



**NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES: April 20, 2010 – 6:30 PM**

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Mailing address: 3939 ARIZONA ST., SAN DIEGO, CA 92104

I. Called to order: 6:35 p.m.

II. Members in attendance (14): Sal Arechiga (arrived 7:01 p.m.), Robert Barry, Kitty Callen (arrived 7:01 p.m.), Dionne Carlson, Steve Chipp, Brandon Cohen, Cheryl Dye, Lynn Elliott, Vicki Granowitz, Lucky Morrison, Judi O'Boyle, Christy Scannell, Rob Stepke, Rene Vidales. Absent: Liz Studebaker.

III. Adoption of the April 20, 2010 Agenda. MOTION: Adopt the agenda. O'Boyle/Elliott. 12-0-0.

IV. Chair's Report

- A. Mid-City Rapid Bus presentation postponed to May or June.
- B. UHCA to vote on CPG status May 6.
- C. Website Status, working out details.
- D. Reminder of COW, May 15.
- E. At CPC: Monitor progress of General Plan implementation; General Plan "clean-up" amendments; SD Affordable Housing Fund FY2011 Annual Plan; Admin. Guidelines for 600-24.

V. Approval of Previous Minutes: March 16, 2010. Correct vote numbers for Arechiga and Dye; correct vice-chair of Urban Design/Project Review subcommittee as Dye. **MOTION:** To approve as amended. Chipp/Granowitz. 12-0-0.

VI. Announcements

- A. NPCA canyon cleanup, 4/24
- B. Annual NPCA event, 4/28
- C. SANDAG 2050 RTP events
- D. Festival of the Arts, 5/16; NPPC shared booth w/ PAC
- E. Plaza de Panama presentation
- F. Affordable Housing Parking Study
- G. DSD advanced CEQA training, April 29
- H. CPU Open Mic presentation, April 26
- I. City repaving 1000 city blocks, completed by summer 2011

VII. Non-agenda Public Comment

- A. Charles Young. Marijuana dispensary at 30th and University causing problems for neighbors.
- B. Joyce Summer/CCDC. Bayside fire station to be opened at PCH and Cedar; permanent intake center for homeless, 6th & A; transportation quiet zone going to City Council in May.
- C. Ron May/ Neighborhood Historic Preservation Coalition. The Boulevard property – buildings not properly evaluated for historical status. Wants NPPC to agendize.
- D. Dan Tomsy/Vitality San Diego. Marijuana dispensaries. Land use conditions needed due to impact. Star of San Diego held party events on 4/20.

VIII. Elected Official Reports

- A. Mike McLaughlin, Hon. Susan Davis, US Congressional District 53. Hire Act will provide tax cut for businesses that hire unemployed people; college loan reform to save \$61 billion

- B. Kirsten Clemons, Hon. Lori Saldaña, State Assembly District 76. AB1832 increases initiative filing fee to curb abuse of filing initiatives; AB1932 prohibits carrying unloaded weapons.
- C. Anthony Bernal, Hon. Todd Gloria, City Councilmember District 3. Cutbacks to fire and police; Gloria rated A- on environmental; homelessness at LU&H on 3/21; 60 miles of streets in CD3 will be paved; community coffee, 3/24 at Caffe Calabria; issued memo for establishing interim process on liquor licenses.

IX. Liaisons Reports

- A. Alcohol and Entertainment Working Group/Granowitz. Todd Gloria memo a result of this committee getting recommendation from Bill Anderson to control land use. Recommended Toni Atkins meet with neighbors. Chevron has applied for off-sale license.
- B. Balboa Park Committee/Granowitz. Plaza de Panama presentation on 4/20 showed how refurbishing will make it more pedestrian-friendly; all money has to be raised privately. Voted against an event that would have closed Sixth Ave. and run through Maple Canyon. Plaque on the House of Hungary. BPTC report will go to City Council's rules committee with recommendation to be a 501c3.
- C. Park and Rec/Granowitz. Maple Canyon is the most eroded canyon in the city; issues that could affect canyons; park project behind North Park Theatre could use City Heights park as model.
- D. Historical Resources Board/Arechiga. Next meeting 4/22, 1 p.m. Six properties presenting for designation, none in North Park. Will vote on amendments to historical resources board procedures.
- E. Maintenance Assessment District/Steppke/Callen. Expanding litter cleanup schedule; 50/50 sidewalk program; elected new officers, Steppke is chair; Steppke appointed Morrison as NPPC rep to MAD.
- F. North Park Main Street/Dye. New website is going to be launched in a few months.
- G. North Park Parking Management Working Group/Vidales. Roger Lewis submitted copies of the plan to the mayor, Gloria, Anderson and other city offices.
- H. Project Area Committee/O'Boyle. O'Boyle reappointed to same position. Sustainability work group putting together guidelines for evaluating projects responsibly; Caffe Calabria requested \$1 million to do 75 percent sustainability upgrades to grow coffee-roasting and 25 percent for tenant improvements; PAC asked Calabria to wait for sustainability recommendations from subcommittee.

X. Information Items

- A. **Sewer Main Replacement Job 738**/Lorie Cosio Azar, City of San Diego project engineer. Project is at 60 percent design. Predominantly alley replacement work, taking out old and replacing with new. 100 feet per day of service outages. Will place door hangers. Will do survey of alley to plan ahead for concrete replacement only on impacted spot, not entire alley. Streets will be resurfaced on impacted streets. Funded from Enterprise Fund.
- B. **Texas Street Improvement Design**, Marco Sessa, Sudberry Properties/Quarry Falls. Addition of curb, pedestrian walkway and lighting. At first submittal to city of construction plans. Maximum height of wall 8 feet. City standard wall is masonry gray; discussed options. Current plan is masonry block wall with split-offset face. Wall is on west side of Texas due to grade issues on east side and pedestrians should be on side where cars are going uphill for safety. Concerns from committee about differences in plan originally presented that had increased landscaping, larger walking path and separation from car lanes; doing center barrier differently; low-intensity lighting options. Sessa said Sudberry has budgeted money for landscaping and enhanced lighting but city requires maintenance. Construction Phase 1 will begin later this year but Sudberry will return to NPPC when closer to construction with schedule. Committee asked for city contacts to protest city restrictions on original Texas Street vision.

XI. Subcommittee Reports

- A. **Urban Design/Project Review**. Barry/Dye. NP Adult Community Center, 6 p.m., 1st Mondays. Next meeting: 5/3/10. April meeting was cancelled.
- B. **Public Facilities/Public Art**. Carlson/Vidales. NPMS, 3076 University Ave., 5/12/10, 6:30 p.m. Discussed University Ave Mobility Plan scoping meeting; requested comments from scoping meeting from city.
- C. **Utility Boxes**. Barry/Dye. Met at the PF/PA. Dye met with SDG&E about boxes in public right-of-way; SDG&E confirmed franchise agreement with city to place boxes; placement is reviewed by engineers for traffic management on city streets and sidewalks but no review for design or maintenance; no public notification requirements if in public ROW unless under-grounding is involved. Discussed agendizing at CPUAC. Considering asking for moratorium on boxes until CPUAC is finished. 45 boxes installed in the last 5 years in North Park; 19 under-grounded, 26 new development or businesses that needed greater capacity; does not include those SDG&E expanded on their own.

XII. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items

A. Ron May requested to be on agenda for potentially historic building on El Cajon Blvd.

XIII. Next Meeting Date: May 18, 2010.

XIV. MOTION: To adjourn. Callen/Carlson. 8:38 p.m.

Submitted by Christy Scannell, secretary