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La Jolla Community Planning Association

Regular Meetings: 1st Thursday of the Month

Thursday, 4 March 2010

La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street

FINAL MINUTES – ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING

Present: Michele Addington, (Chaired Trustee Elections: joined Regular Meeting at Agenda Item #11), Darcy Ashley, Tom Brady, Michael Costello, Dan Courtney, Tony Crisafi, Jim Fitzgerald, Orrin Gabsch, Joe LaCava, David Little, Tim Lucas, Nancy Manno, Phil Merten, Glen Rasmussen, Greg Salmon, Ray Weiss.

Absent: John Berol

1. Welcome and Call To Order: **Joe LaCava**, President @ 6:05 PM

2. **Verify Quorum** (Need 20% of total Membership)

Quorum verified: **President LaCava** stated: 61 Members are present and noted this was a meeting of the membership.

3. **Adopt the Agenda**

Approved Motion: To adopt the Agenda, (Gabsch/Ashley Unanimous)

4. **Non-Agenda Public Comment**

Issues not on the agenda and *within CPA jurisdiction*, two (2) minutes or less.

Public Comment will be heard during regular monthly meeting following this Member Meeting.

Non-Agenda Public Comment time will be set aside for **District One Councilmember Sherri Lightner**:

Councilmember Lightner expressed her gratitude to the Community for the honor of representing District One and expressed her ongoing commitment to Community Planning Groups as a valuable community asset.

Councilmember Lightner, on behalf of the City of San Diego, then presented Special Commendations to Trustees **Darcy Ashley**, **Michael Costello**, **Tim Lucas**, and **Ray Weiss**, who were present, and to **John Berol** and **Robert Collins**, who were not present, in recognition of their leadership, their years of service as La Jolla CPA Trustees, and their commitment to the community of La Jolla and to the City of San Diego. **Trustee Ashley** thanked **Councilmember Lightner** for her dedication to the LJCPA. **Councilmember Lightner** asked that we recognize Councilmember Faulconer's equal commitment to the La Jolla Community and to the LJCPA.

5. Adjourn to Regular Meeting @ 6:13 PM

FINAL MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

1. Welcome and Call To Order: **Joe LaCava**, President @ 6:15 PM

Present: Michele Addington, (chaired Trustee Elections: joined meeting at Agenda Item #11), Darcy Ashley, Tom Brady, Michael Costello, Dan Courtney, Tony Crisafi, Jim Fitzgerald, Orrin Gabsch, Joe LaCava, David Little, Tim Lucas, Nancy Manno, Phil Merten, Glen Rasmussen, Greg Salmon, Ray Weiss.

Absent: John Berol

2. Adopt the Agenda

Approved Motion: To adopt the Agenda, (Gabsch/Courtney 14/0/1).

In favor: Ashley, Brady, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava.

3. Meeting Minutes: Review and Approval: 04 February 2010

Approved Motion: To approve the Minutes of 04 February 2010, (Ashley/Merten 14/0/1).

In favor: Ashley, Brady, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava.

4. Elected Official Reports – Information Only

A. Council District 2 – Councilmember Kevin Faulconer

Rep: **Thyme Curtis**, 619.236.6622, tcurtis@sandiego.gov

Present: Made report: **Ms. Curtis** noted: San Diego City Council unanimously voted to support a proposed State constitution amendment: Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation Protection Act of 2010. To be placed on the November 2010 ballot. Information on this, and other subject's of community interest can be accessed on Councilmember Faulconer's website.

B. Council District 1 – Councilmember Sherri Lightner

Rep: **Erin Demorest**, 619.236.7762, edemorest@sandiego.gov

Present: Made report: **Ms. Demorest** noted the City Street Division has requested the public report damaged sidewalks, curbs, gutters and potholes, either to Councilmember Lightner's office or directly to the Street Division. Information on this and other subjects of community interest can be accessed on Councilmember Lightner's website.

5. Non-Agenda Public Comment

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Member **Esther Viti**, Chairman of the Nell Carpenter Beautification/Streetscape Committee invited the Community to join her on the second Saturday of each month to participate in "Clean-Up La Jolla."

A. UCSD - Planner: **Anu Delouri**, adelouri@ucsd.edu, <http://commplan.ucsd.edu/>

Present: Made report: Ms. Delouri's report can be accessed online, with additional information available on the UCSD Newsletter website.

