



Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group
Draft Minutes for July 16, 2014

The meeting was convened at 6:36 pm at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. by President Justin DeCesare. A quorum was established consisting of President DeCesare, Vice President Rich Thesing, Treasurer Russ May, Secretary Deanna Spehn, Area 2 Director Jennifer Schultz, Area 3 Directors Christy Patnoe and Scott Hasson, Area 4 Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, Area 6 Director Loren Vinson, Area 7 Directors Bonnie Alexander, John Farmer and Rik Hauptfeld, and Commercial Director Tom “TK” Keliinoi. Absent were Area 1 Director William Turner and Area 4 Director Anthony Ferebee. Vacant: Area 4 Director and Area 8 Director. Quorum established 13 members present.

Item A: Government Representatives:

Police Department: Community Service Officer Adam McElroy and Lt. Steven Behrendt reported that the low crime rate continues in Tierrasanta/Murphy Canyon.

Congressman Scott Peters: Jason Bercovitch reminded residents that staff is available to respond to constituent requests on a variety of federal issues, including services for veterans.

State Senator Marty Block: Katelyn Hailey discussed the adoption of the final budget and that additional funds will be available for education.

County Supervisor Dave Roberts: Evan Bollinger

Mayor Kevin Faulconer: Anthony George described the oversized vehicle ordinance that is now being enforced, reminding residents that permits are available to be purchased online. This is a complaint driven program: to report an oversized vehicle call 619-531-2000.

Councilmember Scott Sherman: Sheldon Zemen introduced himself to the community as the Councilmember’s new representative for the community.

MCAS Miramar: Juan Lias reported on this year’s Air Show featuring the Blue Angels.

Item B: Non-agenda Public Comment: None

Item C: Agenda Review / Requests for Continuance / Additions to the Agenda: It was moved by Farmer, seconded by Thesing to approve the agenda as submitted and refer the speeding issue on Antigua Blvd. and the status of the installation of V-calming signs to the September meeting by a vote of 13-0.

Item D: Approval of the Draft Minutes for the June 18, 2014 TCC meeting: It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Patnoe and approved 12-0-1 with May abstaining due to his absence to approve the draft minutes for the June 18, 2014 meeting as submitted.

Item E: President DeCesare explained the appointment process to fill the vacancies for the following Area Directors: Area 4 and Area 8 that have been converted to At Large positions by a unanimous vote at the March 19, 2014 TCC meeting. Candidates must have attended a TCC meeting in the 12 months prior to the meeting

and reside or own property within the 92124 zip code, and be present in person at the July 16, 2014 meeting in order to be appointed. 1) It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Vinson and approved on a 13-0 vote to appoint Mike Quinn to the Area 8 Director position. 2) It was moved by Hauptfeld, seconded by Thesing and approved 13-0 to appoint Mike George to the Area 4 Director position. Robert Wachs had also expressed interest in serving on the TCC, but he had not attended a previous TCC meeting in the 12 months prior to the July 16th meeting and so was termed to be ineligible to serve at this point.

Item F: Report by Concerts in the Park Chair Anthony Ferebee on this year's series of concerts. Due to the absence of Ferebee, John Farmer reported that the July concert was very successful and the upcoming concerts promise to be great fun for all ages.

New Business Item G – No new business items were added to the agenda.

Item H and Item 1 - Adjournment of Community Council Meeting: the meeting of the Community Council was adjourned at 7:10 pm and the meeting of the planning group was convened at 7:10 pm, with a quorum established of 15 voting members..

Item 2: Approval of the Draft Minutes Items 1,2, 4 and 8 for the May 21, 2014 Planning Group Meeting. It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Nielsen-Lostritto and approved 10-0-3 with May, Farmer and Anderson abstaining due to absences at that meeting and George & Quinn not voting because they were not members of the TCC at that time.

Item 3: The TCC consists of several sub-committees that assist in making recommendations to the council as a whole for various matters. **Tonight's action is to make changes as needed and vote upon the final list of Tierrasanta Community Council Committees for June 2014 through May 2015, and as well to convene any newly formed ad hoc subcommittees. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED UNTIL THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.**

Item 4: Vector Control Program: The San Diego Parks and Recreation department Open Space Division has been working with Helix Environmental to identify possible sites to address the abatement of mosquito breeding areas in Tierrasanta. Helix Environmental Planning has applied for a Site Development Permit for the vector control project adjacent to Calle De Vida. It is expected that the permit will be issued in October with construction from June to September 2015. The estimated cost of the project is \$350,000 to \$400,000 with funds coming from the County's vector control account, funded by assessments on property owners within the county. **Following a presentation by Anthony Cotts, P.E. of Weston Solutions and Melissa Whittemore of Helix Environmental, and a question and answer period, it was moved by Thesing, seconded by Hasson and approved on a 15-0 vote with all Officers and Area Directors present voting "aye" to recommend approval of a Site Development Permit to address the abatement of mosquito breeding areas in Tierrasanta to the City of San Diego.**

