

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

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 2, 2008, 6:30 p.m., North Park Main Street office
3076 University Avenue, San Diego, CA 92104

Called to order: 6:31 p.m.

Attendance:

Board Members: Sal Aréchiga (Co-Chair), René Vidales (Co-Chair), Rob Steppke, Lynn Elliot (arrived 6:35 p.m.)

Also in attendance: Elaine Boyd, Katherine Calvin, Jennifer Ohman, Stephen Hasse, Tianna McCoy, Ryland MacFadyen, Nathalie Stiffler.

Approve October 2, 2008 Agenda.

Motion: Approve agenda with the following change: Add Announcement No. 6. MTS Transportation Conference, and Information Item: Greater North Park Traffic Engineering Issues Report, dated July, 2008: Vidales/Steppke 3-0-0

Chair's Comments.

René stated that he talked with Biljana Kedic at City Transportation, who informed him that Gary Pence will be the new main contact for the North Park area. Sal stated that that MTS is issuing a new plastic card called "Compass Card" that he has been using for the past month, and René for the past three months. By 2009, all monthly bus passes will be faced out and the "Compass Card" will be replacing them. For more information, please dial 511 or www.511sd.com

Approve September 4, 2008 Minutes.

Motion: Approve minutes with the following changes: in Old Business A, North Park Public Facilities Financing Plan Update, add the following note after the seventh paragraph: "The number reflecting the fifteen percent (15 %) revised land cost credit, but not agreeing to equivalencies, was not provided; City staff was not sure whether the 3rd number did include the 15 % discount". Steppke/Elliot 4-0-0

Announcements:

1. **Greater North Park and Golden Hill Pedestrian Workshop.** November 8, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 12. p.m. at North Park Christian Fellowship Church, 2901 North Park Way.
2. **Express your commute.** Friday, October 3 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Old Town Trolley Station
3. **Rideshare Week, October 6 to 10.**
4. **Free Employer Workshop.** Wednesday, October 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Rancho Bernardo Marriott Courtyard at 11611 Bernardo Plaza Court, San Diego, CA
5. **Draft 2008 Congestion Management Program Update.** This document will be available for public comment
6. **MTS holds the nation's top transit conference.** San Diego Convention Center, October 5 to 8, 2008

Non-Agenda Public Comment:

- Elaine Boyd requested that when the subcommittee reviewed the Public Facilities Financing Plan, to make sure that among the projects foreseen in this plan is an

enhancement of the children's recreation area at the small pocket park at 28th Street south of Upas Street.

Information Items:

- 1. René requested an update on previous requests for all way stop signs from the City Transportation on the following intersections: Mission at Georgia; Meade at Georgia; Florida at Cypress; Florida at Myrtle. René did not get a response in time prior to this meeting.**
- 2. René received the update on Traffic Engineering Issues for Greater North Park. There were many striping projects, but there were no stop signs installed.**

Old Business

- A. Recently installed Stop Sign on Boundary Street at Palm Street.** René stated that Rob Steppke forwarded an email that he received from Andy French, expressing concerns for the recently installed stop sign on Boundary Street at Palm Street. Mr. stated that "the proper use of a stop sign is to allow cross traffic access to a busier thoroughfare. If the stop sign encroachment continues, we will have a stop sign at every intersection in the City; there will not be any busy thoroughfares, just planned congestion". Mr. French was notified of this item in the agenda and was not present at this meeting. Jennifer Ohman and Katherine Calvin stated that Mr. French was not among the neighbors that signed the petition for a stop sign on Boundary Street, so therefore Mr. French might use Boundary Street as a commute route and probably does not live in the immediate vicinity of the stop sign.
- B. North Park Public Facilities Financing Update.** Rob Steppke stated that the City has to recalculate the Development Impact Fee in the Draft Public Facilities Financing Plan, before the Community Plan is issued due to changes in the land value, and we are not at that stage yet. City staff provided this subcommittee with information regarding equivalencies, and the subcommittee is currently reviewing them. This is an ongoing process, so the subcommittee decided to have to keep this item in the Agenda as an Old Business item for the time being.

New Business:

- A. Discussion of Texas Street infrastructure and possible improvements as part of the Quarry Falls project.**

The following items were discussed as part of possible options for infrastructure improvements along Texas Street:

- Bicycle lanes
- Exclusive Pedestrian traffic lane
- Street lighting for vehicular traffic
- Street lighting for pedestrian traffic
- Replacement of K-rail median

This item will be continued as Old Business in the next subcommittee meeting to allow for additional public input.

Liaison Reports:

- **North Park Parking Garage Art Selection Committee.** René mentioned that work from

the selected artists will be displayed from October 16 to November 3 at Art Produce, located at University Avenue and Herman Avenue. The unveiling event will be on Thursday, October 16 at 6 p.m.

- **North Park Parking Management Working Group.** No update

Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: None

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

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 8:16 p.m.

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