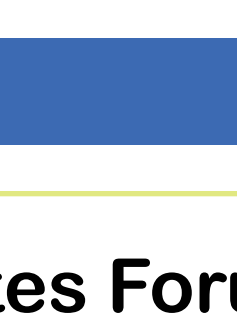


MMTC meeting  
Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.  
on Zoom



Next month's MMTC  
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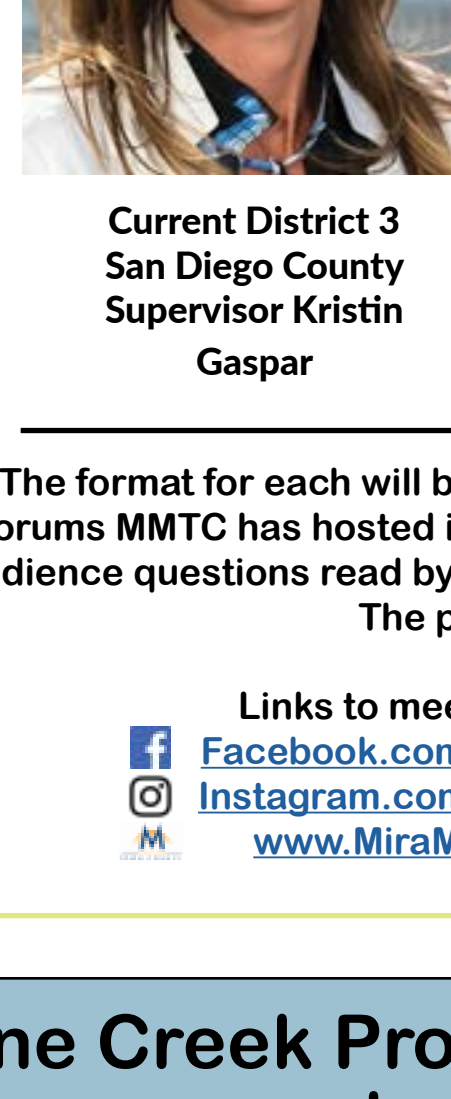
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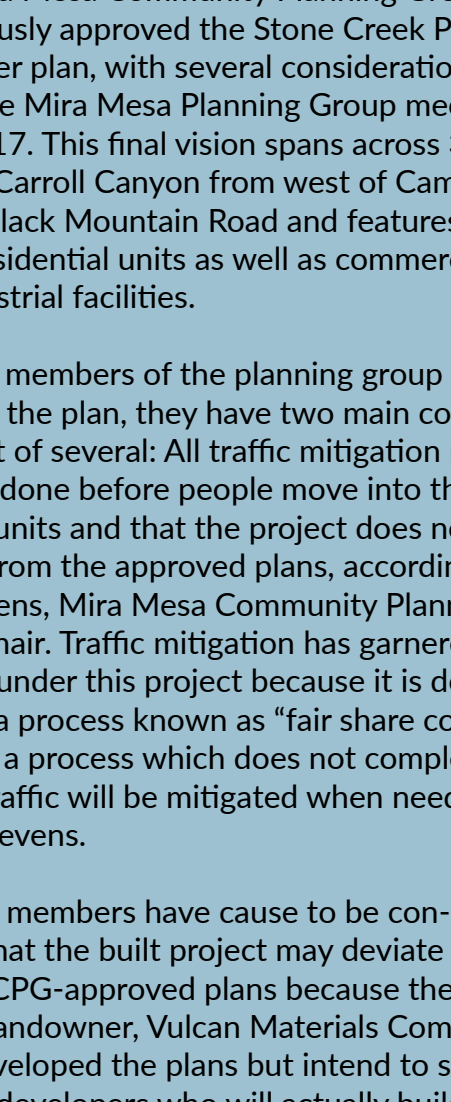
### Candidates Forum 2020

**District 3 County Supervisor & District A San Diego Unified School District Board Member at MMTC meeting Monday, Sept. 14 - Zoom**

