



NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE
Draft Minutes: May 17, 2011 – 6:30 PM
<http://www.northparkplanning.org>
2901 NORTH PARK WAY, 2ND FLOOR

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

II. Members in attendance (12): Robert Barry, Dionne Carlson, David Cohen, Cheryl Dye, Vicki Granowitz, Brandon Hilpert, Roger Lewis, Carl Moczydlowsky, Lucky Morrison, Dang Nguyen, Judi O'Boyle, Rene Vidales. Members absent: Peter Hill, Christy Scannell, Liz Studebaker

III. Modifications to & Adoption of the 5/17/11 Agenda. MOTION: To adopt agenda, with deferral of Park Assessment Report till July. Dye/Carlson. (12-0-0)

IV. Chair's Report/CPC

- 1) Utility boxes Cheryl Dye presented at the Community Plan update meeting, the presentation was well received by all.
- 2) In the redistricting process it is important that CPGs are kept whole
- 3) The NPPC Website is current, all minutes and agendas have been posted and verified. NPPC monies for website are due to run out next year, we need to be raising money now if want it to continue
- 4) Several issues important to North Park have not been reported to the NPPC Board or action takes without our knowledge. Chair is committed to providing transparency to issues that impact our community going forward, including issues related to fencing off a section of the NP Theater Mini Park and efforts to annex sections of Greater NP Planning area.

V. Approval of Previous Minutes: March 18, 2011. MOTION: To approve. O'Boyle/Carlson. (12-0-0)

VI. Treasurer's Report. Cohen said the account balance is \$609.22, same balance as last month, signature card needs to be changed

VII. Planner's Report - Marlon Pangilinan. Community Plan Update Next Steps: No advisory committee meeting tomorrow, staff to begin writing draft, survey conducted for Parks and Recreation Element tentatively to be discussed at NPPC July meeting

VIII. Announcements & Non Agenda Public Comment

- 1) **Kitty Callen** - North Park recycling event in Altadena
- 2) **Joyce Summer, CCDC:** Governor released revised budget, still suggesting to remove redevelopment; Cap lifted at CCDC impact study released
- 3) **Judy O'Boyle** – how to have a point of order
- 4) **NPCA:** Website updated www.northparksd.org. Nikki Birdie – new NPCA President Introduction
- 5) **Revitalizing a Community through Arts and Entertainment**, May 21st, 9:30 AM, New School of Architecture <http://www.friendsofsdarch.com>, Cheryl Dye panelist
- 6) **North Park Mini-Park & Associated Streetscape Improvements, June 4 9 am – 2 pm Sunset Rm 2906 University Ave:** Advisory committee meeting with consultants resulted in community oriented proposals

- 7) **High Speed Rail** - Public meetings regarding the segment for San Diego to Los Angeles via the Inland Empire. <http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/assets/0/152/256/261/2841cd4a-86cd-4efb-9fb3-0bd2731f28de>. Several meetings starting in June – opportunities to comment
- 8) **North Park Main Street, David Cohen:** North Park Clean and Safe Proposal engineers report is available via <http://northparkmainstreet.org> website. Board of directors and bylaws are being updated to include homeowners. Overlay at city council May 24 – decision to release ballots 45 day period, Billing starting in fall if approved, January service initiation if approved

IX. Elected Official Reports

- 1) **Katherine Fortner, Hon. Susan Davis, US Congressional District 53:** Town Hall meeting Wednesday May 18, North Park Post office to close July 3rd. <http://USPS.com/news>
- 2) **Lindsey Masukawa, Hon. Toni Atkins, State Assembly District 76:** Governor – revised budget reduced the deficit to 9.6 billion, Redevelopment back on the chopping block, DMV not sending notices for registration fee since the extension has not passed yet. Request asked to have Atkins' office track AB109 Parole Realignment
- 3) **Anthony Bernal, Hon. Todd Gloria, Councilmember District 3.** Approved medical marijuana ordinances, 1000ft to 600ft to be consistent with alcohol, Process 3 CUP instead of a process 4, Dispensaries must close and re-apply within permitted zones, previous to this action they weren't in compliance with any city zoning, this action legitimizes process, Councilmember Gloria received an A on the environmental report card

