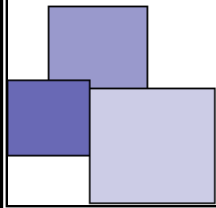
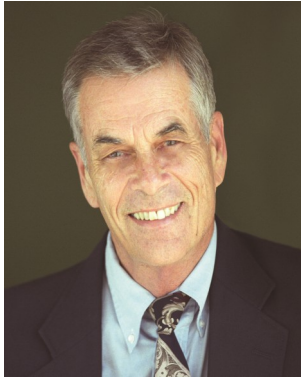


August, 2011



# Mira Mesa Town Council

## Neighborhoods for Clean Elections - John Hartley, Chairman



As the historic 2010 Redistricting process draws to a close and we begin to look toward the 2012 elections, Neighborhoods for Clean Elections is bringing its message of campaign finance reform to local communities.

The San Diego campaign for Clean Elections was initiated in the 1990s by local activist Francoise Farron. Under her leadership, the Alliance for Clean Elections was formed.

In 2005, Neighborhoods for Clean Elections was formed as a grassroots coalition of groups and individuals who came together in a renewed campaign to initiate Clean Elections in the City of San Diego.

Neighborhoods for Clean Elections has created a Clean Elections Ballot Initiative, available at the organization's website ([www.sdcleanelections.org](http://www.sdcleanelections.org)), which the group hopes to see on the November 2012 general election ballot. Chairman John Hartley will be with us this meeting to discuss this initiative and their current programs for San Diego candidates.

John Hartley, current Chairman of Neighborhoods for Clean Elections, is a former San Diego City Councilmember. A retired teacher, Mr. Hartley has also served as chairman of Partners for Safe Neighborhoods and as president of the Friends of Kensington/Normal Heights Library. He has

## *13th Annual Mira Mesa Street Fair* *September 17, 10 AM - 5 PM*

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### Mira Mesa Town Council Meeting

Monday, August 1, 2011

7 - 9 p.m.

Mira Mesa Senior Center

8460 Mira Mesa Blvd

#### Agenda:

Neighborhoods for Clean Elections

Business of the Month: RC Realty

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## Want to help your community, but don't know how?

Mira Mesa is made up of people just like you who are looking for ways to get involved in the community. Whether you are interested in local planning, parks and recreation, community appearance, family events or something completely new, there's a place for you.

Ongoing MMTC committees and community groups include:

- **MMTC BANNER DISTRICT COMMITTEE**
- **MMTC COMMUNITY PRIDE COMMITTEE**
- **MMTC FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE**
- **MMTC STREET FAIR COMMITTEE**
- **MMTC MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMITTEE**
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- **COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**
- **HEROES**
- **MIRA MESA COMMUNITY VISION**
- **RECREATION COUNCIL**
- **RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PATROL (RSVP)**

Come to a Mira Mesa Town Council general meeting or contact one of our directors for more information. Also see page 7 for specific meeting times and locations.

### Mira Mesa Town Council Meetings

Mira Mesa Town Council meetings provide a public forum for community issues relating to civic, cultural, social, educational and recreational development and improvement in the area. Regular meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the *Mira Mesa Senior Center* from 7 to 9 p.m., with no meeting held in July.

2011 Mira Mesa Town Council meeting schedule:

<b>January 3</b>	<b>July - NO MEETING</b>
<b>February 7</b>	<b>August 1</b>
<b>March 7</b>	<b>September 12 **</b>
<b>April 4</b>	<b>October 3</b>
<b>May 2</b>	<b>November 7</b>
<b>June 6</b>	<b>December 5</b>

\*\* Sept meeting is on the 2nd Monday due to Labor Day

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### Business Member of the Month: RC Realty

RC Realty (Formerly Red Carpet Realty) has been located in the Mira Mesa Mall since 1975. Dave Chambless opened the doors in 1975 and the company is still run by the Chambless family.

RC Realty has been actively involved in the Mira Mesa community supported youth sports as well as Mira Mesa High School and the Mira Mesa Fireworks

Our family lives, works and plays in Mira Mesa and look forward to many more years helping families with all their Real Estate needs. Stop by the Mira Mesa Mall and say hello sometime.