**County Supervisor Candidates**  
7 p.m.

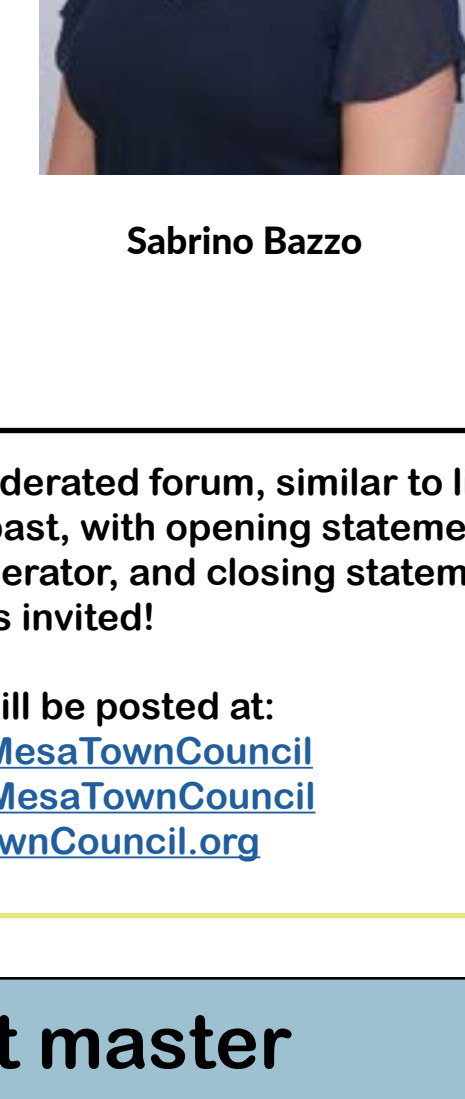


**Tara Lawson-Remer**



**Current District 3 San Diego County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar**

**San Diego Unified Board Candidates Following**



**Crystal Trull**



**Sabrina Bazzo**

**The format for each will be a moderated forum, similar to live forums MMTC has hosted in the past, with opening statements, audience questions read by a moderator, and closing statements. The public is invited!**

Links to meeting will be posted at:  
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## Stone Creek Project master plan approved

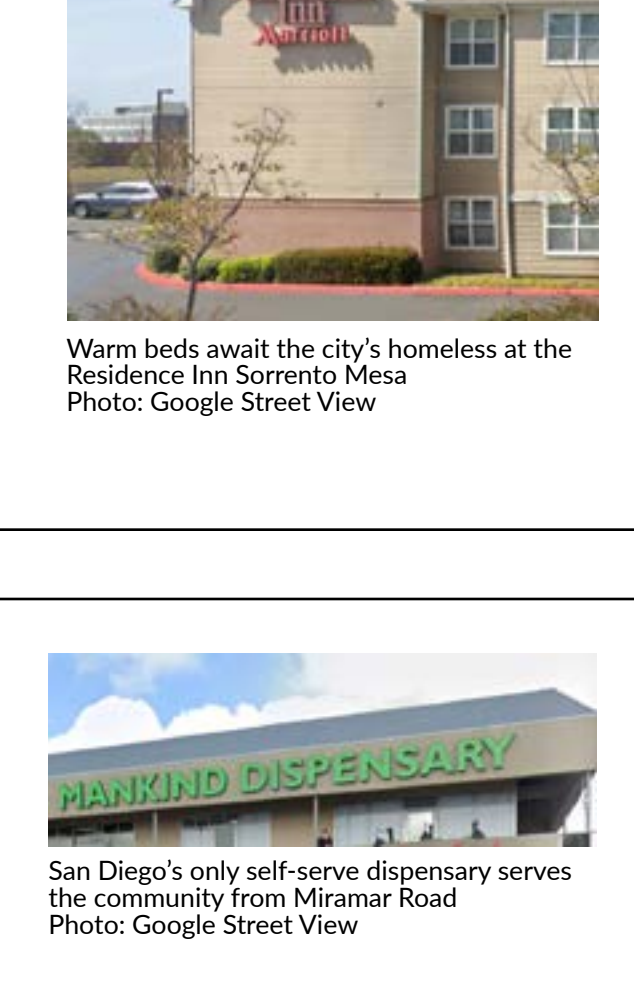
By Renee Schmiedeberg

The Mira Mesa Community Planning Group unanimously approved the Stone Creek Project master plan, with several considerations, at the online Mira Mesa Planning Group meeting on Aug. 17. This final vision spans across 300 acres of Carroll Canyon from west of Camino Ruiz to Black Mountain Road and features 4,450 residential units as well as commercial and industrial facilities.

