



Joint Meeting of the
Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group

MINUTES

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

6:30 pm • Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

President: Deanna Spehn	P 6:36
Vice President: Rich Thesing	P
Directors	
Area 1 - Mike George	P
Area 2 - Kevin Oskow	P
Area 3 - Scott Hasson	P
Area 3 - Dan Lazzaro	P
Area 4 - Jim Mackris	A
Area 4 - John Batchelder	p

Treasurer: Russ May	P 6:39
Secretary: Dawn Nielsen	P
Area 5 - John Adair	P 6:40
Area 6 - Loren Vinson	P
Area 7 - Danielle Declich	A
Area 7 - John Farmer	A
Area 7- Jennifer Schultz	P
Area 8 - Rob Kirk	P
Commercial Director – Mike Ogilive	A

6:34 pm Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call/Introductions; Determination of Quorum

Updates by Government Representatives:

- **Fire Station 39** (Tierrasanta/Murphy Canyon): <http://www.sandiego.gov/fire>
Grace Yamane Battalion Chief: 2 handouts: 1. Heating Your Home Safety. Residents can contact SDG&E to check for safety. 2. Carbon Dioxide Alarms. Residents should change batteries on Daylight's Savings Time day. Team members who assisted with fire back east have returned.
- **Police Department** (Eastern Division): Community Service Officer Tom Bostedt 858-495-7919 tbostedt@pd.sandiego.gov
*Lt. Andrea Brown from Eastern Division: October 22nd was **National Drug Take Back Day** which occurs twice a year; will also take sharps. This time did not receive as much as previous years. This is due to Eastern Division, corner of Aero Drive and Ruffin Road has a **drop box available** in Lobby on Tuesday - Friday 8 to 5. Suggest consolidating medications before dropping off and recycling containers.
*Office Bostedt: **Crime statistics** for Tierrasanta. Car prowls: last month 17; this month 16. Auto Thefts last month 11; this month 2. Have placed bait vehicles but no takers yet. Working in Lincoln Heights area due to concerns of auto theft. Citations issued: last month 38, this month 28. One commercial burglary; 0 robberies. 0 sex crimes. Annoying child incident last month by Miller Elementary, around 2:30 p.m., a woman and man in a blue SUV asked two girls if they wanted \$100.
Starting to gear up for the holidays. On Black Friday, College Area officers will be in Mission Valley.
Tips: Don't leave anything in your car. If you see suspicious cars you don't know, especially if following FedEx or UPS, call SDPD at 619-531-2000.
Homeless: Upcoming major cleanup in Mission Valley from Bay to Allied Gardens to prepare for bike path. Recent survey found 250 encampments.
Teddy Bear Drive: Sponsored by Eastern Division for the children at Polinsky Center. Contact Officer Bostedt.**
- **City Councilmember Scott Sherman:** Sheldon Zemen 619-236-6677 SZemen@sandiego.gov
Councilman Sherman will attend January 18, 2017 meeting. Hex building repairs completed: Roof, skylights; painted, and air-conditioning fixed. Introduced 4 students from SDSU who are attending for a class assignment.
- **MCAS Miramar: Juan Lias** 858-577-6603 Juan.Lias@usmc.mil
On November 17, Colonel Jason Woodworth will meet with Mission Trails for possible discussion on opening a trail for public access.

Reports from Committee Liaisons

- **Montgomery Field Airport Minimum Operating Standards:** Scott Hasson
San Diego City Airports Division is in the process of implementing Minimum Operating Standards for services at Montgomery and Brown field. This is a new initiative as standards had not been

implemented prior. Hasson will forward draft document to May to be placed on TCC website. The City is also hiring a consulting firm to create new master plans for both Montgomery and Brown Field airports. This may affect flight pattern which would affect Tierrasanta. Timetable: Expectations are that the consultant will be awarded soon and first draft will be released in 2018. Tierrasanta Community Council member Hasson serves on Airport Committee and will keep us informed.

