

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CANYON PALMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 - Conducted by ZOOM Video Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Greg Tormo, Chairperson. All Directors were in attendance. A quorum was established. There was no formal agenda but the Board had received an email from the Secretary with the specifics of the proposed motions regarding the possible reduction of the neighborhood boundaries as well as the ONE-PS procedures for reducing a NOrg's boundaries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no members of the public in attendance.

Mr. Vignolo explained that the meeting was to discuss and act on the sole question of whether to reduce the current neighborhood boundaries as described in Article IV of the current bylaws, in response to an initiative by Canyon Estates residents to form their own ONE-PS organization. Directors reviewed the proposed new Canyon Palms Neighborhood Organization (CPNO) map disseminated earlier by Mr. Lancellotti, as well as the Guidelines and Procedures of the Neighborhood Formation and Support Committee (ONE-PS) on Neighborhood Boundaries, Bylaws, Recognition, Derecognition and Inactive Status (Adopted June 2017).

The Chair recognized Mr. Goldberg who reported that 27¹ residents in Canyon Estates had submitted comments through the website regarding the initiative by Canyon Estates residents to form their own ONE-PS organization. 26 comments unequivocally supported the initiative, with one resident supporting the initiative but also stating it may be more influential to have a larger neighborhood organization.

The Board then discussed a motion from Mr. Vignolo to reduce or realign the current boundaries of the CPNO with no conditions. Ms. Anderson seconded the amended motion. The Chair inquired whether the motion to reduce the current boundaries was contingent on Canyon Estates forming its own neighborhood organization or would happen regardless of the outcome of their initiative. Mr. Vignolo explained the motion on the floor could be rejected as introduced if any Director felt the current boundaries should only be reduced **if** Canyon Estates became its own neighborhood organization, or even if something else occurred.

Ms. Anderson reminded the Board that many Canyon Estates residents last October 2019 voiced opposition to Canyon Estates being part of the new neighborhood organization, and that it was quite unusual for over 10% of the residents to respond to an email sent out from their Board encouraging them to send comments to us.

After much discussion, the motion to simply reduce the neighborhood boundaries with no qualifiers was rejected by a vote of one in favor, seven opposed, with no abstentions. The vote was followed by a robust discussion of what conditions must occur or be accepted by the Canyon Estates working group before the Board would agree to amend its Bylaws to reduce the current neighborhood boundaries.

The Board then discussed a second motion introduced by Mr. Vignolo to reduce the CPNO's current neighborhood boundaries per the proposed map which Mr. Lancellotti had circulated but with one or more conditions attached. Prior to a second on the motion, there was discussion about a path forward before voting to change the current neighborhood boundaries.

¹ By the end of that same week, seven additional Members submitted comments via our web form in support of the CE initiative.

Mr. Vignolo reiterated that the Board must define the proposed new boundaries for CPNO and approve an amendment to Article IV of our Bylaws before calling for its consideration by all Members at a General or Special Membership Meeting.

Mr. Vignolo suggested that we redraw our neighborhood's southern boundary to include the NW corner at Sierra Way and Madrona Drive, in front of 2101 Madrona Drive, to allow us to have the city install a CP blade sign on the existing city street sign there. An alternative suggestion was made to work with the city to install some new signage just north of 2101 Madrona (i.e., the CE Executive Home) and before 2095 Madrona Drive. Ms. Kaminsky expressed that this be the back-up plan to our request to install a blade sign on the existing street sign on the NW corner at Sierra Way and Madrona Drive, in front of 2101 Madrona Drive. This was agreed to.

Mr. Tormo proposed that the motion to amend Article IV – Neighborhood Boundaries per the new boundaries shown in the proposed new CPNO map, be amended to have the condition that a solution needs to be found for CP signage along the CPNO's new southern boundary. The solution may be solely between the City of Palm Springs and the CPNO.

All Directors agreed to adopt the new neighborhood boundaries as shown in the proposed CPNO map, contingent on arriving at a mutually agreeable solution to signage along our new southern boundaries. Mr. Goldberg urged the Board to communicate this in the most positive light; the Board has heard the message from the CE HOA about their concerns with CP blade signs at the public entrances to CE, which is similar to our own concerns about having CP blade signs at the public entrances into a redrawn CPNO.

Mr. Vignolo withdrew his initial motion and moved that the Board recommend the approval of the new CPNO boundaries as shown in the proposed Lancellotti map, with the single condition that there be a mutually satisfactory solution to installation of Canyon Palms signage on what will be the new southern boundary. Motion was seconded by Ms. Congleton. **The vote was 7 in favor, none opposed, with one abstention.**

The Board agreed that we would reach out to those CE residents who have donated funds to our CP blade sign initiative to see if they want their donations returned. The Board agreed to have the Communications Officer draft something to post on the home page of our website before the next meeting and that he would email it to all Directors, regarding the possible reduction in our neighborhood boundaries, in response to the initiative by Canyon Estates residents to form their own ONE-PS neighborhood organization.

Mr. Tormo made a motion to adjourn which was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted, David A. Vignolo, Secretary and Official Representative to ONE-PS

Board of Directors of the Canyon Palms Neighborhood Organization