While all members of the planning group recommend the plan, they have two main concerns out of several: All traffic mitigation measures be done before people move into the housing units and that the project does not deviate from the approved plans, according to Jeff Stevens, Mira Mesa Community Planning Group Chair. Traffic mitigation has garnered concern under this project because it is done through a process known as "fair share contributions," a process which does not completely ensure traffic will be mitigated when needed, added Stevens.

MMCPG members have cause to be concerned that the built project may deviate from the MMCPG-approved plans because the current landowner, Vulcan Materials Company, developed the plans but intend to sell to other developers who will actually build it. While those developers are required to build the plan, they may propose changes to it. However, MMCPG will review any modifications.

MMCPG's full list of considerations include: traffic mitigation measures be completed before residents begin occupying, Carroll Canyon Road from I-805 to I-15 shall be completed before residential units are occupied. "Smart



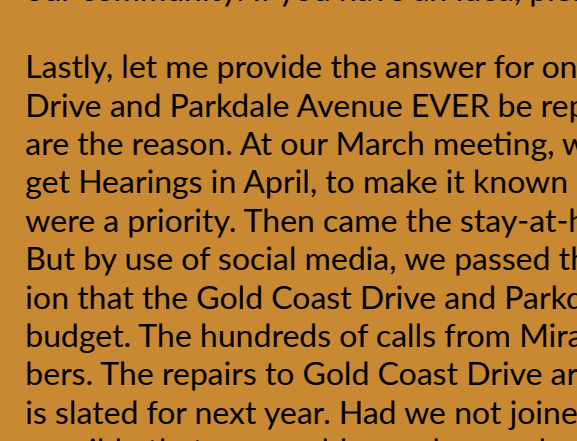
The Stone Creek Project will take the place of Carroll Canyon, where Vulcan Materials Company has mined for sand and gravel since the 1950s. Photo: Google Street View

Traffic Signals" be added along Miramar Road to mitigate traffic, all substantive changes to the master plan be reviewed by the Planning Group and cleared by the Planning Commission and City Council, the developer of the first residential phase must commit to construction of phase 3, including the residential core of Stone Creek Park, and affordable housing is built at the time of construction on the site. Further explanation of these considerations was also found on the Stone Creek page of the Mira Mesa Town Council website.

Vulcan Materials Company has been mining for sand and gravel in the location since the 1950s. The project has undergone a plethora of revisions since its proposal 15 years ago. The Stone Creek project is expected to be built over the next 20 to 30 years.

The next MMCPG meeting will occur on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m.

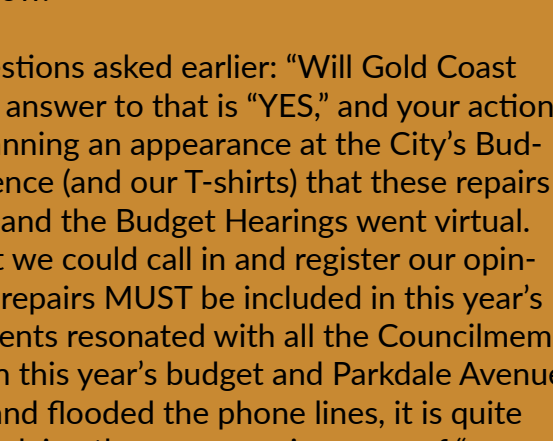
## City approves Salk Neighborhood Park and will begin construction in 2021



Maddox Park will be integrated into a new park behind Jonas Salk Elementary School. Photo: Google Street View

The city council has approved the Salk Neighborhood Park project, which will include a playground, picnic area, and dog park. Construction is set to begin in 2021.

## City converts Residence Inn Sorrento Mesa into homeless housing due to COVID-19



Warm beds await the city's homeless at the Residence Inn Sorrento Mesa. Photo: Google Street View

The city council has approved converting the Residence Inn Sorrento Mesa into a homeless shelter to address the needs of the city's homeless population during the COVID-19 pandemic. The shelter will provide temporary housing for up to 100 homeless individuals.

