

**GREATER NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES (CORRECTED)
August 17, 2004**

Called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Attendance

Attendance at this meeting

Elaine Boyd, Lan Bubb, Peter Dennehy, Vicki Granowitz, Richard Kurylo, James Longley, John Stewart McGaughy, Judith O'Boyle, Mike Petrogeorge, Keoni Rosa, Al Smith, Maureen Westfall.

Absent was Michael Branch (excused), Jason DeFay (excused), Michael Powers (excused)

Subcommittees, liaisons, and leadership roles since previous meeting

Between the July 20 and August 17 Planning Committee meetings, there were no Public Relations, Bylaws, or North Park Library Task Force meetings.

Elaine Boyd:	None.
Michael Branch:	None reported.
Lan Bubb:	Urban Design/Project Review, Public Facilities/Parks/Housing, Lafayette Hotel event.
Jason DeFay:	None.
Peter Dennehy:	None (on vacation).
Vicki Granowitz:	Balboa Park Committee, Clean Needle Exchange Program, Rec Council, Vice Chair
Richard Kurylo:	Urban Design/Project Review, Project Area Committee, North Park Main Street, Lafayette Hotel event, Secretary.
James Longley:	Transportation (Chair), Project Area Committee
John Stewart McGaughy:	Urban Design/Project Review (Chair), North Park Main Street, Lafayette Hotel event.
Judith O'Boyle:	Transportation, Urban Design/Project Review, Maintenance Assessment District.
Mike Petrogeorge:	Urban Design/Project Review, Public Facilities/Parks/Housing, North Park Main Street, other meetings (not specified).
Michael Powers:	Urban Design/Project Review, Community Planners Committee, Chair.
Keoni Rosa:	Urban Design/Project Review.
Al Smith:	Urban Design/Project Review, Maintenance Assessment District.
Maureen Westfall:	Urban Design/Project Review, Lafayette Hotel event, Treasurer.

Announcements

- Maureen Westfall announced the final in a series of five Summer Concerts by the North Park Community Association this Saturday at Bird Park.
- Richard Kurylo distributed surveys for the North Park Community Association on behalf of Bertha Klan regarding the North Park book.

Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE GREATER NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2004. (Smith/McGaughy). Motion passed 12-0-0.

Treasurer's Report

There has been no change from last month. The cash balance as of August 17, 2004, was \$474.28.

Official's Report

- Lisa Hom from County District 4 (County Supervisor Ron Roberts) announced a program on September 19 about Hydrogen fuel cells for cars. It will be at the County building. In addition, a press release was distributed about the County's cancer website called "Cancer Navigator." Hom's phone number is (619) 531-6454
- Todd Gloria from U.S. Congressional District 53 (Congresswoman Susan Davis) distributed two "nifty" handouts. One was the July/August *Davis Dispatch* newsletter and the other was a "Special Veterans Report." A grant-writing workshop will be given at USD on September 18 from 9-3.
- Robert Young from the Office of the Mayor (Mayor Dick Murphy) informed meeting attendees that there would be no City Council meeting for three weeks. It is their summer recess. The Mayor and City Council are grieved with the passing of

Councilmember Charles Lewis. The Mayor's August edition of *The Murphy Messenger* was distributed. Young's phone number is (619) 236-7064.

Reordering of the Agenda

There was no reordering of the agenda.

Public Comment

- Mike Aguirre is a candidate for City Attorney. He talked about the importance of having an independent City Attorney that represents the people.

Consent Agenda

4080 Texas Street was pulled from the consent agenda because the assessment letter has not yet been received.

4120 Kansas Street

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE MAP REQUEST FOR 4120 KANSAS STREET TO CONVERT 20 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE FOLLOWING FIVE STANDARD SET OF CONDITIONS AS APPLICABLE: HISTORIC SIDEWALK STAMPS AND SCORING BE PRESERVED, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL FOR RENTERS, NEW AND APPROPRIATE LANDSCAPING AS NEEDED, ON-SITE PARKING BE MAXIMIZED, AND OPPOSITION TO THE EXEMPTION TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

(McGaughy/Westfall). Motion passed 12-0-0 as a consent item.

