

Complete communities

The residents of San Diego are shocked that this has been sprung on them at the eleventh hour.

At the risk of sounding negative, I would like to share some thoughts that I have had since watching the CPA Special Meeting on 7/16 followed by the City's presentation on Complete Communities that followed:

City presentation 7/16/2020

Not impressed with the City's presentation

Seemed geared toward entertainment rather than presenting well thought out and substantive material backed by research and facts. Another bureaucratic boondoggle

Like so much that the City does, there are a lot of components to this initiative that simply will not work across the board

Just another "Ready Shoot Aim" approach

Another example of "putting the cart before the horse"

It is important not to allow the City to rush any blueprint through without meaningful involvement from the CPGs from around the City

This appears to be Mayor Faulconer's pet project that he is trying to ram through before he leaves office

I believe they said that 500 community member sent in their thoughts- Whoopee!!!

They failed to say how many were in support and how many opposed

Housing stock issues

If Mayor Faulconer truly cares about increasing our housing stock, he should start by simply directing Code Enforcement to enforce the current laws re

STVRs and return these dwellings to our housing inventory to be inhabited by those who want to live, work and go to school here

That's 16,000 "new" units without waiting. The Mayor has sole control over this.

It's a no brainer!

The Climate Action Plan

Unattainable and was not realistic from the get-go

Continuing to make decisions based on something that simply cannot be achieved is insanity

Inadequate Infrastructure

Crumbling sidewalks and streets

Aging water delivery system

Public Safety

Chief Nisleit has made good progress in filling openings in the police department, but it continues to be a struggle with normal retirements and DROP program retirements to have enough personnel to respond to emergencies. Lives are at stake

Emergency vehicles can not navigate the current traffic, how could they navigate greater traffic resulting from increased density? Lives are at stake
La Jolla has very limited ways in and ways out. The evacuation route must remain viable in an earthquake, fire, tsunami, or other natural disasters. Adding density will threaten our safety. People are not going to be riding the 30 bus or a trolley to flee. Lives are at stake

High Quality Transit

What is the definition?

San Diegans' reaction/response is a huge unknown

High quality transit must be up, operational, and show that people will actually use it before adding increased density

80% of the people on the virtual meeting said they rely on their vehicles as their main form of transportation. The majority of those folks will not switch to public transportation, even if it were available

Twice as many people walk as ride public transportation according to the responses from the attendees of the virtual meeting. (Results they posted)

Car - 80%

Public transit - 4%

Biking - 6%

Walking - 8%

Rideshare - 0%

Other - 2%

Does Public transportation work in all parts of San Diego? NO!!!!

The #30 buses aka the "see through bus" (so named because the lack of riders allows you to see straight through and out the other side) passes by Torrey Pines/Ivanhoe Ave East have 0-4 people on them. What a waste of tax dollars. The bus should be downsized and would still accommodate everyone wishing to ride it.

Real high quality public transportation only works in vertical cities with major components underground coupled with amenities close by that do not require transportation

San Diego is a sprawling city that is too low and too spread out to get people to replace their personal vehicles with public transportation.

This proposal is just another Los Angeles waiting to happen

There are cities where public transportation works (New York/Boston/

Washington/Paris/London/San Francisco/Tokyo etc) but it is never going to work for a majority of San Diego. You can't even get people in San Diego to

carpool. And now they think they are going to get them on buses?

We need to find other ways to help the planet

Effects on businesses in the Village/Bird Rock

Don't buy into the theory that increased density will help the La Jolla businesses
Businesses that are the "right fit" don't need help, because they are already successful

The “wrong fit” fail due to either a misjudgment of the location/product/service offered, or over-saturation (too many different entities offering the same product/services)

Some empty retail space is a result of Foreign owned real estate/“Money Parking”

Foreign investors, who want some wealth in the US and profit is not their primary focus. They don't care if the space remains empty