

**Notice of Public Meeting and Agenda**  
**Serra Mesa Planning Group**  
A Recognized San Diego City Planning Group - Serving the Citizens of Serra Mesa

**Thursday, April 17, 2008, 7:00 PM – 9:00PM**  
**Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library Community Room, 9005 Aero Drive**

**I. Welcome, Call to Order, Etc.**

Voting Members are: Jackie Ander, James Feinberg, Eric Jimerson, Bob McDowell, Kevin Mock, Barbara Ryan, Duane Shockey, Al Smith, Doug Wescott (Chair), Tom Wright

- A. Adoption/modification of agenda, and Rules of Order (see box, Meeting Ground Rules)
- B. Approval of minutes for February 21 and March 20, 2008 meetings.

**II. COMMUNITY FORUM and ANNOUNCEMENTS (15 min.)**

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to bring up issues not on the agenda.

**III. LEGISLATIVE AIDES and COMMUNITY PLANNER: (5 min. each)**

Kristin Camper-Wozniak, District 6 Council Office – 619-533-6460  
Brian Schoenfisch, Senior Planner, City Planning & Community Investment Department

**IV. Information and Action Items**

- Assigning position numbers/titles to planning group positions
- Action to fill two empty seats on the planning group
- Officer elections, Action Item
- Chair ask for approval to pay for new display stand for library, allowing better placement of SMPG meeting notices, etc.
- Bylaws Update Discussion and Action

**V. Chairs Report**

D. Wescott, Chair: CPC, mailbox

**VI. Special Committee Reports (as time permits)**

A. Committees

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| 1. Quarry Falls Development - J. Feinberg | 4. Qualcomm Stadium Redevelopment – J. Ander |
| 2. Community Plan: D. Wescott             | 5. Hye Park - Open                           |
| 3. Traffic Calming - T. Wright            | 6. Open Space/Ruffin Canyon: D. Wescott      |

B. Liaison/Representative

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| 1. Administrative/Correspondence: D. Wescott   | 5. Finance: D. Wescott         |
| 2. Health, Education & Recreation: Open  | 6. MCAS Miramar – Bob McDowell |
| 3. Montgomery Field: J. Ander  |                                |
| 4. Planning Groups – Mission Valley: B. McDowell; Kearny Mesa – J. Ander; Tierrasanta - Open; Linda Vista – Open |                                |

**ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 PM**

Members of the public are encouraged to attend and to speak on matters before the Planning Group. Speakers from the audience are requested to state their names and whether they represent any organization. **YOUR OPINION COUNTS!**

**Future meetings scheduled for: May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, 2008.**

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<p><b><u>Meeting Ground Rules</u></b></p> <p><b>*Be respectful of others and their ideas</b></p> <p><b>*Listen and be open-minded</b></p> <p><b>*No interruptions, please</b></p> <p><b>*No side conversations</b></p> <p><b>*Stay focused on issues, not personalities</b></p>
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Serra Mesa Planning Group, Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2008

Chair Doug Wescott called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

SMPG members present: James Feinberg, Eric Jimerson, Kevin Mock, Cindy Moore, Duane Shockey, Doug Wescott, Tom Wright. Late arrivals were Bob McDowell, Al Smith, and Barbara Ryan. Absent were Jackie Ander and Mike Marion.

There were approximately 17 people in the audience, including Gary Katz, Senior VP of Westcore Properties, owners of the Palladium At Aero property.

Modifications to the agenda were approved as follows: move Rooming House Ordinance presentation to item two; add bylaws update discussion and vote.

### **Community Forum and Announcements**

Mary Johnson announced the Free Street Trees For Serra Mesa's in the Underground Conversion Program. 130 trees will be planted along certain designated streets, free to residents.

Mary announced the covered bus shelter dedication ceremony to be held Saturday, March 22, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. A plaque honoring and remembering former planning group member and community volunteer Lowell Farris will be unveiled. All are welcome at this event.

### **Legislative Aides and Community Planner Announcements**

Kristin Camper-Wozniak announced that the plans to spend the First Five money at the Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library will be presented at the April SMCC meeting..

She continued with an explanation of Proposition C, saying Councilmember Donna Frye is asking for support against Prop C, which would allow the Mayor to choose the auditor.

Doug Wescott announced that Brian Schoenfisch is the new planner assigned to the Serra Mesa Planning Area, replacing Maxx Stalheim. Brian could not be at the meeting tonight.

