

**Minutes of the March 2008 Mira Mesa Community Planning
Group Meeting
March 17, 2008
Mira Mesa Library**

1. Agenda Deletions and Additions
 - a. CalTrans Presentation Added to Agenda
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. Deferred to next month since minutes not mailed out.
3. Information items
 - a. A Notice of Preparation of a Draft EIR & Initial Study for the MCAS Miramar Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP) is available for public review and download at the Airport Authority web site. A scoping meeting was held on February 19th. See http://www.san.org/airport_authority/land_use_compatibility/public_review.asp. There will be a Community Leader's Forum on Thursday March 20th.
 - b. Council District Five Update – Khoa Nguyen
 - i. The Mayor is holding a Town Hall on the budget at Scripps Ranch library on Thursday, April 24th at 6 PM.
 - ii. A new ordinance prohibits sex offenders within 300 feet of schools, day care or other facilities where children are present.
 - iii. The trail from Camino Ruiz Park into Los Penasquitos Canyon was approved by the hearing officer. If there are no appeals, construction could start by April 10th.
 - iv. San Diego got a \$2.4 million grant from FEMA for brush removal. The mayor wants to match the money with City general funds.
 - v. Salk Elementary School – Fish and Wildlife has approved the mitigation plan. The next step is an MOU between the City and School District.

- vi. The General Plan was approved by City Council. The controversial Economic Development Element was approved as presented.
 - c. Planning Department – Dan Monroe
 - i. The General Plan was approved by City Council
 - ii. The draft bylaws are being reviewed by Marianne Greene in the City Attorney’s office and should be ready by Monday.
 - d. CalTrans – Ann Korstad
 - i. Construction of the southern section of the I-15 improvements started today. This section runs from SR-56 to SR-52. The freeway is being expanded to 5 lanes on the outside, with additional managed lanes and Bus Rapid Transit. On March 26th there will be a public meeting at the Quality Suites on Mira Mesa Blvd. from 4–6 PM to talk about the construction project. Whether the HOV access ramp will be located at Hillery or Galvin has still not been decided. Construction will cause some traffic problems. The SR-56/I-15 intersection has been completed.
 - e. Public comment – none.
- 4. Correspondence – none
- 5. Chairman’s report – none
- 6. Old business
 - a. Casa Mira View – John Leppert, Andy Schlaefli
 - i. The traffic study is not ready for public release yet.
 - ii. The developers have been working on options for impacted intersections. They presented the following plans for intersections that had been discussed as problems at a previous meeting:
 - 1. Gold Coast and Black Mountain Road – at the previous meeting concern was raised about removing parking, so instead Gold Coast will be widened for several hundred feet on each side of Black Mountain Road to add a lane without removing parking.

2. Westview Parkway and Mira Mesa Blvd. Currently there is an inefficient use of turn lanes. Three alternatives were proposed to improve the intersection: 1) Making triple left turn lanes where Westview runs into Mira Mesa Blvd. from the north, and adding signage to indicate which lane to get into; 2) Extending the double lane to a 450 foot “long pocket” (this would block the left turn lane into the Ralph’s shopping center); or 3) a “trap left” alternative with a longer double left turn lane. The City likes option 3 best, but the Planning Group prefers option 1. Other comments: The curbs should be painted red to prevent overnight truck parking which gets in the way of traffic. A sensor could be added to cause the light to turn green when the turn lane is full. The developer should also look into solving the problem of the westbound left turn lanes into the Market Center which frequently backs up all the way to the freeway.
3. Black Mountain Road and Mira Mesa Blvd. – the developer will build the intersection improvement specified in the Community Plan that is not currently funded.

7. New Business

- a. 9466 Black Mountain Road Commercial Condo Conversion – John Leppert
 - i. This project was postponed at an earlier meeting because of some objections from the City. After a positive opinion from the City Attorney, the Planning Department no longer objects to the project.
 - ii. Motion (Mixon/Brown) to recommend approval. Passed 10-0.

8. Committee Reports

- a. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Citizens Advisory Committee – Pam Stevens
 - i. Next meeting Thursday March 20, 7 PM, Ranch house.

- ii. There will be subcommittee meeting on sewers prior to the meeting.
 - iii. Question from Erwin Rose – How do we know if a trail is closed because of rain? Answer – currently only generic posting about closure after rain.
 - iv. Comment from Khoa Nguyen – The Rancho Penasquitos Planning Group is not happy with Mira Mesa for not contributing to the new ranger station. Question to Khoa – where was it anticipated that the money would come from? It is a regional resource – why are they hitting up the adjacent communities for money?
- b. Community Planner’s Committee – Jeff Stevens
 - i. There was extensive discussion of whether the CPC should withdraw support from the General Plan since some, but not all, of CPC recommendations had been incorporated into it. Ultimately, no action was taken.
- c. No Stone Creek report.
- d. No COMPACT update
- e. Announcements (Jeff Stevens)
 - i. April 3rd at the Mira Mesa Town Council meeting Ted Brengel and Jeff Stevens will talk about the Planning Group
 - ii. May 3rd is the Volunteer of the Year Dinner honoring Mike Davis. Everyone is invited. Download an invitation or sign up online at www.MiraMesaTownCouncil.org.
 - iii. May 5th at the Mira Mesa Town Council meeting there will be a candidates forum for City Council candidates.
 - iv. March 29th – 4th of July Casino Night fundraiser.
 - v. April 1st – Taste of Mira Mesa fundraiser for the Mira Mesa High School Foundation.
 - vi. May 10th – Chalk the Walk sidewalk painting and fundraiser for the Mira Mesa Women’s Club.
 - vii. June 7th – Philippine Fair in Mira Mesa Community Park.

Submitted by Jeff Stevens for the Mira Mesa Community Planning Group