Trustee Rasmussen commented on the importance of the La Jolla community providing the LJCPA with pertinent and timely information on Projects presented to the LJCPA, thereby enabling the Trustees to make better-informed decisions that may ultimately affect the entire community. **Trustee Rasmussen** encouraged community participation and **President LaCava** reiterated the importance of community involvement.

Trustee Lucas reported on the ongoing effort to update the La Jolla Shores Planned District Ordinance: announced future meetings, including a discussion of the "VISION" group, meeting Monday, March 08 @ 4:00PM at the Rob Whittemore residence, and requested community involvement in this important project and the immediate need for additional volunteers to staff the working groups and sub-committees. Additional information is available through ljspdoreview@gmail.com.

President LaCava, on behalf of the La Jolla Rec Center, requested donations of used junior tennis rackets for the Children's Tennis Program.

6. President's Report – Action Items Where Indicated

A. Community Planners Committee – <http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpc/index.shtml>

President LaCava suggested the community access the web site for Agenda information.

B. President Voting – Per bylaws ... “does not vote except to make or break a tie”

President LaCava stated he would, as a matter of personal policy, generally not break ties, in order to encourage Trustees to make definitive decisions.

C. Handling of Submitted Petitions

President LaCava, as a matter of personal protocol, will now require those persons submitting petitions to attest to the manner in which signatures are obtained...

D. Medical Marijuana Dispensaries – Goes to Land Use & Housing Subcommittee, March 24.

Last action taken: November 2009.

E. Time Limit Parking – Possibly Change 1-hour to 90-min or 2-hours in Village.

President LaCava indicated the community needs to initiate a conversation with La Jolla merchants in regard to adjusting the time limits for parking in the Village.

F. Torrey Pines Road Corridor – City awards \$170k contract for prelim engineering

President LaCava noted he expects the City to translate the Robert Thiele design into an engineering analysis, with the expectation the City will keep the Community informed on a timely basis, of their plans, thereby insuring that the design parameters, generally agreed upon by the Community, remain intact.

G. Got Damaged Sidewalks? – Call City Streets at 619-527-7500, priority lists now forming!

President LaCava reiterated the information provided by Erin Demorest.

H. Annual Elections – Voting continues until 7:00 pm, votes to be tabulated, results announced (Trustees to ratify).

7. Officer's Reports

A. Treasurer – Jim Fitzgerald

Beginning Balance: \$457.19 + Income \$207.82 – (Expenses \$195.13) = Ending Balance: \$469.88.

Expenses: Printing, telephone, Website domain name renewal/annual maintenance fee.

Trustee Fitzgerald commented on the generosity of the Membership and reminded Trustees, Members and guests: LJCPA is a non-profit organization and must rely solely on the generosity of the community and the Trustees. All donations must be in cash to preserve anonymity.

B. Secretary – Nancy Manno

Presented by **President LaCava**, for secretary **Nancy Manno**: If you want your attendance recorded today, please sign-in at the back of the room. You are entitled to attend without signing in, but only by providing proof of attendance can you maintain membership or become a Trustee. If you want your attendance recorded without signing-in at the back, then hand to me before the end of the meeting a piece of paper with your printed full name, signature and a statement that you want your attendance recorded. Eligible non-members wishing to join the LJCPA must have recorded attendance for one meeting and must submit an application, which is available at the membership table and on-line.

AGENDA ITEM #10 IS TIME CERTAIN @ 6:30 PM:

10. CHILDREN'S POOL PROPOSALS – *Information Only*

Brief Presentation of 2 proposals for joint use of the children's pool; limited to a 10 minute maximum presentation by each side. No discussion or action. This opportunity provided as part of community outreach in advance of the anticipated City Council's Natural Resources Committee's hearing on March 17, 2010.

<http://www.sandiego.gov/city-clerk/officialdocs/legisdocs/ccmeetings.shtml#natural>

Ms. Shannon Player, Docent and **Mr. Jerry Horna**, Docent spoke on behalf of the La Jolla Friends of the Seals: Advocating a Casa Beach Children's Pool Management proposal: 1. Close the beach during pupping season. 2. Keep the guideline rope year round. 3. Declaration that seal watching is the preferred use for Casa Beach. 4. Encourage enforcement of the Marine Mammal Protection Act by National Marine Fisheries.

