

Del Mar Mesa Community Planning Board
March 9, 2023 6:00 PM

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Attendees:

Tim Guy In Person
Ish Khan In Person
Paul Metcalf In Person
Wendy Poyhonen In Person
Elizabeth Rabbitt In Person
Derek Reeves In Person
Jeff Tibaldi In Person
Christian Tresize In Person

Absent:

Ron Sellemi
Michael Vinson
Barry Cohen
Diane Korsh

Call to Order:

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Chair remarks

Welcome to the first in person meeting in almost three years! We are conducting tonight's meeting in person and online.

Per our Bylaws, in February, we missed our annual Board elections noticing for the March elections so we're going to extend the opportunity to vote and allow voting to occur up until immediately prior to the April Meeting. Anyone who is a resident of Del Mar Mesa, is at least 18-years old and has attended at least two regular meetings in the previous year is eligible.

Elizabeth will go over the voting options (online and in person) tonight for those of you who aren't able to be in attendance here in person.

Roll Call:

See above.

Adoption of Agenda:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the Agenda. There were no changes or additions.

Elections: Qualified Candidates and voting process discussion/presentation – Elizabeth Rabbitt.

Secretary Rabbitt pointed out that a election notice had been issued accompanying the agenda for a 5:45 “come and cast your vote” and ballot forms were in place prior to the meeting and that there had over twenty responses on Survey Monkey which had been posted on Next Door and broadcast by email including the request for additional applications for Board Membership or voting for candidates.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Metcalf called for review and approval of the February 2023 draft minutes. **Christian Tresize made the motion to approve as presented, Tim Guy seconded the motion and the motion was carried.**

Public Safety Agencies - Officer John Briggs, Community Relations Officer

Officer Briggs reported that home burglaries are up again and a primary focus of the Northwestern Division which has doubled the officer staffing level to increase coverage and improve visible presence. This includes uniformed as well as unmarked vehicles and officers. There is a task force up and running and working on all issues including the sharing information across counties and consideration for technological options. The Chilean Crime ring is still active and other copycats have become active. Christian Tresize provided a handout to review the staffing history and current status of the Northwestern Division. In comparison of 2012 to 2020 there has been a 26.5% increase in population. The northern division has an average of 1.3 officers per 10K population compared to industry average of 20.7. Of the 1,923 crimes 1,203 were felony, of these 71 were home break ins. Of the residential burglaries only 7% were considered solved or criminal apprehended.. Christian Tresize further addressed the Protect Act which limits the scope of authority of the officers. Christian Tresize attended the city subcommittee at which it was apparent that the Mayor is not in support of this act. Christin Tresize proposes that the DMMPB prepare a position letter to Joe LaCava . Tim Guy asked Officer Briggs to share his impression of the impact of The Protect Act to which he shared a number of examples of simple actions that have been historically helpful in preventing crimes that would be negatively impacted by The Protect Act. Tim Guy asked for feedback from others on zoom or in person. Jeff Tibaldi asked about the standards set for San Diego budgeting purposes, Officer Briggs discussed the regional specific focus including housing density, number of calls, commercial centers such as bars, violent crimes and murders etc. vs being strictly population based. Officer Briggs also addressed the level of pay for officers which is among the lowest in the state. He confirmed that the staffing per budget process is not so much related to population as it is to the other points he raised. Chairman Metcalf also raised the matter of the surveillance ordinance that is under consideration and being presented city wide for community input. Emily Piatanesi raised the matter of the ongoing community meetings and need to have

the community voices heard with one tomorrow at the La Jolla Library at 11 am. The focus at the meetings regarding surveillance tools such as Smart Lights is technical in nature such as how long the footage is stored, who looks at it etc. Officer Briggs reported that what is being considered is limited to public areas.

Public Forum - Non-Agenda Items (Three minutes per speaker, twelve minutes per topic)

None

Terri Ann Skelly (VIA ZOOM) formally introduced herself to the DMMPB as a long time resident of Del Mar Mesa on Anderson Ridge Place, mother of three sons and commented on her involvement with the San Dieguito Alliance for Drug Free Youth which focuses on health and well-being of young people with a focus on elementary to high school ages.

