

GREATER NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE
2901 NORTH PARK WAY, 2ND FLOOR
P.O. BOX 4825, SAN DIEGO, CA 92164
MINUTES: APRIL 17,2007

- I. Called to Order:** 6:33 pm.
- II. In Attendance:** Ravin Armelin, Ed Cronan, Vernon Franck, Vicki Granowitz, James Longley, Dean Petersen, Shane Pliskin, Rob Steppke, Rene Vidales, Stephen Whitburn; Salvador Arechiga (6:44 pm.), Brenda Martin (7:03 pm), Carol Gonzales (7:25 pm)
Excused Absence: Judith O'Boyle, Keoni Rosa
- III. Motion to Adopt April 17, 2007 Agenda: Steppke/Pliskin 10-0-0**
- IV. Chair's Report/CPC**
- A.** Indemnification Update: Meeting cancelled. To be rescheduled.
 - B.** 600-24 Revision: in progress. Should be to City Council for approval soon.
 - C.** Bylaws: GNPCPC will require waiver. That process is not yet in place by the City.
 - D.** General Plan Update: CPC- Land Use & Urban Design completed in March; Public Facilities & Recreation in April; Mobility & Economic Prosperity in May.
 - E.** Need Calendars of meeting dates, times & locations from Subcommittee Chairs.
 - F.** GNPCPC Retreat to be Sunday Brunch, perhaps in May.
 - G.** Expansion of OLP: Another meeting is to be scheduled. Ernie Bonn will keep us informed.
- V. Motion to approve March 20, 2007 minutes: Steppke/Whitburn 8-0-0** (Only remaining Board members from prior Board voting.)
- VI. Treasurer's Report:** Per Chair (Rosa absent): Balance is \$376.22.
- VII. Announcements**
- 1.** Lynn Elliott of **NPCA** stated that the bands have been chosen for the Bird Park Concerts. First concert is June 23. They are looking for volunteers to work at the concerts.
 - 2.** Elizabeth Studebaker of **NPMS** announced a clean up is scheduled for Earth Day, April 28 at North Park Way and 29th Street. They had a good turnout at the last scheduled clean up- over 45 people.
- VIII. Planner's Report:** Marlin Pangilinan, 619-235-5293, mpangilinan@sandiego.gov. Community Orientation Workshop for new Board members was cancelled. Should be rescheduled for June- He will notify Board.
- IX. Non Agenda Public Comments**
- 1.** Sheila Hardin of **CCDC** handed out publication regarding parking downtown. In addition to discussing the various types of parking (garages, new meters, etc), she pointed out there are 60,000 parking spaces downtown. She encouraged people to come downtown and pointed out that bus tours of the area are available the first and third Saturday of each month, at 10:00 am and 12 pm. She can be contacted for further information 619-533-7146.
 - 2.** Katherine Calvin and Jennifer Ohman (Calvin spoke): They have a traffic safety issue before PF/PA, concerning **Boundary Street**. Sub-committee Co-Chair Vidales responded that matter is currently under consideration. He noted that in reviewing these matters, the City considers traffic speed and volume as two separate matters. Chair thanked the citizens for coming.
 - 3.** Ed Robinson is concerned that a stop sign had been removed at **29th Street and North Park Way**. Confusing ground signage remained. Board member Cronan indicated that this had been corrected. Robinson would like to see return of four way stop, as existed before the Parking Garage was built. Robinson was directed to the PF/PA subcommittee.

X. Officials' Report

1. Kirsten Clemons (rep for Lori Saldana, State Assembly District 76): unable to attend- flat tire.
2. Todd Gloria (rep for Susan Davis, US Congressional District 53): Navy has home ported the U.S.S. Carl Vincent in San Diego. To begin in 2010. Will be San Diego's third nuclear carrier. Positive economic impact. The House of Representatives has fully funded CDBG and COPS. The President had slated both for cuts in his proposed budget.
3. Monica Pelaez (rep for Toni Atkins, City Council District 3): Budget process has started. Budget Review Committee hearings to begin May 2. Prior to that, the Mayor has scheduled a Town Hall for Tuesday, April 24 at the City Heights/Weingart Branch Library Performance Annex from 6-7 pm. Council member Atkins, as Chair of the Budget Review Committee, has scheduled an Evening Community Budget Forum on Wednesday, April 25, at the Catamaran Hotel in Mission Beach from 6-9 pm. The Adams Avenue Roots Festival has returned and will be Saturday and Sunday, April 21 and 22. The Earth Fair is scheduled for Balboa Park on Sunday, April 22.

XI. Consent Agenda

(Members Present UDPR April 2, 2007: Ernie Bonn, Ed Cronan, Vernon Franck, Vicki Granowitz, John McGaughey, Judith O'Boyle, Keoni Rosa, Rob Steppke, Liz Studebaker.)

3509 Florida Street Map Waiver (PTS#114336) Process 3 to convert 2 existing residential units to condominiums on a 0.172 acre site, in the MR-1000 Zone of Mid City PDO. Site is zoned to accommodate up to 8 units. Applicant agrees to replace existing aluminum windows with wood, replace siding to original type on rear house & take steps to soften the rear house hardscape

Motion to approve project: Franck/UD/UR 11-0-1 On Consent. (Armelin lacked knowledge to vote).

