

Approved MINUTES for the Joint Meeting of the

**Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group**

Wednesday, September 16, 2020 • 6:30 pm

Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. San Diego 92124 [www.tierrasantacc.org](http://www.tierrasantacc.org)



*Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this meeting was held via videoconferencing. Information about meeting access was provided on the agenda and posted/ distributed according to civil code.*

The Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group meets generally in the following months: January, February, March, April, June, July, September, and October. Additional meetings may be called on an as needed basis. In order to be eligible for election to the Planning Group, a member must have attended a minimum of two meetings prior to the last day of January of the prior year and his/her attendance noted either via sign-in sheet or referenced in the minutes for a specific meeting.

**Attendance:**

Directors:

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| 1. Area 1: Mike Ogilvie           | P | 12. Area 4: Kathleen Mueller  | P |
| 2. Area 1: John Adair             | P | 13. Murphy Canyon: (vacant)   | - |
| 3. Area 1: Emily Whittemore       | P | 14. Murphy Canyon: (vacant)   | - |
| 4. Area 2: Vince Delpidio         | P | 15. Murphy Canyon: (vacant)   | - |
| 5. Area 2: Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto | P | 16. Commercial: Chris Shamoon | A |
| 6. Area 2: Rich Thesing           | P | 17. Village@MV: (vacant)      | - |
| 7. Area 3: Robert Lang            | P |                               |   |
| 8. Area 3: Don Chick              | P |                               |   |
| 9. Area 3: (vacant)               | - |                               |   |
| 10. Area 4: Steve Muckle          | P |                               |   |
| 11. Area 4: Mary Saxton           | P |                               |   |

Non Voting Positions:

Serra High School: -

**6:33 pm** *Pledge of Allegiance; Present members introduced themselves; Eleven members present and a quorum was determined. President Steve Muckle conducted the meeting and gave notice that the meeting was being recorded to ensure proper minutes then they would be deleted.*

**Convene a joint meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group, a City of San Diego recognized planning group, and the Tierrasanta Community Council, a 501(c)4 community association.**

<b>President:</b>	Steve Muckle
<b>Vice President:</b>	Vince Delpidio
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Mike Ogilvie
<b>Secretary:</b>	Chris Shamoon

## **Item A: Agenda Review / Requests for Continuance / Additions to the Agenda**

*There were no comments made with regard to the agenda.*

### **Action Item 1: Approval of the Draft Minutes for the September 16, 2020 Joint Meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group.**

*Motion to Approve: Bob Lang*

*Second: Kathleen Mueller*

*Passed Unanimously (Emily Whittemore abstained due to not being present at the August meeting).*

## **Item B: Updates by Government Representatives (limited to 2 minutes each)**

- *Fire Station 39 (Tierrasanta/Murphy Canyon): <http://www.sandiego.gov/fire>*
- *Police Department (Eastern Division): Community Service Officer Dave Gibson, 858-495-7919 [dkgibson@pd.sandiego.gov](mailto:dkgibson@pd.sandiego.gov)*
- *U.S. Congressman Scott Peters: 858-455-5550 Juan Hernandez [Juan.Hernandez@mail.house.gov](mailto:Juan.Hernandez@mail.house.gov)*
  - *Juan Hernandez from Scott Peters' office was present to answer questions and offer connection to services. He mentioned a high turnout for the Congressional Service Academy nominations. He also mentioned that if residents need help with unemployment, his office can help connect them to the proper representatives.*
- *State Senator Toni Atkins: 619-645-3133 Diana Lara [Diana.Lara@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Diana.Lara@sen.ca.gov)*
- *Assembly Member Brian Maienschein: 858-675-0077 Rik Hauptfeld [Rikard.Hauptfeld@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Rikard.Hauptfeld@asm.ca.gov)*
- *Assembly Member Shirley Weber: 619-462-7878*
- *County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar: 619-531-5855 Anthony George (619) 531- 5839 [Anthony.George@sdcountry.ca.gov](mailto:Anthony.George@sdcountry.ca.gov)*
- *Mayor Kevin Faulconer: Darnisha Hunter [DHunter@sandiego.gov](mailto:DHunter@sandiego.gov) 1*
- *City Councilmember Scott Sherman: Sheldon Zemen 619-236-6677 [Szemen@sandiego.gov](mailto:Szemen@sandiego.gov)*
- *Serra High School Principal Dr. Erica Renfree 858-496-8342 [erenfree@sandi.net](mailto:erenfree@sandi.net)*
- *Board of Education: Board Member Kevin Beiser 619-838-5274 [kbeiser@sandi.net](mailto:kbeiser@sandi.net)*
- *City Attorney's Office: Ann Marie Council 619-533-6205 [ACouncil@sandiego.gov](mailto:ACouncil@sandiego.gov)*
- *MCAS Miramar: Kristin Camper 858-577-6603 [kristin.camper@usmc.mil](mailto:kristin.camper@usmc.mil)*
- *City Planning Department: Lesley Henegar. (619) 235-5208 [LHenegar@sandiego.gov](mailto:LHenegar@sandiego.gov)*
- *Tierrasanta Library: Librarian Judy Cunningham 858-573-1384 [JCunningham@sandiego.gov](mailto:JCunningham@sandiego.gov)  
4985 La Cuenta Blvd*