Visit with the Chambless family and RC Realty at our next Mira Mesa Town Council meeting on Monday, August 1, 7 pm at the Mira Mesa Senior Center

## President's Message for August

By Ted Brengel, MMTC President

It's August already - just a little over a month until the Mira Mesa Street Fair which this year, is on September 17. I sincerely hope that even with vacations and summer activities you will still take a few minutes to look over the newsletter thoroughly. As always there is a wealth of information in here.

The first thing I should point out is that we have added a (not exactly) new community event this year: The Miss Mira Mesa Pageant. The pageant will take place on Saturday, September 10 at the Country Inn and Suites. This pageant, a stepping stone to the Miss Greater San Diego, Miss California and Miss America pageants, will not only serve to instill poise and pride in the young women of our community, it will also allow them to compete for scholarships with which to further their education. If you are eligible, by all means fill out an application. For those who are not eligible, please come out and support the contestants on September 10.

What a fantastic 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration we had! Every aspect of the celebration was spectacular. My hat is off to the many hard-working volunteers who made this possible. I would like to especially single out the Mira Mesa High School Key Club for their support. Members of the Key Club were there early and late and all through the day, filling in wherever a helping hand was required. Their efforts went a long way toward making it a spectacular day. Of course, it would be purely criminal not to mention the person who pulled all the events together for us. Bari Vaz worked tirelessly for many months to make the festivities possible. Her dedication to making the day perfect for everyone showed in every event.

Now I must add a somber note to the typically positive tenor of my messages. This may well be the last time we are able to put on a fireworks presentation in Mira Mesa. We simply haven't received donations at a level that will allow us to sustain that part of the celebration. In fact, this year, for the first time, MMTC will most likely have to fill in several thousand dollars to make up for lower-than-usual donations. I am very sorry to say that unless we can find additional sponsors or get additional community support, 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks in Mira Mesa are history. I urge everyone to lend a hand in helping to secure sponsorships and donations so we can turn this around.

Changing the subject once again, please don't miss getting a copy of Pam Steven's book on the history of Mira Mesa. It is available at the local Barnes & Noble bookstore. Just about everyone has questions about the history of the community. Stop wondering and get a copy of the book with all the answers including pictures. The book is in the Images of America Series from Arcadia Press. It is also available online from Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com.

## San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

By Ofc. Susan Steffen, NE Division

### Protecting Children. Prosecuting Offenders.

In today's technological world the Internet is a lifeline for most and while it has enhanced the lives of many, it also has made children easy targets for predators. It is important for parents, law enforcement and society as a whole to know the dangers children face on the Internet and how to reduce the risks of being victimized. The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program was created to help law enforcement agencies and prosecuting agencies work together to keep children safe and hold offenders accountable.



The best way to protect your kids online? *Start early and Talk to them.* Children look to their parents to help guide them. Even the most tech-savvy kids need to understand that not everything they see on the internet is true, that people on the internet may not be who they appear to be.

As they grow to become teens they need to know that information or images they share can be seen far and wide, and that once something is posted online, it's close to impossible to "take it back."

#### Mobile Phones

Most mobile phones now have cameras and video capability, making it easy for teens to capture and share every moment on the go. Cell phones can be creative and fun, yet they also present issues related to personal reputation and safety. Encourage your teen to think about their privacy and that of others before they share photos and videos via cell phone. Sending or forwarding sexually explicit photos, videos, or messages from a cell phone is known as "sexting". In addition to risking their reputation and friendships, they could be breaking the law if they create, forward, or even save this kind of message.

If you have questions about Internet Crimes Against Children, prevention or suspicious, please contact the SDICAC Task Force at 858-715-7100.

The San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force website is <http://sdicac.org/>.

## Calling All Girls! Could You Be Miss Mira Mesa?

By Maria Pankau

Are you between the ages of 14 and 26? Do you live and/or work in Mira Mesa? Would you like to represent Mira Mesa in all community events for the coming year? Well...here is your chance!

The Mira Mesa Town Council and the Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring the 2011 Miss Mira Mesa and Miss Mira Mesa Teen Pageant. This first ever, combined pageant is a stepping stone to the Miss Greater San Diego, Miss California, Miss America and so on. The local winners will receive scholarships and gifts packages, as well as, the entry fee for the Miss Greater San Diego Pageant, should they wish to continue. The Miss Mira Mesa pageant will take place on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at the Country Inn and Suites on Mira Mesa Blvd.



