Midway-Pacific Highway Community Planning Group Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Location: 3663 Rosecrans St, Building B - San Diego, CA 92110

REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Call to Order: 3:04 pm. Quorum present.
- 2. Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the January 2024 Regular Meeting were all circulated before the meeting. Denise motioned to approve as drafted. Tod Seconded. Dustin abstained. Unanimous approval.
- 3. Public Comment:
 - a. Andrew Ferbert, husband of San Diego City Attorney candidate Heather Ferbert said a few words about her campaign and background in various city of San Diego departments.
 - b. A resident asked about the vacant former Big Lots building, and someone said they heard Smart and Final may be relocating there soon.
- 4. Government Office Reports
 - a. Mayor's Office, Randy Reyes: Kohta Zaiser has moved on to a different department; Randy Reyes is our new contact for the Mayor's office in D2 and D5. Amendments to the sidewalk vendor ordinances were passed recently. Project labor agreement signed into law. FEMA declared parts of San Diego under federal emergency, which should provide additional assistance and funding for the cleanup.
 - b. Council District 2's Office, TBD:
 - c. Planning Department, Liz Saidkhanian Dispenza:
 - -stopped by to introduce yourself to the group will be the lead or land use team.
 - Suchie Lukes here for Liz- expressed their support of Midway Risings' pursuit of a community plan amendment for their project.
 - d. Police Department, Officer David Surwilo: not present.
 - e. Housing Commission, Lisa Jones/Molly Weber:
 - f. Regional Airport Authority, Sophie Barnhorst: not present.
 - g. County Supervisor District 3 Office, Rebecca Smith: not present.
 - h. State Senator Toni Atkins Office, Cole Reed:
 - -2024 will be the senator's last year as she is being termed out. He is still available to discuss any issues with FTB, etc.
 - i. Assemblymember Tasha Boerner, Robson Winter:
 - -upcoming events mentioned- March- women of impact for which they are taking nominations: few new bills to mention, AB2134 related to E-Bike safety.
 - j. Congressman Scott Peters Office, TBD: not present.
 - k. SANDAG, TBD: not present.
 - I. Naval Base Point Loma, Dina Ryan:
 - -mentioned a developer has been selected for the NAVWAR site.
 - m. MCRD, Jim Gruny: Received e-mail, no significant updates.
- 5. Action Items
 - a. Automated People Mover- Alex Wong: The presentation was canceled and will be rescheduled for April.
 - b. Midway Rising Community Plan Amendment:
 - -Jim Andersson, Shelby Jordan, and others presented. Reviewed PowerPoint with key milestones thus far. Today they are here to request CPG support to initiate a community plan amendment, not to approve an amendment or any changes to current plan. The proposed amendment would address new RMX zoning and changes to the streets proposed in the current plan, among other things.

Next steps: Draft the EIR by summer 2024 and present it to the City Council in the fall/winter 2024—board questions regarding the height of structures. The team stated from 100 feet to 140 feet, the current arena is approximately 100 feet high. The residential area will be approximately 100 feet- 5 stories above the 3 stories of parking. The City will take the lead on drafting community plan amendments.

-Jason motioned to support Midway Rising's request for our board to formally support initiating a community plan amendment specific to the existing Sports Arena site. The letter would voice our support for initiating the process, which

would also update policies, development standards, and architectural guidelines for transit-oriented development (TOD) to conform with the current General Plan.

- -Discussion followed, noting our group is not formally supporting any specific changes to our existing plan at this time.
- -Tod seconded the motion—unanimous approval, by a vote of 9-0-0. The board will draft and submit a letter of support.
- c. CPG Membership update:
 - -Dustin and Bill are still interested in joining the CMG board; they both attended and introduced themselves again. Anthony Pretto is interested but is not able to attend this month.
 - -Amy motioned to appoint Dustin and Bill to two vacant seats. Ryan seconded, unanimously approved.
- 6. Information & Discussion Items:
 - a. Donation Drive for displaced families: Cathy announced a drive to assist. The date, time, and location are TBD.
 - b. CCPG March Election update: Cathy noted our upcoming elections.
- 7. CPC Report: n/a.
- 8. Chair Report: n/a.
- 9. New Business: n/a.
- 10. Old Business: n/a.

Adjournment: 4:02 pm.