4165 Alabama Street

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE MAP FOR 4165 ALABAMA STREET TO CONVERT 9 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE CONDITION THAT 8 FEET BE LANDSCAPED IN FRONT OF AND ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING TO PROHIBIT TANDEM PARKING AND IMPROVE THE ESTHETIC OF THE PROJECT, AND WITH THE FOLLOWING FIVE STANDARD SET OF CONDITIONS AS APPLICABLE: HISTORIC SIDEWALK STAMPS AND SCORING BE PRESERVED, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL FOR RENTERS, NEW AND APPROPRIATE LANDSCAPING AS NEEDED, ON-SITE PARKING BE MAXIMIZED, AND OPPOSITION TO THE EXEMPTION TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

(McGaughy/Westfall). Motion passed 12-0-0 as a consent item.

2143 32nd Street

MOTION: TO APPROVE A MAP WAIVER TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A TENTATIVE MAP FOR 2143 32ND STREET TO CONVERT 2 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE FOLLOWING FIVE STANDARD SET OF CONDITIONS AS APPLICABLE: HISTORIC SIDEWALK STAMPS AND SCORING BE PRESERVED, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL FOR RENTERS, NEW AND APPROPRIATE LANDSCAPING AS NEEDED, ON-SITE PARKING BE MAXIMIZED, AND OPPOSITION TO THE EXEMPTION TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

(McGaughy/Westfall). Motion passed 12-0-0 as a consent item.

4094 Mississippi Street

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE MAP FOR 4094 MISSISSIPPI STREET TO CONVERT 8 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE FOLLOWING FIVE STANDARD SET OF CONDITIONS AS APPLICABLE: HISTORIC SIDEWALK STAMPS AND SCORING BE PRESERVED, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL FOR RENTERS, NEW AND APPROPRIATE LANDSCAPING AS NEEDED, ON-SITE PARKING BE MAXIMIZED, AND OPPOSITION TO THE EXEMPTION TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

(McGaughy/Westfall). Motion passed 12-0-0 as a consent item.

1732 Myrtle Avenue

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MAP WAIVER FOR 1732 MYRTLE AVENUE TO CONVERT 4 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE FOLLOWING FIVE STANDARD SET OF CONDITIONS AS APPLICABLE: HISTORIC SIDEWALK STAMPS AND SCORING BE PRESERVED, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL FOR RENTERS, NEW AND APPROPRIATE LANDSCAPING AS NEEDED, ON-SITE PARKING BE MAXIMIZED, AND OPPOSITION TO THE EXEMPTION TO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

(McGaughy/Westfall). Motion passed 12-0-0 as a consent item.

Action Items

Four-Way Stop Signs at the Intersection of 29th Street and Palm Avenue

James Longley said that the City reviewed the intersection of 29th Street and Palm Avenue for four-way stop signs. They did not approve the four-way stop, but neighbors overwhelmingly approved it. The Transportation Subcommittee unanimously approved the four-way stop signs. Judith O'Boyle submitted to the Secretary over 75 signatures in favor of the stop signs on behalf of the residents surrounding the intersection. Martin Kruming spoke in favor of the signs. His primary concern was that cars have been diverted from Redwood Street because of the four-way stop installed there. There are both more cars and speeding cars. He urged approval. Geoffrey McCloud spoke in approval of the signs. He said that the problem is especially bad around rush hour. Ozzie Gontang supported the signs. He asked that they be installed as temporary at the very minimum. He was hoping that it would be installed one intersection closer to 30th Street, but the City said that it would be too close to 30th. Clyde Hayden said that the cars are traveling fast through the intersection. He supported the signs. Louis Sangiolo said that there is a proliferation of stop signs in North Park and opposed the stop signs. He said the noise and pollution resulting from too many signs is problematic.

Longley said that the Transportation Subcommittee tries to discourage stop signs because everybody wants one. He said that stop signs are the cheapest form of traffic calming. Eighty percent of signs requested of the subcommittee do not get accepted. The signs at 29th and Palm have the greatest support from surrounding neighbors. All signs are installed as interim signs.

Redwood lost 1,000 cars per day and Palm gained 1,000 cars per day as a result of the stop signs installed at 29th and Redwood. O'Boyle said that the Transportation Subcommittee has been heavily attended by those on Palm Street. Richard Kurylo said that the Redwood stop sign was a mistake and should be removed. Longley said that the Palm Street residents want the stop sign regardless because of the problem with speeding cars. Keoni Rosa asked what the next intersection receiving a stop sign would be if we approved this one.

