

Old Town San Diego Community Planning Group

Thurston Coe, Chairperson
2836 Juan Street
San Diego, California, 92110

November 14, 2012

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Whaley House Courtroom this meeting to order at 3:20 pm
Geoffrey Mogilner Moved and David Swarens seconded

- **Members Present:** Chuck Ambers; Thurston Coe; Ann Dahlkamp; Patricia Fillet; Marie Pedrin-Gizoni; Fred Grand; Geoffrey Mogilner; Lorna Rice; Richard Stegner; Fred Schwartz; David Swarens; David Thornton
- **Members Absent:** Bruce Coons; Marie Pedrin-Gizoni; Diane Lowery;
- **Guests:** Tait Galloway - City of San Diego PSP 533-4550 tgalloway@sandiego.gov
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Virginia Oskoui; Ntsuh Aberra; Jacqueline Botticelli; Abi Plaseyed, City of San Diego;
Erica Ueland; Jeff Szymanski; Carrie Purcell; Roderic McLean; Carmen Kasher; Carl Huenefeld, MCRD Liaison carl.huenefeld@usmc.mil; Stephen Jones, Jones Bauard Architects sjones500@gmail.com, Linda Jacobo, Decendents of Early San Diego linda92117@yahoo.com; Lynda Barbour, Community ACSCAN Lynda.barbour@gmail.com; Connery Cepeda, CALTRANS connery.cepeda@dot.ca.gov; Ian Clampett, City Council, 619.235.5282, iclampett@sandiego.gov;

Non-Agenda Public Comments: i. Jackie Boticelli brought to the OTSDCPG the Pepper Trees that line the Presidio Trail on the property of the Presidio Golf Course are overgrown and pose a safety hazard to the public and limits ADA access; Jackie also documented with photos the hazard. Fred Grand pointed out the City of San Diego is owner and will address the issue, since he is part of the Clean & Safe Committee. Tait Galloway also mentioned he will send an email to Parks & Recreation. ii. Thurston Coe mentioned the City Council District will officially change and Old Town Community is now under Todd Gloria's District beginning December, 2012.

Treasurer's report: \$200 donation to Save Our Heritage Organisation (SOHO) has not been made, although noted in September, 2012 meeting minutes, Bruce Coons was not at the meeting to accept the donation. Beginning Balance for September 2012 at \$362.92. \$35.00 was collected during the September, 2012 meeting, placing the balance at \$397.92. The proposed donation to SOHO is \$200.00, leaving a \$197.93 balance for October and November, 2012. As of November 14, 2012 the \$200 donation has not been completed. Ann Dahlkamp Motioned and Fred Grand Seconded.

Action Items:

4. Approval of October and November Meeting Minutes
 - 6a. Community Letter to Mayor of San Diego, San Diego City Council, and San Diego Development Services drafted by Geoffrey Mogilner on behalf of OTSDCPG.
 - 6b. Continued presentation of Juan Street Reconstruction.

Comments to action items:

6a. Geoffrey Mogilner presented draft letter and explained further the contents and significance of the Kosa'aay Letter. The OTSDCPG voted to take off the table – Geoffrey

Mogilner Moved and Fred Swartz Seconded. Fred Grand Commented at 3:45pm that he was unsure to approve the letter, stating the demographics and tourist numbers were not accurately reflected. Tait Galloway pointed out that the OTSDCPG could not take action, since this was not on the agenda, stating Robert's Rule. Geoffrey Mogilner says that Robert's Rule does not need to be implied, since the Kosa'aay Letter is on the September Meeting Minutes as an Action Item. Richard Stegner suggests to table the item and return as an Action Item. David Swarens moves to have this continue in December as an Action Item. Geoffrey Mogilner points out the rules that this is a motion on the floor and as a planning group we said two months ago to move forward with a draft letter and that everyone had plenty of time to review and that there is not need to add as an action item. Tait Galloway informed the OTSDCPG that there is an option to ask the Committee to make a motion to place as an Agenda item for November's meeting. Fred Swartz asks Geoffrey Mogilner to change wording and to leave data out; Fred Grand offers to work with Geoffrey Mogilner in redrafting Kosa'aay Letter. Tait Galloway cites 600-24 Brown Act: "if 5 days have passed, then the issue has to be placed on Agenda as proper notice". Geoffrey Mogilner reminded Chairman to place this on Agenda for December, 2012.

6b. Avi Plaseyed and team member presented the Juan Street Improvement and is asking for the OTSDCPGs vote to support this project, they were here a year ago with the first presentation. The projected start is Fall 2013 and end Spring 2014. The work schedule is M-F, 7am-7pm with all Holidays observed. Richard Stegner made many comments for concerns of construction staging areas and residential concerns for parking. David Swarens pointed out perhaps shuttle access could address parking for contractors and not to impact public access parking. Fred, the City team presenting with Avi explained how the contractor may come with another proposal to address issues, for example, parking; another is one lane will be left open during concrete pour. All crosswalks that exist are being replaced and that the pavement will meet sidewalk and will provide access to pedestrians – one side of the sidewalk will remain throughout the entire process. David Swarens points out that runoff is a concern and if bump pans for iron plates will be utilized; also the color scheme should be matched. Avi, the presenter, said those details will be worked out.

Chuck Ambers pointed out that the meeting will continue at the City Design Review Board on November 15th at 9am. Motion to vote was withdrawn by Geoffrey Mogilner in order to give the Review Board an opportunity to make comments and then the OTSDCPG can vote after the review.

Information Items:

Karen Spring from McCoughney House Tea Room presented signage asking support from the OTSDCPG for the following detail changes: background will change from brown to white. David Swarens pointed out the accuracy does not reflect what is being presented and what is intended do be done. Karen follows up stating that the sign ordinance is a county decision and does not need OTSDCPG approval. David Swarens points out that the City of San Diego indeed seeks the opinion of a planning group as part of the process and provides recommendations based on the planning groups decisions. Geoffrey Mogilner asks Karen what "look" is being sought after. Karen responds with a clean a simple matrice look that is part of the historic lettering. Richard Stegner mentions that the signage relationship to street restriction is on frontage. Fred Grand states that Heritage Park is part of the County historic district and would prefer this be part of a comprehensive sign program, which will come before the City of San Diego. David Swarens states that he will not be supporting motion for signage, since the presentation does not accurately show what the design proposal does and

feels this does not meet design criteria.

**Fred Swartz motions to support signage and Ann Dahlkam Seconds
9 Votes to approve; 1 Abstain; 2 No**

Announcements:

Annual Chamber Meeting is on November 28th; Counting voting ballots will occur on November 15, 2012 with announcements on the 28th. Ian Clampett representing Kevin Faulkner's office announced this is the last meeting and will be here in December to "pass the torch" to Todd Gloria's office.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Fillet