

Community Planning, RG005.27

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Community Planning

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Collection Number: RG005.27

Creator/Collector: La Jolla Historical Society

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Repository: La Jolla Historical Society, La Jolla, California 92037

Abstract: The Community Planning Collection is made up of archival material collected by the La Jolla Historical Society since the 1930s to use for historical research and reference. It includes materials concerning the La Jolla Community Planning Association and other related City of San Diego and community planning information. This material pertains to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California, its people, places and events. A container list is included in the PDF and HTML versions.

Language of Material: English

Access: The Collection is open for research

Publication Rights: The La Jolla Historical Society holds the copyright to any unpublished materials

Preferred Citation: Courtesy of the La Jolla Historical Society

Acquisition Information: RG005.27

Biography/Administrative History: The La Jolla Historical Society inspires and empowers the community to make La Jolla's diverse past a relevant part of contemporary life.

The La Jolla Historical Society's Collections encompass over 80 years of actively collecting archival material, books, maps, scrapbooks, ephemera, fine art, newspapers, street and land use files, business and personal documents and historic and archaeological artifacts. The Society boasts over 20,000 photographs, over 1000 postcards, 400-plus architectural drawings and approximately 200 oral history recordings.

Collecting was initiated by Howard Randolph and volunteers on the historical committee of the Library Association of La Jolla. The Collection began by gathering photographs and documentation in the late 1930s, which later became the nucleus of the La Jolla Historical Society's Collections. The Society was created in 1963.

Through many moves in location the Society continued collecting and expanding. Accumulated Collections took on its current construct in 2010 after the renovation of the La Jolla Historical Society's campus of structures in central La Jolla, which consists of the 1904 Wisteria Cottage and 1940s Balmer Annex used for exhibits and programming, and a 1909 cottage used for business and research offices. The late Ellen Browning Scripps' 1916 automobile garage was also renovated and now houses the Collection in a modern collections storage facility. Materials are housed in archival boxes, sleeves, envelopes and other archival-safe materials and are cared for according to standards and best practices of the museum profession. In 2016, the Society initiated new PastPerfect Museum Software to manage and catalog its Collections and in 2018 started using the Online Archive of California to upload searchable information from its

Collections to enable improved public access. The Society will continue these processes and look forward to utilizing new opportunities to collect, preserve and share the history of La Jolla.

Scope and Content of Collection: The Community Planning Collection is made up of archival material collected by the La Jolla Historical Society since the 1930s to use for historical research and reference. It includes materials concerning the La Jolla Community Planning Association and other related City of San Diego and community planning information. This material pertains to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California, its people, places and events. A container list is included in the PDF and HTML versions.

Container List Below

Container List

RG005 – Subject Files (Large) Box 27.1 – Community Planning

Community Plans and Reports: 1960- 1969

Community plan draft. Bound La Jolla community plan draft. August 1966 (four copies).

Community plan. Wire-bound La Jolla community plan. January 1967 (two copies).

Community Plans and Reports: 1970- 1979

Community plan. La Jolla Shores “Precise Plan” by the Precise Plan Committee. June 1972 (two copies).

Community plan. Bound La Jolla community plan. September 1974.

Local report. “La Jolla Sign Study” report on the prevalence of street signs and advertisements in La Jolla by the City of San Diego Planning Department. 1974-75.

Community plan. La Jolla community plan by the City of San Diego Planning Department. March 3, 1976.

Community plan. Torrey Pines community plan by the City of San Diego Planning Department. June 5, 1974.

Community Plans and Reports: 1980- 1989

Newsletter. La Jolla Kiwanis newsletter for its 60th anniversary. 1985 (three copies).

Local report. “Final Report and Recommendations” by the La Jolla Parking and Business Improvement Association. December 31, 1985 (three copies).

Map. “La Jolla Urban Design Overlay District” map of the La Jolla area. November 8, 1982 (two copies).

Article. Magazine article titled “La Jolla at a Crossroads” by Martin O. Stern on the development of La Jolla. San Diego Magazine. July 1983.