All interested girls can visit the Mira Mesa Town Council website at [miramesatowncouncil.org](http://miramesatowncouncil.org) or the Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce website at [miramesachamber.com](http://miramesachamber.com) to download the pageant information and application. The application deadline has been extended to August 10, 2011.

Be the "Face" of our community for the 2011-2012 events. Direct all questions to Maria Pankau at [mgpankau@hotmail.com](mailto:mgpankau@hotmail.com) please write "Miss Mira Mesa" in the subject line, or at 858-271-1572.

## Vendors Wanted for Mira Mesa Street Fair Sept. 17 – Booth Sign-up Deadline Aug 6 By Pam Stevens

Crafters and other vendors, non-profit and business information booths, and food from around the world will be at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Mira Mesa Street Fair, hosted by the Mira Mesa Town Council, Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011, 10 AM to 5 PM, Camino Ruiz from Mira Mesa Blvd. to New Salem St. Enjoy entertainment on two stages, a carnival, children's crafts and games, free rock painting for children sponsored by Vulcan Materials, a car show, and a SDG&E lighting exchange. Info.: [www.miramesatowncouncil.org](http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org).

Find out about Mira Mesa past and present at the "big top" information booth with displays and volunteers from the Mira Mesa Town Council, Recreation Council, Community Planning Group, and Chamber of Commerce. Discover treasures at bargain prices at the Friends of the Mira Mesa Library's largest used book sale of the year (until 2:30 PM in the library meeting room.) Enjoy military displays and a classic car show, or climb to the operator's cab of a giant earth mover for a bird's eye view of the Street Fair below you!

A limited number of food booth spaces are still available. Food categories already covered include a variety of sausages and hot dog vendors, Egyptian, frozen yogurt, kettle corn, and other treats. MMTCC is actively seeking Filipino food and at least one other ethnic food booth. Crafters selling handmade items, other vendors, community service groups, schools, churches, and other non-profits are also encouraged to sign up.

For a booth space application, see [www.miramesatowncouncil.org](http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org) and click on "Mira Mesa Street Fair." Applications should be printed and mailed to the Mira Mesa Town Council. Booth fees may be paid online or via check with the application. To avoid a late fee, applications must be postmarked no later than August 6. The last day to register is August 20, 2011.

## MMYB 2011 Fall Baseball Registration ONLINE!!! By John Horst, Mira Mesa Youth Baseball President

We are pleased to announce our Fall Baseball (formerly called "Winter Ball" -- but always held in the beginning of the Fall) registration, now available ONLINE at <http://www.mmyb.org>. Just visit our website and click 'Online Forms' on the left side menu. From there select the 'MMYB 2011 Player Registration' link and fill out the form online.

After completing the form, you will be presented with a 'Checkout' button. When you click this, your child's registration will be filed and the league will be notified by email. You will then be presented with the opportunity to pay online through PayPal. If you have your own PayPal account, you can use it or you can pay via credit card. The money will automatically go into MMYB's bank account. While we will receive an email notifying us of the payment, please keep the record provided by PayPal to confirm payment if needed.

We will be releasing a new and separate Liability Waiver form shortly. You will need to download it, print one out and sign it for each player registered. We will still hold our traditional registration booth at the Mira Mesa Recreation Center on August 7th and 14th (Sundays). If you register online please take the 7th or 14th as the opportunity to drop off a COPY of each child's birth certificate and the Liability Waiver form, as well as picking up your Beef Jerky if you will be participating in fund raising.

This is our first effort at online registration, so please bear with us if we run into any kinks in the process.

Thanks for your continued support and participation in MMYB.

