

GREATER NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES: March, 20, 2007 – 6:30 PM

2901 NORTH PARK WAY, 2ND FLOOR

P.O. BOX 4825, SAN DIEGO, CA 92164

II. Meeting Called to Order 6:30pm

III. In Attendance: Sal Arechiga, Elaine Boyd (7 pm), Vernon Franck, Vicki Granowitz, Jamie Longley, Brenda Martin, Judith O’Boyle, Rob Steppke, Stephen Whitburn, John Stewart McGaughy, Keoni Rosa, Rene Vidales.

Not In Attendance: Shane Pliskin (unexcused)

III. Subcommittees, Liaisons, and Leadership Roles since previous meeting:

1. Salvador Arechiga: UDPR, PF/PA
2. Elaine Boyd: NPParking Garage/Art Selection
3. Vernon Franck: UDPR
4. Vicki Granowitz: UDPR, PF/PA, P/CR, CPC, BPC, AEWG, Mayor’s Customer Service Summit
5. James Longley:
6. Brenda Martin: MAD, Altadena Neighborhood Assn.
7. John Stewart McGaughy: UDPR, NPParking Garage/Art Selection
8. Judith O’Boyle: UDPR
9. Shane Pliskin:
10. Keoni Rosa: UDPR
11. Rob Steppke: UDPR, P/CR, PF/PA, CPC, NPPAC
12. Rene Vidales: PF/PA
13. Stephen Whitburn: UDPR, AEWG

IV. Reordering Agenda:

- Move Chair’s Report to after Election Voting
- Move Kirsten Clemons report from Lori Saldana’s office to after Planner’s report.
- Move T-Mobile from Consent to Action Items 2

V. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion: To Adopt March 20, 2007 Agenda Whitburn/Arechiga 10/0/0

VI. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Motion: To approve February 20, 2007 Minutes with the following corrections

O’Boyle/McGaughy 10-0-0:

- Beth Swersie made announcement on NPMS’ behalf regarding the need for letters of support for Farmer’s Market at CVS parking lot.
- Keoni Rosa attended the February 2007 UDPR meeting.

VIII. Treasurer’s Report: Keoni Rosa - No Change \$376.22. Request for donations was made.

VIII. Announcements:

1. Todd Philips, from Housing Commission reported a citywide meeting to discuss Annual Action Plan will take place 3/22/07 6pm @ 1122 Broadway, can view plan on line, soliciting recommendations for action plan for requests for grant applications to Federal Government re: Community Development Block Grants, Shelter America, Hopwell and American Dream programs
2. Beth Swersie/NPCA Bird Park Concerts in July & August need volunteers and donations.
3. Kirsten Clemons/NPCA: Rebuilding Together will postpone till find an appropriate volunteer.

IX. Planner’s Report - Marlon Pangilinan, 619.235.5293 or mpangilinan@sandiego.gov. Community Orientation Workshop 4/28, Saturday, 9192 Topaz Way RSVP required 619/235-5200. All Board Members must attend in order to be indemnified. 600-24 is being updated in time for the COW.

XX. Elected Official Reports

- Kirsten Clemons, Hon. Lori Saldana, State Assembly District 76—Support for Earth Day 4/28

XI. Action Items Part I

March Board Election Results Eligibility to vote or serve on the GNCPC Board, requires attendance of one regular meeting and signed-in during the past six (6) months and have been a general member of the Committee for at least twenty-eight (28) days. Election overseen Rob Steppke with assistance from Sal Arechiga, Richard Kurylo, Kristen Clemons and Todd Gloria,

1. Ravin Armelin
2. Rob Steppke
3. James Longley
4. Judi O'Boyle
5. Ed Cronan
6. Dean Petersen
7. Vernon Franck
8. Carol Gonzales (Not Present)
9. Walter Orsatti (Not Present)
10. Tera Vessels (Withdrawn)
11. Don Skolnik (Withdrawn)

XIII. Chair's Report/CPC

- Mike Aguirre spoke on Indemnification and assured CPC members the City Attorney's office will defend community planning committees if sued and that what Abby Wolfsheimer reported last month was incorrect. A working group of CPC members was appointed to meet with the City Attorney to clarify the issue and work on an ordinance. Chair was appointed to the working group. The CPC also passed a motion to ask the City Council to change the ordinance to begin providing legal representation when initially sued and not just if found guilty of damages and to direct City Council to have the City Attorney make sure the issue gets resolved as quickly as possible.
- Rancho Bernardo's planning committee was recently sued and the City Attorney's office is providing legal assistance.
- General Plan Update: Approved: Historic Preservation, Conservation and Noise Elements of the update to the General Plan. March meeting will review Urban Design, Land Use and Mobility. April meeting will cover Economic Prosperity, Public Facilities, and Recreation Element. Sub-committees should be reviewing Draft General Plan to make recommendations to the full committee, then CPC, Planning Department and City Council.

XIII. Non Agenda Public Comment

- Larry Westfall noted lack of involvement as evidenced by limited attendance at meetings.
- Bertha Klann reported Earth Day and Area Clean Up on April 28.

XIV. Elected Official Reports

- Monica Pelaez, Hon Toni Atkins, City Councilmember District 3—Our Lady of Peace expansion meeting 3/27. Supporting documents for items docketed at City Council meetings are available for first time on the City website.

XV. Consent Agenda

(Members Present PFPA March 7, 07: Sal Arechiga, Vicki Granowitz, Rob Steppke, René Vidales.)]