## **Item C: Non-Agenda Public Comment: limited to 2-minutes each**

*Ed Langmaid gave an update on the Tierrasanta Disaster Communications Team which consists of 30 amateur radio operators. The team is working on submitting disaster preparation materials. He discussed Shake Out San Diego which gives information on what to do in case of an earthquake. More information available at [EarthquakeCountry.org/step5](http://EarthquakeCountry.org/step5). Ed was available to answer questions about HAM radios. You don't need to own a radio to join the group.*

*Director Bob Lang pointed out that Area 3 is named Tierrasanta Norte and that might need to be renamed the next time the by-laws are reviewed. He also spoke about getting prepared on Tierrasanta's evacuation plan in case fires come to the area like in 2003, as that turned into a panic.*

*Directors John Adair and Bob Lang mentioned that the fire department will be making inspections to ensure residents are properly clearing brush for fire safety.*

*Stacy Chiles, who works for SAY San Diego from Serra High School. Say San Diego is bringing back their forums for parents and students in a virtual setting. This gives students a chance to tell "what*

*they wish their parents knew” and help open dialogue between parents and their middle and high school aged students. The one hour meeting will address adapting to distance learning and how to be successful.*

*Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto was questioning the parking enforcement that has been occurring in the recent months.*

**Info Item 1:** Presentation on the city’s utility franchise agreement negotiation process by John Mattes, Public Power San Diego.

*John Mattes and Jerry Wanetick presented on the question, “Are we paying too much for electricity” and explained that the franchise agreement allows the government to regulate the power company’s profits. San Diego pays the highest rates in California. It is being asked to consider taking extra time to allow experts to review the current franchise instead of rushing it through to ensure that it is properly serving the residents.*

**Info Item 2:** Presentation on the city’s utility franchise agreement negotiation process by Wes Jones, SDG&E.

*Wes Jones and Warren Ruis informed that for the last 3 years surveys have been done and the franchise agreement has been discussed and negotiated and the City Council feels prepared to make a decision. SDGE has been paying a 3% franchise fee of their gross income to the City of San Diego, which is among the highest in the nation and the highest in CA. This fee brings \$131.9M to the City of San Diego and is added to the consumer’s bill. A 3.5% surcharge to get power lines underground which has been in place since 2002 is also included and is not present in other CA cities.*

*The bidding process to establish a franchise contract is a year long process starting in February 2021 and SDGE, which regulated by the State, is a part of the bidding process. A consultant was hired on behalf of the City of San Diego who recommended signing a 20 year contract with a gas and electric service provider. An unprecedented \$62M up front minimum bid for the contract was included. Some other requests are still being reviewed for compliance with the State of CA.*

*SDGE is working over the next 25 years to align with SB100 to be 100% Zero-Carbon by 2045. Having the 20 year franchise contract allows better projection for SDGE to achieve this goal and is working to step up their renewable energy in tiered stages and already provide the cleanest energy in CA and across the nation. Providing clean technology is being factored into the pricing. A renewal meter adapter is saving consumers on solar upgrades for older homes by not requiring the complete replacement of the solar panel.*

**Info Item 3:** Upcoming water and sewer repair projects in Tierrasanta.

*President Steve Muckle gave information on reroutes of water and sewage. There will be noise and some people may not be able to access their garages by car, but will be informed ahead of time. A presentation will be given in January for the work that will be done in 2021.*

**Action Item 1:** Accept nominations for appointment of eligible candidates to vacant director positions; candidates must be 18 years of age and a resident or owner of a residence within the civilian areas in 92124.

*Nominations are allowed to fill vacancies according to the new by-laws. As long as only one person is interested in each position, the appointment can process. If more than one person is interested in a position, it must go to an election.*

*Murphy Canyon now has three positions available, which was discussed. Directors Bob Lang, Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, and Don Chick mentioned that it has been difficult to find a representative to fill*

*this slot in the past, but it is now a government requirement to have three. Ed Langmaid will work to help find people to fill positions by reaching out to the Armed Services YMCA and other groups and boards to fill the vacancies. Otherwise, people from outside of Murphy Canyon will be nominated to become representatives.*

*Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto terms out this month but if the position is not able to be filled, she will consider being reappointed.*

*New community outreach will be done to gain some interest in people joining the board and to spread the understanding that the directors are community volunteers and not city staff.*

*No nominations were made for any positions.*

**Action Item 2:** Review committees of the TCC CPG and 501(c)4 and their action plans. Remove, modify, and add committees as required.