Mr. John Steele spoke on behalf of the La Jolla Friends of the Children's Pool: Advocated: 1. “Shared Use” policy requires San Diego City to address additional use without precluding public use of Children's Pool. 2. Implement a Management Plan/Implement all mandated uses of the Children's Pool. 3. Implement Municipal Codes, (in place), prohibiting obstruction of public right-of-way. 4. Docents trained in accordance with NMFS/NOAA guidelines. 5. Curtail encroachment/haul-outs at other nearby public beaches: NOAA/NMFS approved.

Mr. John Leek, Secretary, San Diego Council of Divers discussed the 1. The Children's Pool Trust. 2. San Diego City Council 17 February 2009 motion to amend the 1931 Tidelands Trust. 3. SB428. 4. City of San Diego responsibilities regarding the Children's Pool.

Ms. Debbie Beacham Advocated: There is now an opportunity to have a positive impact on the procedure San Diego City will implement to manage the Children's Pool. 1. Recognize two distinct seasons: Seal Priority Season/Human Priority Season. 2. Installation, (only by City of San Diego), of explanatory signage. 3. Removal of Seal feces. 4. Traffic control and Parking study. 5. Employ a Ranger.

President LaCava noted: The "Children's Pool Proposals" was placed on this evening's Agenda to afford an opportunity for the Community to hear proposals regarding joint use of the Children's Pool. The La Jolla Community, after the Trust was amended, expected the various proposals for joint use of the Children's Pool to be presented to the community for input and discussion. At this point there are indications from the City, that the Community may not have an opportunity to express their opinion regarding the various proposals for joint use. **President LaCava** suggested that interested members of the Community plan to attend the San Diego City Council Natural Resources and Culture sub-committee meeting on March 17, 2010, and voice their concerns and opinions. **President LaCava** stated he intends to speak at the meeting and advocate that any/all proposals under consideration must be returned to the La Jolla Community for Community input, discussion and final crafting of a joint use management plan that the City is now required to establish.

President LaCava noted: *Polling is now closed at 7:00 PM. The Election Committee will now collect and count the ballots and report the results to the Trustees and Membership.*

8. CONSENT AGENDA – Ratify or Reconsider Committee Action

Consent Agenda allows the Trustees to ratify actions of our joint committees and boards in a single vote with no presentation or debate. The public may comment on consent items. Anyone may request that a consent item be pulled for full discussion.

Items pulled from this Consent Agenda are trailed to the next CPA meeting.

PDO – Planned District Ordinance Committee, Chair Ione Stiegler, 2nd Mon, 4pm

DPR – Development Permit Review Committee, Chair Tony Crisafi, 2nd & 3rd Tues, 4pm

PRC – LJ Shores Permit Review Committee, Chair Helen Boyden, 4th Tues, 4pm

T&T – Traffic & Transportation Board, Chair Todd Lesser, 4th Thurs, 4pm

A. 7541 EADS AVENUE MAP WAIVER

DPR – Findings can be made for a CDP and Map Waiver, 6-0-1.

7541 Eads - Coastal Development Permit and Map Waiver application to waive the requirements of a Tentative Map to create 5 residential condominiums (currently under construction) on a 0.16 acre site in Zone 5 of the La Jolla Planned District

B. SEA RIDGE RESIDENCE Recused: Trustee Crisafi

DPR - Findings can be made for a Coastal Development Permit for the proposed project, with those portions of the front and east side yard fence above 3' in height to be a min of 75% open in accordance with Sec. 142.0310(c)(2)(C) and as noted on revised Sht A1.1. 5-0-0.

341 Sea Ridge - Reconsideration of previously approved project as scope has changed from "*construct a first floor addition of 267 square feet and a remodel with a new second floor 1,388 square foot addition*" to "*construction of a 2 story 4,519 SF single family residence*". Original proposal preserved existing portions of home; new proposal will demolish entire structure and rebuild portions in kind. Final size, dimensions, and design of the overall proposal are reportedly not being changed.

C. CLEARWIRE COTTONTAIL 2

DPR - Findings cannot be made for CUP (See details in attached minutes), 7-0-0.

5875 La Jolla Mesa Drive - Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communication facility on a light standard with above ground equipment in the public right of way RS-1-2 Zone

D. SPRINT CLEARWIRE COAST BLVD.

DPR – Findings can be made for CUP, 6-1-0.

939 Coast Blvd - Conditional Use Permit for a wireless communication facility on the roof of an existing multi family residential building in Zone 5 of the La Jolla Planned District.

