



Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group

Draft Minutes for Wednesday, April 16, 2014 Meeting

Tierrasanta Recreation Center • 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

The meeting was convened at 6:35 pm by TCC President Justin DeCesare. A quorum was present consisting of President DeCesare, Vice President Rich Thesing, Treasurer Russ May, Secretary Deanna Spehn, and the following Area Directors: Area 6 Loren Vinson, Area 7 John Farmer and Rik Hauptfeld, and Commercial Director Tom “TK” Keliinoi (8 members out of 13 filled positions and 17 total positions). At 6:40 pm Area 3 Director Christy Patnoe arrived, making 9 members present. Excused absences: Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto and Bonnie Alexander. Absent: William Earl Turner and Anthony Ferebee.

Non Agenda Public Comment (taken out of order)

Brownies from Tierrasanta Girl Scout Troop 3871 described their special public service project in North Shepard Canyon. After gaining permission from Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District Inspector Dan Foley to post signs in the area, the girls initiated a 30-day public information program to remind local residents to pick up their dogs’ poop when walking in the open space canyon. The Brownies had been tasked with looking around their community and identifying a problem that they could do something about. The presentation was well received by those present.

Representatives from Government Offices

Adam McElroy, Community Service Officer from the San Diego Police Department Eastern Division, reported that overall crime is down significantly in the city, and is down 60% this month (17 crimes) versus last month (44 crimes).

Congressman Scott Peters, 52nd Congressional District, discussed his efforts locally to assist members of the military who are transitioning out of military service, a new government program to assist students in military families to take Advanced Placement tests in high school, the federal budget, efforts to improve economic development with an emphasis on local companies working in the areas of biofuels including algae-based products, support for veterans, innovations in the areas of water and energy, etc. Members of the public had an opportunity to ask questions on a variety of topics. (858-455-5550 Anthony Nguyen Anthony.Nguyen@mail.house.gov)

Katelyn Hailey announced that Senator Block is carrying 19 bills this session, 12 of which will be in hearings the following week. The office is always available to respond to problems with state agencies. (619-645-3133 Katelyn Hailey Katelyn.Hailey@sen.ca.gov)

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Secretary: Deanna Spehn • Directors: Area 1 – William Earl Turner; Area 2 – VACANT;
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& Rik Hauptfeld; Area 8 – Jennifer Schultz; Commercial Director – Tom “TK” Keliinoi
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Cassie Weinlein announced that City Councilmember Scott Sherman is now Chair of the City's Audit Committee. The Kumeyaay Lake Campground at Mission Trails Regional Park will re-open shortly. (619-236-6677 Cassandra Weinlein CWeinlein@sandiego.gov)

Juan Lias reported that Colonel Farnam, Commanding Officer for MCAS Miramar, has added back the third performance day for the Blue Angels in October, so the Air Show will now be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday. (MCAS Miramar: 858-577-6603 Juan Lias juan.lias@usmc.mil)

Non-agenda Public Comment (continued)

Dan Lazzaro thanked those who immediately removed local graffiti recently, and noted the new fire station under construction by Qualcomm Stadium, and an increasing number of overflights from Montgomery Field. The Montgomery Field matter will be looked into by President DeCesare.

A joint presentation on Tierrasanta Village of San Diego was made by Bev Slater-Sheehan, Susan Deininger and Jane Quirin.

It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Kelinoi and approved unanimously 8-0 to approve the Draft Minutes for the March 19, 2014 TCC meeting, as submitted, with Farmer abstaining because he had been absent from that meeting.

Action Item 1: President DeCesare described the appointment process to fill vacancies for Area Directors 3, 4 and 8. All At Large. It was moved by Farmer, seconded by Hauptfeld and approved unanimously 9-0 to appoint Jennifer Schultz to the Area 8 position.

