Police Department Report:** SDPD Officer Carlos Edington, 619-424-0412, cedington@pd.sandiego.gov
 - a. Saturday, 11-3pm at Montgomery Waller Park will be doing haircuts in the park.
 - b. Steve Egger asked about Satellite and Get It Dones.
 - i. Impounded 4 vehicles and marked others because it seemed to be storing crashed cars and oversized vehicles. Starting to clear up. Continue with Get It Done.
 - ii. Asked about law about parking near an intersection. No information on enforcement just yet. Will be live in Jan and enforcement starting until Mar.
 - c. Gary McGrath asked about a Sailboat on Saturn. There's a question about whether it's on a trailer. It can be towed on a trailer, but it's considered trash otherwise.
 - d. At the end of Sunset Blvd. lots of cars being auctioned off and also being parked at the end of the road.
 - e. Mary Lou Tarobal asked about trailer homes parked on streets.
 - i. Can't be parked from 2am-6am and oversized vehicle ordinance.
 - f. Omar Araiza asked about streetlights, on Hollister and Tocayo. Is there a way to address this?

- i. May be more about reaching out to the streets department.
3. **Council District 8 Report:** Robert Broomfield, Council Representative, 619-236-6688, RBroomfield@sandiego.gov
 - a. FY26 Funding Opportunities open for its arts and culture funding season with online applications due by November 25th.
 - b. Fire Station 48 Black Mountain Ranch Public Art Project seeking applications from artists to create artwork for the new fire station. Applications due by November 27th.
 - c. Funding Application Review Panelist applications due by December 31st.
 - d. ESD hosting public forum on Measure B at San Ysidro Library on November 26th from 5:30pm to 7pm.
 - e. FY26 grants from the San Diego Tourism Marketing District is accepting applications for events that will take place between July 1st, 2025 to June 30th, 2026. Due by November 15th at 5pm.
 - f. 125 Press Conference on 10/24/24 by Vivian Moreno calling on the elimination of tolls due to new audits presented to SANDAG revealing significant financial mismanagement.
 - g. Independent Budget Analyst released report on sidewalk maintenance responsibility on November 6th. Find the report at <https://www.sandiego.gov/iba/reports/reports24>
 - h. Dumpster Drop-Off on November 30th and January 4th from 8am to 12pm or until bins are full.
 - i. Turkey distribution event at Berry Elementary School in Nestor on November 22nd.
 - j. City of San Diego Performance and Data Analytics scheduling interviews between December 9th and 20th for Get It Done User Research Panel.
 - i. Carlos Sanchez asked about where the interviews would be held. Optional between in person and virtual likely.
 - k. Steve Egger asked about code compliance issues on Sunset.
4. **City of San Diego, Office of the Mayor:** Lucero Maganda, Community Representative, LMaganda@sandiego.gov
 - a. No report.
5. **County Supervisor, First District:** Ernesto Castañeda, Community Representative, 858-289-9198, Ernesto.Castaneda@sdcounty.ca.gov
 - a. [Introduction](#)
 - b. Grants application closed at the end of September. Next Dates will be at the end of July.
 - c. Tijuana River Valley
 - i. Back in Sep, started with 400 air purifiers to the community.
 - ii. \$2.3 million from the federal government to purchase more air purifiers as a temporary solution.
 - iii. Press Release from APCD, Hydrogen Sulfided dashboard being released to guide residents on what to do based on the levels.
 - d. Steve Egger asked about ponding in the valley. Request the original river path be restored.
 - e. Omar Araiza asked about community health. What plans are in place and funding in place to address the impacts on the community's health?
 - i. Will reach out to colleagues for more information on that and CDC reached out to random households.
6. **80th District Report:** Lilianna Barba, Field Representative, 619-498-8580, Lilianna.barba@asm.ca.gov
 - a. No report.
7. **52th District Report:** Valery Gomez, District Aide, Valery.Gomez@mail.house.gov
 - a. No report.

8. **Sub-Committee Reports:**

- a. Volunteer Code Compliance, Project Review, By-Laws, and Parks and Recreation subcommittees.
- b. Reminder: Complete the Annual CPG Training by watching training video and completing questionnaire found <https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community-plans/planning-group-resources>. Forward completed questionnaire to SDPlanningGroups@sandiego.gov

9. **Informational Item:** B24043 Citywide Referral Rehab 1 Construction Project

The project plans to rehabilitate sewer mains within the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community neighborhood tentatively Summer of 2025. Roberto Valadez, Associate Civil Engineer, RValadez@Sandiego.gov

- a. Streets in our community include:
- b. Liner should extend the life of the line for about 50 years, only a slight decrease in the width of the line. Limited sewer shut down for a couple hours.
- c. All affected homes will receive a fact sheet. City will install a clean out on the City's dime for any property that doesn't have it, unless the resident opts out.
 - i. Omar asked if additional languages will be provided.
 1. There will be a number to call on the fact sheet.
- d. Project should be awarded in the Winter with construction completion in Fall.
- e. Pipe installed in 50s and 60s. VCP pipe installation.

10. **Informational Item:** Otay Mesa Nestor Parks Update

A parks and recreation overview with focus on the various South Bay Park Capital Improvement Projects and other events. Additionally, projects taking place in the Otay Valley Regional Park. Andy Field, Parks and Recreation Director, AField@sandiego.gov

- a. Prototype bathrooms going to be tested.
- b. Omar Araiza asked about maintenance.
 - i. Restrooms once a day, grass mowed at least once a week, trash at least once a day, noon until 8 for rec centers M-F, and partial on Saturday.
 - ii. Deferred maintenance is a large scale problem.
 - iii. Building an electrical specialist group within the Parks and Rec department to help address lighting issues.

11. **Discussion Item:** Vivian Moreno Priority List for the Otay Mesa Nestor Area

- a. Albert Estrada brought up the councilmember's priority lists with a focus on
 - i. Sidewalk repairs, street lighting, street resurfacing, and parks in the district.
 - ii. Asking members to work with neighbors to email the city clerk about the projects listed in the priority list pushing for the council members to support the priority list.
 - iii. Also asking for the group to email in support as well.
 - iv. Shared concerns about fire station and landscaping neglect.
 - v. February 20-25th is an update of the budget priorities.
- b. Alexis Gonzalez is in support of the landscaping idea and added an additional nursery.
- c. Will be added to the agenda to send a letter as a group.

12. **Chair's Report:** Albert Velasquez, OMNCPG Chair

- a. Reminder to do the training.

13. **City of San Diego, City Planning Department:** Matthew Nasrallah, Associate Planner, MNasrallah@sandiego.gov

- a. Community Plan updates will begin this upcoming year. Will starting with collecting funding first. Time will depend on how much funding and amendments are coming. Start up in late 2025.

14. Meeting was adjournment at 8:18pm