Local report. Report by the City of San Diego Planning Department on the “Local Coastal Program (LCP)”. July 30, 1982.

Local report. Report by the City of San Diego Planning Department on the “Local Coastal Program (LCP)”. July 5, 1983.

Impact report. Impact report by the City of San Diego on the effects of

the La Jolla Community Plan on the local population. February 1983.
Conservation grant. La Jolla Historic Conservation Planning Grant
“Phase I: Study of Natural and Manmade Resources”. May 20, 1981.

**Community
Plans and
Reports: 1990-
1999**

Community plan draft. La Jolla community plan and LCP land use plan
draft. January 1995.

**Community
Plans and
Reports: 2000-
2010**

Community plan draft. La Jolla community plan and LCP land use plan
draft. April 2001.

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RG005 – Subject Files (Large)
Box 27.2 – Community Planning

**Community
Planning
Articles and
Documents: No
Date**

Proposal. La Jolla Shores lifeguard tower/garage proposal.

Personal statement. Statement from John Shelton on La Jollans attempting to place their homes on the National Register of Historic Places (two copies).

Notes. Handwritten notes by Jack Heimburge on local apartments and property taxes in La Jolla.

Petition. List of property owners and addresses against the creation of a Historic District in La Jolla.

Letter. Letter to assemblyman Herschel Rosenthal against the creation of a historic district in La Jolla.

Itemized list. List of public improvements needed for the La Jolla Alta tract.

Article. Article on the Tyrolean Terrace titled "Terrace demolition still not resolved" by Carol Ann Gage.

Letter. Letter from the La Jolla Shores Permit Review Committee on a project permit.

Map. Topographical map of the La Jolla area with various land conveyances from the first half of the 20th century marked.

Itinerary. La Jolla Planning Groups meeting itinerary focusing on pressing issues such as inclusiveness in the community.

Meeting summary. Summary of issues with local residences and how the community voted on them. Includes the Eagle, Romero, and Henely residences.

Article. "Community groups fill need" by Oscar Guerra on the various local community groups in La Jolla. La Jolla Light.

Article. "Planning Association's election made easy" by Craig Delaval on the La Jolla Community Planning Association's elections. La Jolla Light.

Map. Map of proposed areas to convert to diagonal parking in La Jolla by the City of San Diego.

Letter. Letter to Bob Nelson from Althea Cochrane on the large amount of trash in the "Warren Triangle".

Note. Handwritten notes pertaining to various issues brought before the community planning association and how they're connected to different local entities.

Draft. City Council draft of the process for establishing and removing parking meters in La Jolla.

Draft revision. Draft revision to City Council policy 100-18 (parking meter revenues).

Federal document. Criteria for admission into the National Register of Historic Places.

Local document. Document regarding the "Determination of Civil Penalties" and a subsequent comparison of violation rates/costs in nearby cities.

Letter. Letter to Assemblyman Herschel Rosenthal from Don Allison against the admission of local properties into the National Register of Historic Places (two copies).

List. List of members of the State Historical Resources Commission with their names and addresses.

**Community
Planning
Articles and
Documents: Pre-
1970**

Article. Article on the architectural development of the La Jolla business area. La Jolla Journal. August 1, 1929.

Notes. Notes regarding permits issues to Josephine T. Chase on August 26, 1894 and March 29, 1895.

Magazine. "La Jolla-The Jewel" magazine issued by The La Jolla National Bank. Features information on key locations around La Jolla, as well as a significant number of photographs.

Map. Master plot plan map of a La Jolla housing development on La Jolla Boulevard. 1949.

City plan. City plan for La Jolla titled "A Plan for La Jolla" by the San Diego City Planning Commission. September 1946 (two copies).

City plan. Draft of the August 1966 La Jolla Community Plan.

City plan. Draft of the January 1967 La Jolla Community Plan (two copies).

**Community
Planning
Articles: 1970-
1979**

Article. "An Architecture Expert Speaks: "Preserve Us From the Paranoid Preservers" by Reyner Banham. November 12, 1973.

