

Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 9, 2019, 6:30 P.M.

Golden Hill Recreation Center- Community Meeting "Clubhouse"

www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpg

2600 Golf Course Dr. San Diego, CA 92102

The clubhouse is the smaller building south of the main gym
along Golf Course Dr., near 26th St. and Russ Blvd.

Present (11): Kathy Vandenheuvel (GGHPC Chair, Community Planners Committee (CPC) Representative, Citizens' Airport Advisory Committee (CAC) Representative), Tim Briggs (GGHPC Vice Chair), Michael Nazarinia (Secretary), Victoria Curran (Balboa Park Representative), Cheryl Brierton, Molly Brooks, Joe Coneglio, Sabrina DiMinico, John Kroll, Richard Santini, Paul Schumacher

Absent (5): Susan Bugbee, Erika Espinosa-Araiza, Cristina Magana, Valerie Pasquetto, Susanna Starcevic

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

A. Approval of minutes of September 11, 2019. Coneglio moved, Curran Seconded: To approve the minutes of 9/11/2019. Motion carried, 10-yes, 0-no, 1- abstention (DiMinico, not present)

B. Governmental Reports

1. San Diego City Council District 3 (Brett Weise for Councilmember Chris Ward):

*The Community Choice energy program was approved by the City last month;

*The Mayor vetoed an affordable housing inclusionary policy, but signed an update to the Middle Income plan;

*A homeless supportive shelter plan offers assistance, especially to the unsheltered.

*In response to questions:

--(Brierton) Weise not aware of news that only 33 out of 200 in City grant were able to get jobs;

--(Coneglio) The homeless cleanup program is primarily for the San Diego River bed; (Brierton) Weise will check with City Attorney Mara Elliott re requesting highway cleanups as a condition of probation in misdemeanor cases

--(Nazarinia) The 30th and C, 4 overhead cobra lights at intersection that were turned off by SDG&E on accident three months ago are back on as well as the other 3 of 4 acorn style lights north and south of the intersection, public safety concern.

--(Member of the public, Gary Roberts): Can the City ask the Port District to house the homeless vs building hotels on coastal property? Weise will check

2. 39th California Senate District (Chevelle Tate for State Senator President Pro Tem Toni Atkins) (Newsletter distributed)

*The California Legislature is in recess until January 2020. Housing will return to the fore at that time. Gov. Newsome has until October 13 to sign bills. Local planning bill SB 33 is expected to be signed tomorrow.

*Comments from those present:

--(Chair Vandenneuvel) park access is a high priority, because Golden Hill has none other than Balboa Park

--(Past GGHPC Chair David Swarens): a historic district tax credit law has passed;

--(Member of the public, Sebastian Sarria): What is status of SB 1, providing \$300 million for Housing? Tate replied that Gov. Newsome vetoed it this morning.

3. San Diego Police Dept. (SDPD) Community Relations Officer (CRO) Kevin Vasquez.

*Circulated 2 Be On the Lookout (BOLOs) to those present

*Response to questions/comments:

--(Vandenneuvel): Officer Vasquez indicated homeless often not willing to seek treatment; new conservatorship legislation still requires grave disability);

--(Coneglio, Curran and Brierton): Thanks to CRO Vasquez for assistance for issues with Recreational Vehicle parking on F & G, E & F alley, homeless attack criminal case, resulting in perpetrator being sentenced to recover sanity/receive addiction treatment at state institution

4. 53rd US Congressional District (Bobby Case for Representative Susan Davis) (Newsletter distributed)

*Davis not running for re-election,

*Davis has joined call for impeachment inquiry after President Trump withheld funds to US ally Ukraine while requesting Ukraine to investigate his leading Presidential candidate opponent;

*Is looking into problems in federal student loan forgiveness program;

--Requesting input for global policy series (Brierton suggested abandonment of US ally Kurds-Turkey/Syria)

--Requesting participation in US pre-census questions. In response to questions:

*from Brierton: Yes, there is a question about US citizenship on the pre-census, even though the US Supreme Court ordered it removed from census.

