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Regular Meeting Minutes June 13, 2018

I. PARLIAMENTARY ITEMS

- The June 13, 2018 general meeting of the Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group was called to order by vice-chairman David Moty at 6:31 PM.
- Board members present – Bill Adair, Ron Anderson, Ken Horsley, Darlene Love, David Moty, George Palermo, Elvia Sandoval, Deborah Sharpe, Ralph Teyssier and Kelly Waggoner.
- Board members not present: Sean Harrison, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, Marilyn Sanderson, and Don Taylor.
- Ten (10) audience members signed in.
- Approval of Agenda: Tonight’s agenda was **unanimously approved**.
- Approval of Minutes:

Members Ken Horsley and George Palermo requested that Section III (Non-Subcommittee Items), Paragraph 5 of the May 9, 2018 meeting minutes be amended as follows:

“Some members of the KTPG Board expressed concern that some of the information about the project was not definitive enough and also raised questions regarding details about tax generation and issuance of public bonds to fund the project. In addition, some Board members expressed support for the project. A discussion and Q&A followed the presentation, with the presenters, Board members and audience members participating.”

David Moty moved to approve the minutes, as amended. Seconded by Deborah Sharpe. **The vote to approve was unanimous.**

- Treasurer Darlene Love reported a bank balance of \$261.10 as of June 1, 2018.

II. COMMUNITY FORUM & NON-AGENDA COMMENT

○ **Matt Yagyagan, representing District 9 Councilmember Georgette Gomez:**

- Matt reported that changes were made in the Mayor's revised budget to restore funding and service levels targeted for reduction in the initial budget proposal. Services which had been identified as having their budget's restored included tree trimming, graffiti abatement and library services. Additionally, funding has been included for the addition of five (5) full-time code compliance officers, who will serve City-wide, and a brush management/abatement special workforce, which will be responsible for all City-owned property. Streetlights will receive \$2.3 million, which will be disbursed City-wide. The total budget is \$3.8 billion. Matt advised this budget information applies to the FY2019 budget, which begins July 1, 2018.

III. NON- SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

○ **Crown Castle Communications Equipment Installation Proposal**

Matt Levesque – Government Relations, Crown Castle Communications

Brandon Jones – Public Affairs Manager, Madaffer Enterprises (Consultant)

- A proposed plan was presented for installation of communications equipment to improve cellular/wireless signal strength in the immediate area, located at the southwest corner of Ridgeway Drive and Marlborough Drive (where the Stop sign is currently placed). The improvement in coverage range for this installation is estimated to be between 500 and 1000 feet.
- Comments from the Board:
 - ◇ The proposed equipment design and footprint is not congruent with the historic character of the Kensington and Talmadge neighborhoods.
 - ◇ Board members expressed a preference that any such equipment be undergrounded or installed in obscure canyon areas. The presenters advised these alternatives are not feasible due to the requirement for cooling fans in underground installations - which could produce noise at 50 dB levels in the immediate area, a noise level which would be noticeable in a quiet residential area. Installations in canyons or other, more remote, locations would not provide the necessary coverage improvement.
 - ◇ Board members from both Kensington and Talmadge neighborhoods emphasized that the area's historic light fixtures are not to be considered candidates for mounting equipment – as has happened in other neighborhoods.
 - ◇ The overall feedback to Crown Castle was that, while the Board recognizes the need for these infrastructure improvements, the proposed design is not compatible with our area's historic character. The Board requested that Crown Castle further consider the historic fabric of the neighborhood and work to develop alternative designs to preserve and protect it.

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NON- SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS (continued)

○ **Overview of Mid-City Transportation**

Randolph Van Vleck - Transportation & Planning Manager - City Heights CDC

- A brochure about the Mid-City Community Bike Ride (June 16th) and a Mid-City Bike Map was distributed.
- To access an interactive version of the Pueblo Bike/Transportation map, go to www.511sd.com/bikemap or www.gobybike.com

○ **Mid-City Parking District Update – David Moty**

- David reviewed portions of the Mid-City Parking District's 2018-2019 budget. MCPD is currently looking at all side streets off of El Cajon Boulevard and 30th Street for alternative parking solutions. Solutions being considered:
 - ◇ Evaluate street widths and curb cuts on side streets in City Heights, Kensington, Talmadge, Normal Heights and North Park to determine which additional streets can accommodate parking adjustments. Solicit support from adjacent residents and property owners by conducting community outreach and mailing petitions.
 - ◇ Install angled and head-in parking at identified locations.
 - ◇ Curb designations: MCPD will work with City staff to evaluate and change curb colors to increase supply and manage parking. This includes reducing red curb lengths and time-limited parking. David mentioned this is similar to what Sean Harrison had worked on along Adams Avenue in Kensington.
 - ◇ MCPD will work with business owners, residents and property owners to gain approvals. City crews will implement.
 - ◇ MCPD will install an upgraded crossing on El Cajon Boulevard in the Little Saigon district. Randy Van Vleck stated an example of such an upgraded crossing is the stamped/colored concrete in the area near the Normal Heights community sign.
 - ◇ Curb Cuts - MCPD will designate locations where curb cuts should be removed to increase on street parking. David stated to the Board that granting curb cuts when requested should be carefully reviewed because, once granted, a curb cut is very difficult to take back.

IV. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

- **Transportation** - Chair: Sean Harrison
(Presented by Kelly Waggoner)
 - Review of meeting with SANDAG
 - ◇ Presentation was modified from the former 2017 presentation.
 - ◇ The Hawk light has been replaced with a cement barrier ‘pocket’, which triggers a fast-blinking light when a biker is present within the ‘pocket’.
 - ◇ No modifications were made to 47th Street or the traffic circle.
 - ◇ A flashing light signal pole on Aldine Drive, now to be decorative.
 - ◇ SANDAG presented a simulation of morning rush-hour traffic following installation of a traffic circle. In the simulation, the traffic circle design highly appeared to favor northbound traffic. Bill Helmich/TCC Chair (who was present at the meeting) stated he counted 19 northbound vehicles traversing the circle during one period - before a single westbound or southbound vehicle could enter.

- **Project Review** - Chair: Ken Horsley
 - No Meeting

- **Communications** - Chair: David Moty
 - No Meeting

- **Kensington MADs** - Chair: Don Taylor
 - No Meeting

- **Utility Undergrounding** – Chair: Sean Harrison
 - No Meeting

V. KTPG LIAISON REPORTS

- **CPC** - David Moty
 - Live/work quarters – expanded the allowable residential space from 33% to 49%. A higher percentage was considered but topping the 50% threshold would trigger a City-wide EIR, as the zoning’s primary use would have become residential rather than commercial.
 - Flood regulations – required to comply with federal regulations.
 - Officer elections:

David Moty	re-elected as Chair
Wally Wulfeck	Vice-Chair
Victoria Touchstone	Secretary

KTPG LIAISON REPORTS (continued)

○ **Historic Resources** – Bill Adair

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| ▪ 4547 Terrace Drive | 1910 | Rejected by Historic Resources Board |
| ▪ 4503 Vista Street | 1926 | Meets Criterion ‘C’ for style/type |
| ▪ 4738 Kensington Drive | 1912 | Does not meet Criterion C |

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.