Article. "History Is People Living Their Past In The Present" by Richard E. Reed on the preservation of buildings in La Jolla. San Diego Union. July 23, 1976.

Letter. Letter to the editor titled "Nos to Historic District" by John S. Shelton. La Jolla Light. April 22, 1976 (two copies).

Article. "Plea for preservation" by J. Edward Bungay of the La Jolla

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Historical Society. La Jolla Light. 1970's.

Article. "Low income housing plan draws fire". La Jolla Light. July 31, 1975.

Collection of articles. Series of three articles about the Community Association of La Jolla and its first moves in La Jolla. September-December 1975.

Article. "Area news briefs" by Pat Dahlberg on various community groups and their recent actions in La Jolla. August 17, 1978.

Article. "Your chance to criticize La Jolla Community Plan". La Jolla Light. October 3, 1974.

Article. "Officers selected by Planning Group". San Diego Union. February 10, 1975.

Collection of articles. Series of articles related to the La Jolla Village and its preservation titled "Our La Jolla Village: Going, Going, Gone?". 1970 (two copies).

Article. "La Jolla Project Gains" on a new housing development. November 30, 1974.

Article. "Builders Challenge No-Growth Policy". San Diego Union. September 22, 1974.

Article. "For La Jolla - A community plan: Why it is needed, what it would do". La Jolla Light. August 15, 1974.

Newspaper. December 19, 1974 issue of the La Jolla Light with many articles and editorials related to community planning and events.

Article. "City to get community plan draft". January 23, 1975.

Article. "Petaluma Backs 'No-Growth' Stand". San Diego Union. February 15, 1975.

Article. "TV talk features leaders". La Jolla Light. March 13, 1975.

Article. "La Jollans, Inc. ponders stands on impact reports". La Jolla Light. April 17, 1975.

Article. "California's Coastal Plan - Who's in Charge?" on the differing views of Robert H. Mendelsohn and R.M. McNeely. San Diego Union. February 28, 1975.

Article. "What if no community plan had been drawn?". La Jolla Light. February 5, 1976.

Article. "Overpass work started". La Jolla Light. February 19, 1976.

Collection of articles. Dozens of La Jolla Light articles pertaining to the creation, implementation, and revisions of a community plan for La Jolla and Torrey Pines. 1974-1975.

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Articles: 1980-1989

Article. "Preserving the past is goal" by Mike Krey. La Jolla Light. 1980's.

Article. "Ciani-Somerville survey stand - Part II". La Jolla Light. April

30, 1981,

Article. "Are they architects?" by Mary Kay Clark. November 13, 1980.

Article. "Historic grant irks trustees". La Jolla Light. February 21, 1980.

Article. "Property rights endangered by study". La Jolla Light. June 4, 1981.

Article. Opinion piece by John Sasso on why local buildings should not be saved. August 9, 1984.

Article. "Build a base for preservation" by Don Reeves on the preservation of local buildings. August 1984.

Article. "La Jolla projects in city's budget" by Pat Dahlberg. 1980's.

Collection of articles. Series of articles on the La Jolla commercial building moratorium. Mid-1980's.

Article. "La Jolla has ring of gold" by Mike Krey. La Jolla Light. February 11, 1982.

Article. "North-south link up should be studied". La Jolla Light. May 21, 1981.

**Community
Planning
Articles: 1990-
1999**

Collection of articles. Series of articles related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association and the California Coastal Commission. La Jolla Light, La Jolla Village News, and San Diego Union-Tribune. 1990-1998.

**Community
Planning
Articles: 2000-
2009**

Collection of articles. Series of articles related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association and the California Coastal Commission. La Jolla Light and the La Jolla Village News. 2001-2006.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
1970-1979**

Letter. Letter to Key City Officials from John C. Rose about the preservation of buildings in La Jolla Includes attached article on Ellen Browning Scripps. July 17, 1970.

Study. Parking-related study of La Jolla, 1979-2000.