X. Consent Agenda

Public Facilities/Public Art (Members Present May 11, 2011: D Carlson, R Vidales, V Granowitz, L Morrison, P Hill, R Steppke, K Callen, E Bonn) **Juniper Street Sidewalk Proposal – DSD Project #234305 – WBS#B-00947.92.06** Proposal to modify asphalt shoulder and install new sidewalk, retaining walls and guardrail on the north side of Juniper Street between 33rd St. & Westland Ave. **MOTION: To support the project and recommend dark green vinyl clad fencing in lieu of standard chain link and to consider low level pedestrian lighting; and to request lighting follow up with the Planning Committee. Barry/Public Facilities (12-0-0)**

XI. Action Items

- 1) **Presentation on results of the Park Assessment Survey - Community Plan Update** Deferred to July
- 2) **Reaffirm North Park Demolition Policy Motion July 17, 2007 Chair** Motion to adopt and approve NPPC Demolition Paper and submit it to the appropriate City personnel Martin/Rosa 10-0-0" and NPPC to discuss requesting the City Council Land Use and Housing Committee take action to resolve these issues. **Motion to reaffirm the motion (above) Boyle/Vidales 12-0-0**
- 3) **Redistricting Commission Midori Wong Chief of Staff :** Process to redraw elected office boundaries, happens every 10 years in line with demographics shifts from the census; **b)** County redistricting is held by the board of supervisors, City redistricting is different – conducted by citizens commission not elected officials: **C)** City grew 6.4% second biggest city in CA, 144,624 people per district, CD 1 – 43,000 more people, other districts have lost population, CD9 to be added because of strong mayor – first time since 1965 a district has been added. In the pre-map phase – gathering public testimony – 9 pre-map hearings are complete, compiling information, preliminary plan in next few months, final plan – legal document with a filing statement, 144,624 people per district; **D)** Required by law to preserve communities of interest, public testimony is a critical, Federal voting right act 1965 – minority vote dilution, race cannot be the sole reason for districting bounds, non-protected classes: LGBT – preserve communities of interest, regular meetings twice a month – maps drawn in public meetings. <http://SanDiego.gov/redistricting>. **MOTION: The North Park Planning Committee**

(NPPC), urges the redistricting committee to keep the community planning area for North Park intact within a single city council district. Vidales/Hilpert 12-0-0

- 4) **San Diego Police Department Boundary Reorganization – Lucky Morrison** New Lieutenant is Mark Hinton, SDPD is considering plans to consolidate the Western Division area, spread to far out now. Mid City division would then cover North Park. City Heights may resist, see NP crime rate as higher. The bike patrol would stay with Western. Mid City has the man power for a bike patrol but no bikes, cost to replace \$1500/bike, 4 bikes. Need donations. **David Cohen offered to contribute, to take on fund raising, to report back to NPPC.**
- 5) **Historic Resources-City Planning – Vicki Granowitz, Chair**
 - a) Car Tour with Staff for CPCI/HRB of potential sites for potential districts. Altadena – support, Blair Heights 28th – historic integrity but boundaries uncertain, Park Villa Alley & Montclair Park – lack of historic integrity, Montclair, Panorama – support but opposition from UHCA members, not clear what neighbors want. Need to consider the difference between a conservation district and a historical district in the community plan update process
 - b) 45 Year Review & Demo Permits Process – Judi O’Boyle List of permits provided to core group led by George Franck, list tagged for review given the state of the property, site visits & review and notify HRB staff of recommendations
- 6) **Golden Hill & Uptowns Request to Annex Parts of North Park: Update & Next Steps – Chair**
 - a) Group in South Park (not GHPC) have developed a proposal to annex areas adjacent to Juniper St
 - b) University Heights Community Association asked for and received a Motion supporting annexing NP from Texas St west, Lincoln St North, into the Uptown Planners cpg 3 yrs ago without any notification to NPPC. Upon reading about the request & vote in the UHCA Newsletter and ascertaining no process for boundary adjustments exist, NPPC asked for CPC to hear and make recommendations about the process only, UP & CPC chair (Leo Wilson) declined saying it is a matter between two cpg’s and lacks a citywide policy issue. Wilson recommended establishing a joint cpg subcommittee to address UHCA’s issues. Wilson recommended establishing a joint subcommittee of NPPC/UP’s to address UHCA’s issues. Wilson made this suggestion to current and former NPPC Chair’s Rob Steppke & Vicki Granowitz who thought this was a viable and appropriate suggestion and agreed to the proposal but it never materialized. A meeting including the Chair’s of the 5 cpg’s that surround NP was held with CPCI Staff to focus on process, Pat Shields from GGHPC and NPPC Chair asked for support for a notification process they worked on and it was received favorably, although staff said there is no money for implementation of a process that would be certifiable as fair and equitable.
 - c) Shields/Granowitz meet with Todd Gloria to request support for a process – Council Member Gloria’s office will provide a memo request for a policy.
 - d) UHCA member, JD Abercrombie commented, they want to be in one planning group so they don’t want to have to attend both planning committee’s meetings.
 - e) NPPC Board Discussion: What is the threshold for action? Criteria for triggering an event? Community Association’s can cross boundaries, not an official entity, only community planning groups are official entities with the City. 1 year ago a vote by UHCA Members, must be a paid UHCA member to have voted, roughly 40 voted – tenant, property owners, and business owners can pay. First right of refusal is normally from entity being detached in other arenas.
Motion: Support in concept the Draft Proposal for Notification Process for Amending Community Planning Group Boundaries and we recommend the NPPC chair to pursue the matter with CPC. Dye/Carlson 12-0-0
- 7) **North Park Mini Park & Streetscape - Chair (David Cohen recused, owns a business in the project area)** Workshop June 4, 9am-2pm 2906 University Av Sunset Rm, Advisory Committee Formation,

