

**Mira Mesa Community Planning Group
Meeting Minutes
17 Feb 2009**

Attendees:

Ted Brengel	Jeff Stevens	Erwin Rose	Phil Lisotta
Mark Kornheiser	Joe Frichtel	Marvin Miles	Jori Tulkki
Linda Geldner	John Brand	Bruce Brown	Rich Ragus
Ian Firth	Marlin Austria		

Called to Order 7:00 pm

1. **Agenda Deletions or Additions** – Agenda Item 3a. Camino Ruiz Neighborhood Park overflow parking moved to old business and later trailed to next meeting. Follow up discussion of Direct Access Ramps (DAR) was added under Old Business.
2. **Approval of the Minutes** – Motion (Stevens/Frichtel) November 2008 minutes be approved. Motion passed 12-0-1. Motion (Stevens/Mixon) Jan 2009 minutes be approved. Motion passed 10-0-3
3. **Information Items**
 - a. MCAS Miramar – Juan Lias
 - i. Thanked everyone for their support at the public meeting for scoping the Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) environmental document. They had 80 comments and 17 Feb 2009 (date of meeting) was the last day to comment.
 - ii. Draft EIS fir the West Coast Basing of the MV-22 is available for public Comment Feb 13-March 30, 2009. A flier was handed out. Also there will be a public meeting on 24 Mar 2009 at the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library from 5-9 pm. Website for more info www.mv22eiswest.net
 - iii. There was a question whether the MV-22 would change the AICUZ. Juan indicated that if a new aircraft is added the AICUZ would be reviewed.
 - b. I-15 Construction Update – Antoinette Meier (Caltrans)
 - i. Stated that work had begun on Carroll Canyon Road Bridge and it would 2 lanes for the next couple weeks. Also work on Poway Road/Rancho Penasquitos Blvd Bridge. She provided fliers on both. For more info see website www.keepsandiegomoving.com
 - ii. Calif budget situation is not affecting these projects since they are moving funds around to keep projects in construction moving. Could change in the future.
 - c. Council District 5 – John Ly
 - i. Camino Ruiz Trail moving forward. Biologist to walk it on Friday. It should be open by late March if there is no rain.
 - ii. Hit and run felony happened on Calle Cristobal
 - iii. Automotive recycling event scheduled for 28 Feb in Balboa Park at President Way and Park Blvd.

- iv. Thanked everyone for participation in the budget meeting in Mira Mesa. There was a great turn out and lots of good ideas. More events like this will be planned for Mira Mesa.
 - v. Councilman DeMaio will schedule an open forum to discuss the I-15 DAR so he and CALTRANS can hear community concerns.
 - vi. Fire station remodel is going to council. John will let us know how it goes.
 - vii. John shared Councilman DeMaio's press release on Million Dollar Payouts.
- d. Planning Department – No comments
- e. Election Committee Report – Jeff Stevens
- i. Election will be held in March. Jeff (not up for re-election) will run the election. Went over the requirements of new bylaws. Noted it was tighter on term limits and if there are new candidates available they will be voted on first.
 - ii. Board is made up of 11 residents, 5 Business owners and 3 property owners.
 - iii. Up for reelection:
Resident: Ted Brengel (over 8), Bob Mixon (over 8), Marlon Austria, Joe Frichtel (6 total seats available)
Business: Marv Miles (over 8), Phil Lisotta, a vacant seat is available (Three total seats available)
Property Owner: None - a vacant seat is available (One total seat available)
 - iv. New candidates:
Resident: Bari Vaz, Darrell Dunlap, Steve Esquilin, Chuck Sweet, John Horst, Jon Labaw
In addition, Pat O'Donohoe declared himself as a write-in residential candidate.
Business: Sandy Smith
 - v. If someone in attendance tonight would like to run this could count as their one meeting and they should talk to Jeff after the meeting tonight.
- d. Public Comment –
- a. One resident was concerned the no left turn signs would come down.
 - b. Bruce Brown requested City provide status/update on the road conditions in Mira Mesa.
 - c. Volunteer of the year is Ted Brengel. The celebration dinner will be 6 June at the Miramar O Club.
 - d. Opening of the Miramar College Field house will be 27 March at 1100
 - e. Circus Vargus 26 feb-2 Mar
 - f. Casino Night to raise money for fireworks is Sat 25 April
4. **Correspondence** - Alexandria Tech Center on Vista Sorrento will start construction soon.
5. **Chairman's Report** – None.
6. **Old Business**
- a. Hage Elementary, Galvin and Ice Skate Place – Joel Rizzo City Traffic Engineer