Brochure. A-95 Clearinghouse Review Process booklet by the Comprehensive Planning Organization of San Diego.

Community plan. Incomplete La Jolla community plan. 1974.

Precise plan. La Jolla Shores precise plan for the preservation and future development of the area. San Diego City Council. June 1972 (three copies).

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Precise plan. La Jolla Shores precise plan for the preservation and development of the area. Includes amendments to the June 1972 plan. July 1976.

City report. Report to the City of San Diego titled: "Temporary Paradise? – A Look at the Special Landscape of the San Diego Region". Detailed overview of the county and its infrastructure. September 15, 1974 (three copies).

**Community
Planning
Documents:
1990-1999**

Collection of documents. Series of official documents pertaining to the San Diego City Council and La Jolla Community Planning Association. July 1990-August 1993.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2000-2001**

Collection of documents. Series of city documents and printed emails pertaining the La Jolla Community Planning Association and the City of San Diego. 2000-2001.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2002**

Collection of documents. Series of local documents, printed emails, schedules, and itineraries related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association. 2002.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2003 Pt. I**

Collection of documents. Series of local and city documents, bylaws, hearing summons, election notices, schedules, and printed emails related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association. 2003.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2003 Pt. II**

Collection of documents. Series of local documents, membership rosters, printed emails, vote counts, and schedules related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association and its activities. 2003.

**Community
Planning
Documents:**

2004-2010 Pt. I

Collection of documents. Series of documents related to the Torrey Pines Road Study, meeting schedules, agendas, and a mitigated negative declaration related to the LJCPA and City of San Diego. 2004-2007.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2004-2010 Pt. II**

Collection of documents. Series of documents, schedules, printed emails, and reports regarding the City of San Diego, La Jolla, and the La Jolla Community Planning Association. 2004-2008.

**Community
Planning
Documents:
2004-2010 Pt. III**

Collection of documents. Significant collection of printed emails, memorandums, reports, vote counts, and meeting schedules related to the La Jolla Community Planning Association and the San Diego City Council. 2004-2010.

**Community
Planning - Old La
Jolla Historic
District: 1976-
1977**

Collection of documents. Series of articles, letters, city documents, maps, and state documents regarding to the creation of a nationally registered historic district in La Jolla. Features arguments both for and against. 1976-1977.

**Community
Planning - LJ
Historic
Conservation
Plan: 1974-1981**

Collection of documents. Series of maps, letters, city ordinances, state legislature, grants, and articles about the La Jolla Historic Conservation Plan. Included documents follow the process of individuals like Tony Ciani to introduce and implement such programs to preserve significant places around La Jolla. 1974-1981.

**Community
Planning - LJ
Business
Improvement
District: 1988-
1994**

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Collection of documents. Considerable number of articles, propositions, letters, meeting agendas, and budgets related to the creation and management of a Business Improvement District in La Jolla. Follows the proposal of said district until its implementation. 1988-1993.

**Community
Planning Letters
Pt. I**

Series of letters. Dozens of letters from Mary Sommerville, Tony Ciani, the Shelton family, and various government officials regarding the creation of a historic district in La Jolla. Includes support for both sides, as well as documents involving the La Jolla Historical Society's role in the debate. 1975-1985.

**Community
Planning Letters
Pt. II**

Series of letters. Numerous letters related to the La Jolla Town Council, Community Planning Association, John Shelton, as well as various community related ordinances and improvements over roughly three decades. 1974-2003.

Container List

RG005– Subject Files (Large) Box 27.3 – Community Planning

Community Planning – Environmental Impact Reports

Environmental impact report. City of San Diego draft of an environmental impact report for the 2007 General Plan revision. April 26, 2007.

Environmental impact report. University of California, San Diego environmental impact report for the renovation of the University House. June 20, 2011 (two volumes).

Environmental impact report. WESTEC Services environmental impact report for the demolition of the Green Dragon Colony. August 1987.

Compact disc. City of San Diego draft of the program environmental impact report on disc. April 2007 (two copies).