*from Nazarinia: Email question to Robert.Case@mail.house.gov, and Case will respond.

5. Not present:

--California 78th Assembly District (Assembly Majority Whip Todd Gloria)

--San Diego City Planner Bernard Turgeon

C. Non-agenda Public Comment

1. Brierton urged GGHPC members and all to take advantage of San Diego County Water District free tours of Colorado Aqueduct (80% of San Diego water) and Delta (11%).

*Brierton also noted that for project review, GGHPC minutes only need to specify the

findings/basis if a project is denied, not if approved. Community Planning Groups can deny if (1) inconsistent with community plan; (2) does not promote health/safety/welfare; (3) inconsistent with land use.

2. Swarens urged attention to issue of Golden Hill Development Impact Fees (DIF) being used outside Golden Hill.

3. (Member of the public Adrian Kwatiatkowski): He is running for City Council. His goal is to get things done.

4. Vandenneuvel. There is a meeting on October 21 at 3030 Front Street of interest to City Council District 3.

5. (Member of the Public Sarria): There is an upcoming Golden Hill Community Clean-Up.

D. Reports

1. Chair, CAC, CPC. See handout attached. The Chair highlighted:

*airport noise contour goes over the Golden Hill Recreation Center, Golden Hill Elementary School, and the intersection of I-15/94.

*The Chair has attended a meeting with San Diego Traffic Department, relating to San Diego Community College students parking problem for Golden Hill residents. Coneglio and Curran suggested the area to be studied extend to 25th Street, not just 22nd Street. Vandenneuvel indicated that might dilute proof of impact needed.

*Provided overview of trainings and committees attended.

2. Vice Chair

--Participated in Development Services Training on Project review referenced by Brierton and Chair.

--Placed action item on agenda re Bicycle Ad Hoc Subcommittee without conferring with Bicycle Subcommittee Chair Curran, in order for full GGHPC to address necessary follow up meeting. (See action item below.)

3. Nazarinia

--Requested T-Mobile representative provide comprehensive 5G plan for Greater Golden Hill, vs. piecemeal.

E. Action Items

1. GGHPC websites (Vandenneuvel, Nazarinia). There are 3, not 2, GGHPC websites, plus a Facebook presence. There will be re-direction to a single website from the other 2 and from Facebook, with funds taken from GGHPC \$500/year annual budget. Nazarinia will have an update at a future GGHPC meeting.

2. GGHPC Subcommittee Review and Appointments (Vandenheuvel, Briggs).

GGHPC Standing subcommittees, other than Historic, were recently removed at the time of a comprehensive GGHPC Bylaws revision, and replaced by Ad Hoc Committees. However, Vandenheuvel and Briggs would like to revise GGHPC Bylaws to add back a standing project development subcommittee.

There were lengthy discussions, with those serving on prior project standing subcommittees generally opposed to restoring them (based on duplication, lack of participation, project delays, availability of plans from Chair for those interested in reviewing details in advance, lengthy prior Bylaws review/amendment process lasting years). Brierton, Santini, Kroll). More recent members (Vandenheuvel, Briggs, Brooks, Schumacher), wished to explore a Standing Subcommittee in case it might speed project reviews. Nazarinia inquired if Chair anticipated many project reviews-no. Chair also indicated that City Planner Turgeon assured her the Bylaws amendment process would be far shorter for this single change. In addition, there are two GGHPC members who are architects, willing to serve on the Standing Project Development Subcommittee who would be appointed.

Brierton moved, Kroll seconded. Not to amend the Bylaws to add a Standing Subcommittee. Motion failed, 3-yes, 6-no, 2-abstained (Nazarinia, Diminico (benefit unclear).)

Briggs moved, Schumacher seconded: To amend Bylaws to add a Project Review Subcommittee. Motion Carried. 6-yes, 3-no, 2-abstained (Santini--standing committee is not needed, but Briggs wants it; Curran-ambivalent.)