- i. City looked at safety around Hage. Signs are under standard and will be upgraded.
 - ii. Increased red at curb near parking entrance from 5' to 25' to increase visibility.
 - iii. Per the engineering study the Galvin/Ice Skate Place intersection does not warrant a stop but there is an alternate process which allows the community to request a stop sign be added.
- b. Galvin Ave and Ice Skate Place – John Horst
 - i. Requesting MMCPG support for stop signs at this intersection for safety of school children and others. Recently someone was hit and there have been a number of near misses. A petition was presented with 168 names. All but 3 support a stop sign in both directions.
 - ii. Slide show demonstrated the situation. It is hard for drivers to see far enough ahead and the sun is blinding at the morning commute/go to school time.
 - iii. It was noted if a stop sign is added a cross-walk would be added too. There is not one at this time.
 - iv. It was also noted that Hage has tried safety patrols but it did not work. Also Hage will be changing their drop off to wrap around the school which should help traffic flow.
 - v. There was a comment this should not be considered without looking at the traffic situation with the no left turn signs relative to Capricorn.
 - vi. City staff indicated there was an ongoing study on the no left turn signs. Measurements were taken with the signs in place recently. Signs will be bagged for a period of time and measurements will be taken during that time. MMCPG asked City staff to come to our next meeting to talk about the study.
 - vii. There was a question about why we were looking at just this school and suggestion we should look at other schools to see if an added stop would improve their safety. The MMCPG agree to add this to a future agenda.
 - viii. There was a motion to support a stop sign be added in both directions at Galvin Ave and Ice Skate Place and that we ask the City to move forward with the alternative process to have this approved by Council.
(Brown/Rose) The motion was passed 14-0-0.
- c. CALTRANS DAR at I-15 project- there was a question about the response to comments. It was explained that the responses would be made as part of the final document when CALTRANS publishes it. One resident asked if the group had discussed the DAR. He was reassured it had been discussed at length and will have more discussion in the future. Also that Councilman DeMaio will hold a citizens forum on the subject.
- d. Mira Mesa Blvd Pedestrian Overpass – Michael Edmond
 - i. Michael presented an update report on the pedestrian. Funding is still a question. The MMCPG indicated there is a pedestrian bridge in the FBA. Planned location was near Miramar College. We should consider if that is still the best location.

- ii. Another resident brought up the question of whether Mira Mesa Blvd is considered a military access route as he remembers that was an issue for building overpasses in the past. The height made it too expensive. Juan will check to see which if any roads in Mira Mesa are affected.
- iii. Children safety was brought up. Parents will not allow their children to use the bridge if they can not be seen. There must be no hiding places criminals.
- iv. Must be ADA compliant.
- v. Board agreed to look at the issue of the pedestrian bridge in the FBA process
- vi. It was noted that the pedestrian bridge at UTC is approximately \$4 mil without and elevator.

7. New Business

- a. Brown Deer Road Map waiver (project 170861) – Dan Rehm S&J property asking for a waiver they have 4 Industrial warehouses they want to convert to industrial condos. Would be 4 condos that can be sold separately. Clarification from assessment letter-this is not a retail conversion. Engineering Dept required standard provisions. Common areas will be maintained by the association. Motion to approve (Stevens/Brown) Approved 12-0-1 (one member had left at this point.)
- b. Plaza Sorrento (project 167056) – John Ziebarth Request to amend PCD language to reflect what was actually built. 102,925 sf approved but 106,708 sf built. Parking is less than was required but meets municipal code. Motion was made to support a change to the PCD to reflect square footage as built. (Brown/Mixon) Approved 12-1-0.

8. Committee Reports

- a. Los Penasquitos Canyon Citizen’s Advisory Committee – Pam Stevens reported trails are closed because of rain. Check before you go hiking. Volunteer patrol is recruiting call the ranger’s office for more details or go to <http://www.penasquitos.org/> March 19 is the next meeting. Trail subcommittee is working on the Del Mar Mesa area resource Management plan.
- b. CPC – Jeff Stevens reported that Jan Goldsmith talked about indemnification. Reminded that new members will have to attend COW to be indemnified. They will be required to read notes from lost COW on line and sign to cover them until the next COW is held.
- c. Stone Creek Update – Project is coming along. There are still questions on traffic and parks.
- d. COMPACT – No report. MMCPG needs a volunteer to attend COMPACT meetings.
- e. Announcements – Jeff Stevens said that the August 4 Mira Mesa Town Council meeting would have a presentation on Fire Safe Landscaping. The September 8 MMTC meeting will have a candidate’s forum with City Attorney candidates Mike Aguirre and Jan Goldsmith. On the MMTC web site <http://miramesatowncouncil.org/> it is now possible to donate to the “Adopt-A-Wall” program to paint the walls along Mira Mesa Blvd. and other major streets;

to the Fourth of July celebration; and to join or donate to the Mira Mesa Town Council. The Mira Mesa Street Fair will be held on September 27, applications are online. Sponsors are being requested for the event – information is also online.

- f. August meeting – motion to go dark in August (Stevens/Rose) approved 12-0.

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by:

Linda Geldner
Member MMCPG