Community Planning – La Jolla Community Plans

Community plan. La Jolla community plan created by La Jollans Inc. and the City of San Diego. June 1976 (three copies).

Community plan. La Jolla community plan draft by the City of San Diego. June 1966 (two copies).

Community plan. La Jolla community plan and local coastal program land use plan prepared by the City of San Diego. January 1995 (two copies).

Community plan. La Jolla community plan and local coastal program land use plan prepared by the City of San Diego. July 2001.

Community plan. La Jolla community plan and local coastal program land use plan prepared by the City of San Diego. September 2001.

Community plan. La Jolla community plan by the San Diego City Planning Commission. Also known as the “Elliot Plan”. September 1946.

Community plan. San Diego City community plan titled “Open Space for San Diego”. Includes a child’s note to President Kennedy about preserving his favorite local area. May 1968.

Community Planning – Miscellaneous Plans/Reports

Formal nomination. Nomination of Windemere-Gill Cottage to the California Register of Historic Places by Diane Kane and Angeles Leira. December 2011.

Report. Scripps Estates Associates report on the first fifty years of the SEA as an organization and housing development. 2001.

Report. Historical Resources Board report and extensive photograph documentation of Blackhorse Ranch and the buildings present there. 2004.

Report. Report on Scripps Park titled "Scripps Park Then and Now" about the history and usage patterns of the park over time. 2000's.

Report. California Coastal Plan prepared by the California Coastal Zone Conservation Commissions. December 1975.

**Community
Planning - Land
Development:
1999**

Development code. San Diego Municipal Land Development Code. September 28, 1999 (two copies).

**Community
Planning - Land
Development:
2000**

Manual. City of San Diego Land Development Manual. January 3, 2000 (two copies).

**Community
Planning - Land
Development:
2001**

Manual. City of San Diego Land Development Manual project submittal requirements. May 1, 2001.

Manual. City of San Diego Land Development Manual project submittal requirements revision. October 2, 2001.

**Community
Planning - Land
Development:
2002**

Collection of documents. Series of City of San Diego documents related to the zoning, permit, and preservation procedures required for significant land development in the region. 2002.

**Community
Planning -
Letters**

Letter. Letter written by San Diego City Councilman Gerald C. Crary on the 1946 "Elliot Plan" for La Jolla. January 1947.

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RG005 – Subject Files (Large) Box 27.4 – Community Planning

Community Planning – Reports

Report. “La Jolla – La Jolla Shores: Local Coastal Plan Addendum” by the City of San Diego. January 22, 1982.

Report. Community Economic Analysis report by the Real Estate Research Corporation for La Jollans Incorporated. March 1965.

Report. Environmental impact report for the demolition of the Green Dragon Colony by the City of San Diego. March 31, 1988.

Report. Torrey Pines City Park development plan report by the Pekarek Group. August 1981.

Report. Cultural landscape report on Scripps Park titled the “Scripps Park Project”. 2000’s.

Report. Historical and architectural report for 415, 417, 425 Ravina Street and 7515 Olivetas Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037. 2000.

Report. Historic resource research report for Villa Francesca (345 Via Del Norte, La Jolla, CA 92037) prepared by the La Jolla Historical Society and the La Jolla Landmark Group. September 2013.

Community Planning – La Jolla Community Plans

Community plan. La Jolla community plan prepared by La Jollans Inc. September 1974 (three copies).

Community plan. La Jolla community plan prepared by the City of San Diego. January 1967.

Community plan. La Jolla 1975 community plan reprint. September 1980.

Community plan. La Jolla community plan prepared by the City of San Diego. August 1966.

Community Planning – Miscellaneous

Pamphlet. Pamphlet on San Diego historical landmarks titled “Historical Landmarks of San Diego County” by the San Diego Historical Society. 1959.

Community Planning – LJ Community Plan Update

Collection of documents. Extensive array of local and city documents regarding significant revisions to the La Jolla Community Plans of the 1960's and 1970's. Comprised of four folders of the aforementioned material. 2000's.