

**NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**(Greater North Park Community Planning Committee)**  
**2901 NORTH PARK WAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR**  
**P.O. BOX 4825, SAN DIEGO, CA 92164**  
**DRAFT MINUTES: June 17, 2008**

- I. Called to Order:** 6:33 pm.
- II. In Attendance:** Rob Steppke, Steve Chipp, Judith O'Boyle, Dean Petersen, Elizabeth Studebaker, Rene Vidales, Stephen Whitburn, Kitty Callen, Gayle Richardson, Carl Moczydlowsky, Keoni Rosa, John Feher.  
**Absent:** Salvador Arechiga, Jessica Kellett, Christy Scannell.
- III. Chair's Report**
1. Bylaws approved that allow for appointment of board vacancy. Election committee chair- Gayle Richardson, vice-chair Liz Studebaker.
  2. 6<sup>th</sup> update to Land Development Code continued by PC to July 10, 2008.
- IV. Approval of May 20, 2008 minutes**
1. Re: Quarry Falls, add recommendation to underground utilities under Texas Street.
  2. Re: Park Terrace motion language, change "support of" to "including".
  3. Motion to approve May 20, 2008 minutes tabled until July 15, 2008 meeting. **Steppke/Whitburn 10-0-1.**
- V. Treasurer's Report:** Account balance- \$488.72. Bank statements to be mailed to 3939 Arizona Street, San Diego, CA, 92104.
- VI. Announcements**
1. Old House Fair, Sat., June 29, South Park, 30<sup>th</sup> & Beech, with vendors and tours.
  2. Balboa Park Committee report moved to front of agenda.
- VII. Balboa Park Committee Report**
1. San Diego River Park meeting on June 18.
- VIII. Planner's Report.** Marlin Pangilinan, 619-235-5293, [mpangilinan@sandiego.gov](mailto:mpangilinan@sandiego.gov). The City continues to work on the RFP for the Community Plan Update
- IX. Non Agenda Public Comment**
1. Lynn Elliott announced start of Summer concert series beginning Saturday, June 21, 5:30 p.m. at Bird Park.
- X. Officials' Report**
1. Nick Norvell (rep for Susan Davis, US Congressional District 53): Nick discussed the following: mortgage crisis bill is currently in negotiations; Congresswoman Davis voted in favor of EPA waiver to encourage stronger gas mileage standards; check the IRS website for stimulus package check updates.
  2. Jason Weisz (rep for Christine Kehoe, CA State Senate District 39): Jason announced hands free cell phone law goes into effect on July 1, and the California budget is late, as usual since 2000.
  3. Kirsten Clemons (rep for Lori Saldana, CA State Assembly District 76): Kirsten announced the following: California budget negotiations continuing and June 19 town hall meeting to discuss proposed budget cuts.

4. Monica Pelaez (rep for Toni Atkins, City Council District 3): Monica announced that the Mayor vetoed the proposed budget and 5 City Council votes are required to override the veto. Steve Hill will replace Monica at the NPPC meetings beginning July 15.

## **XI. Consent Agenda- None**

## **XII. Action Items**

### **1. The Boulevard at 2030 El Cajon Blvd.**

Steve Quinn and Tim Baker presented revisions to previously NPPC approved plans, including changes to number of stories (from 5 to 4), building height, number of residential units (180 to 175), number of parking spaces (267 to 277) and type of construction (stick built now). Mr. Quinn emphasized increased parking by 10 spaces, retaining similar color scheme, and LEED certification. 27 affordable housing units proposed. Applicant unsure if project will offer units for sale or for rent. Concerns included minimum LEED points obtained (26 points), which is arguably not enough. **Motion: Project approved as presented. Rosa/Callen 11-0-0.**

### **2. North Park Planning Committee Website Enhancements.**

Elaine Boyd explained that approximately \$3000 remains from the County of San Diego/Ron Roberts website grant. Proposed website enhancements include a walking map of North Park, then vs. now photographs of historic structures, links to other sites and possibly copies of building permit information. **Motion: proceed with website enhancements including walking map and then vs. now photographs. O'Boyle/Callen 9-0-2 (Moczydlowski/Rosa abstained).**

### **3. NPPC Letter to Mayor's Office and San Diego Grand Jury Re: Historical Designations and Mills Act**

Carl Moczydlowski presented proposed letters to the City and the Grand Jury in opposition to staff recommendations at June 6, 2008 workshop. Rob Steppke presented similar letter to City. Concern over language and presentation of arguments contained in letters. **Motion: Approve letter to grand jury. O'Boyle/Studebaker 11-0. Motion: Approve Steppke's letter to the City with 10 year renewal provision addition. O'Boyle/Callen 9-0-2 (Chipp/Richardson abstained).**

## **XIII. Information Item**

1. **City of San Diego Phase 2/3 Pedestrian Master Plan.** Maureen Gardner and Sherry Ryan presented phase 2 and 3 plan to identify deficiencies and make project recommendations re: identifying unsafe pedestrian crossings and pedestrian pathways. Pedestrian improvements in cost effective and highest priority areas targeted. Future workshop in November 2008.
2. **Safe Streets Now (North Park Smokeshops).** Leo Wilson presented information addressing smokeshop concerns, including nuisance and illegal drug activity in areas surrounding smokeshops. Also, concern that smokeshops sell paraphernalia used for hardcore drugs. Proposed plan addressing concerns includes proposed new ordinance, increased law enforcement and collaboration with Safe Streets Now.
3. **Letter to Uptown Planners.** Addressing prior inappropriate comments made by member of NPPC board and letter of apology. **Motion: Letter approved. Callen/Vidales 10-1-0 (O'Boyle opposed)**

## **XIV. Subcommittee Reports**

1. **Urban Design/Project Review,** Judith O'Boyle/Jessica Kellett. Arbor Crest rental project will be presented soon for input.
2. **Public Facilities/Public Art,** Sal Arechiga/Rene Vidales. There is a new transportation representative at the City.
3. **Policy/Community Relations,** Gayle Richardson appointed to elections committee.

**XV. Liaison Reports**

- 1. Project Area Committee-** Judith O'Boyle. Redevelopment agency will be reorganized in future.
- 2. Public Safety and Neighborhood Services.** Stephen Whitburn. North Park crime statistics in line with other neighborhoods. Number of robberies are up in City, and North Park is just slightly above City average. Also, number of burglaries and car thefts are down.
- 3. Maintenance Assessment District.** Carl Moczydlowsky. Discussion of street tree improvements, landscaping, tree replacements, concrete purchasing issues, and trash cans that cost \$1000 each. .
- 4. North Park Parking Management Working Group-**Rene Vidales. None.
- 5. NP Parking Garage/Art Selection Working Group-** Judi O'Boyle/Keoni Rosa. All proposals reviewed, candidates narrowed to 5 finalists, decision likely will be made in July.
- 6. North Park Main Street-** Jessica Kellett. Discussed upcoming community clean up (6/28), press conference re: grafitti abatement program (7/8 at Hawthorne's), historic walking tour of Dryden District (8/23) and commercial district walking tour (9/13).

**XVI. Next Meeting: August 19, 2008.**

**XVII. Motion to Adjourn: Callen/Feher 11/0/0**  
**Meeting adjourned 8:57 p.m.**

**Submitted by:**

**John D. Feher, Secretary**