Chair's Remarks:

Public Officials (Information and Announcements)

Mayor Todd Gloria's office - Emily Piatanesi (Via ZOOM)

Emily Piatanesi reported that she is sharing the website for submitting opinions on the matter of The City Surveillance Ordinance and 'recognition cameras' on Smart Street lights. On the matter of conservatorship reform, and adjustments to the current language of SB43, she reported that the Mayor was in support and working with State representatives on the issue. and reported on the matter of infrastructure and that it is a focus of the Mayor's including contracting for street light repair with over 5,000 outstanding repair requests and only fourteen city electricians. Emily Piatanesi did suggest if DMM has any requests for streetlight repair she will try to connect to city staff if they are in the location.

Council District 1 - Council member Joe LaCava-Emily Lynch(VIA ZOOM)

Emily Lynch reported that there will be three DC-1 town hall meetings. Including one on April 3rd at the Carmel Valley Library at 6:30 pm.

Community Planning: Lesley Henegar

Absent

County Supervisor District 3 - Terra Lawson-Remer (VIA ZOOM)

Evan Bridgham reported that he is filling in for Terra Lawson-Remer and spoke about the support for mental health assistance and using 988 as alternative to using 911. This focus is also

very beneficial to the police force. Chairman Metcalf asked about access to grants for surveillance equipment for Del Mar Mesa, Evan Bridgman did note that grants are limited to 501(c)3 organizations, and Chairman Metcalf noted that Friends of Del Mar Mesa is a NFP, Evan Bridgman will get back to Chairman Metcalf.

CA State District 39 Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins - Cole Reed:

Absent

CA Assembly District 77: Brian Maienschein - Rik Hauptfield

Absent

Congressman Scott Peters Office:

Absent

City Park & Recreation Department - Debbie Marcott

Absent

Information/Presentation/Discussion Items

Alta Del Mar Fire Station Status

Nothing new to report.

California Public Utilities Commission- Charter Communications, a facilities based wireline provider back-up to power facilities

Nothing to report

Action Items

The Protect Act Ordinance

Christian make the motion that he draft a letter in opposition to The Protect Act, to be submitted on behalf of the Del Mar Mesa Planning Board, Elizabeth Rabbitt seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Terrazzo/Sunrise Hills SCR for consistent with the Terrazzo Bougainvillea and Sunrise hill design guidelines - Jason Certilman and Spencer Tsai

Chairman Metcalf introduced Jason Certilman and Spencer Tsai from Toll Brothers and recused himself, turning the meeting over to Vice Chair Tim Guy. Jason and Spencer provided handouts

and an overview of Toll Brothers, as a provider of luxury residences, including the status of being ranked 5th in the country for Most Admired Companies – by Fortune Magazine. Toll Brothers is the largest luxury home production builder. Plans have been submitted to the City and are in the fourth level of the plan check cycle. They are presenting to DMMCPB as part of the required SCR process. Vice Chair Guy asked about the specific need for the action of the DMMCPB, and Paul Metcalf explained the need for review by the Board for substantial conformance with the Terrazzo Bougainvillea and Sunrise Hills Design Guidelines. Derek Reeves asked about what information is required to share with potential buyers about the difficulty buying fire insurance. There was discussion regarding the construction methods being used to protect homes from fire, and that Toll will be working with the new home owners in securing insurance. Christian Tresize raised the matter of the parking situation along Rancho Toyon Road. Chairman Metcalf noted that parking is allowed on one side of the street at the location of the homes. **Tim Guy made the motion to approve the plan on condition of City approval of all Cycle Issues comments, Derek Reeves seconded the motion.** Christian Tresize asked about timing of building, it was reported that the plan is to build as sold, but by the time the city approves the plans it is expected that all of the homes will be sold. **The motion was carried seven – zero with Paul Metcalf recusing.**

Subcommittee Reports and Discussion

Community Plan-PFFP Update - Ad Hoc Committee - Rabbitt/Guy/Metcalf

Nothing new to report. DMMCPB is waiting for the final San Diego City budget.

Beautification Committee - Christian Tresize

Laying low during rainy season.

Liaison Reports

Los Penasquitos CAC - Guy

Lots of rain and repairs underway.

Friends of Del Mar Mesa-Metcalf

CPC

Northwestern Police CAB - Elizabeth Rabbitt/Christian Tresize

No meetings.

Carmel Valley Recreation Council-Wendy Poyhonen

Wendy Poyhonen reported on the meeting with Emily Lynch but that nothing has happened, and Debbie Mercott has not addressed the issues and the level of weed overgrowth and dead trees, status remains un changed.

Ongoing Discussion - Active Items

Developer Signage on existing Signs

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 PM

Next Meeting:

April 13, 2023