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Annual Report of the
Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group
April 2020 - March 2021
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April 14, 2021

#### Introduction

The following is the Annual Report of the Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group (KTPG). Because of the COVID-19 virus and state ordered shutdown, the planning group did not hold its first meeting until June 2020. Therefore, for the period covered by this report (April 2020-March 2021) the officers were David Moty, Chair; Brian Helmich, Vice-Chair; Kelly Waggonner, Secretary; Lisa Sinclair, Treasurer; all for the period June 2020 – March 2021.

The planning group maintained standing subcommittees for Project Review, and the Kensington Maintenance Assessment Districts: Kensington Heights, Kensington Manor, Kensington Park North, Talmadge Park North, and Talmadge Park South, and the following ad hoc subcommittees: CIP & Planning, Communications, Historic Review, Monroe Avenue Transportation Corridor, Transportation, Utility Undergrounding, and Elections.

#### Administrative Issues

Five regular meetings of the full board were held during the twelve months from April 2020 through March 2021. No meetings of the full board were held in April, May, July, August, September, October, and December of 2020. A special meeting was held on November 30, 2020.

There is no differentiation made in membership between residents, renters, property owners, or business or non-profit owner/operators, nor are there any seats specifically assigned for large institutional entities.

On June 10, 2020, Joan Fitzsimons was appointed to a seat vacated by Julian Villegas in February 2020.

# **Community Plan Preparation and Implementation**

No community plans were prepared or implemented between April 2020 and March 2021.

#### **Special Projects**

Nov 2020 – The planning group officially recommended budgets for the Kensington MADs: Kensington Heights, Kensington Manor, Kensington Park North, Talmadge Park North, and Talmadge Park South.

Jan 2021 – The planning group voted 11-1 to support the vacation of three utility easements at 4155 Hilldale Road. The planning group voted 10-2 to support many of the improvements to the Parks Master Plan and Recreation Element recommended by PARC, a community coalition.

Feb 2021 – The planning group voted unanimously to approve special election rules suggested by the Planning Department as a consequence of COVID 19 whereby the planning group could forego elections if there were equal or fewer numbers of candidates as seats up for election.

Mar 2021 – The planning group voted unanimously to seat the 4 qualified candidates who were running for the 8 seats available at the election. No community ballot was held.

Historic Review – Throughout the planning group year, the 45 Year Review liaison received 37 permits for potential historic review and requested city staff to investigate 4 properties for historicity.

For additional information, please see the posted minutes for the planning year at the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group website: www.ktpg.org (April 2020 through March 2021).

## **Planning Group Objectives**

The planning group will continue to:

- 1. Request the City prioritize upgrades to the street-lighting systems in Talmadge Park North and Kensington Heights.
- 2. Work with the Kensington residents planned Utility Undergrounding projects in Kensington south of Adams Ave., Kensington Park North, and Talmadge Park North.
- 3. Request the City prioritize a storm water control system for the watershed feeding Aldine Drive.
- 4. Seek traffic flow solutions for the Monroe Avenue area in Talmadge.
- 5. Work with the community regarding 4G/5G wireless communication equipment installations to ensure minimal negative impact on the historic neighborhoods of Kensington and Talmadge.
- 6. Seek solutions to improve parking and walkability in the business corridor of Adams Avenue.
- 7. Work with City Staff regarding City efforts to increase density and affordable housing along the El Cajon Blvd. corridor, while protecting the historic residential nature of Kensington and Talmadge.
- 8. Advocate for removal of fan palms from nearby canyons to improve fire safety.
- 9. Work with City Staff regarding City efforts to increase the urban street canopy and facilitate conversation around any controversial tree removal.

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Chair, Kensington-Talmadge Manning Group

#### Kensington Talmadge Planning Group Public Roster Summary for April 2020 through March 2021

	Current Term	<b>Initial Term</b>	, ,
Membership as of Apr 2020	End Date	Start Date	Membership as of March 2021
David Moty, Chair	APR 2022	APR 2020	David Moty, Chair
Brian Helmich, Vice Chair	APR 2021	APR 2019	Brian Helmich, Vice Chair
Kelly Waggonner, Secretary	APR 2022	APR 2013	Kelly Waggonner, Secretary
Lisa Sinclair, Treasurer	APR 2022	JUL 2019	Lisa Sinclair, Treasurer
Norma Clark	APR 2021	APR 2019	Norma Clark
Joan Fitzsimons*	APR 2021	JUN 2020	Joan Fitzsimons
Daniel Heller	APR 2021	APR 2019	Daniel Heller
Ken Horsley	APR 2022	APR 2012	Ken Horsley
Ari Isaak	APR 2021	APR 2019	Ari Isaak
Daniele Laman	APR 2022	APR 2020	Daniele Laman
Fred Lindahl	APR 2022	APR 2018	Fred Lindahl
Carolyn Satter	APR 2021	JAN 2020	Carolyn Satter
Deborah Sharpe	APR 2021	APR 2014	Deborah Sharpe
Don Taylor	APR 2021	APR 2013	Don Taylor
Ralph Teyssier	APR 2022	APR 2018	Ralph Teyssier

<sup>\*</sup>Joan Fitzsimons was appointed to fill the position vacated by Julian Villegas in March 2020.

## Kensington Talmadge Planning Group Election Results for March 10, 2021

Per City Planning Department guidance given to all planning groups on January 26, 2021, and approved by the Kensington Talmadge planning group on February 10, 2021, the planning group complied with county and state COVID-19 health mandates by forgoing its regular March elections when, as permitted by city guidance, there were equal or fewer eligible candidates than seats up for election. There were four eligible candidates for eight positions. As approved by the board in March 2020, the four eligible candidates were automatically seated on April 14, 2021 for a standard two-year term.

# Kensington Talmadge Planning Group Public Roster Summary for April 2021 through March 2022 Current Term Initial Term

Membership as of Apr 20	20			KTPG Email:	kentalpc@yahoo.com
Name	<b>End Date</b>	Start Date	COW		
David Moty (Chair)	2022	2020	Υ	(619) 255-2882	dkmoty@gmail.com
Brian Helmich (Vice-Chair,	) 2023	2019	Υ		
Paul Krueger* (Secretary)	2023	2021	N		
Lisa Sinclair (Treasurer)	2022	2019	Υ		
Joan Fitzsimon*	2023	2021	Υ		
Janessa Goldbeck*	2023	2021	N		
Ken Horsley	2022	2012	Υ		
Melanie Irwin*	2023	2021	N		
Ari Isaak	2023	2019	Υ		
Daniele Laman	2022	2020	Υ		
Fred Lindahl	2022	2018	Υ		
Carolyn Satter	2023	2020	Υ		
Deborah Sharpe	2023	2014	Υ		
Ralph Teyssier	2022	2018	Υ		
Kelly Waggonner	2022	2013	Υ		

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes board member who was appointed to fill a seat left open at the regular election.

## **Community Planner**

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The Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group meets at 6:30 pm, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Its future physical meeting site is undetermined.

Subcommittee meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday before the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday; or the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at a meeting site that is undetermined.