

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

- I. Called to Order:** 6:31 pm.
- II. In Attendance:** Salvador Arechiga, Ravin Armelin, Ed Cronan, Carol Gonzales, Vicki Granowitz, Brenda Martin, Dean Petersen, Keoni Rosa, Rob Steppke, Stephen Whitburn; Vernon Franck (had to leave at 7:06 pm.)
Absent: James Longley, Shane Pliskin.
Excused Absence: Judith O'Boyle, Rene Vidales.
- III. Motion to Adopt July 17, 2007 Agenda** (with modification that Removal of Angle Parking on east side of Louisiana, between Mead Ave & Monroe Ave. be pulled from Consent Agenda and moved to first Action item): **Armelin/Martin 11-0-0**
- IV. Chair's Report/CPC**
- A.** CPC completed review of update to General Plan. Leo Wilson is continuing as President and Vicki Granowitz will continue as Secretary. Liaisons appointed. Continuing to discuss Bylaws.
 - B.** James Longley has resigned as a member of the GNPCPC. An Election Subcommittee, Chaired by Rob Steppke, will be formed and an election held with 120 days to fill the vacancy. The Secretary will prepare a list of Eligible Voters from attendance during the last six months of GNPCPC meetings.
 - C.** Judi O'Boyle will serve as liaison to the newly formed community group interested in the proposed expansion of Our Lady of Peace. Her role will be to acquaint them with our process and procedures; no advocacy.
 - D.** The Chair has been involved in trying to resolve issues concerning the Bluefoot Lounge at 30th and Upas as to neighbor noise complaints, CUP regarding its alcohol licenses, and other items. This matter may be before the full Board on its August agenda.
- V. Motion to approve June 19, 2007 minutes, with the correction of the removal of "Connors" from the UDPR Subcommittee Report: Franck/Steppke 8/0/3 (Voting in favor: Arechiga, Cronan, Franck, Granowitz, Petersen, Rosa, Steppke, Whitburn. Those abstaining due to prior absence: Armelin, Gonzales, Martin.)**
- Note:** Report on NPPC Board Attendance: Members with 2 absences: Gonzales, Pliskin and Longley with 3 (Longley has resigned as of tonight's meeting.) Some other members have a single absence.
- VI. Treasurer's Report:** Balance is \$245.22
- V11. Announcements**
- 1.** Elizabeth Studebaker of **NPMS:** Farmers Market opens Thursday, July 19. (Honorable Mention to Dean Petersen for volunteering to assist.) Location is CVS parking lot at University and 32nd St. North Park Summer Clean-Up on July 28, 2007 from 9 am-12:00 pm at 32nd St and University.
 - 2.** Bertha M Klann stated that the Needle Exchange is still operating near Drowsy Maggie's.
 - 3.** Lynn Elliot from NPCA announced the Bird Park Concerts are continuing this summer.
 - 4.** The Secretary noted that he spoke before the City Council on July 10, as directed by the Chair, in favor of the North Park MAD Engineer's Report. The Chair indicated that the Re-ballot failed.
 - 5.** The Chair announced the University Heights Art Association Gala on August 9 at the Lafayette.
 - 6.** The Chair announced that Judi O'Boyle attended a meeting concerning Development in Mission Valley on July 11 at the Mission Valley Library. Discussed was the anticipated negative impact

from planned multiple developments regarding schools, transportation, parking, drinking water, density and other items. It was noted that the Trolley is already running at capacity at rush hours and further densification may not be able to be resolved by proximity to public transit.

7. Vernon Franck announced that the UDPR September subcommittee meeting will be held August 27, 2007, due to Labor Day.

VIII. Planner's Report: Marlin Pangilinan, 619-235-5293, mpangilinan@sandiego.gov. Mr. Pangilian indicated that he had been in discussion with the City Attorney's Office regarding the attendance of Board Members in excess of the seven limit at subcommittee meetings. The City Attorney's Office has now informed him that those Members in excess of the seven limit may do so only as observers, not participants. They can remain in the audience of the subcommittee meetings and may not speak, grimace, etc. Mr. Pangilinan was following up on an earlier request for clarification from the Secretary.

IX. Supplemental Report- Ravin Armelin reported that the Fair Banking Working Group has been working on legislation to assist low income people to gain access to banks as an alternative to pay day loan groups. AB1502 is being carried by Assemblyman Lou and Ravin asked the Board to visit the website "Tell The Senate To Bring Banks to Underserved Communities." Ms. Armelin asked that the full board support this matter and it will be on the agenda for next month.

