## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MISSION VALLEY PLANNING GROUP

#### June 3, 2020

Via Zoom Web Conference

#### Members Present:

Michele Addington, Cameron Bucher, Ken Callaway, Bob Cummings, Rachel Erwin, Jonathan Frankel, Alan Grant, Anthony Hackett, Derek Hulse, John La Raia, Elizabeth Leventhal, Andrew Michajlenko, Keith Pittsford, Marco Sessa, Pete Shearer, Michael Sherman, Colton Speas, and Josh Weiselberg.

#### **City/Government Staff:**

Nancy Graham and Liz Saidkhanian

#### **Guests:**

N/A

## A. CALL TO ORDER

Jonathan Frankel called the regular meeting of the Mission Valley Planning Group (MVPG) to order at 12:02p.m. via Zoom online virtual meeting platform.

Verify Quorum: 12 members were present, constituting a quorum.

## **B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** –

Jonathan Frankel spoke on current health and political issues in the community.

# C. INTRODUCTIONS / OPENING REMARKS/REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Jonathan Frankel welcomed everyone to the meeting.

# **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Michael Sherman moved to approve the minutes of the March 4th regular meeting; Michele Addington seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously 14-0-5 with Michele Addington, Cameron Bucher, Bob Cummings, Rachel Erwin, Johnathan Frankel, Alan Grant, Anthony Hackett, Derek Hulse, John LaRaia, Elizabeth Leventhal, Keith Pittsford, Pete Shearer, Michael Sherman and Josh Weiselberg voting yes, and Ken Callaway, Andrew Michajlenko, Marco Sessa, and Colton Speas abstaining.

# E. Public Input – Non-Agenda Items but within the scope of authority of the planning group.

- Marco Sessa disappointed they had to cancel ribbon cutting for park and open space at Civita park.
- Bob Shandor had question concerning vote on Riverwalk project.

## F. Membership Committee – Michele Addington

1. Open positions on the MVPG Board; two open positions on the Board. Michele also sought use of social media to spread awareness about positions on the Board.

# G. Treasurer's Report – Elizabeth Leventhal

1. Reported that the balance remains the same; \$1,344.16.

## **H. Information Items**

1. Project 581984 (Riverwalk) Draft Environmental Impact Report & Specific Plan – Pete Shearer

Description: Informational presentation regarding the proposed Riverwalk project, Specific Plan, and draft environmental impact report.

Overview and history of project. First project to follow the MV Community Plan Update. Overview of land use plan – 4 major land uses: Residential Mixed Use, Employment and Open Space. Overall reduction in residential units from prior land use plans – a  $\sim$ 53% reduction. Additional park space to accommodate river and river park considerations. Reconfiguration of Via Las Cumbres extension roadway through project rather than across as originally proposed.

Overview of EIR and areas of potential impact and accompanying mitigation.

Question re: phasing of open space and park and golf course shuttering.

Question re: Transportation and subcommittee review of EIR and comments on the EIR. Question regarding schedule of improvements to be built for traffic/transportation impacts.

Question seeking clarification re: work around Friars and Fashion Valley Road as frontage work and will align with onsite development. New culvert along Fashion Valley Road would occur when development of adjacent lots occurs.

Question regarding reduction of residential units and if reduction occurs whether trolley station would proceed.

Development Agreement should be available for public review prior to going to Planning Commission.

Question concerning grading and coordination with other governmental agencies.

Statement regarding vote by MVPG on project and comments on project after deadline for comments. Second comment regarding traffic study for the project and it being one of the first large traffic studies based on VMT standard and said standard doesn't necessarily identify congestion issues (i.e. level of service).

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Affordable housing buildings likely to be stand-alone.

Question re: residential parking lots dedication for residents and question re: podium parking.

Motion and vote to bring the matter back before the MVPG at the July meeting.

# I. Action Items

1. Approval of 2019-2020 Annual Report – Michele Addington

Description: Discuss and approve annual report to be submitted to the City of San Diego in accordance with Council Policy 600-24.

Michele provided a brief overview of the report.

Jonathan Frankel moved to accept the annual report; Alan Grant seconded the motion. Matter was approved unanimously 18-0-0 with Michele Addington, Cameron Bucher, Ken Callaway, Bob Cummings, Rachel Erwin, Johnathan Frankel, Alan Grant, Anthony Hackett, Derek Hulse, John LaRaia, Elizabeth Leventhal, Andrew Michajlenko, Keith Pittsford, Marco Sessa, Pete Shearer, Michael Sherman, Colton Speas, and Josh Weiselberg voting yes, with zero no votes and zero abstentions.

## J. Committee/Community Reports:

## 1. Subcommittee Reports:

- a. Standing Committees:
  - 1) Design Advisory Board normally meets the Monday prior to the MVPG meeting at 3:30 p.m. at the Mission Valley Library- Andrew Michajlenko. Next meeting to be June 29, 2020 via Go-To Meeting.

Meetings in April and May re: Scottish Rite redevelopment plan. Applicant is now scheduled to be back before MVPG in July if they can resolve with Design Advisory Board prior thereto.

One action item re: Alexan Gallery; mixed use project signage package.

 Mission Valley Community Plan Update- Elizabeth Levental/ Andrew Michajlenko Normally meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 3:00 p.m. at the Mission Valley Library.

No meetings scheduled at the current time.

b. Ad Hoc Committees

1) Public Health, Safety and Welfare – Elizabeth Leventhal

Convention center currently in use for temporary homeless housing. Voices of our city was on America's Got Talent; good press for San Diego and the program.

2) Riverwalk-Michele Addington: Next meeting is June 10th, 3:30PM via Zoom.

3) MV Stadium Redevelopment-Kaye Durant

Purchase agreement tentatively approved.

1. Community Reports

a. San Diego River Coalition – Alan Grant-Normally meets the third Friday of each month at 3:00 p.m. (locations vary). Has not met and does not have a meeting scheduled presently.

b. Community Planning Chairs Meeting –Michele Addington/Jonathan Frankel

Various updates provided and note about changes to park master plan (change from acres/population current ratio as well as impact fee schedule and will also be city-wide). Funding collected in Zone 4 for vehicle trips will be used in other zones. Other modifications re: zoning and land use.

c. Miscellaneous Mail/Items-For the Good of the Order – Jonathan Frankel asked for suggestions for upcoming meeting agenda items.

**K. Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 2:07P.M. Next Regular Meeting Date – July 1st at noon location TBD.

Cameron Bucher, Secretary