Robert White objected to the sign because he wonders if the problem has been reviewed holistically. He noticed that the problems began when the Redwood sign was installed. He said the major problem was at 28th & Palm. Perhaps there is a better location for stop signs. Longley said that an island (divider) is planned for 28th and Palm. It has yet to be installed. Maureen Westfall said that she agrees with the stop sign proposal. O'Boyle talked about all of the suggestions that have been made for that area. Christine Bianchi said that she almost hit somebody at the 29th and Palm intersection the other day. She said that people are traveling on Palm to bypass the signal at Redwood and 30th and the stop sign at Redwood and 29th. The signal is the problem.

MOTION: TO INSTALL AN INTERIM FOUR-WAY STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF 29TH STREET AND PALM AVENUE.

(Longley/O'Boyle). Motion passed 10-2-0. Bubb and Kurylo voted in opposition.

Subcommittee Reports/Liaisons

Urban Design/Project Review Subcommittee

- The next meeting is August 30.
- Agenda items for the August 30 meeting include the Lafayette Hotel, a project near Paesano's, and the University Avenue Mobility Plan. The Transportation Subcommittee will look at the University Avenue plan as well.
- Richard Kurylo said that water backflow devices installed in the middle of sidewalks have become problematic. It would be ideal if the Urban Design/Project Review Subcommittee could review the item.

Public Facilities/Parks/Housing Subcommittee

- The City of San Diego presented a sewer project in Burlingame. A map of the project area was distributed. The project will occur from March to December, 2006. Construction times will be from 8:30 to 3:30. Street damage repair will cost about \$10million. Vicki Granowitz said that there is "redirection of flow" of sewer lines from canyons to streets.
- The District 3 sidewalk study was reviewed. Walking data was given to the City. They will make some maps and offer suggestions. The goal is to identify areas of concern. Grim Street is a problem when it rains.
- The parcel at Landis and ~~Ivy~~ Boundary is being reviewed as a possible public park.

Transportation Subcommittee

- Conformity of parking signs at the North Park Community Park was reviewed.
- A four-way stop at Granada and Thorn was on the agenda.
- Visibility issues at 32nd and Juniper were discussed.

- The divider at Palm and 28th is being reviewed.
- The intersection at Nile and Myrtle is being reviewed because of problems with speeding.

Public Relations

- Lan Bubb said that the August meeting was cancelled because of an event at the Lafayette Hotel.

Bylaws Subcommittee

- There was no meeting yet this month.

Community Planners Committee (CPC)

- The discussion about the Big Box Ordinance was delayed.
- The August meeting was cancelled.

North Park Redevelopment Project Area Committee (PAC)

- PAC liaison Roger Lewis was not present. James Longley reported.
- North Park Main Street made a quarterly report, which was very elaborate. The report was requested by the PAC because North Park Main Street is funded in part by redevelopment funds.
- The La Boheme project is moving forward. A “Resolution of Necessity” was passed by the City Council to have Rite Aid “relocated.” A La Boheme construction update is on the North Park Community Association and North Park Main Street websites.

Law Enforcement Committee

- Richard Kurylo read a report on behalf of Bertha Klan.
- The Police Storefront is looking for a new location. They have to be out of their present location by August 20. An architectural firm is moving into the old building. Mary Coats said that the Police Storefront may be located in the San Diego National Bank building. Ed LaValle can still be reached at the same phone number.
- Car thefts are down. In fact, all crime is down this month.
- At the August meeting, there will be a parking person available. The meeting will be at the Adult Center.

North Park Library Task Force

- No report.

Balboa Park Committee

- The golf course bathrooms on Pershing will be made ADA accessible.

Clean Needle Exchange Program

- A final report ~~will be presented at the Clean Needle Exchange meeting next month~~ is being worked on.

New Business

- Board members that are absent for the Planning Committee meeting can still report on the Subcommittees that they attended.
- The Public Relations Subcommittee will review the proposal to write a letter and send new membership forms to all people in the database. Beth Swersie with the North Park Community Association offered to have the letter and membership form on their website. The Public Relations Subcommittee will review this.

Future Agenda Items

The Lafayette Hotel and a Developer Impact Fee (DIF) presentation will be on future agendas.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Kurylo
Secretary