3. Bike Route/Community Plan Amendment. (Briggs).

An Ad Hoc Subcommittee of GGHPC chaired by Curran recommended changes to the bike route in the adopted Community Plan, approved by GGHPC. However, the City Traffic Department continues to use the old recommended map route. Curran will contact the responsible employee in the City Traffic/ Stormwater/ Transportation Division (Brian Genovese), and report back next month. Also, Curran will recommend whether there is further work to be performed by the Subcommittee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Greater Golden Hill Community Planning Committee

October 9, 2019 Chair's & Vice Chair Reports

Chair's Report by Kathy Vandenheuvel

1. Airport Noise CAC Meeting: Because multiple community representatives were unable to attend the August 20th meeting the Airport held an informational meeting to provide an update for those of us that missed the prior meeting. The presentation was on the Part 150 (Noise) Study Update, which looks at the current and projected 65 Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL), this is the noise exposure level that is the focus of the study. This study looks at the increases in airport operations and fleet makeup and the noise levels associated with them. The study looks at a 5-year planning horizon

from current (2018 data) to Future (2026 – 5 years past the expected submittal in 2021). For example, there were about 225,000 operations in 2018 and there are a projected 258,000 in 2026. The portion of Golden Hill and South Park that fall within the existing noise contour includes the area adjacent to the south east corner of Balboa Park and extends to the area to the east-southeast towards the 94/15 intersection (Starbucks, Albert Einstein and Golden Hill Elementary). The power point presentation that was given at this meeting is available upon request.

2. Parking Issues in Golden Hill: On September 25th I met with some residents of Golden Hill to discuss parking issues in Golden Hill in the area east of the I-5 that is heavily impacted by City College. Brett Weiss from CD-3 was in attendance along with myself, Sue Zinda, Alesia Buchanan and Rick Valenzuela. Brett discussed the existing parking permit area in downtown just west of the I-5 and the group discussed requesting an extension of the existing boundaries to cover east of the I-5 to 22nd Street. We went over the criteria that would be needed to be met for the City to agree to the extension into Golden Hill, noting the requirement that at 50% +1 of the residences sign a petition in agreement and the ability to demonstrate the need for the extension. We discussed the significant increase in enrollment in City College and Rick, Alesia, and Sue agreed to start documenting the occurrences of students parking in this area. Brett will get back to us on the cost involved with the potential expansion and any further details he is able to get from traffic division. The next potential steps would be to request a review by Traffic Engineering Operations. Rick and Alesia both stated that they have called Traffic to request a review and Brett said he would investigate the status of the request. If the request is approved by Traffic, it will still need to be approved by City Council and the Mayor. It was suggested that prior to being presented to City Council it be presented to the Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee for support, I expect this would happen sometime next year.

3. Project Review Training – September 26, 2019: This City CPG training was attended by myself, Tim Briggs (Vice Chair) and Cheryl Brierton (See Vice Chair’s Report for summary)

4. Greater Golden Hill CDC Community Engagement Committee in planning for Golden Hill events. They meet on the Fourth Tuesday on each month at 6:30 PM, next meeting is October 22th Location: 1264 24th St. (The next regular Board Meeting of the GGH CDC is Thursday, October 17th). They are also sponsoring a community cleanup on Saturday, November 16th.

VICE CHAIR REPORT by Timothy Briggs

Project Review - Cheryl, Kathy, and I attended the training “What to Know When Reviewing Public and Private Development Projects hosted by the Planning Department on September 26. The purpose was to review the process by which development projects come to the planning groups for discretionary approval and the role of planning groups in making recommendations. The training emphasized that planning groups are the experts for the community plan and should evaluate projects based on whether or not it adversely affects the community’s land use plan or is detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare. If you would like to learn more about this project review process, refer to the slides Kathy shared via email on September 30.