



NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE

PUBLIC FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, PARKS, AND PUBLIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE

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CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES

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

Called to order: 6:33 p.m.

Attendance:

Board Members: Sal Aréchiga (Co-Chair), René Vidales (Co-Chair), Rob Steppke, Lynn Elliot, Liz Studebaker.

Community Voting Member: Jeffrey Wergeles

Also in attendance: Randy Van Vleck, Kathy Keehan.

Approve November 6, 2008 Agenda.

Motion: Approve agenda Aréchiga/Steppke 6-0-0

Chair's Comments.

René Vidales stated that the Sub-Committee will not meet in the December.

Approve October 2, 2008 Minutes.

Motion: Approve minutes Elliot/Aréchiga 4-0-2 (Studebaker and Wergeles abstained)

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. **CALTRANS launches the California Transportation Plan Workshop.** The link is: [www. californiatransportationplan2035.org](http://www.californiatransportationplan2035.org)
3. **Public Hearing on Draft 2008 Congestion Management Program Update.** Friday, November 7, 9 a.m., 401 B Street, Suite 800

Non-Agenda Public Comment:

- Elizabeth Studebaker announced that they need volunteers for the North Park Toyland Parade, which will take place on Saturday, December 6.

Information Items:

None

Old Business:

- A. Request for Stop Sign on Mission Ave. at Georgia Street.**
- B. Request for Stop Sign on Meade Ave. at Georgia Street.** Sal Aréchiga stated he was forwarded an email from the City informing that both intersections did not receive enough points from the traffic study for a stop sign. Sal would like René to contact the City and request the actual traffic study
- C. Request for a Stop Sign on Florida Street at Cypress Avenue.**
- D. Request for a Stop Sign on Florida Street at Myrtle Avenue.** These two items were "trailed" to the end of the meeting to give time for Mr. Holmes to show up. Since Mr. Holmes was not present, it was decided to table these items for the next subcommittee meeting for action

- E. North Park Public Facilities Financing Plan Update.** Rob Steppke stated that Stacey Lumerico from the City disclosed that they are not pushing this item further until the Community Plan is updated. Rob Steppke also met with Golden Hill & Uptown committee members and the following was discussed:
- How credit could be distributed for each planning committee for equivalencies
 - North Park can get a percentage and other planning committees can also get a percentage
 - Surveys on park usages may be required for making determination

- F. Update on Texas Street Infrastructure and possible improvements as part of the Quarry Falls project.** Rob Steppke presented the three possible choices for mitigation projects:
- Conventional street lighting, pedestrian path (west side), and bike paths on the east and west sides of Texas Street
 - Pedestrian path, bike paths (east and west sides), and acorn/arts and crafts era lighting on the west side of Texas Street
 - Double-sided street lights, within a redesigned center median k-rail, on Texas Street supplemented with small scale pedestrian/bike path lighting
- Rob stated that the second option was most favored by recent public input.

New Business:

- A. Proposed memorial bike preservation project at northeast corner of University Avenue and Park Boulevard**

Randy Van Vleck presented the following:

- A description of proposal for a “Ghost Bike” memorial
- This memorial has the objective of increasing the level of awareness for drivers
- This memorial has also the objective of increasing the level of safety for pedestrians and bicycle riders
- This memorial is supported by the San Diego County Bicycle Coalition
- A “Ghost Bike” memorial is currently displayed in the Kearny Mesa area

After further discussion among the subcommittee members the following motion was drawn:

Motion: To support the concept of a Bike Memorial at the northeast corner of University Avenue and Park Boulevard and request the City grant a nine-month grace period to allow the applicant adequate opportunity for planning and community support for a permanent display. Elliot/Wergeles 6-0-0.

Liaison Reports:

- **North Park Parking Garage Art Selection Committee.** Liz Studebaker encouraged the public to comment on the art display at “Art Produce”, so it can be forwarded to the City for a final decision on the parking garage Public Art project.

Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: None

Next Meeting: Due to the January 1st holiday, the next meeting will be held on the 2nd Thursday.

SPECIAL MEETING DATE: *Thursday, January 8, at 6:30 p.m.*

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 8:22 p.m.

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