- Community Planners Committee: Deanna Spehn / Rich Thesing *No meeting until January 2017.*
- Concerts in the Park Committee: John Farmer / Anthony Ferebee *No Report.*
- Tierrasanta Budget Committee: Russ May *No Report*
- Tierrasanta LogoWear Committee: Deanna Spehn *No Report*
- Tierrasanta Open Space Committee: Deanna Spehn, Chair 858-565-4018 dspehn1@san.rr.com - trailed to Agenda Action Item 3

Director Schultz reported a large tree lost a big branch on the corner of Santo and Antigua and it has already been cleaned up. If you see a tree that is tilting contact Deanna Spehn, Chair of the Open Space Committee, to check the safety of the tree. The Open Space Inspector is focusing tree maintenance on the main streets of Tierrasanta Blvd. Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Santo where people walk and bicycle.

- Tierrasanta Recreation Council Liaison: Rich Thesing
Rec. Council voted to send a letter to City requesting re-implementing pool hours reduced during the City's financial crisis. Library hours have reverted back already. Shortened hours and pool closures affect activities such as the high school water polo teams. Spehn reported Mayor released report indicating there are still problems with the City's pension fund, so probably will not see any major funding restored for programs that were previously reduced in hours.
- Vision & Goals Committee of the Tierrasanta Community Council: Danielle Declich
Next meeting in November 30, 6:00 at Tierrasanta Recreation Center.
- Tierrasanta Community Communications Committee: Bob Lang *No Report*
- Tierrasanta Community Development Committee: Bill Reschke – *No Items to Report*
- Mission Trails Regional Park Liaison: Rich Thesing
Check Park's website for information events and concerts. Excited about prospect of additional access

Item A: Non-Agenda Public Comment

Bob Lang:

- *2 months in a row, all 17 members of the TCC have email information on website and board is full.*
- *Sidewalk repair on Via Vallarta near Chinese Church. City has added paint, cones, but has not been fixed. Mr. Zemen said City has extensive backlog, but have moved this location up and will be done in the next few months.*
- *Leak fixed in East Shepherd Canyon, but still some associated work needing to be finished.*
- *No change on dishwasher pond.*

Jennifer Schultz: *Caltrans planted a lot of plants on the hill behind Belsera. During the drought, the water was turned off and many plants died creating a fire hazard. Schultz worked with Assemblymember Maienschein's office and now Caltrans has finished cutting out the dead eucalyptus.*

Deanna Spehn: *Caltrans is in the process of adding pipes to carry recycled water to State Route 163. We need to get them to add it along 52.*

Item B: Agenda Review / Requests for Continuance / Additions to the Agenda

Director Batchelder wants to add item for the TCC to sponsor with the County Aging and Independent Services a special listening meeting for Tierrasanta residents about concerns for aging in place.

Director Lazzaro move to add this item to the agenda. Vice President Thesing seconded the motion. No discussion. Vote: Yes: 14 No: 0 Abstain:0 The motion passed unanimously.

Added Agenda Item: TCC to sponsor with the County Aging and Independent Services to conduct a special listening meeting for Tierrasanta residents about concerns for Tierrasanta residents to age in place.

Director Batchelder serves on a board with Area Agency on Aging in conjunction to Tierrasanta Village of San Diego. They would like to have a listening session in January to hear concerns from Tierrasanta residents about concerns for aging in place. One out of 6 people in Tierrasanta is a senior citizen. Director George invited Batchelder to attend Kiwanis meeting. Batchelder requested additional members for subcommittee for arranging a room and set up. Vice President Thesing and Director Vinson volunteered to assist.

Action Item 1: Approval of the Draft Minutes for the September 21, 2016 Joint Meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group, the meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council in its role as the officially recognized planning group for the Tierrasanta community, and the Tierrasanta Community Council in its corporate role (draft minutes are posted at www.tierrasantacc.org)

Director Adair made a motion to approve the minutes for September 21, 2016. Director Kirk seconded the motion. No discussion. Vote: Yes: 12 No: 0 Abstain: 2 Oskow was not on TCC; Schultz was not at meeting. The motion passed.

Action Item 2: Approval of the Draft Minutes for the October 19, 2016 Joint Meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group (draft minutes are posted at www.tierrasantacc.org)

Director Lazzaro made a motion to approve the minutes for October 19, 2016. Director Kirk seconded the motion. No discussion. Vote: Yes:12 No:0 Abstain:2 Mackris and Vinson due to absences from meeting. The motion passed.