XII. Information Items

1. **GNPCPC Website Development Update:** Elaine Boyd continues to provide assistance in spite of no longer being a Board Member. Need \$200 for Flash Software. Will need volunteers to update site once it is up and running. Board members who had visited site under construction expressed positive comments. Feedback is requested.
2. **Consideration of name change of Board to match URL:** northparkplanning and northparkplanners have been purchased. Discussion indicated it might be ok to remove "Greater" from the name, although there is no clear consensus on changing the remainder of the name. Referred to Policy Subcommittee for further consideration.
3. **Standing Rules Update:**
 - a) Standing Rules are easier to change than Bylaws. There is ongoing discussion regarding the City's revision of 600-24 and the Bylaws Shell.
 - b) Regarding Subcommittees, the 600-24 revision will indicate that each subcommittee must have a majority of Board members, but less than a quorum of the full Board. Therefore, the Board members may number 7 and the maximum for General Members will be 6.
 - c) Discussion regarding the Board Chair attendance at Subcommittee meetings as either a voting member or ex officio member. Following some confusion regarding the term "ex officio" the Chair requested that the Secretary determine the definition of the term. The Secretary indicated that the term is used to indicate a non-voting member. Member Franck was satisfied with this definition. With this understanding, this issue will be noticed as an Action item for the next Board meeting, per the Chair.
 - d) Regarding eligibility for General Members to vote in subcommittee meetings, this will occur at the beginning of the third subcommittee meeting attended.

XIII. Action Items

1. **Standing Rules:** Discussion regarding absences. Requesting this rule as a stopgap, until our new Bylaws are approved, which will preclude excused absences. City Planner Marlon Pangilinan indicated that the following language was in compliance with our existing Bylaws. **Motion to amend the standing rule item #2 to reflect the following: "A Board vacancy exists after the third consecutive absence or fourth absence in the 12-month period of March through**

**February each year, of a member(s) from the GNPCPC's regular meeting."
Vidales/Martin 13-0-0**

2. Appointment of Liaisons:

- a) CPC- Vicki Granowitz; Judi O'Boyle (alternate.)
- b) MAD- Brenda Martin; Carol Gonzales (alternate.)
- c) Law Enforcement name will change to Public Safety and Neighborhood Services- Stephen Whitburn
- d) North Park Parking Management Working Group-Renee Vidales; Carol Gonzales.
- e) PAC- Roger Lewis. (Will be up for election in 08.)
- f) Balboa Park Committee- Vicki Granowitz Mayoral Appointee.
- g) Needle facilitation Committee- Vicki Granowitz; Ravin Armelin.
- h) NP Parking Garage/Art Selection Working Group- Vernon Franck; James Longley; Sal Arechiga.
- i) North Park Main Street- Shane Pliskin; Ed Cronan; Ravin Armelin.
- j) Liaison to Fair Banking Working Group- Ravin Armelin.

3. **Subcommittees Meeting Location-** Lafayette Hotel. The Hotel has applied for a change to their plan. Therefore, will be possible conflict of interest. Subcommittees will need to move by the June meetings. No options yet. Rob Steppke is looking and Elizabeth Studebaker of NPMS will check availability at the NPMS office and will help with the San Diego Bank.

XIV. Subcommittee Reports

1. **Urban Design/Project Review**, Vernon Franck, North Park Main Street Office, 3076 University Ave., 6pm, 1st Monday. **Next meeting May 7.** Suggestions for website design discussed.
2. **Public Facilities/Public Art**, Sal Arechiga/Rene Vidales, Lafayette Hotel-Baton Rouge Room, 2223 El Cajon Blvd, 6:30pm, 1st Wednesday. **Next meeting May 2.** Boundary Street traffic calming considered. Will conduct study concerning stop sign at Granada and North Park Way.
3. **Policy/Community Relations**, Rob Steppke, Lafayette Hotel- Baton Rouge Room, 2223 El Cajon Blvd, 6:30pm, 2nd Thursday. **Next meeting May 10.** Discussed revision of Standing Rules, Fair Banking Working Group and General Plan Update. Also noted web site under construction will provide better information to public. Discussed Goals and Objectives for upcoming year and need to find different subcommittee meeting place due to possible conflict of interest at Lafayette Hotel.

XV. Liaison Reports

1. **Project Area Committee-** (Roger Lewis absent. Rob Steppke gave report.) Filled vacant tenant seat and ratified Draft for Redevelopment Plan. Discussed goals and objectives, and need for Economic Development language in each Development District Plan.
2. **Law Enforcement Committee-**Stephen Whitburn. Next quarterly meeting in June. Alcohol and Entertainment Working Group noted that SDPD had held up 40 liquor license applications. Agreement reached on approval of applications on three conditions: 1) no live entertainment; 2) no off premise liquor sales; 3) food is 50% of sales. Homeless Walk Around on April 4 touched on bus seating problems; Albertsons and Rite Aid have had the vast majority of their shopping carts stolen and Vons' electronic perimeter has proved effective in preventing cart theft. Transients commit 25% of local robberies. Only 1 in 10 homeless people approached by Homeless Task Force were interested in services offered.
3. **Maintenance Assessment District-** Brenda Martin. Assessment Revision Reballot is proceeding. They have gained support from the Apartment Owners. The Reballot is being called a model for the City. The Reballot is to be May21. It is to be before the City Council on July 10, final approval to be by July 16 and to the County by August 10 of this year.
4. **North Park Parking Management Working Group-** Rene Vidales. Trying to establish a North Park Parking District, and looking to use the new parking structure. As example of lacking funds, City advised they couldn't afford a Vehicle Calming Speed Display. Funds from a Parking District could facilitate this.

XVI. Next Meeting on May 15, 2007

XVII. Motion to Adjourn: Vidales/Pliskin 12-0-0 (Steppke departs 8:40 pm.)
Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Submitted by:

Dean Petersen, Secretary.