



Sorrento Valley Town Council

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SVTC Meeting Minutes
Thursday, Jan 27th, 2022
7:00 pm
Google Meets Meeting

Present from the SVTC Board:

Lil Nover, Susan Carolin, Julia Schriber, Sean Tompkins, Harsh Sangani, Juta Birkenthal

Absent:

Jeaneth Green (with prior notice)

Guests:

Elected Officials:

- a. Councilmember Chris Cate D6
- b. Sheldon Zemen from City Council D6 Chris Cate's office
- c. Denise Torres from City Council D6 Chris Cate's office
- d. Jeff Yuen: County Board of Supervisors D3 Terra Lawson-Remer

Khoa Nguyen

President Lil Nover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda:

- I. Lil made a motion to approve the agenda. Juta seconded and all voted Yes to approve.
- II. Lil made a motion to approve the November 18th meeting minutes. Juta seconded and all voted Yes to approve.

III. Guest Speaker: D6 Councilmember Chris Cate

Lil introduced the guest speaker Councilmember Chris Cate to the members of the meeting and thanked Chris for attending.

2022 will be the last year for Chris to serve as a councilmember for D6. Chris thanked everybody for the good work during the past seven years and promised to stay active in the community after his term ends.

Chris talked about the city budget process that he and the other councilmembers are currently working on. All councilmembers have submitted their budget priorities to the Office of the Independent Budget Analyst. There was a survey conducted to give D6 residents the opportunity to weigh in on their service priorities and as expected, people would like to see improvement on safety, infrastructure, parks and recreation, and brush management. Crime is on the rise in San Diego due to the lack of officers and spending on public safety should be the City's priority according to Chris. San Diego is currently in the midst of hiring a new independent budget analyst. The new budget will be released in April.

Lil asked a question regarding re-districting and the budget. Chris emphasized that he focuses on areas and voters that he currently represents.

Lil introduced to Chris the SVTC board members Sean and Harsh, who each joined the SVTC one year ago.

IV. Elected Officials/Government Agencies

· Jeff's talking points:

Mental Health Crisis Response.

Expanding the countywide Mobile Crisis Response program. There will be a specialized team of mental healthcare technicians to respond to calls received related mental health emergencies. San Diego County is currently working on integrating the program with 911. Until these two are integrated, the number to call in case of mental health emergency is: 888-724-7240.

· Denise's talking points:

Denise encouraged using Get It Done app or calling 619-531-2000. For the 2023 budget updates/priorities, visit sandiego.gov website.

· Sheldon's talking points:

Sheldon introduced Denise to the members of the meeting.

V. Public Comment

No Public comments

VI. Committee Reports

a. CPU update - Julia

Still working on community plan amendments.

Lil announced that the next CPU is on February 24th.

Harsh had a question regarding redistricting timeline. According to Lil, there is an approved map. D6 gained University City and we lost the old Sorrento Valley (still in D1).

b. Presidents report – Lil

Toys for Tots event was a success.

According to the document posted on sandiego.gov website, Sorrento Valley Blvd will be slurry sealed in August. Lil and Michaela will inquire about the area that is going to be sealed.

Lil will not be able to attend the February 17th meeting, Susan with Julia agreed to run the next meeting.

Lil thanked Susan for the great job with SVTC newsletter.

c. Sorrento Valley Railroad station update - Harsh/Sean

Harsh will follow up.

VII. Old Business

a. Neighborhood Little Library update - Susan

We don't need the approval from Pacific Ridge HOA for the library since it is not a permanent fixture. The homeowner whose land will be used for the library fixture, has not gotten back to Susan.

b. Get it Done App push

Lil has sent pictures for everybody to use on Get It Done app and she got more pictures that could be used to draw attention to the poor quality of the streets in Sorrento Valley.

Action Items:

1. Harsh will follow up with Sorrento Valley Railroad station timing change.
2. Susan will follow up with her neighbor regarding Neighborhood Little Library.
3. Lil will inquire about Sorrento Valley Blvd. slurry sealing.
4. Everybody will continue using Get It Done app.

Adjournment: Lil adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Juta Birkenthal, Recording Secretary