

Clairemont Community Planning Group

Minutes of the Meeting of
 April 17, 2012
 North Clairemont Friendship Center

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| P Jeff Barfield- Secretary P Jack Carpenter P Delana Hardacre P Travis Jaedtke | P Richard Jensen A Sheri Mongeau - P Susan Mournian- Treasurer | P Billy Paul P Brooke Peterson – Chair P Margie Schmidt | P Donald Steele P Fiona Theseira- Vice Chair P Jacob Welhouse P Scott Wentworth |
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P – Present A – Absent

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6: 30 p.m. by Brook Peterson, roll call was taken and quorum present.

2. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Public:

Resident asked about the clean-up activities taking place in the canyons. Jack Carpenter responded that the Friends of the Canyons group are active with those activities.

Richard Morris spoke to efforts to make the Garden tour the best ever.

Committee Members:

Delana Hardacre commented that motor homes are beginning to park overnight in the new parking lane along Morena Blvd. near Baci's. Enforcement and time limits similar to other areas may be needed. She also commented that warning signs about people crossing mid-block should be considered.

Fiona Theseira commented that graffiti is appearing again along west side of I-805 between Balboa Ave. and Clairemont Mesa Blvd

Jack Carpenter announced the workshop to be held on 5/19 to discuss the Balboa Park by-pass project

Richard Jensen announced that Clairemont Garden tour will be held May 5.

Ernie Navarro announced the multi cultural fair in Linda Vista will be held on Saturday, 4/21. He also announced that the "Taste of Morena" will be held on 4/24. Tickets are available at several business locations in the Morena Blvd. area.

3. Modifications to the Agenda

Brooke Peterson suggested taking Action Item 301 before Information 101 to allow SANDAG staff time to arrive. Motion by Jack Carpenter, second by Fiona Theseira. Unanimously passed.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Donald Steele, second by Jacob Welhouse, to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2012, with corrections as noted.

Vote: 10-0-3 , motion passes.

5. Council Representative Report

District 6 Council Report –Ernie Navarro, Community Liaison, enavarro@sandiego.gov
Arsen fire was reported behind Conrad Avenue. Behind Gerswin Park.

Shirley Owens announced Council Member Zapt is busy with budget deliberations which are beginning. She welcomes comments.

6. Information Items

Moved to follow Action Item 302 by Modification to the Agenda.

101. Mid-Coast Corridor Trolley Extension (Dave Schumaker, SANDAG)

Jack Carpenter summarized the reason for the SANDAG presentation and the relationship the proposed trolley has to the Clairemont Vision Plan. Dave Schumaker, with Sandag, introduced his team.

Mr. Schumaker provided a description of the route and the stations that are proposed. Headways (intervals) of 7 1/2 minutes are proposed. A preferred alignment was picked in July of 2010. He described the make up of the platform stations. Additional parking areas are being identified. Full access by pedestrians and bicycles are planned. Optional station is being considered at the VA Hospital. Terminates at UTC mall. Westfield is working with MTS to integrate with the Trolley. The trolley is designated early action, high priority project. They are completing a supplemental DEIR to be released by end of the year for public review. The federal government has approved the preliminary engineering with a 50% match of funds, and they are currently in the pipeline to receive the funds. A Design-Bid-Build contract will be released with construction completed by 2018. Mr. Schumaker spoke to how it fits into the overall system, spoke about the RTP, which looks out to 2050. Sandag updates the RTP every 4 years. Transit is a bigger part of the RTP than previous versions. It creates more travel choices, works to be time competitive with the auto, and has connectivity as its goal. 36% of the money goes to transit, more than to serve the automobile. Focus is on the urban core. Mr. Schumaker talked specifically to Clairemont and what trolley and bus routes will serve it in the future. Investments in frequency of bus routes are proposed to get choice drivers to take the bus. The goal is 10 min frequencies.

CCPG members asked many questions and voiced concerns about making the system more useful to residents in Clairemont and enhancing more connectivity earlier on.

7. Workshop Item

None

8. Action Items

301. Potential Clairemont Community Garden Sites (Lisa Ruggio, Clairemont Produce Collaborative) Item taken out of order with Agenda modification.

Lisa presented that the goal for the efforts is to provide low income and multi-family residents an opportunity to grow and sell or have garden vegetables. Restaurant owners have expressed interest in buying the vegetables. She announced the three sites identified so far.

A city owned parcel, APN 361-261-16, at Balboa Ave. and Mt Abernathy, near the library and Mortuary.

A second SDGE-owned parcel, off Conrad Ave. near the Sustainability Center (Diane Shopping Center). The third between Mount Alifan and Balboa near Horizon High School. SDGE has indicated several people are willing to meet to discuss the idea and possibly utilizing grant funding offered by SDGE.

CCPG offered comments and support. One resident offered concern about Electro-magnetic radiation affecting gardeners under the high power lines. Erin Zapata commented about using a 5013c or joining the community garden network.

Motion: by Jack Carpenter , second by Billy Paul, to support the idea of pursuing a community garden in Clairemont.

Vote: 13-0-0, motion passes.

302. Bannock Avenue Water Quality Demonstration Project (Ron Fox, City of San Diego, Traffic Engineering Dept.)

Ron Fox, City of SD project engineering, Meryl Taylor, and Adrea Demint summarized the project goals as a pilot project. Goal is to satisfy MS4 permit requirements and LID and BMP retrofits, integrated with streetscape enhancements along Bannock Blvd. Cost is estimated to be 1.2 and 1.5 million (including 2 years of maintenance), construction to begin in August of this year, to include temporary traffic control, with staging areas cleaned after each day. Following completion, the city will continue to take soil and water samples. The hope is the projects lead to cleaner beaches and bays. Contact 619-533-4207 at the Public Works Dept or its website with questions.

Meryl Taylor said primary goal is to protect adjacent canyons with bio-retention and permeable pavements. Bio-basins get treated naturally with trees, shrubs, grasses, and soil. Community outreach will be conducted, to select between varieties of landscaping species.

Mr. Taylor described how the water flows from the street to the bio retention areas using curb cuts. Other questions were asked about access to and from cars, ADA accessibility, and why these sites were chosen. Ms. Demint indicated they were chosen because of the canyons location close to Tecolote and its drainage to the bay.

Motion by Fiona Theseira, second by Donald Steele, to support the pilot program .

Vote: 10-1-2.

Item 8. Reports to Group

Planning Department- Brian Schoenfisch, No report.

Town Council- Sheri Mongeau
No report.

BACAC
No report

Chair
No report

Secretary
No report

Treasurer
Susan Mournian reported \$157 is in the account.

CPC Report.
Fiona Theseira reported a great meeting and presentation by Council member Lorie Zapt.

Traffic and Transportation
Richard Jensen indicated a meeting is being planned for the subcommittee.

Project Review
No report

Airports
No report.

Parking
No report.

Vision
No report.

Schools Liason
No report.

Project Review Committee
No report

Additional Items
None

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.