Item 5: La Mirage Renovation: The Irvine Company, owner of La Mirage, has a proposed \$100 Million renovation that is seeking approval from the Tierrasanta Community Council. The purpose of the approval will be to amend Planned Development Permit PDP 98-0726. The renovation will consist of an additional 90-unit apartment building (134,225 sq. ft. structure), a gated vehicular entry with manned guards, street vacation to privatize internal loop road, and new community identification signage. **Following a presentation by Mark Middlebrook representing The Irvine Co., the opportunity for questions and answers and upon a unanimous recommendation by the TCC's Community Development Committee to approve the project, the TCC voted 15-0 to recommend approval of the proposed amendment to Planned Development Permit PDP 98-**

0726 including the addition of 90 housing units, a gated vehicular entry with manned guards, street vacation to privatize internal loop road and new community signage with all Officers and Area Directors present voting "aye."

Item 6: Elevate Elementary CUP: Elevate Elementary has received its charter from the San Diego Unified School District and is seeking approval on a Conditional Use Permit to operate an elementary school located 10791 Tierrasanta Blvd. **Tom "TK" Keliinoi moved from the dais to the audience and made a presentation on behalf of the project. Testimony by supporters and opponents continued, followed by discussion by several members of the planning group until almost 11 pm. No vote on the item was taken, although the following motions were taken to extend the meeting beyond the 8:50 adjournment time. The following individuals spoke:**

- Chad Jackson provided updated information about the project
- Fitzpatrick provided a detailed opposition to the project citing traffic and safety issues, etc.
- Mike George referenced a copy of a 2012 letter by former TCC President Scott Hasson in support of the project that is included in the backup to the San Diego Unified School District for the request for Elevate to become a charter school and asked that Hasson recuse himself. George also pointed out that TCC Secretary Spehn publishes the Tierra Times and receives advertising income from Newbreak Church and requested that she recuse herself. Spehn agreed to recuse herself from further participation on this project.
- Tom Keliinoi provided information about the background of the project
- Gene Balbo presented a petition with 142 signatures in opposition to the project at that site
- John Hughes deferred his time to Robert Wachs who spoke on the updated documents (Cycle 3) that had been submitted to the city that significantly changed the project from the original submission (Cycle 1). The church documents with 744 names in support of Elevate Elementary at Newbreak Church, 350 of whom are 92124 residents. Over 6000 people attend services at Newbreak, 4000 of whom are 92124 residents.
- Freda Callahan, non-resident, former school teacher & principal and central office administrator supervising 24 schools described her personal involvement with military children in schools
- John Rogers expressed concerns about safety and buses serving the Farb community traveling past Elevate site

DeCesare officially closed public comment, and TCC members asked specific questions and made comments. Thesing clarified that while he had been a long time member of the church, he had not attended services for one year. Schultz had concerns about parking and raised issues about whether Newbreak Church was operating in compliance with existing zoning. Nielsen-Lostritto asked how they were going to reach out to military children specifically and whether they were going to excluded non-military. It was clarified by Callahan that Elevate is using an open application process. May expressed concerns about how vehicular traffic in such close proximity to children going into and exiting classrooms would be controlled. Patnoe questioned safety issues. Vinson said that the potential benefits of the proposed school do not outweigh the traffic impacts. Farmer said that all his questions had been answered already. DeCesare said that until the city had determined that all required information had been submitted and a decision issued regarding compliance with the existing conditional use permit, no vote would be taken. DeCesare proposed that when the Development Services Department had issued its determination he would convene a special meeting if necessary and have one representative of the applicant and one representative of the opposition speak, after which the TCC would consider the project.

At 8:30 pm Thesing moved and Hauptfeld seconded to extend the meeting an additional 30 minutes 13-0-2 with Keliinoi and George abstaining

At 9:30 pm Hauptfeld moved and Hasson seconded to extend the meeting an additional 30 minutes 12-0-3 with Keliinoi, George and Spehn abstaining.

At 10 pm Hauptfeld moved and Schultz seconded extending the meeting an additional 30 minutes on a 12-0-3 vote with Keliino, George and Spehn abstaining.

At 10:30 pm Hauptfeld moved to extend the meeting for 10 additional meetings, seconded by Thesing and approved on a 12-0-3 vote with Keliinoi, George and Spehn recusing.

Item 7: New Business – none.

At 10:33 pm, Vinson moved, Nielsen-Lostritto seconded and it was approved unanimously 15-0 to adjourn the meeting.