



FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025  
10:00 A.M.

FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
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I. PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Mendelson called the Fallbrook Public Utility District's Community Benefit Program ("FPUD CBP") Committee's November meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

A quorum was established and attendance was as follows:

Committee Members

Present: Jim Mendelson, Chair  
Lila Hargrove, Vice Chair  
Mavis Canpinar  
Jerry Kalman  
Leticia Maldonado/Stamos  
Tiffany Saxon  
Elana Sterling

Absent: None

District Staff Present: Lauren Eckert, Executive Assistant/Board Secretary

Also present: Fourteen people attended in person.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Saxon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA PER GC § 54954.2(b) - None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Committee Member Kalman moved to approve the agenda as presented; Committee Member Sterling seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Kalman, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, Saxon and Sterling

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Mendelson called for public comment on non-agenda items. No comments were received at this time.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -----(ITEM A)**

**A. OCTOBER 13, 2025 COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (ATTACHMENT A)**

**MOTION:** Committee Member Kalman moved to approve the October 13, 2025 Community Benefit Program Committee meeting minutes; Committee Member Sterling seconded. Motion carried; **VOTE:**

**AYES:** Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Kalman, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, Saxon and Sterling

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**III. ACTION/DISCUSSION -----(ITEMS B–D)**

**B. ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPLICATION SCORING, ASSIGNMENTS TO TIERS I, II, III, AND DETERMINATION OF FUNDING AWARDS**

Committee Chair Mendelson explained the scoring process and that projects were broken down into three tiers. He also announced this was the first year that the amount of projects surpassed the amount of available funding. He commended Vice Chair Hargrove for sorting through the scoring and explained she would report on project scoring and summarize comments from the Committee.

Vice Chair Hargrove explained there were a total of 19 projects considered, with seven of them in the top green tier, six in the middle tier, and six in the bottom tier. She started summarizing the top green tier, starting with the project with the highest score and working down. The total funding requested for projects in the green tier included \$583,435.

Vice Chair Hargrove summarized each project, including the total funding requested, the number of Committee Members who suggested funding in full, funding with changes, or not funding at all, along with comments from Committee Members.

The Committee discussed the top tier projects, which included projects from Fallbrook Land Conservancy for Los Jilqueros Preserve maintenance, safety, and public access improvements (\$90,500 requested) and Save Our Forest treescape and downtown beautification (\$26,455 requested), Fallbrook Regional Health District for education building ADA compliant bathrooms (\$165,280 requested), Fallbrook Village Association for parks preservations and conservation, Jackie Heyneman Park and Pico Promenade (\$24,900 requested) and parks preservation and conservation of Vince Ross Square and railroad maintenance (\$24,900 requested), North County Fire Protection District for renovation and modernization of Roy Noon Meeting Hall (\$200,000 requested), and Fallbrook Sports Association for routine monthly maintenance (\$51,400 requested).

Representatives from various organizations with projects included in the green tier, including the Fallbrook Land Conservancy, Fallbrook Regional Healthcare District, North County Fire Protection District, and Fallbrook Village Association stepped to the podium to provide additional project details and/or answer Committee Member questions.

1. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Land Conservancy and its project identified as Los Jilqueros Preserve maintenance, safety, and public access improvements in the amount of \$90,500; Committee Member Hargrove seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: Committee Member Kalman recused himself

ABSENT: None

2. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Land Conservancy and its project identified as Save Our Forest treescape and downtown beautification in the amount of \$26,455; Committee Member Canpinar seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: Committee Member Kalman recused himself

ABSENT: None

3. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fund the Fallbrook Regional Health District and its project identified as education building ADA compliant bathrooms in the amount of \$120,000; Committee Member Hargrove seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Hargrove, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: Committee Members Canpinar and Kalman  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

4. MOTION: Committee Member Hargrove moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Village Association and its project identified as parks preservation and conservation of Jackie Heyneman Park and Pico Promenade in the amount of \$24,900; Committee Member Sterling seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, and Saxon  
NOES: Committee Member Sterling  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

5. MOTION: Committee Member Kalman moved to fully fund the North County Fire Protection District and its project identified as renovation and modernization of Roy Noon Meeting Hall in the amount of \$200,000; Committee Member Saxon seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Hargrove, Kalman, Maldonado/Stamos, and Saxon,  
NOES: Committee Members Mendelson and Sterling  
ABSTAIN: Committee Member Canpinar recused herself  
ABSENT: None

6. MOTION: Committee Member Mendelson moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Village Association and its project identified as parks preservation and conservation in the amount of \$24,900; Committee Member Canpinar seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling  
NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

7. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Sports Association and its project identified as routine monthly maintenance in the amount of \$51,400; Committee Member Canpinar seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling  
NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

The Committee discussed the middle tier projects, which included projects from Mission Resource Conservation District for Mission Road medians (\$99,262 requested), Fallbrook Youth Baseball for septic tank repair and expansion (\$27,567 requested), Fallbrook Sports Association for retro-fitting of existing field lighting with dark sky LED lighting for three fields (\$314,812 requested), Fallbrook Trails Council for excavation and trail repairs (\$30,000 requested), Mission Resource Conservation District for the Fallbrook Community Garden (\$119,888 requested), and the Fallbrook Fire Safe Council for fire safe signage (\$10,500 requested). Representatives from Mission Resource Conservation District, Fallbrook Sports Association, and the Fallbrook Trails Council stepped to the podium to provide additional details about their project(s) and/or answer Committee Member questions.

8. MOTION: Committee Member Mendelson moved to fund the Mission Resource Conservation District and its project identified as Mission Medians in the amount of \$51,312; Committee Member Sterling seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Youth Baseball and its project identified as septic tank repair and expansion in the amount of \$27,567; Committee Member Saxon seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

10. MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved to fund the Fallbrook Sports Association and its project identified as system retrofit of existing field lighting with dark sky LED lighting for three fields in the amount of \$214,812; Committee Member Canpinar seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Maldonado/Stamos, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

11.MOTION: Committee Member Mendelson moved to fully fund the Fallbrook Trails Council and its project identified as excavation and trail repairs in the amount of \$30,000; Committee Member Kalman seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Kalman, Mendelson, and Saxon

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: Committee Member Sterling recused herself

ABSENT: None

12.MOTION: Committee Member Sterling moved not to fund the Mission Resource Conservation District and its project identified as the Fallbrook Community Garden; Committee Member Kalman seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Kalman, Mendelson, and Saxon

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

13.MOTION: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos moved not to fund the Fallbrook Fire Safe Council and its project identified as fire safe signage; Committee Member Kalman seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Kalman, Maldonado/Stamos, and Mendelson

NOES: Committee Members Hargrove, Saxon, and Sterling

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

The Committee took a short recess at 11:14 a.m. and reconvened at 11:18 a.m.

The bottom tier of projects included projects from the Fallbrook Village Association for the refurbishment and preservation of Pico pathway and curbing, Heyneman Park asphalt accessway and parking area (\$89,400 requested), Fallbrook Trails Council for maintenance and security services (\$25,000 requested), Fallbrook Center for the Arts, Inc. for an outdoor stage (\$50,000 requested), Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society for lot improvement, fencing, handicap parking, gates, paving, and striping (\$109,000 requested), Fallbrook Senior Center for roof tiles, solar panels, sidewalks and driveways power washing

(\$3,200 requested), and Fallbrook Trails Council for arborist services (\$9,800 requested).

Representatives from the Fallbrook Village Association, Fallbrook Trails Council, and Fallbrook Center for the Arts stepped to the podium to further discuss their projects and/or answer any questions from the Committee.

C. REVIEW OF THE CBP UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS (ATTACHMENT B)

Chair Mendelson announced the next FPUD regular Board meeting was December 8, 2025, at which time CBP Committee members will be present to discuss the Committee recommendations put forth to the full Board for funding. The total amount of funding to be recommended is \$861,846.

Chair Mendelson requested public comments on the application process by the end of 2025.

D. DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM COMMITTEE LOGO (ATTACHMENT C)

MOTION: Committee Member Canpinar moved to adopt the proposed Community Benefit Program Committee logo; Committee Member Kalman seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Committee Members Canpinar, Hargrove, Kalman, Mendelson, Saxon, and Sterling

NOES: Committee Member Maldonado/Stamos

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

IV. **WORK GROUP REPORTS**..... (ITEMS E–H)

E. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

There was no report from the Administrative Procedures Work Group.

F. PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT

There was no report from the Proposal Development Work Group.

G. CONTRACT OVERSIGHT

There was no report from the Contract Oversight Work Group.

H. PUBLIC OUTREACH

There was no report from the Public Outreach Work Group.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

*Next regularly-scheduled Committee Meeting – December 8, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.*

Committee Members shall submit December Agenda items to Committee Chair Mendelson on or before November 28, 2025.

MOTION: Chair Mendelson moved to adjourn; Committee Member Sterling seconded. A vote commenced, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

  
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Chair, Community Benefit Committee

ATTEST:

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Secretary, Community Benefit Committee