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## President's Message

By Bari Vaz

This newsletter is our first since March 2020. So much has happened since then, but it sometimes feels like nothing is happening. Let's get caught up.

In March, we hosted our last in-person Mira Mesa Town Council meeting for 2020. The March second meeting was our Streets Forum, as we heard from Mayor Kevin Faulconer's office and Councilmember Chris Cate's office regarding the state of our streets – why are there so many potholes? How does the City of San Diego determine which streets to repair? And will Gold Coast Drive and Parkdale Avenue EVER be repaired?

March, of course, is when our lives changed, and COVID-19 came into our daily lexicon. At that time, we were all very experienced of the disease, and nearby Marine Corps Air Station Miramar had played host to hundreds of passengers quarantined after returning to the U.S. while they were screened for COVID-19. On March 19, California became the first state to implement a "stay at home" order to prevent a predicted mass outbreak of the disease. Essential services such as groceries, pharmacies, gas stations, farmers markets, food banks, convenience stores and delivery restaurants remained open, as did banks, local government offices and law enforcement agencies. At that time, our optimistic vision was that shutting down for a few weeks could stop the spread and allow us to treat those already infected. However, next week will mark six months of varying versions of "stay at home" and business shutdowns. Most of our life is now "virtual," including work, school, and most typical family events. Events, including the 4th of July Parade, Mira Mesa Street Fair, and the 2020 MCAS Miramar Air Show, have all been cancelled. No celebrations remain on the calendar for 2020, and we are beginning to hear questions about whether they can take place in 2021.

So, where do we go from here? What will be our "new normal?"

Our new normal will be exactly what we make it.

In times of disaster – and yes, I believe that COVID-19 and the pandemic are on par with any natural or man-made disaster – it is the creativity and unity of the people in a community that make the difference. The neighborhoods and towns that take the initiative, who reach out to others and insist on making their area a better place, are the ones who will thrive. This is the time for us to put forth our most creative ideas, design our most visionary plans, and unite our voices to not only restore Mira Mesa, but to enrich it. We have so many opportunities to make our lives, and the lives of our neighbors and friends in Mira Mesa, better and stronger. And we can start now, even though we are still restricted and "virtual."

The City is working on the new "Mira Mesa Community Plan," a document that will guide zoning, development, traffic planning, and many other quality-of-life essentials for our community over the next 20 years or more. Have you heard about it? Information is available at the City's website, here: [www.planmiramita.org](http://www.planmiramita.org). The City is also taking a survey, to see what Mira Mesa residents think the best plan is. You can find the survey at the link above, or go directly to it [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/planmiramita).

We are electing several new representatives of the Mira Mesa community in November: At our Sept. 14 virtual meeting, you can hear from the candidates for District 3 County Supervisor and District A San Diego Unified School Board Member. To attend, register for the meeting [here](https://www.miramira.org).

The pandemic has led to a shortage of food for area patients and food at the local pantries. We hosted a contactless food drive in June, and blood drives with the San Diego Blood Bank in July and September. Each time, Mira Mesa has been incredibly generous. We will have one more blood drive this year, in November, and are looking for other opportunities to assist our community. If you have an idea, please let us know.

Lastly, let me provide the answer for one of the questions asked earlier: "Will Gold Coast Drive and Parkdale Avenue EVER be repaired?" The answer to that is "YES," and our actions are the reason. At our March meeting, we began planning an appearance at the City's Budget Hearings in April, to make it known by our presence (and our T-shirts) that these repairs were a priority. Then came the stay-at-home order, and the Budget Hearings went virtual. But by use of social media, we passed the word that we could call in and register our opinion that the Gold Coast Drive and Parkdale Avenue repairs MUST be included in this year's budget. The hundreds of calls from Mira Mesa residents resonated with all the Councilmembers. The repairs to Gold Coast Drive are included in this year's budget and Parkdale Avenue is slated for next year. Had we not joined together and flooded the phone lines, it is quite possible that we would spend several more years dodging the ever-growing array of "moon craters" that make up Gold Coast Drive.

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