Action Item 2: On March 19, 2014, the TCC convened the By-Laws Committee to respond to proposed changes by the City of San Diego Community Planners Committee and the City Attorney's office for all planning group by-laws subject to Council Policy 600-24. Following a discussion on the status of the two existing set of by-laws for the Tierrasanta Community Council the TCC voted 10-0 to refer the matter to the By-Laws Committee, on a motion by Thesing, seconded by Patnoe. The By-Laws Committee was directed to respond to the issue of lack of indemnification for members of the Tierrasanta Open Space Committee, and return with recommendations regarding the indemnification issue. The two approved sets of by-laws included one approved in 2008 by the City of San Diego that establishes the group as the official planning committee for the 92124 community, and the corporate by-laws updated in 2011 for the 501(c)4 association that is filed with the State of California.

Action Item 3: Please note: TCC Commercial Director Keliinoi recused himself on this matter as he has a direct interest in the proposed school. An application for a Process 3 Conditional Use Permit (CUP) was filed to amend an existing permit at 10791 Tierrasanta Blvd. (Newbreak Church), for an educational facility (kindergarten to 5th grade) serving up to 322 (maximum enrollment) students in the existing building. Chad Jackson representing Newbreak Church described the process and answered questions. Traffic Engineer Eric Royer answered questions about the traffic study done for the proposed project. Ryan Elliott is the Principal for the school and provided information about curriculum and operations of the school. This is an information only item tonight. The planning group will vote to make an advisory recommendation to the City of San Diego in the future. Under a Process 3 review, the application and plans are submitted to the City where they are reviewed by City staff. A Hearing Officer considers the information and issues a decision. The decision can be appealed to the City Planning Commission. The Planning Commission's decision may also be appealed to the Planning Commission.

The City Council does not vote on whether a project under Process 3 proceeds or not. TCC members and members of the public raised a series of issues, including traffic congestion in the parking lot, the need for a traffic flow plan for dropping off and picking up students, potential impacts to the fire station, where the students will do recess and physical education, and impacts on adjacent businesses, among other issues. **It was moved by Spehn, seconded by Thesing and approved 10-0 to refer the matter to the Community Development Corporation that will convene a meeting with a least one week's notice on the TCC website. Mr. Jackson agreed to provide the CDC with a copy of the city's comments on the traffic study, and confirmed that the school will adjust its start/stop time so that those times will be different from the start/stop times for Jean Farb Middle School.**

Action Item 4: The City of San Diego Transportation and Storm Water Department has informed the TCC that after a recent traffic survey, the city intends to reduce the speed of both the East and Westbound lanes of Aero Drive between the I-15 northbound off-ramp and Santo Road from 50 mph to 45 mph. It was moved by Hauptfeld, seconded by Patnoe and approved unanimously to support the reduction in the speed limit.

Action Item 5: Based on a unanimous vote on April 9, 2014 by the Tierrasanta Open Space Committee, the TCC voted 10-0 on a motion by Patnoe, seconded by Vinson, to retain the Clairemont Mesa Trails name within Mission Trails Regional Park for those trails serving the eastern terminus of Clairemont Mesa Blvd., rather than renaming them to reflect the Fortuna Mountain West trails.

It was moved by Thesing, seconded by May and approved on a 10-0 vote to extend the meeting by 15 minutes to 8:45 pm.

Action Item 6: President DeCesare updated the TCC on the May 29th recognition event thanking retiring members of the TCC and welcoming new members.

Action Item 7: Treasurer Russ May distributed the monthly Financial Report for the TCC, currently posted on the TCC website at www.tierrasantacc.org

Action Item 8: Report by Concerts in the Park Chair Anthony Ferebee on this year's series of concerts. **This item was not heard due to the absence of Ferebee.**

President DeCesare adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.

Upcoming 2014 TCC meetings at 6:30 pm in the Tierrasanta Recreation Center:

Vote by the TCC on the proposed additions/modifications to La Mirage Apartments

May 21, 2014

May 29, 2014 – TCC Annual Recognition Event 5:30 to 7 pm Villa Monterey Clubhouse

June 18, 2014

July 16, 2014

August – No Meeting

September 17, 2014

October 15, 2014

November 19, 2014

December – No Meeting