

Mission Canyon Association
Meeting May 3, 2011

Call to Order

Add or corrections to minutes

Correction of sentence explaining Botanic Garden

Quorum:

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| Ray Smith | Alastair Winn | Milt Roselinsky |
| David Axelrod | Kellam de Forest | Cass Ensberg |
| Ralph Daniel | Dory Feldman | Tom Jacobs |
| Alex Feldwinn | Susan Davidson | |

Attended:

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| Bill Howard | Jan Howard | Steve Windhager |
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Old Business:

California Wildlife Protection Plan Status (CWPP) - 2008 History \$200,000 fire grants for county. CWPP should be written for individual organizations, i.e. MCA. Issue with Environmental Defense Council before moving forward. CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) approval needed for specific removal but not for general plan until ready to do it. Important to be able to plan for needed monies after project instead of up front. Salud Carbajal helpful with this issue. Jean Yamamura and Laurie Guitteau email had been sent to those organizations and given a few weeks to respond. Fire Agencies and Environmental Protection has not been met with. Should be able to meet June deadline.

Brush update – CEQA guidelines for over five acres. CWPP issue – come back in 60 days for writing Community Plan. The SBBG and County are not doing anything this calendar year. Facilitated discussion EDC, Los Padres Forest Service and MCA Organize series of symposiums to add to and have informed discussions. Should there be or not environmental review.

Community Consensus Plan – sensitive thing concerning clearing, recommendation that by the end of December of what Brush Ordinance should look like. Riparian growth is addressed by Mission Canyon and Rattlesnake Creek.

Web Cam update – Ralph Daniel reported the purchase of a 27 X zoom to do fire watch at 8 pictures/5 minutes. Located on a hill across from the 101 highway. We will need to have someone monitor Geography department at UCSB and Spark Radio Assoc.

Car Ordinance – Make a change in the County ordinance because there is a history of motor vehicle repair and the storing of clunkers on residential county property over the last 25 to 30 years. County agreed to look at and rewrite ordinance. Will be present to Planning Department but not specific to Mission Canyon. We should have support from Monticito, Summerland and Orcutt. Dirk McKnight, a local contractor, is upset with the

ordinance and thinks the MCA is promoting the ordinance. A copy of the ordinance will be sent to MCA Board. The meeting is at 9:00AM, 5/4/11 at the Planning Commission, room 123 at Co. hearing room. MCA input planned for about 10:30.

SBBG CEO, Steve Windhager requested and MCA provided a letter of support to remove the lower parking area from the master plan. Alex Tuttle will review. This action will serve as a useful model for the Botanic Garden to move forward with their plans. Process is to see what part of the CUP “irks” the SBBG or MCA and then go to County to see it changed. If no common ground, leave it the way it is. Process to start by June or early July. SBBG wants to get consensus from both the MCA and FMC (Friends of Mission Canyon). And coordinate the three groups perspectives. Steve Windhager requests guidance from MCA, i.e. Ray Smith. Steve wants to tweak it with community support.

MC Planning Advisory Committee – Timeline for draft – MCPAC septic systems in 1980’s, county and MCA put together a specific plan to update every 5 years but wasn’t attended to until 5 years ago. County Supervisors 4-5 meetings and 5 workshops planned with an appointed committee of nine members. Plan went through the Environmental Impact Report has a design element. Design guidelines object to provide consistent plans. Given new Straight Brown Act Rules a gathering of 4 or more is a public meeting. To create a new MC Community Plan – Goals to Action Items should be reevaluated if no money is available. Fire is at top of action items. For lines and traffic, money has been funded but Ray will report back. Study and traffic in canyon. Two-hour limit is unrealistic; MCPAC didn’t have a chance to comment on the 1984 – 2008 first plan listed. Water issues – City stonewalled and numbers are in study with data.

Brush Day – Milt Roselinsky reported the event is Saturday, June 11, 9:00- 2:30 at the Rockwood Woman’s Club. Dues must be paid prior to dumping, Marborg is donating their trucks, people will be hired to help, Fire Department will wash down parking lot after event.

Submitted by Susan Davidson

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