

**SOUTHEASTERN SAN DIEGO PLANNING GROUP (SSDPG)**  
**Minutes**

**November 10, 2014**

1. **CALL TO ORDER (6:02PM), ROLL CALL, AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Members Present: Paul Sweeney, Suzanne Leif, Robert Leif, Vincent Noto, Erik Anderson, Reynaldo Pisaño, Maria Riveroll, James Brown, Jerry Brent Moss, Sr., Reginald Womack (left at 7:05), and Steve Veach.
2. **Approval of the Agenda - Motion to approve the Agenda as revised (removal of approval Minutes, since there are no Minutes available)**  
**Leif/Pisaño MSC 10-0-1 (Womack came in late)**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS: Civic San Diego, Sherry Brooks and Derek Hall:** Application for Promise Zone Designation (which will give our Community preferential points when applying for grants. Also, an advocate will be assigned to us in Washington. The Zone is part of President Obama's Program – Los Angeles, San Antonio, and Philadelphia were designated in 2014. The announcement will be made in January 2015. They need a support letter from us. (See attached).
4. **STAFF REPORTS: Civic San Diego (Sherry Brooks)- Exchanged time for Promise Zone discussion.**  
**Eighth District Council Office, (Martha Zapata):** 1) A new Program called the Sidewalk 75/25 Program for FY 2015, for sidewalk repairs with a share of cost for property owners. The City picks us 75% of the cost. This Program is being implemented City-wide and residents may call the Street Division Customer Service number 619-527-7500 for more information. Question was asked regarding areas with no sidewalks and curves, Martha will get back to us. 2) 25 northbound lanes are being opened at the San Ysidro Port of Entry and include 46 primary inspection booths and a secondary inspection area canopy and construction of a new head house for US Customs and Border Protection. The tenants are US Department of Homeland Security. Expectation is to reduce wait time possibly to as little as 40 minutes.  
  
**Ninth District Council Office (Julio Rivera):** We must be conscious of our water use. There are not restrictions on the use of water Distributed Newsletter. Marti is under-going chemotherapy and doing well. At Willie Henderson Sports Complex, lights 13 new poles were installed and all lights are in operation.  
  
**Fourth District Council (Luis Natividad):** no report.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. **Approval of the Minutes for Special Meeting of September 29, 2014, as revised.**  
**Removed from Agenda- no Minutes available**
- B. **Presentation of Possible New General Member: Jaime Capella:** Met all the criteria to become a member and submitted completed General Membership Application. **Motion: To accept Jaime Capella's General Membership. Veach/Womack 11-0-0** (A written ballot was taken).
- C. **Acceptance of Xavier Aguirre's resignation from the Board.** Resigned by email because he is attending classes, however, he will return. The Chair asked for a vote to accept his resignation by written ballot. The Board did not feel it was necessary to vote by written ballot. (Finding made that a vacancy exists on the Board) by accepting Aguirre's resignation. No motion, show of hands. 11-0-0

**D. Disqualify Jerry Moss as a Board Member due to change in qualifying address.**

Jerry Moss declared that he is a founder and director of the New Name Social Club, although not an official non-profit organization, it serves the club Community. Reginald Womack and Vincent Noto verified that Jerry Moss is involved at the New Name Social Club and is a volunteer worker in the Community. The Chair was unable to verify that the New Name Social Club is a legally established Social Club. A “neighborhood hang-out” is not a non-profit. However, Jerry is a volunteer worker in our Community.

**Motion: To table the item until we are able to determine the status for his eligibility for Board membership. Veach/Pisaño MSC 11-0-0**

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**A. Discussion of Staff Support of the Committee. Chairperson Riveroll presented:**

You have all received a sheet that talks about Conflict of Interest of one Member of the Board. However, Planning Groups are little different. As it affects Planning Groups “Conflict of Interest” means that the Member would have a direct monetary gain from a specific Project that they should recuse him/herself from any vote After consulting with staff and reviewing reference materials (see City Attorney Memorandum MS 59, dated 10/8/2010: “Applicability of Possible Conflicts of Interest Laws to Community to Community Planning Groups,” attached), it was determined that neither members of the planning group nor City staff have conflicts of interest with respect to serving on the Board or supporting the committee. There was Board discussion on this topic including suggestions for how the issue should have been handled, clarification of issues raised, and requests for copies of records. The Chairperson offered sincere apologies to affected parties and urged the Board members to put this issue to rest and move on in a positive manner.

**B. Planner’s Report: None.**

**ADJOURNMENT (7:28PM)**

*Maria Riveroll, Chair (619) 264-5373*