E. V-CALM SIGN ON CARDENO, JUST NORTH OF KAIMALINO LN FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC:

T&T – Recommend approval of V-Calm Sign, 6-0-0 **Pulled: Trustee Courtney**

Approved Motion: Motion to accept the recommendation of the DPR Committee (A) Eads Avenue Map Waiver: Findings can be made for a CDP and Map Waiver, and forward the recommendation to the City. To accept the recommendation of the DPR Committee (D) Sprint Clearwire Coast Boulevard: Findings can be made for CUP, and forward the recommendation to the City. (Ashley/Gabsch 13/0/1).

In favor: Ashley, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava.

Approved Motion: Motion to accept the recommendation of the DPR Committee (C) CLEARWIRE COTTONTAIL 2: Findings cannot be made for CUP, and forward the recommendation to the City. (Ashley/Fitzgerald 13/0/1).

In favor: Ashley, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava.

Approved Motion: Motion to accept the recommendation of the DPR Committee (B) SEA RIDGE RESIDENCE: Findings can be made for a Coastal Development Permit, and forward the recommendation to the City. (Ashley/Fitzgerald 12/0/1).

In favor: Ashley, Costello, Courtney, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava.

Recused: Crisafi

9. REPORTS FROM OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Information only unless otherwise noted

A. LA JOLLA COMMUNITY PARKING DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD – *Inactive*

B. COASTAL ACCESS AND PARKING BOARD – Meets 1st Tues, 4pm, Rec Center
There was no meeting in March.

10. CHILDREN'S POOL PROPOSALS – *Information Only*

Agenda Item 10, heard out of sequence, is Time Certain @ 6:30 PM

11. MARCUS RESIDENCE

PRC – Findings can be made, 5-2-1 (See Pages 22-23 of Trustee Packet)

Pulled from the February Consent Agenda

8551 Sugarman Drive - Demolition of existing house; construction of a new two-story single family house with a basement/garage and a pool. Lot Size: 11,585 sf. Proposed: 4659 SF (originally proposed 6213 SF). La Jolla Shores Planned District.

Project Presented: **Ms. Christine Mannion**, A.I.A., Wallace E. Cunningham, Inc.

Community member, **Ms. Maureen Brown**, representing herself and several un-named neighbors, who had previously submitted letters in opposition to the project, spoke in opposition to the project.

President LaCava noted he had received, and distributed to the Trustees, letters in opposition from: Florence Friedman, Bill Kuncz, Herbert Lazerow, Richard E. Talbot, and letters in support from: Suzy & Bill Butler, Lois S. & Donald H. Dechant, Paul J. & Joyce S. Dostart.

Trustees Merten, Lucas, Ashley, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Manno, Little, Courtney, Costello, Weiss questioned **Ms. Mannion** and engaged in an extensive discussion. PRC Chair **Helen Boyden** commented. Community members **Don Schmidt** and **Cynthia Bond** commented. In response to a question from **President LaCava** regarding general form and rooflines, **Trustee Merten** read from the La Jolla Shores Design Manual. **Trustee Costello**, referring to the letter, written by neighbor, Mr. Herbert Lazerow, in opposition to the project noted that the letter was eloquent, well organized and persuasive.

Approved Motion: Motion to support the decision of the PRC committee: Findings can be made (Crisafi/Fitzgerald 10/4/2)

In favor: Ashley, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Opposed: Costello, Gabsch, Lucas, Manno.

Abstain: Brady, LaCava.

*President LaCava announced the election results: Six Trustees were elected: **President LaCava** certified the results of the Election and thanked **Trustee Addington**, Chair, Election Committee. **Leslie Henegar**, City of San Diego. And Election Committee volunteers: **Scott Benson**, LJCPA **Trustee Tom Brady**, Community members **Tom Walker**, **Jim Perry**.*

12. McCLELLAND RESIDENCE

PRC – Deadlocked, no recommendation (See Pages 17-18 of Trustee Packet)

8360 La Jolla Shores Drive – Site Development Permit and Coastal Development Permit for 2nd and 3rd story addition (to 4091 sq ft total) to an existing 1140 sf single family residence on a 5227 sf site in the SF Zone of La Jolla Shores Planned District.

President LaCava referred Trustees to the February 23, 2010 minutes of the La Jolla Shores Permit Review Committee for pertinent information regarding the inability of the LJSPRC to reach a consensus on this proposed Project.