### **Information and Agenda Items**

Ballots were handed out for elections to fill six spots in the Planning Group. Two candidates, Brad Savall and Mike Marion, were absent so not eligible to be elected at this meeting. Results were announced later.

Rooming House Ordinance presentation by Andy Beuparlant. Andy fielded questions after his presentation. He noted the policing of his ordinance would be solely complaint-driven. The Planning Group voted to support the ordinance 8-2-0. James Feinberg felt

the ordinance would punish people who were good neighbors and did not deserve to be fined. Tom Wright felt it doesn't do enough to address the situation.

Next agenda item was to create a planning group subcommittee to work with the developer of the Palladium At Aero apartment complex (Project No. 90865). Planning Group members James Feinberg, Bob McDowell, Eric Jimerson and Jackie Ander will be joined by community members Linda and Russ Watts and Susan Story. James Feinberg was chosen to lead the group.

There was some discussion regarding this project and the West Aero Study Area which includes it, all of which is actually in the Kearny Mesa Planning Area. It was felt that an effort should be made to devise a master plan for this area, instead of reviewing one project at a time, in isolation. Cindy Moore made a motion to have Doug meet with KMPG chair Buzz Gibbs to discuss a master plan for this area. Tom seconded this motion.

Kristin Camper-Wozniak and Mary Johnson tallied the ballots and announced the election results: Barbara Ryan, Duane Shockey, Al Smith, and Tom Wright were all re-elected. This leaves the Group with two open slots. Mike Marion was ill and could not attend the meeting, so could not be re-elected, and declared candidate Brad Savall also could not be present, so could not be elected. Cindy Moore termed off.

Cindy Moore reminded us that appearing before the Hearing Officer on projects often makes a significant difference in the conditions and/or approval of projects.

Next item was the action item regarding opening a new credit union account to replace the previous one, which was actually in the name of Mary Johnson. Motion was made by XXXX, **seconded by XXXX** to have Doug open a nonprofit business account at First Future Credit Union, Ruffin Road branch. Mary had previously cashed out her account and given Doug a check for \$487.

Next and final item was the discussion of the SMPG bylaws update. The City Attorney has found three issues with the proposed SMPG bylaws. Discussion occurred on each item. On proposed bylaws Article II, Sec. 2 (a) and (b) – Planning Group Purpose, the suggested change made by Cindy Moore was approved 11-0-0, on a motion by Al Smith, seconded by Bob McDowell:

- a. The *Serra Mesa Planning Group* shall review development projects within ~~and adjacent to~~ the community boundaries. In reviewing individual development projects, the *Serra Mesa Planning Group* should focus such review on conformance with the adopted community plan and/or the General Plan. Preliminary comments on projects may be submitted to the City during the project review process. Whenever possible, the formal planning group recommendation should be submitted after Staff's initial review and no later than the end of the public review period offered by the environmental review process. Upon receipt of plans for projects with substantive revisions, the planning group may choose to rehear the project and may choose to provide a

subsequent formal recommendation to the City. Also, development projects adjacent to the community boundaries can be reviewed in response to community concerns.

- b. Define the neighborhood/residential make-up of Serra Mesa to cooperatively advise the City Council, City Planning and other governmental agencies concerning any general ~~or surrounding~~ community plans being implemented or amended, including zoning or rezoning, so that the make-up of the Serra Mesa Community remains intact. Also, in regards to surrounding community plans, advise upon request by the City or in response to community concerns.

On Article VI, Sec. 2 (x), Notice of Special Meetings, a motion to accept the recommended change by the City Attorney, eliminating the statement allowing e-mail notices as an acceptable form of public notice, was made by Doug, seconded by James, and approved on a vote of 11-0-0.

On Article VIII, Sec. 5 (d), Financial Contributions, on a motion by James, second by Tom, the suggestion by the City Attorney, to insert the word 'voluntary' before the phrase "financial donations or contributions," was approved on a vote by 11-0-0.

During the discussion of bylaws, the Chair reminded the SMPG members that it is imperative each member comes fully prepared to discuss each agenda item, however that is best accomplished. He used as an example the documents regarding the bylaws change, which he had e-mailed to each member, saying there was some complexity to these changes, which probably required they be printed out and brought to the meeting for ready reference during discussions. He apologized for not bringing his own copies, but said this was a responsibility shared by all members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Wescott, March 22, 2008.