Adjourned the Joint Meeting and convened a meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group in its capacity as the officially recognized planning group for the 92124 community

Action Item 3: Presentation by City of San Diego **Open Space** Staff of **Proposed Budget** for the Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District (MAD), the annual assessment paid by property owners in the civilian area of Tierrasanta in the 92124 zip code. The Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group shall review the proposed budget, make any changes it proposes and votes on a recommendation that will be forwarded to the Open Space Division of the Park and Recreation Department along with a sample budget and a sheet that explains the various line items. The proposed budget is posted on the Tierrasanta Community Council website at www.tierrasantacc.org. For further information please email or call dspehn1@san.rr.com 858-565-4018

The Tierrasanta Open Space Committee voted unanimously to approve the budget as proposed with a suggested increase of the tree budget from \$200,000 to \$250,000 due to the ongoing problems with beetle infested trees and the drought that are causing a large number of large trees in Tierrasanta to have to be removed.

The allocation for water was also modified to reflect the possibility that water costs may increase if the City's Pure Water program costs increase due to potential reduction of sewage flow from other cities in the region being processed through the Pure Water system. There was discussion by the committee on whether to add a line item for maintenance of trails in the Tierrasanta Open Space should the city and resource agencies (Fish & Wildlife Agency and Fish & Wildlife Department) authorize a Tierrasanta Trail Plan, but the decision was to wait until formal approval of the Trails Plan. According to City staff, should the Trails Plan be approved in 2018 there is adequate funding in the proposed budget to cover the required maintenance. The recommendation of the Tierrasanta Open Space Committee is to approve the proposed budget as submitted. Please see the following attachments for this agenda item: Draft Budget for FY2018

Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance District Budget; Sample Budget Sheet; Understanding the MAD

MAD has successfully reduced water usage and has converted grass areas to drought tolerant landscaping. Vice President Thesing made a motion to approve the budget with the changes requested by the Open Space Committee. Schultz seconded the motion. Discussion: None. Vote: Yes: 14 No:0 Abstain: 0. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget Action Item 4: Approval of the proposed bylaws for the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group. The proposed bylaws were unanimously approved by the TCC&PG and submitted to the Planning Department of the City of San Diego for initial review, and returned to the TCC&PG for a vote on the modifications recommended by Planning Department staff. President Deanna Spehn recommends approving the bylaws and submitting them to the Mayor's Office and City Attorney for review and approval. Attached please find two versions of the bylaws: 1) an annotated version with comments from Planning Department staff; 2) a "clean" copy of what the final bylaws would look like. Please note: the Assistant City Planner who reviewed the strikeout version of the document noted that the wrong month for printing the ballot was in the version she reviewed, therefore Deanna Spehn modified both documents to change the submission deadline date to the Tierra Times from March to February. Please see the following documents on the www.Tierrasantacc.org website for this agenda item:

- Tierrasanta bylaws marked 08082016
- Tierrasanta Geographic Areas • 10-19-2016 Clean Tierrasanta Bylaws as Proposed

This item was continued from the October 19th meeting of the planning group

Director Schultz made a motion to approve the By Laws for the Planning Group function of the Tierrasanta Community Council. Director Oskow seconded the motion.

Discussion: Elections will be the same this year.

Vote: Yes: 14 No:0 Abstain: 0. The motion passed unanimously. The TCC thanked President Spehn for all her work on the By Laws.

8:10 pm Adjournment.

Upcoming agenda items to be considered at the January 18th meeting:

1. Request by Tierrasanta resident Andrew Martin for an all-way stop sign for the intersection of Villarrica Way and Corte Playa Barcelona. According to the City of San Diego's Transportation & Storm Water Department, based on a completed traffic engineering evaluation the intersection does not meet the warrants for an allway stop. However, installation of stop signs can be pursued via an alternative process by asking the community planning group to support the installation of an allway stop sign at a particular intersection, having the planning group take action at a noticed meeting, and forwarding the planning group's approved minutes to the department and the City Council office. This is consistent with Section C of Council Policy 200-08. While Mr. Martin has concerns about two intersections: 1) Villarrica Way and Corte Playa Barcelona, and 2) Villarrica Way and Camino Playa Carmel, only the Villarrica Way and Corte Playa Barcelona request is before the planning group for a decision at this meeting. According to a traffic analysis completed in 2016, the 85th percentile speed is 40 mph for eastbound traffic and 44 mph for westbound traffic, with the total vehicle volume in a 24-hour period approximately 2403 vehicles per day using Villarrica Way – which according to City staff means that the location qualifies for traffic calming measures. The staff recommendation was for the installation of vehicle speed feedback signs for both directions on Villarrica Way and that "edge lines traffic striping" would be installed to

narrow down the travel lanes and separate the travel lanes from the parking lanes. The lines have been installed.

Due to the slope on Villarrica Way, the addition of speed lumps is inappropriate. Per City staff in the Transportation & Storm Water Department, the Fire Department no longer recommends speed humps or speed bumps. According to City staff, in 2010 Villarrica Way was evaluated for the installation of speed humps, but the Fire Department disapproved speed humps on Villarrica Way based on the fact that it has wildland vegetation on either side of the roadway and the street is the access route for structure protection on canyon rims.

It had also been requested that a crosswalk be installed at Villarrica Way and Corte Playa Barcelona but the results of the Pedestrian Gap Study that records the pedestrian volume and other related data for crosswalk evaluation showed that the pedestrian volume was low and that the intersection does not qualify for a marked crosswalk as of 2016. Per City Council Policy 200-08, stop signs are installed to establish right-of-way at intersections, to reduce vehicle delay and to decrease the number of accidents. Allway stops are usually installed at the intersections of streets with similar traffic volume. The evaluation for all-way stops is based on a point system where points are assigned when warrant criteria is met. The warrants for installing an all-way stop sign include:

- Gathering and reviewing the accident history, susceptible to correction by an allway stop, that occurred during a recent 3-year period
- Evaluating the location to see if it qualifies for special conditions which include, but are not limited to schools, fire stations, playgrounds, visibility conditions, steep hills, bus routes, strip commercial districts, parks, libraries, hospitals, post offices, pedestrian/bicycle/vehicle circulation patterns, and other conditions that may be identified by the community. Points are assigned on the basis of engineering judgment.
- Traffic volumes: points are dependent upon the magnitude of vehicular volumes entering the intersection from the main street approaches and the highest-volume side street approach during the four highest hours of an average day
- Traffic volume difference: all-way stops operate best when the traffic volumes on both intersecting streets are nearly equal. The traffic volume difference is calculated by subtracting double the highest-volume side street approach from the total of the main street approaches. If the result is a negative number, then use a traffic volume difference of zero for the purpose of assigning points.
- Pedestrian volumes: points are assigned based on the volume of pedestrians crossing the main street approaches during the four highest hours of an average day.

2. Review of election procedures for Officers and Area Directors for Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group election to be held in March 2017. Candidates must have attended at least one noticed meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group in the 12 months prior to January 31, 2017; must be a resident or property owner in the area running; must have submitted a maximum 150-word statement for publication in the March issue of the Tierra Times in which the ballot will be printed; must submit a statement with contact information, and if a resident or property owner the address of the property. Appointing Hani Shatila to be Chair of the Election Committee and coordinate the distribution and collection of ballot boxes. Officers and Area Directors standing for election in March 2017 include:

Vice President (Thesing),

Area 4 (Mackris),

Treasurer (May),
Area 2 (Oskow)
Area 3 (Lazzaro),

Area 5 (Adair),
Area 6 (Vinson),
Area 7 (Farmer).

Ballots and candidate statements will be printed in the February 16th issue of the Tierra Times. Deadline for submission of candidate statements is Wednesday, February 1, 2017.

3. The Communications Committee will present its recommendations regarding: 1) consolidating the three existing Facebook pages for the planning group/town council into one; 2) managing Constant Contact; 3) managing social media; 4) outreaching to the Tierrasanta/Murphy Canyon community
December No meeting
January 18 Regular meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning Group – 6:30 pm
Wednesday, January 18, 2017, Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. Current Tierrasanta Community Council & Planning

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