Project Presented: **Richard Gombes**, Architect representing applicants **William D. & Norma Mc Clelland**, present. **Mr. Gombes** described the proposed Project and provided the Trustees with copies of nine form letters, (prepared by the Applicants), signed by neighbors: Jack Kucera, Susan Tran Richman, Mary S. Drew, Horst Stein, M. H. Edwards, Robert Caviola, Greg Carron, William F. Denny, Safwah D. Salem, in support of the proposed Project.

At **President LaCava's** request, PRC Chair **Helen Boyden** described the differing opinions/concerns expressed by the PRC committee.

Trustees Crisafi, Courtney, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss and **President LaCava** commented and questioned **Mr. Gombes** and the Applicants.

Failed Motion: Motion to return Project to the PRC Committee to recalculate the FAR of the proposed Project, to recalculate the FAR within a 300' radius, provide a table of the neighboring FAR's /building sizes, provide specific design modifications to reduce size and bulk of the Project, (Crisafi/Courtney 5/8/2)

In favor: Brady, Crisafi, Courtney, Manno, Weiss.

Opposed: Addington, Costello, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon.

Abstain: LaCava, Lucas.

Continuing Trustee discussion of the proposed Project: **Trustee Merten** directed the Trustees attention to the La Jolla Shores Design Manual: and read those paragraphs/sentences specifically applicable to the proposed Project, with particular emphasis on roof elements. **Trustees Courtney, Fitzgerald, Little, Lucas, Salmon**, commented. **President La Cava** questioned setbacks. **Trustee Weiss**: noted the PRC voted 4/4 twice, indicating a significant lack of support for the Project, expressed concern re bulk/scale. **Trustee Gabsch** commented on the attractive architecture. **Trustee Crisafi**, agreeing with **Trustee Gabsch**, finds the architecture pleasing, and with some modification would fit into the neighborhood; nonetheless the Trustees are obligated and required to insure the FAR is correctly calculated.

Approved Motion: Motion: Findings cannot be made because: (1) Calculation of the FAR must be accurate per the Land Development Code, (2) Applicant should provide a Neighborhood FAR survey/schedule, submitted to the Planning Department, (3) Applicant is requested to remove cover/remove solid railing on Dining Room Terrace; rearticulate roof over that section of house to reduce apparent bulk of the mass of that portion of the house. (Crisafi/Manno 10/4/1)

In favor: Brady, Costello, Crisafi, Courtney, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Weiss.

Opposed: Addington, Fitzgerald, Rasmussen, Salmon

Abstain: LaCava

13. CHANGE SPEED LIMIT ON TORREY PINES ROAD

T&T – To approve the proposal, 5-1-0.

Pulled from the February Consent Agenda

From Pottery Park Driveway to North Torrey Pines Road - City stated speed survey and accident history support reducing speed limit from 45 mph to 40 mph. (See Page 24 of Trustee Packet for supplemental information.)

President LaCava presented: Trustees **Merten, Salmon, Weiss, Brady** spoke in opposition. Trustees **Courtney, Rasmussen** spoke in support. An extensive discussion followed: Trustees suggested speed reduction might not reduce accidents and would penalize those that adhere to the current speed limit. Several Trustees felt that the real problem was the adverse cross fall of the northbound lanes as one drives through the “ess” curves. The Chair of the T & T sub-committee was directed to work with the city engineers to address these concerns.

Failed Motion: Motion to support the T & T action to approve the Proposal to change the Speed Limit on Torrey Pines Road: Rasmussen/Lucas, (7/7/1)

In favor: Addington, Crisafi, Courtney, Fitzgerald, Lucas, Manno, Rasmussen

Opposed: Brady, Costello, Gabsch, Little, Merten, Salmon, Weiss.

Abstain: LaCava

Approved Motion: Motion to reject the proposal to change the speed limit on Torrey Pines Road: Addington/Courtney, (12/2/1)

In favor: Addington, Brady, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Salmon, Weiss.

Opposed: Fitzgerald, Rasmussen

Abstain: LaCava

14. ADJOURN @ 9:30 PM to Next Regular Meeting on April 1, 2010, 6:00 pm

Next Regular Meeting:

Thursday, 1 April 2010, 1st Meeting with Newly Elected Trustees

Agenda Items

- ✓ Election of CPA Officers

Regular Meeting:

Thursday, 6 May 2010

Agenda Items

- ✓ Committee Appointments