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Police/Fire/EMS ..... 9-1-1  
Poison Control ..... 1-800-222-1222

### Utilities

Fire hydrant open ..... 619-515-3525  
Gas leak ..... 800-411-7343  
Power/phone line downed ..... 619-811-8081  
Tree limbs in power lines ..... 800-411-7343

### Nuisances

Animal, dangerous ..... 619-236-2341  
Animal, dead ..... 858-492-5060  
.....5pm-7am or weekends & holidays: 619-573-1276  
Animal manure (dog) ..... 619-338-2283  
Animal, rodents/rats ..... 858-694-2888  
Building abandoned or dangerous ..... 619-236-5500  
Car abandoned or inoperative ..... 858-495-7856  
Noise (loud) ..... 619-236-5564  
Code Compliance ..... 619-236-5500  
Trash: uncollected, overflowing dumpster, trash-strewn lot, or recyclables ..... 858-492-5055

### General County Services Information

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### Streets & Environment

Bus shelter damaged ..... 619-231-1466  
Manhole cover missing or damaged ..... 619-515-3525  
Street, flooded ..... 619-527-7500  
Street, light out (see below for traffic lights) .... 619-527-7500  
Street, pothole ..... 619-527-7500  
Street, sink hole or collapse ..... 619-515-3525  
Street, traffic light non-functioning ..... 619-525-8650  
Swimming Pools..... 858-689-6296  
Weeds overgrown, fallen trees, or clogged storm drain ..... 619-527-7500

### Criminal Activity

Police Community Relations Office, NE..... 858-538-8120  
Police Community Relations Office, NW..... 858-523-7031  
Suspected Arson ..... 1-800-472-7766 (47ARSON)  
Gangs ..... 619-531-2847  
Graffiti ..... 619-525-8522  
Non-emergency crime or suspicious activity e.g. belligerent person, car/building alarm, nuisance bar, underage drinking ..... 858-484-3154

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Mira Mesa Town Council— 7pm, Mira Mesa Senior Center	<b>2</b> Golden Friends – 10 am, Mira Mesa Senior Center Mira Mesa Maintenance Assessment District – 7 pm, Mira Mesa Senior Center	<b>3</b> Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch – 7:15 am, Mimi's Restaurant Fourth of July Committee - 6:30 pm, MM Senior Center	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Fil-Am Sr. Citizens Assn – 10 am, Mira Mesa Senior Center
<b>7</b> FAASDNC Meeting – 12 pm, Mira Mesa Recreation Center	<b>8</b> Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors – 6:45 pm, Mira Mesa Senior Center	<b>9</b> Golden Friends – 10 am, Mira Mesa Senior Center Epicentre Oversight Com- mittee – call for information Mira Mesa Women's Club – 7 pm, Mira Mesa Senior Center Friends of the Library – 7 pm, Mira Mesa Library Recreation Council – 7 pm, Lopez Ridge Rec Center Black Mountain Masonic Lodge #845 F. & A.M. – 7:30 pm, Mission Valley Scottish Rites Center	<b>10</b> Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch – 6:30 am, Mimi's Restaurant Exchange Club of San Diego – 6:30 pm, Mandarin Garden Restaurant Fourth of July Committee - 6:30 pm, MM Senior Center	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – 7 pm, Vulcan Materials Office, 7220 Trade St, Suite 205	<b>16</b> Golden Friends – 10 am, Mira Mesa Senior Center	<b>17</b> Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch – 7:15 am, Mimi's Restaurant Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce—5:30 pm So- cial, 6 pm Meeting, location varies Fourth of July Committee - 6:30 pm, MM Senior Center	<b>18</b> Sr Center Board of Gover- nors – 2 pm, Mira Mesa Senior Center Mira Mesa Theatre Guild – 6 pm, location varies Community Pride – 6:30 pm, call for location Black Mountain Democratic Club – 7 pm, Mesa Village Rec Hall 1	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Mira Mesa Cluster Schools Council - 6 pm, Mira Mesa High School Media Room	<b>23</b> Golden Friends – 10 am, Mira Mesa Senior Center	<b>24</b> Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch – 7:15 am, Mimi's Restaurant Exchange Club of San Diego – 6:30 pm, Mandarin Garden Restaurant Fourth of July Committee – 6:30 pm, MM Senior Center	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
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## Highlights of the June 6, 2011 MMTC Meeting



### CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Minutes from May meeting, by acclamation
- Recognition of our “Business of the Month” - Mira Mesa Shopping Centers

### POLICE AND FIRE REPRESENTATIVES

#### **San Diego Police Department**

- Northeastern Division Capt. Chris Ball and Officer Ray Silva

#### **San Diego Fire Department**

- No one in attendance

### PRESENTATION—MMTC VERNE GOODWIN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

- Mindy Kim Truong
- Christi-Lynn del Rosario
- Linda Pham
- Cherie Tran
- Melisa Chavez
- Yasmin Hernandez
- 