- **Future GNPCC Website:** In order to maintain focus of the Public Relations/Public Art and given the website would benefit the community, a move is recommended. Motion: To move the Future GNPCC Website item from the PF/PA Subcommittee to the Policy/Community Relations Subcommittee to maintain the focus of PFPA subcommittee. **Motion: To approve moving website to P/CR McGaughy/PFPA 10/0/0 (On Consent).**

XVI. Information Items:

Signing & Striping for La Bohème. René Vidales/Sal Arechiga—Contract for construction of project did not require remediation of streets or restriping except for slurry coat, which requires warmer weather. Temporary striping of streets will be completed by city. Meanwhile, for future projects, addressing the condition of streets and striping should be part of contract language to ensure completion of project specifically where public thoroughfares are affected.

XVIII. Action Items Part II:

- A. GNPCPC Letter of Support** For NPCA 07 Bird Park Concerts. The draft letter was read to Board and no changes were made. **Motion: To approve letter of support for NPCA Bird Park Concerts. McGaughy/Martin 11/0/0**
- B. Year End Report Motion: To approve Year-End Report with the following edits. McGaughy/Franck 11/0/0**
- Add CD3 Library Task Force & Fair Banking/Advanced Pay to objectives.
 - Correct numbers in Project Action Overview from 36 to 37; 46 to 47.
 - Make the OLP issue, demolitions and historic districts/surveys separate items.
- C. T-Mobile Neighborhood Use Permit (PTS 114049) at 3144 Juniper Street** Installation of a 6'8" underground vault; with three antennas on a new steel light standard that would replace the existing light standard; installation of a new 200 amp electrical service. **Motion: Deny the project because it is located in a residential area and placing equipment in the public right of way has a negative impact on the residential character of the community. McGaughy/Rosa 11-0-0**
- D. New Board is Seated:**
- Election Results
1. Ravin Armelin-26 votes
 2. Rob Steppke-25 votes
 3. James Longley-23 votes
 4. Judi O'Boyle-23 votes
 5. Ed Cronan-23 votes
 6. Dean Petersen-23 votes
 7. Vernon Franck-20 votes
 8. Carol Gonzales- 7 votes (1 Year Term)
- **Not Elected
- Walter Orsatti- 3 votes
 - Tera Vessels- 0 votes
 - Don Skolnik- 0 votes
- E. Election of Officers**
1. Chair: **Motion: To approve Vicki Granowitz as Chair. Steppke/Arechiga 13/0/0.**
 2. Vice-Chair: **Motion: To approve Judi O'Boyle as Vice Chair O'Boyle/Martin 13/0/0.**
 3. Secretary: **Motion: To approve Dean Petersen as Secretary. Granowitz/Longley 13/0/0.**
 4. Treasurer: **Motion: To approve Keoni Rosa as Treasurer. Granowitz/Arechiga 13/0/0.**
- F. Select Subcommittee Chairs**
1. Urban Design/Project Review: **Motion: To approve Vernon Franck as Chair UDPR 13/0/0.**
 2. Public Facilities/Public Art: **Motion: To approve Sal Arechiga/Rene Vidales as Co-Chairs PFPA. 13/0/0.**
 3. Policy/Community Relations: **Motion: To approve Rob Steppke as Chair PCR. 13/0/0.**

XVIII. Subcommittee Reports

- Beth Swersie/Stephen Whitburn asked for an update on moving the subcommittee meetings out of the Lafayette. The Chair stated the need for clarification of the facts and asked the P/CR Subcommittee to conduct an investigation on the issue and report back in April. Chair also stated that P/CR was told they could wait until after Board elections since the Chair of the Election Subcommittee and P/CR is the same person.

1. **Urban Design/Project Review**, Vernon Franck Chair. The Committee needs a note taker, please contact Vernon if you can assist him. Next meeting is April 2, North Park Main Street Office, 3076 University Avenue, 6 pm, 1st Monday.
2. **Public Facilities/Public Art**, Sal Arechiga/René Vidales Co-Chairs. Next meeting is April 4. Lafayette Hotel – Baton Rouge Room, 2223 El Cajon Blvd, 6:30 pm., 1st Wednesday
3. **Policy/Community Relations**, Rob Steppke Chair. Next meeting is April 12. Will be presenting draft updated Standing Rules to the full Board at the April 17 meeting. The website and the Lafayette/Subcommittee will be on the April 12 agenda. Lafayette Hotel – Baton Rouge Room, 2223 El Cajon Blvd , 6:30 pm, 2nd Thursday

XIX. Liaisons Reports

1. **Project Area Committee:** Roger Lewis
 - Requesting additional funding to complete 29th St Plaza.
2. **Law Enforcement:** Stephen Whitburn
 - Western Division meeting 3/21 to communicate more efficiently and effectively via one community meeting.
 - Robbery suspects arrested leading to reduction in strong-arm robbery. Next meeting 3rd Wed. in May
 - AEWG will have next meeting on March 28, working on developing a Mission Statement, getting background on the issue in North Park, reviewed examples of CUP for business and guidelines from NPMS and Pacific Beach.
3. **Maintenance Assessment District:** Rob Steppke
 - Draft Assessment Engineer’s Report for MAD re-ballot input available via committee or website.
4. **North Park Parking Management Working Group:** Rene Vidales
 - No meeting this month.
5. **Balboa Park Committee:** Vicki Granowitz
 - Cleanup of excessive vegetation & homeless encampments on the west side of the park, inside Cabrillo Bridge at base of structure & canyons. Removal of waste & invasive plants. Will send PowerPoint upon request.
 - Moratorium upheld on use of park by groups seeking new special event permits between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

XX. Next Meeting Date: April 17, 2007

XXI. Motion: To Adjourn. Petersen/Arechiga 13/0/0 (8:50 pm)

Submitted By

Brenda Martin