*The TCC charter and council information are uploaded on the website. The committees were reviewed to see which still have interest and which should be dissolved until needed again. Director Rich Thesing will continue to be the representative for the CDC/ADA.*

*Vice President Vincent Delpidio moved and Director Rich Thesing seconded to dissolve the by-laws committee for the Committee Planning Group since their goals were accomplished and instead create a 501(c)4 committee, which will need a significant amount of attention. The being no objections, the motion passed unanimously.*

*Vice President Vincent Delpidio moved and Director Kathleen Mueller to dissolve the Annual Recognition Committee. Directors Bob Lang and Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto discussed that they prefer to keep the committee. Director Kathleen Mueller discussed a delay of the committee instead of dissolving. The motion did not pass with a 4-7 vote as follows:*

*Yes: Steve Muckle, Emily Whittemore, Kathleen Mueller, and Vince Delpidio*

*No: Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, John Adair, Mary Saxton, Mike Ogilvie, Rich Thesing, Bob Lang, and Don Chick*

*Emily Whittemore mentioned that the Vision & Goals Committee may be a requirement and suggested that we double check before taking action to dissolve, which Vice President Vincent Delpidio confirmed that it is not. It is unclear whether the goals of this committee duplicate the work of the Community Development Committee. She suggests taking a survey to find out what the community wants the vision and goals of the Council to be. Director Bob Lang gave the 4 year history of the committee and clarified that the objective was to historically understand Tierrasanta and not only be a development committee but also make sure that the community stays how the residents want it to be long term. Director Don Chick asked for clarification on the connection between the Vision & Goals Committee and the Community Development Committee. Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto clarified that the Community Development Committee receives the City of San Diego's plans and gives feedback and input on those items for the City Council to approve or reject after hearing the community's opinion. Directors Rich Thesing and John Adair agreed that the Community Development Committee is a more targeted response to the City's requests while the Vision & Goals Committee is setup for the different long term vision of the community. Director Bob Lang agreed to be the new chair of the committee which will include Directors Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, Rich Thesing, and Don Chick*

**Action Item 3:** Consider the adoption of G Suite for Nonprofits by the TCC for document storage, meetings, and email. <https://www.google.com/nonprofits/offerings/apps-for-nonprofits/>

*There is no cost for use and consistent emails over time could serve the community. Directors will have the option to use their personal email or a new TCC email. Vince DelPidio and Steve Muckle agreed to be administrators on the account at the suggestion of Mike Ogilvie.*

*Director Emily Whittemore moved and Vice President Vince DelPidio seconded that the TCC adopts G Suite. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **Info Item 5: Reports from Committee and Community Liaisons**

- *Community Planners Committee: Vince DelPidio, Steve Muckle*
  - *Complete Communities Plan needs to be discussed.*
- *Concerts in the Park Committee: Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, Jan Whitacre*
- *Tierrasanta Recreation Council Liaison: Rich Thesing*
  - *Fields are open for permit use only. There needs to be a Covid-19 plan in place. The pools are still being worked on.*
- *Vision & Goals Committee of the Tierrasanta Community Council: Bob Lang, Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto, Rich Thesing, and Don Chick*
- *Tierrasanta Community Communications Committee: Bob Lang*
  - *Director Bob Lang mentioned that the main initiative of the Communications Committee should be to properly update and maintain the website. The next priority would be the distribution of information to the residents, which Steve Muckle mentioned may be better served by utilizing social media such as Nextdoor and Facebook. Finally, participation of committee members needs to be improved. Visitor Brian Krause suggested engaging a team of seniors from Serra High School to take on our online presence as a project for the Key Club. President Steve Muckle mentioned potentially trying to fill the vacancy from the same pool of students and putting that representative in charge of the TCC social media. Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto mentioned that previous outreach from faculty at Serra High School has been inconsistent and the level of effort from the council wasn't matched from Serra High School. Vice President Vincent Delpidio will take the first step to arrange coordination with Serra High School.*
- *Tierrasanta Community Development Committee: Wayne Holtan*
  - *T-Mobile has been working with the City of San Diego to update their antenna. The TCC will maintain their previous approval.*
- *Mission Trails Regional Park Liaison: Rich Thesing and Betty Ogilvie*
  - *Old Mission Dam is in need of being Dredged by the Public Works and the hope is that there is funding when the time comes.*
  - *65k people climbed Cowles Mountain in July, but illegal parking and pollution was up significantly*
- *San Diego River Coalition: Rich Thesing and Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto*
  - *Extension of Mission Valley River Trail is being built and the goal is to have a 50 mile trail from Julian to the coast.*
- *Rock Quarry Conditional Use Permit: Rich Thesing and Kathleen Mueller*
- *Annual Recognition: Steve Muckle , Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto and Emily Whittemore*

#### **Adjournment:**

*There being no further business, Director Mike Ogilvie moved and Director Dawn Nielsen-Lostritto seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously after President Steve Muckle was congratulated on a great first meeting! At 8:41pm, the meeting was adjourned.*

*The next regular meeting will be 6:30 pm Wednesday, October 21, 2020*

***Attachments can be found associated with the September 16, 2020 Agenda on TCC website.***

<http://www.tierrasantacc.org/2020-tcc-agendas-and-minutes>