

## Clairemont Community Planning Group

Minutes of the Meeting of  
January 19, 2010  
North Clairemont Friendship Center

P Jeff Barfield- Secretary P Jack Carpenter P Richard Jensen	P Sheri Mongeau - Vice Chair A Kathy Monsour	P Susan Mournian P Billy Paul P Brooke Peterson - Chair	P Donald Steele P Fiona Theseira P Scott Wentworth
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P – Present    A – Absent

### 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Brooke Peterson, Chair, and quorum present.

### 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment

**Public:**

None

**Committee Members:**

Sheri Mongeau reported garden tour is starting to form.

### 3. Modifications to the Agenda

Peterson asked to add item an additional stop sign information Item,103  
Move by Don Steele, second Sheri Mongeau to add Item 103

**Vote: 9-0-0 to add the item**

### 4. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Don Steele, second by Susan Mournian, to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2009 with corrections as noted.

**Vote: 9-0-1, motion passes** with Jeff Barfield abstaining due to his absence.

### 5. Information Items

**101. Clairemont Dr. Lane Modification** (Gary Pence, City of SD Traffic Engineering)

Mr. Pence provided background on the issues associated with Clairemont Dr. between Burgerner and Denver and described history of complaints about traffic hazards, accidents, and complaints by area residents. Many emails received by Council member Frye and the Mayor's office. Over 6 years, 46 accidents. During recent history the accident rate is 5 times the average rate, and has included deaths and severe accidents. Staff concluded something had to be done. The City started with curb warning signs (chevrons). Accidents have happened at day and night, due to speeds and the tight

radius of the curve (500-ft radius). Fairfield Ave. intersection is a particularly bad issue. Many other measures were introduced, accidents continued. The only way left was to physically slow speeds down by eliminating one lane. Signage and other measures weren't working.

Mr. Pence answered a series of questions and responded to comments. He indicated he will come back in March to report on accident data and traffic impacts.

Billy Paul and several other CCPG members commented that the most serious accidents have involved drunk or otherwise impaired drivers that were speeding. Mr. Pence concurred this had been the case. Billy Paul commented it was a real "slap in the face" and disappointing that the CCPG had not been involved in this effort and that nothing had been brought before the group prior to action by the City. Mr. Pence acknowledged this and apologized.

After questioning from Susan Mournian, Mr. Pence acknowledged the city had been working on a solution to the problem of accidents at the location for 18 months.

### **Public**

Lorie Zapf spoke to a possibility of two lanes on one side and two on the other. Mr. Pence responded the accidents have not been lopsided between lanes.

Doug Beckman commented this approach similar to other streets in the area.

Brady Christian asked about a parking restriction, and why wasn't it considered.

### **102. San Diego Triathlon.** (Mike Kitts, San Diego Sports Commission)

Mr. Kitts introduced the SD Sports Commission, a 501 C3 non-profit organization. The SD Triathlon is to debut in March of 2011. It will partner with large triathlon organizers and premier event managers, and is to have worldwide contestants. Mr. Kitts' goal in presenting is to publicize the event, answer any questions or concerns, and offer people an opportunity to get involved. Mr. Kitts answered a number of questions from the CCPG and one member from public. These concerned mostly residents that street access to Clairemont Drive may be cut off during the event. Mr. Kitts responded to those questions and concerns.

### **103. Stop Sign Request at Geddes Dr. and Huerfano Ct.** (Chris Smith, Resident)

Chris Smith brought item to us because the city indicated the traffic volumes didn't warrant the 4-way stop sign. He explained the traffic circulation and conditions. The Board advised it would hear the item as an action item on February's agenda.

## **6. Workshop Item**

None

## **7. Action Items**

### **301. Stop Sign Request at Pocahontas Avenue** (Katie Simas, Resident)

Ms. Simas introduced her request and explained the traffic conditions. She described the schools in the area and their respective parking and access traits. She is asking for a 3-

way stop, rather than just on Hatteras. The Group asked a number of questions. Ms. Simas indicated all 80 adjacent neighbors except two homes support the action. Member of the public Lorie Zapf spoke in favor of the request, was familiar with the issues and verified the conditions.

Motion by Scott Wentworth and second by Don Steele to support the request.

**Vote: 10-0-0 to approve**

**302. Stop Sign Request at Naugatuck Avenue and Hildago Avenue** (Gordon Colbertson, Resident)

Motion to continue to February.

**Vote 10-0-0 to approve**

**303. Golden Bear Fuel, 1550 Morena Blvd.** (Mike Kamel, Owner)

Mr. Kamel introduced the request. Brooke indicated it is a neighborhood use permit application to modify an existing CUP to add 372 square ft of retain by converting 3 service bays to an existing convenient store in the CC-4-2. Site located at the split of Morena and West Morena Blvd.

There was discussion on landscaping and the need for additional trees, or larger trees. Mr. Kamel indicated the concern was that trees would block his sign.

Motion by Don Steele, seconded by Susan Mournian to recommend approval

Jeff Barfield asked Mr. Steele if he would consider an amendment to the motion that included the project would comply with all city landscape regulations.

Mr. Steele amended his motion, second by Susan Mournian

**Vote 9-1-0, motion approved.**

**304. Clairemont Community Planning Group Elections** (Brooke Peterson. CCPG Chair). Ms. Peterson announced request by Brandy Christian to be appointed to CCPG. Ms. Christian introduced herself and spoke of her interests and desire to be on the Group.

There was much discussion on what term period Ms. Christian should occupy, a one year period or two.

Motion by Jeff Barfield for a one year period, pending a confirmation next meeting which term would provide the best balance of the CCPG members' terms, second by Don Steele.

**Vote 10-0-0, motion approved.**

## **Item 8. Reports to Group**

### **District 6 Council Report**

No report

### **Planning Department**

Brian Schoenfisch reported the C.O.W. workshop is being scheduled.

**Town Council**

None

**BACAC**

None

**Mission Bay Park Committee**

None

**North Bay Project Area Committee**

Jeff Barfield reported recommendations made at the November meeting.

**Chair**

Brooke Peterson formation of the Wireless Communications Task Force Committee. She will be a member of the task force.

**Secretary**

No report

**Treasurer**

Susan Mournian report our bank balance is \$209.00.

**CPC Report.**

No additional report by Brooke Peterson.

**Traffic and Transportation**

None

**Project Review**

No report

**Airports**

No report.

**Parking**

No report

**Schools Liason**

No report

**Additional Items**

None

Adjournment at 8:30 p.m. Next meeting to be held on February 16, 2009, starting at 6:30 p.m.