

**Thursday, September 14, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.**  
**Del Mar Heights Elementary School, 13555 Boquita Drive**  
**Multipurpose Room (MUR)**

Minutes of September 14, 2006

In attendance: Don Billings, Cliff Hanna, Greg Heinzinger, Janie Killermann, Lawrence Lansdale, Debbie Mark, Morton Printz, Philip Raphael, Diana Scheffler, Tom Slipper, Pat Stewart, Faye Detsky-Weil.

Absent: Michael Belch, Rocky Smolin, Pat Finn

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Faye Detsky-Weil at 7:05 PM.
- Board and community members introduced themselves. Visitors included Scott Tillson, a member of the public and former chief of staff to Harry Matthis; Hugo Carmona with Scott Peters office; Meredith Waite with local newspapers, Erika Black with Pam Slater-Price's office, and Martin Seidel, a public member.
- Minutes from the May and June meetings were approved by 9 votes with 3 abstentions.
- Chair Faye Detsky-Weil hefted the revised draft supplement for affordable housing and the 7<sup>th</sup> draft of the Housing Element. Hearing no requests from present board members to read the documents, the Chair announced she will deliver the documents to Rocky Smolin.
- The chair made available information from SANDAG listing the topics on which they are available to speak.

**B. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Public members and board participants discussed the closure of a walking trail previously used to access the school. The action apparently grew out of the concern of a Mercado homeowner; State Parks listened to the concern and decided that the pathway is unacceptable. The action is consistent with a generalized push to close unauthorized use of paths across State Parks.

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

- The proposal for the Locascio residence at 13975 Mar Scenic Drive was determined at the Project Review meeting to conform to all city guidelines and received approval from committee with the recommendations that landscaping be added to the plans in order to soften the lines of the structure and that the exterior of the structure be painted in earth tones. At our board meeting Cliff Hanna advised that attention be paid to the Floor Area Ratio and the board added to the motion a request the City verify the height of the structure and its floor area ratio. **Motion approved by 11 AYES/ 1 ABSTAIN.**
- Proposal for the project at 2835 Racetrack View Drive was approved by the Board as presented, affirming the Project Review Committee's approval.

**D. PROJECT REVIEW**

- Debbie Mark announced that Diana Scheffler has agreed to be assistant chair of the Project Review Committee.
- There was a discussion of the trend toward much larger homes by using underground garages and basements, while still remaining within the City's floor area ratio and height limitations. Additionally, Pat Stewart pointed out there is a move underway at the City to streamline the Coastal Development Permit process for residential projects by eliminating local planning group review. Since it is only because our community lies in the coastal

area that we are able to review such projects, this change would effectively eliminate TPCPG's role in residential project review. A Planned Development Ordinance (PDO) is in use in some communities including Del Mar Mesa. These communities create design guidelines that are adopted by the city as law. Another technique used elsewhere is that of "design guidelines". Mort Printz suggested we establish a subcommittee to look at expanding our authority beyond that currently granted by the Coastal Zone Overlay requirements. Cliff Hanna, Janie Killermann and Diana Scheffler volunteered to be members of the subcommittee. We will wait to discuss this until the next meeting, however, because Cecilia Williams from the City's Development Services Department will be there and will no doubt be able to clarify these issues and offer some guidance.

**E. BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

- Chair Faye Detsky-Weil announced that we are short two business members on the board since Jim O'Brien's resignation. At present Greg Heinzinger is our only board member representing business. It was suggested that we send letters to recruit business participants, targeting especially the Sorrento Valley businesses.

**F. PUBLIC INFORMATION UPDATES**

- Marc Patrick Schaefer, Field Representative for Congressman Brian Bilbray introduced himself and invited our questions about topics of concern such as the airport and north-bound connectors.
- Erika Black with Supervisor Pam Slater-Price's office distributed information about a worrisome insect which is invading our area from the Caribbean. The Diaprepes Root Weevil can do great damage to ornamental plants and to all varieties of citrus and avocados. If the insect is spotted, phone CDFA Exotic Pest Hotline at 1-800-491-1899 for treatment.

**G. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Transportation:** Cliff Hanna raised the need for money to get our transportation survey started. He asked if Congressman Bilbray's office might be in a position to help us.
- **Wireless Telecommunications:** Greg Heinzinger reported on technical concerns about NEXTG where the low power of the technology means more towers are needed. Greg leans toward fewer higher power sites. He opposed strongly the contract approved by the City Council allowing NEXTG to install sites in the public right of way, which simply means any location not on private property. Greg mentioned that Karen Lynn Ashcroft is the contact for the City for matters related to wireless communication.
- **Website:** Mickey Belch was away from the meeting. Treasurer Philip Raphael wrote a check in the amount of \$160 to reimburse Mickey for his payment of Web site hosting for the coming year.
- **Pedestrian Safety:** Morton Printz praised Faye Detsky-Weil for patiently and persistently pursuing the postal people, producing the removal of mailboxes from the sidewalks along Mango. Pedestrian safety has been restored. Mort also reported that the stop sign on Boquita was installed quietly and quickly; everyone is stopping.
- **Redrawing Planning Group Boundary Lines:** Mort Printz reported on a discussion with Linda Colley, Chair of the University City Planning Board about transferring the North Torrey Pines area from the UCPG to the TPCPB. She was enthusiastic about the idea, recognizing the advantages of connecting the manufacturing area in Sorrento Valley via an elevated roadway to the administrative center on North Torrey Pines Road. A probable plan to make the change foresees three members from each board discussing the matter. Eventually the proposal can go to the City for a change in district lines.

- H. ADJOURNMENT:** The board meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 9:00 PM

