



Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group

Draft Minutes for Wednesday, June 18, 2014 Meeting

Tierrasanta Recreation Center • 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

The meeting was convened at 6:30 pm by TCC President Justin DeCesare. A quorum was present consisting of President DeCesare, Vice President Rich Thesing, Secretary Deanna Spehn, and the following Area Directors: Area 2 – Jennifer Schultz; Area 3 – Christy Patnoe and Scott Hasson; Area 4 – Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto; Area 5 – Anthony Ferebee (arrived at 6:50 pm); Area 6 Loren Vinson; Area 7 – Bonnie Alexander; and Commercial Director Tom “TK” Keliinoi (10 members present at start of meeting; 11 members total by 6:50 pm out of 15 filled positions and 17 total positions). Absent: Treasurer Russ May; Area 1 Director William Earl Turner; Area 7 Directors John Farmer & Rik Hauptfeld. Vacant: Areas 4 and 8.

TCC President DeCesare announced that: “Pursuant to the Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group Bylaws Amended July 16, 2008, the planning group portion of the meeting scheduled for June 18 2014 is cancelled. All Planning Group Action Items shall be continued at the regularly scheduled meeting on July 16 2014 unless a special meeting is called prior to in accordance with the bylaws. In accordance with Brown Act section 54954.2 and City of San Diego Council Policy 600-24, a new agenda shall be prepared for the following meeting including any continued items. The portions of the meeting that are governed by the Tierrasanta Community Council Corporate Bylaws amended February 16, 2011 shall commence as scheduled on June 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm.”

Representatives from Government Offices

Adam McElroy, Community Service Officer from the San Diego Police Department Eastern Division, announced that two large information signs in Tierrasanta open space areas off Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and off Santo Road had been taken and then found, when Police followed up on a cell phone found near where one of the signs had been. Grand theft charges were reduced to a misdemeanor. Overall, crime in the community is down about 30% over the previous month.

Jason Bercovitch reported that Congressman Scott Peters, 52nd Congressional District is hosting a series of meetings in the District on emergency preparedness. Congressman Peters continues to focus on veterans issues.

Rob Knudsen reported on Assemblymember Maienschein’s legislative work this session, and his participation in the Patriots Day Parade in May.

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Anthony George reported that Mayor Faulconer has just completed his first 100 days in office, and that the City Council had approved a fair and balanced budget focusing on infrastructure improvements and improved services for the homeless.

Julio DeGuzman is the City Attorney's Neighborhood liaison on enforcement issues and will be attending the planning group's meetings on a regular basis.

Juan Lias reported that MCAS Miramar has scheduled a prescribed burn to reduce brush on base over the weekend.

Item A: MCAS Miramar Fire Chief James Magill provided a detailed briefing on the military's role in fighting the recent series of fires that swept through portions of San Diego County in May 2014, including fires on Camp Pendleton and in San Marcos. Chief Magill described the excellent working relationship between the military pilots and local fire departments, CalFire and the state Office of Emergency Services in responding to the 13 fires in one week in the County. There are 3 engines stationed on base including one brush unit, one engine company and a second brush unit that is held in reserve, and a total of 68 personnel. The civilian fire department at MCAS Miramar has signed several mutual aid agreements with local, regional, state and federal agencies. Members of the TCC expressed their thanks for the close working relationship with the base's fire support teams.

Items C & D: Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 on the June 18, 2014 agenda were continued to the July 16, 2014 meeting and items 1,2, 4 and 8 on the Draft Minutes for the May 21, 2014 TCC meeting were trailed until the July 16, 2014 meeting. It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Ferebee and approved on 9-0 vote with Keliinoi and Patnoe abstaining to approve the draft minutes for the May 21, 2014 meeting except for items 1, 2, 4 and 8.

Non Agenda Public Comment:

- 1) Dan Lazzaro: Requesting the TCC to reinstate the Community Maintenance Committee
- 2) Chad Jackson: Director of Development & Project Manager for Newbreak Church said that Newbreak had clearly heard the concerns of local neighbors and is withdrawing the proposed use of the Vista Grande Church facilities for Elevate Elementary. Will continue to work with the community to address local concerns.
- 3) Elevate Principal Ryan Elliott announced that 198 students were on the list to start school in September 2014; that the school has a \$375,000 grant from the state to fund new technology for use in the school; and that he and others have worked with the families on the waiting list to determine how students would travel to/from school, etc.
- 4) Villa Mallorca resident Mike George represented the sentiments of several other Villa Mallorca residents regarding traffic, pedestrian safety, impacts to the fire station, and that they expected the shopping center to house shopping center type activities, not an elementary school with over 300 students. He reminded the TCC about the cumulative impacts to their neighborhood from the fire station, Farb Middle School, the Tierrasanta Library, the medical building on Baroque, Jack-in-the-Box, the gas station, etc.
- 5) Judd Laraway said that there are 12 driveways on Tierrasanta Blvd. serving all the shopping centers from Santo Road to Farb Middle School, which affects pedestrian safety. Also concerned about fire department and paramedic response times affected by large groups of pedestrians blocking access.

- 6) Robert Patton expressed concern about the large number of youth sports leagues using the turf field at Farb Middle School and the impact of additional traffic both along Tierrasanta Blvd. and across the canyon in Murphy Canyon from the expansion of the Navy Exchange with its delivery trucks, etc.
- 7) Nanette Allen is looking forward to sending her children to Elevate Elementary with its emphasis on the military child. Her family is moving into the community this weekend.
- 8) Pastor Mike Quinn from Newbreak Church said he has lived in Tierrasanta since 1993, and started Newbreak Church in 1994. The church has been involved with every school and every youth league in the community over the past 20 years. Their emphasis is on raising up a generation of leaders.
- 9) Blanca Bernal does not currently live in the community, but wants her child to attend Elevate Elementary.
- 10) Gene Balbo reported that in 2013 there were 1573 emergency calls resulting in the fire department/paramedics responding to 111 fires, 1270 medical/rescue responses and 192 other calls. He and others are concerned about increased traffic in front of the fire station and an impact on public safety.
- 11) Tom "TK" Keliinoi, a member of the TCC who has recused himself on this matter, is a Board Member of Elevate Elementary and a member of Newbreak Church. He said that he just wants to help kids learn to their potential, and to deal with the real issues facing military families and their children. He said he has heard the concerns and he and the school will work to address each of them.
- 12) John Hughes and Barbara Romero attended the meeting in support of Elevate Elementary but did not need to speak. Bonnie Balbo attended the meeting and yielded time to her husband, Gene.

Action Item 5: Concert in the Park Chair Anthony Ferebee announced that this year's concerts would be held on June 29th, August 16th, September 5th and October 5th. The August 16th concert will feature the Bayou Brothers from 5 to 8 pm and include an 8 pm movie sponsored by the Tierrasanta Recreation Council and games, etc., for the children.

It was moved by Hasson, seconded by Ferebee and approved 11-0 to add to the agenda for June 18, 2014, a discussion on the potential for re-creating the Community Maintenance Committee to address the issue of violations of Codes, Covenants and Restrictions (CC&Rs) in Tierrasanta. No action was taken, although it was suggested that this discussion continue at the next meeting when appointments to committees and outside organizations are voted on. President DeCesare said he would check with the city on the status of neighborhood code enforcement support for such a program, etc.

Members of the TCC commended Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto for all her work and planning for the TCC Recognition Event in May.

Motion to Adjourn: It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Ferebee to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm.

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

August – No Meeting
 September 17, 2014
 October 15, 2014
 November 19, 2014
 December – No Meeting