X. Officials' Report

1. Jason Weisz (rep for Christine Kehoe, California State Senate District 39): The Senator's Clean Alternative Vehicles Bill has passed out of the Senate. The State has not implemented mandatory water rationing but the Senator has some tips for saving water in her newsletter. Senator Kehoe will be in the Pride Parade in San Diego and will be at a booth there as well. Mr. Weisz's phone number for questions is (619 645-3133.)
2. Todd Gloria (rep for Susan Davis, US. Congress District 53.): The Congresswoman was named the Chair of the Military Personnel Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee. Davis is distributing a survey on Iraq, and the website for it has already received six thousand responses so far.
3. Monica Pelaez (rep for Toni Atkins, City Council District 3) was unable to attend. The Chair read her announcement that Council Member Atkins will be joining the Police Chief and other officials at Bourbon Street at 4612 Park Blvd on Wednesday, July 18 at 8:30 pm to unveil Safety Tip Flyers for safe walking for patrons leaving neighborhood bars.

XI. Consent Agenda

(Voting Members Present **UDPR** July 2, 2007, Salvador Archiga, Ernie Bonn, Kitty Callen, Vernon Franck, John Stewart McGaughy, Judith O'Boyle, Rob Steppke, Elizabeth Studebacker, Stephen Whitburn; **PFPA** July 5, 2007 S Archiga, K Calvin, D Petersen, R Vidales)

1. **Lafayette Hotel SDP (PTS# 125216)** Discussion regarding the issues of having commercial uses overlapping a residential zone. The requisite number of parking spaces will be included.
Motion: Support the project plan revisions to add 8 rooms to existing hotel building (reconfigure internal rooms only) and have project permit state that 25%, or 28 units, of the proposed 110 units are residential condominium only and the remaining 82 are condominium-hotel units. Martin/UDPR On Consent 11-0-0.
2. **3727 Grim.** Tentative Map (Process 4) To convert 14 existing residential units to condominiums on a 0.29 acre site in the MR-1750 Zone of Mid City PDO. 10 2BR units and 4 1BR units constructed in 1990. A letter from the City was presented that essentially stated that the 23 parking spaces (including 4 tandem) were acceptable as pre-conforming. Applicant agrees to perform all requirements identified in the condition report. Applicant did not present a new conceptual design. **Motion: To deny the project due to lack of a clear plan, clear community benefit, and responsible property management. Martin/UDPR On Consent 11-0-0**

3. **Request for traffic calming along the 2500 to 2900 blocks of Boundary Street.** A previous City evaluation of Boundary and Cooper Streets did not grant a stop sign, but recommended a V-Calm sign instead, for which funding is not available. A School Officer from McKinley Elementary has visited the intersection and requested a stop sign on Boundary Street at Cooper Street, and a pedestrian crosswalk be installed. **Motion: To recommend the City to install a Stop Sign on both northbound and southbound Boundary St at the intersection with Cooper St, and a Crosswalk at its intersection with Cooper St. Martin/ PFPA On Consent 11-0-0**

4. **Request to install Angle Parking on west side of Oregon Street, between University Avenue and Lincoln Avenue.** The petition is in conformance with the University Avenue Mobility Plan. **Motion: To support petition to install Angle Parking on the west side of Oregon Street, between University Avenue and Lincoln Avenue, due to conformance with the University Avenue Mobility Plan. Martin/PFPA On Consent 11-0-0**

5. **3953 Florida Tentative Map (PTS#89546)** To convert 18 existing residential units to condominiums. *(2nd Review, see Feb 2007 UD/PR minutes) Constructed by Hsiehs in 1988 it is well maintained. Applicant agrees to meet or exceed all requirements of the building condition report. They also agreed to replace the existing invasive trees with mature trees and restucco exterior. Inclusionary housing was discussed. **Motion: Move to approve the project with the condition that the project include two (2) inclusionary housing units. Franck/UDPR On Consent 7-1-2-1 (Voting in favor: Arechiga, Cronan, Franck, Granowitz, Martin, Petersen, Rosa. Voting No: Steppke. Abstaining due to lack of information: Armelin, Gonzales. Recused: Whitburn.)**

(Vernon Franck departs at 7:06 pm)

XII. Action Items

1. **Request to remove Angle Parking on the east side of Louisiana Street, between Mead Ave & Monroe Ave.** Installation of Angle Parking occurred about a year ago, even though under City standards the width of Louisiana St does not grant for angle parking on one side, and neighbors have expressed unsafe maneuvering. Julie Braden spoke in favor of keeping the angle parking. Todd Flynn and Michael Caldwell spoke in favor of removing the angle parking. Roger Lewis suggested following the compromise offered by the City to reduce the angle. Member Arechiga explained that the City had measured wrong initially and the street is not wide enough for angle parking. Following discussion by the Board- **Motion: To support petition to remove Angle Parking on east side of Louisiana St, between Meade Avenue and Monroe Avenue, with the recommendation that marked parking be instituted on the east and west side of Louisiana Street for parallel parking. Cronan/Steppke 9-1-0. (Voting yes: Arechiga, Armelin, Cronan, Gonzales, Granowitz, Petersen, Rosa, Steppke, Whitburn. Voting no: Martin.)**

2. **NPPC Demolition Position Paper.** Following brief discussion- **Motion to adopt and approve NPPC Demolition Paper and submit it to the appropriate City personnel. Martin/Rosa 10-0-0**

3. **Adoption of GNPCPC/NPPC Bylaws.** Following presentation by the Chair and Rob Steppke-
 - a. **MOTION TO AMEND AND REVISE BYLAWS AS FOLLOWS:**

ARTICLE IV Vacancies

Section 2.

