

GREATER NORTH PARK COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE
PUBLIC FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, PARKS, AND PUBLIC ART
SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 1, 2008, 6:30 p.m., North Park Main Street office
3076 University Avenue, San Diego, CA 92104

Called to order: 6:35 p.m.

Attendance: Sal Aréchiga (Co-Chair), René Vidales (Co-Chair), Rob Steppke (Board Member), Kitty Callen (Board Member).

Also in attendance: Marco Sessa, Stephen Haase, Arnold Torma.

Approve Agenda. Motion: Approve agenda with the following change: Item I.C.1 to be addressed after item VI. **Aréchiga/Steppke 4-0-0**

Approve Minutes. Motion: **Steppke/Aréchiga 3-0-1** (Callen abstained)

Announcement: Kitty Callen stated that the Health Center located at Myrtle & 30th Street is currently under construction.

Non-Agenda Public Comments: None.

Information Items:

- A. Update on Greater North Park Traffic Engineering Issues: René stated that the Traffic Engineering Department has released a report that includes stops signs, red curbs, parking striping, and other improvements that were made during the period from June to November of 2007.
- B. Street Sweeping Pilot Program: This operation has begun on April 1st, 2008 and parking will be affected.
- C. Increase of MTS ridership: MTS released a statement that the increase on ridership is partially due to special events.
- D. Street Maintenance Update: There will be 9.2 miles of Slurry Seal planned for streets within Council District 3. Residents will be notified in advance.
- E. Utility Undergrounding Update: The 30th Street Transmission Corridor has been completed. The Meade Avenue undergrounding project will soon be completed.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Quarry Falls project in Mission Valley. *Mitigation measures for increase in traffic within Greater North Park on Texas Street from I-8 to El Cajon Boulevard as presented in the Draft Environmental Impact Report.*

Marco Sessa from Sudberry Properties provided an informational 10-minute Power Point presentation. Mr. Sessa stated that this project is registered with the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) as a LEED-ND project. The conceptual stage started in 2002 and the intention is to begin construction by the end of 2009 or beginning of 2010. Construction may take up to 15

years for all the phases to be fully completed. It was noted that there is funding allocated for traffic calming along Texas Street during the first phase of the project.

The final Environmental Impact Report should be released in June of this year and is intended to be presented one more time to the Mission Valley Unified Planning Committee and the Serra Mesa Planning Group by the end of July. Additional information about this project can be obtained in the following web site: www.quarryfalls.com. After discussing different ideas for traffic mitigation the following motion was drawn:

Motion: Developer to present a Traffic Calming option that would include a gateway element to the North Park Community along Texas Street, from Camino Del Rio South to Madison Avenue, with an option for the community to incorporate additional input into the plan. Vidales/Aréchiga 4-0-0.

Liaison Reports:

- North Park Parking Management Working Group. René stated that there will be a follow up meeting to incorporate comments from the public presentation.
- North Park Parking Garage Art Selection Committee: Sal stated that Keoni Rosa will now be the liaison from the North Park Planning Committee. The Art Selection Committee has received about 15 submissions and they are extending the deadline to seek additional artists.

Chair's Comments:

The subcommittee members discussed the possibility of changing the day of this meeting to possibly the second Thursday of the Month. The discussion will be tabled for the next subcommittee meeting to include Liz Studebaker.

Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items:

None

Next Meeting tentative date is Thursday, June 5, at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
René Vidales (Co-Chair) and Sal Aréchiga (Co-Chair)