### PRESENTATION—CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING UPDATE

- Redistricting will create 9 City Council districts instead of the current 8
- Mira Mesa should remain united in a single council district
- MMTC believes all Community Planning Areas should be united, and in a single district
- MMTC map presented—unites Mira Mesa with Scripps Ranch and Miramar
- Various maps presented by other groups were highlighted; SDCTA map divide Mira Mesa, all others did not

### ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

#### **City Councilman Carl DeMaio (John Ly)**

- Garbage collection for residents on private streets in Mira Mesa will end on July 1; lawsuit is pending
- Continued success using new 311 app

#### **State Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher (Chasen Bullock)**

- Assemblyman Fletcher and Council President Young are conducting a “listening tour” on education.
- Assemblyman has introduced a budget plan that can balance the budget without cutting education.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Fourth of July Committee - Donations needed to pay for this year’s fireworks; don’t know if we can afford fireworks next year.
- Street Fair is September 17 - Vendors are needed for the event
- Banner District—New banners are going up, and special 4th of July banners will be in place for the parade

### COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

- Mira Mesa Youth Baseball - Registration on August 7 and 14.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting Monday, August 1, 2011, 7 PM, at the Mira Mesa Senior Center.

Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Senior Center at 6:45 PM.

*Mira Mesa Farmer’s Market*  
Open 3—7 pm, Mira Mesa High School

## 2011 Fourth of July Parade Winners To Be Announced

By Maria Pankau and Bari Vaz

The Mira Mesa 4th of July Committee will announce the 2011 Category winners and Overall winner at the August 1 general membership meeting.

Categories to be awarded include: Comedy, Commercial, Decorated Float, Decorated Vehicle, Marching, Marching Band, and Non-Marching. An Overall winner will also be announced.

Join us on Monday, August 1, to salute our award winners and all of our parade participants who made this the largest and best parade in Mira Mesa history.

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## Redistricting Commission Selects Proposed Map By Bari Vaz, MMTC Redistricting Committee Chairman

After months of public hearings, the 2010 Redistricting Commission for the City of San Diego has developed a proposed map of nine City Council districts. This change was required following the approval of the "Strong Mayor" initiative in June, 2010.

The new map, as proposed by the Commission, includes Mira Mesa in a district made up of the following areas:

Mira Mesa

Rancho Penasquitos (partial – area south of SR-56 and west of Salmon River Road)

Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve (partial - eastern part)

MCAS Miramar (partial – area west of I-15)

Clairemont Mesa (partial – area east of Tecolote Canyon)

Kearny Mesa (partial – area north of Aero Drive)

Linda Vista (partial – area northeast of Genesee Avenue)

The new district is comprised of areas taken from four existing council districts – District 1 (pop. 10,624), District 5 (pop. 72,760), District 6 (pop. 55,687), and District 7 (pop. 5,028). Mira Mesa will make up approximately 50.5% of the population of the new District 6 (total population 144,099).

The numbering system for the new proposal designates Mira Mesa's council district as "District 6". This designation means that Mira Mesa would be represented by the current District 6 council member, Lorie Zapf, for the remainder of her term in office (2 years, until 2014). At that time, District 6 would participate in an election for the first time utilizing its new council district boundaries.

To view the complete "Preliminary Redistricting Plan", please visit the Commission's web page at [www.SanDiego.gov/Redistricting](http://www.SanDiego.gov/Redistricting). Click on the "Draw The Districts: Online Mapping Software" button to access the mapping software. If this is your first time accessing the software, you will be required to create a user id and password. Click "File" -> "Open" -> "Shared Plans" -> "Everyone" to open the file containing the map. Select "Adopted Preliminary Plan", also called Plan ID 30402. The map displayed is the one designed by the Commission.

A printed copy of the map, along with the Commission's notes on how this map was developed, can be found at <http://www.sandiego.gov/redistricting/pdf/preliminaryredistrictingplan.pdf>.