The North Park Planning Committee Chairperson shall appoint a nominating committee to prepare a list of eligible candidates to be submitted at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Vacancies shall be filled by:

- (A.) selection by planning group members no later than 60 days from the date the vacancy is declared and
- (B.) an advertised general election pursuant to ...

Motion passed Petersen/Martin 10-0-0

b. MOTION TO AMEND AND REVISE BYLAWS AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE V Elections

Section 1.

The deadline to qualify for candidacy in the March general election shall be at the conclusion of the February noticed regular or special meeting of the full planning group membership preceding the election. The planning group's...

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In order to be a candidate in the March election, an eligible member of the community [see Article III Section 2] must have documented attendance at:

- (A.) one of the North Park Planning Committee's last 6 meetings including the February regular meeting preceding the election.

Motion passed Petersen/Armelin 10-0-0

c. MOTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT BYLAWS, IN TOTO, AS AMENDED AND REVISED.

Motion passed Martin/Gonzales 10-0-0

XIII Subcommittee Reports

1. **Urban Design/Project Review**, Vernon Franck, North Park Main Street Office, 3076 University Ave., 6pm, 1st Monday. **Next meeting August 6.** Report given by Madam Chair, as Mr. Franck had departed earlier. HRB recommended approval of 5 more residences for inclusion Burlingame Historic District.
2. **Public Facilities/Public Art**, Sal Arechiga/Rene Vidales, North Park Main Street Office, 3076 University Av, 6:30pm, 1st Thursday. **Next meeting August 2.** The Subcommittee will be considering issues concerning Mission Ave. regarding prohibited island parking and narrowing of traffic to single lane.
3. **Policy/Community Relations**, Rob Steppke, North Park Main Street Office, 3076 University Ave., 6:30 pm, 2nd Wednesday. **Next meeting August 8.** Have been discussing bylaws. Website is developing nicely. Upcoming will be studying minidorms and posting requirements for subcommittees in light of the Brown Act.

XV. Liaison Reports

1. **Project Area Committee-** (Roger Lewis absent. Rob Steppke gave report.) New appointee Jordana Beebe. Discussion concerning park and public improvements with staff as well as design components and joint use with Jefferson Elementary.
2. **Public Safety & Neighborhood Services-** Stephen Whitburn. Murder on Friday July 13 on 30th street near Suncrest. Couple robbed, both shot and man killed. Suspect: Male, black, 20-30 years old with hooded sweatshirt and armed with a handgun. Light colored van seen leaving area. Sgt. Howard Labore taking over duties reviewing new and existing liquor licenses.
3. **Maintenance Assessment District.** Brenda Martin. Assessment Revision Reballot failed. Received 49% approval. Will be addressing how to spend reserves.
4. **North Park Parking Management Working Group-** (Rene Vidales absent. Chair gave report.) Did not meet.
5. **NP Parking Garage/Art Selection Working Group-** (Rene Vidales not present. Chair gave report.) Finishing up RFQ for artists to be distributed some time in August for San Diego County only.

6. **Balboa Park Committee Liaison-** Vicki Granowitz. Approved proposal by Old Globe to tear down Cassius Carter stage and ensuing new development. Heard from Mingei Museum regarding their plans to improve.
7. **North Park Main Street-** Ed Cronan. Commonwealth Café is only open until midnight, not 4:00 am as sign indicates. Farmers Market coming up July 19.
8. **Needle Facilitation Committee-** Vicki Granowitz. Did not meet in June or July.

XVI. Future Business Items

1. Rob Steppke will be seeking volunteers for Election Subcommittee.
2. Secretary Petersen will be out of the country at the time of the October Board meeting and is seeking a volunteer to take over the duties of Secretary for that meeting. He has authority to appoint someone, but is hoping someone will volunteer.
3. Elizabeth Studebaker noted that the PFPA Subcommittee should anticipate some crowding in the NPMS office due to the ongoing Farmers Markets on Thursdays.

XVII. Next Meeting on August 21, 2007

**XVII. Motion to Adjourn Petersen/Archiga10-0-0
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.**

Submitted by:

Dean Petersen, Secretary.