Dumpsters and easement need to be addressed as part of the process – no transfer of public property to private ownership. – Roger Lewis

- 8) **Utility Box Update** –deferred till June do to lateness of the hour
- 9) **Jacobs Plaza de Panama, Circulation & Parking Structure Plan, SDP/EIR** Deferred due to lateness of the hour

XII. Subcommittee Reports

- 1) **Urban Design/Project Review**, Barry/Dye. NP Adult Community Center, 6 p.m., 1st Monday. Next meeting: 6/6/11. Jacobs – EIR coming out in August, a site development permit is necessary, overriding considerations required for EIR. Site development permit can also be granted with overriding conditions. CEQA litigation likely. Jacobs’s consultants did not have answers to bond revenue and parking revenue questions.
- 2) **Public Facilities/Public Art**, Carlson/Vidales. NP Adult Community Center, 6 p.m., 2ND Wednesday. Next meeting 6/8/11. Juniper street improvements, Traffic circle concerns, Plaza de Panama coming soon.
- 3) **Utility Boxes**, Dye/Barry. Presentation to the CPC and recommendation for city wide task for standards of location, undergrounding, and public input – recommendations to eventually be sent to housing commission and then eventually city council.

XIV. Liaisons Reports

- 1) **Balboa Park – Rob Steppke** - unable to attend emailed report: a) The Save A Life San Diego Community Walk was approved subject to an approved route to be determined. b) Updated timeline for the Plaza De Panama EIR schedule: ready for public review this August with the final EIR for November. C) Overview presentation on Community Gardens regarding background information and next steps in determining process from Park & Rec.staff. Anticipate additional information on this topic
- 2) **Project Area Committee/O’Boyle**. June 4th Charrette at sunset room for mini park (see item XI/7), Green initiative sub committee received 2 applications and funded neither – no strong public benefit
- 3) **Maintenance Assessment District/Morrison - May 9th** a) Improperly installed tree grates fixed; b) North Park Clean & Safe presentation – 400 residences/ 1100 condos in overlay; c) Selected new trash can installation locations.
- 4) **North Park Parking Management Working Group/Lewis**. No Report

XV. NPPC Board Member Reports

- 1) **Alcohol and Entertainment/Morrison**: Attended 5-9 training for bartenders and service people, 5-25 Urbn Pizza hearing; New licenses El Sabroso – beer and wine & Glenn’s market – CUP required
- 2) **OLP Council Reconsideration/Carlson**. No Report
- 3) **North Park Main Street/Cohen** – See item VIII/8

XVI. Next Meeting Date: June 21, 2011

XVII. MOTION: To adjourn. Vidales/Hilpert. (12-0-0) Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Submitted by: Carl Moczydlowsky