Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board

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TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, August 3, 2026 – 6:00 PM

7 Oaks Community Center, 16789 Bernardo Oaks Dr, San Diego, CA 92128

Public participation is encouraged, but note that due to controlled access to the Meeting Room, please arrive at the Seven Oaks Community Center entrance gate by 5:55 PM to attend the meeting.

MEETING MINUTES

Jim Nadlonek – Chair ☒	Robin Kaufman ☐	Emily Liebscher ☒
Gary Long☒	Don Meyers ☒	Hugh Rothman ☐

1. Call to Order – Chair at 6:02 pm
2. Roll Call –
    a. Present: Jim, Emily, Gary and Don
    b. Not Present: Robin and Hugh
3. Chairs Remarks – Main drivers for writing the two letters addressing the long lead times for street light repair and street line striping are safety, budget and ignoring the long backlogs. At the last Board meeting Benjamin Wier suggested we write letters covering the both the street light repair and street lane stripping. Reviewed the City of San Diego (City) Budgets over the years.
    a. SANDAG 2021 plan, page 26:
        i. "Safe Streets, which offer people wider walkways, **more visible crossings**, slower speed, and **protected bikeways**-all of which provide **safe** and **comfortable spaces** for people of all ages and abilities to walk, bike, scoot, use of wheelchair, and more."
        ii. Street light repair and visible street lane stripping repair fits the message from SANDAG.
    b. Budget from 2015 to 2024:
        i. 2015 budget was $3.2 billion while 2024 the budget was $5.82 billion
        ii. Inflation during the same period was approximately 31%.
        iii. Budget increases were approximately 82%.
    c. 2026 budget:
        i. The 2026 budget is $6.4 billion or **+100%** compared to 2015

ii. Back in June, the City Council had plenty of discussions about "budget cuts", the fact is, the City voted an increase in spending from 2025 to 2026 or by +10%.

d. Mid-Mgt staffing has increase by approximately by 400% in recent years and Council Member staffing has increased by ~50%.

4. Public Comment - None
5. Approval of the Minutes – None
6. Discussion/Action Items:

A. Item 1 – Letter regarding street light backlog

a. Only minor comments were implemented.
b. Discussion was around members to report "Get It Done" for current street lights requiring repair could be an action but the City would only respond to issue a Get It Done, which is NOT the purpose for the letters.
c. Letter will be presented for approval by the Board in September.

B. Item 2 – Letter regarding street line striping backlog

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7. Old Business - None
8. Adjourn 6:33 PM