There will now be five public hearings to allow community input on the map design. The schedule of these meetings is:

Tuesday, July 26, 6 PM – Logan Heights Branch Library, Santa Fe Room, 567 South 28<sup>th</sup> Street

Thursday, July 28, 6 PM – Thurgood Marshall Middle School Theater, 9700 Avenue of Nations

Saturday, July 30, 10 AM – Balboa Park Palisades Bldg Recital Hall, 2130 Pan American Road West

Monday, August 1, 6 PM – University Towne Center Forum Hall, 4545 La Jolla Village Drive

Wednesday, August 3, 6 PM – Salvation Army Joan Kroc Center, Multipurpose Room, 6845 University Av

The flier for this event can be found online, at: <http://www.sandiego.gov/redistricting/pdf/redistrictingpublichearings.pdf>

Following the public hearings, the Commission will make any changes they believe necessary following public input and will submit the final map to the City of San Diego.

I encourage you to attend at least one of the five public hearings, to see the new map and submit any comments that you may have. This map will determine our City Council representation for the next 10 years.

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## Proposed Transportation Plans Could Have A Major Affect On Mira Mesa

By Bari Vaz

Recent proposals by SANDAG and the state's High-Speed Rail Authority include transportation plans that could have a major effect on Mira Mesa. As each of these entities continues to develop their plan, the Mira Mesa community needs to be involved in the process and make certain that our input is heard.

The High-Speed Rail Authority is in the process of developing plans for a high speed train line from Sacramento to San Diego, with an additional line connecting San Francisco to Fresno and a smaller spur line connecting Los Angeles to Irvine. For the Los Angeles to San Diego segment, the current version of the plan proposes a stop in Escondido and the end of the line at San Diego's Lindbergh Airport. In recent public meetings, the HSR revealed that it has narrowed its plan down to two selections: the first would connect the two stops by way of a rail line along I-15, SR-163, and I-5; the second would connect the stops by way of a rail line along I-15 from Escondido to Mira Mesa Blvd, where an elevated line would turn southwest across the Miramar College campus, Hourglass Park, and into Carroll Canyon, then into a tunnel to be constructed east of Eastgate Mall, through UTC to I-5 and on to Lindbergh Airport.

Miramar College recently issued a press release stating that the college had never been contacted by the High-Speed Rail Authority regarding the plan. Miramar representatives have indicated that construction of this rail line would at the very least require the demolition of newly-constructed buildings on the southern part of the campus, and could possibly cause the San Diego Community College District to abandon the campus completely. The Mira Mesa Town Council, along with the Mira Mesa Community Planning Group and numerous residents, has already expressed its strong opposition to the rail line's construction through Mira Mesa.

SANDAG recently released its "Draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report" for public comment. Included in the 2050 RTP are plans for an extension of the Trolley's "Blue Line" to Mira Mesa in approximately 2030. There are two proposed paths for the Trolley line: the "Unconstrained" selection (meaning that SANDAG receives sufficient funding for their first choice) and the "Constrained" selection (meaning they do not receive the maximum amount of funding requested for the project).

The Mira Mesa Community Plan includes a provision for a trolley line through Carroll Canyon (and the future Stone Creek development), north along Black Mountain Road to the Transportation Center along Hillery Drive on the Miramar Campus. This corresponds to SANDAG's "Constrained" option. SANDAG's "Unconstrained" option would develop the trolley line along Mira Mesa Blvd from I-805 to Black Mountain Road, connecting with the Hillery Drive Transportation Center.

The Mira Mesa Town Council has submitted a letter of comment to SANDAG indicating the importance of coordinating their RTP 2050 plans with both the existing Mira Mesa Community Plan and other transportation plans for the area (including the future Hillery Drive Direct Access Ramp).

To review the Regional Transportation Plan 2050, go to [http://www.sandag.org/uploads/2050RTP/Draft\\_2050\\_RTP\\_Complete.pdf](http://www.sandag.org/uploads/2050RTP/Draft_2050_RTP_Complete.pdf). The High-Speed Rail Line plans may be viewed at [http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/lib\\_Los\\_Angeles\\_San\\_Diego.aspx](http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/lib_Los_Angeles_San_Diego.aspx), with "LA-SD Preliminary AA Appendix A Conceptual Engineering Plans Subsection 3 Murrieta Temecula to SD" being the file that contains plans related to Mira Mesa.

**MIRA MESA TOWN COUNCIL—ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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Individual    Companion    Senior/Military/Student    Corporate/Business    Combined MMTC/MMCC (Corporate/Non-Profit Only)

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