

## Clairemont Community Planning Group

Minutes of the Meeting of  
July 21, 2015  
Cadman Elementary School Auditorium

P Scott Wentworth - <b>Chair</b> P Keith Hartz – <b>Vice Chair</b> P Lynn Titalii - <b>Secretary</b> P Delana Hardacre- <b>Treasurer</b>	A Harry Backer P Kevin Carpenter P Cecelia Frank P Chad Gardner	P Debra Howell P Richard Jensen P Michael Puente P Margie Schmidt	P Daniel Smiechowski P Joel Smith A Troy Terpening P Naveen Waney
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P – Present    A – Absent    L-Late

**Item 1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Scott Wentworth. Roll call was taken and a quorum present.

**Item 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment** – Issues that are not on the agenda and are within the jurisdiction of the Clairemont Community Planning Group. **NOTE:** 3-minute time limit per speaker.

**Public:**

General comments: The Clairemont Times stated that the topic of roundabouts on Moraga would be on this month's CCPG agenda. The public was disappointed that this item is not on the agenda, however will use this opportunity to voice opinions.

The following people commented about the roundabouts; Trisha, Ruben M., Bob L., Mike, Robert H., Rosemary B., Mary F., Joe M., Larry W., Daniel.

Public Comments: Interested in seeing the study of the rate of speed of the vehicles on Moraga and the results of putting in roundabouts in other areas, and if it worked to reduce speeds and traffic. Concern that people will drive over the middle of the roundabouts. People should move if they don't like the traffic and speed on Moraga. It doesn't appear that there is enough space on Moraga to install the roundabouts without taking homeowners space. Roundabouts are dangerous, someone should check with fire rescue to see what their opinion is and if this is a feasible solution on Moraga. There are a number of schools and recreation in the area so it doesn't seem like a viable solution. Installing roundabouts will take away parking. Is it feasible to install a roundabout so close to a stoplight. A few people expressed that roundabouts are the wrong solution.

Karen - What can be done to enforce motorcycle noise levels on Morena Blvd? The decibel levels are too high. traffic, motorcycles, and people having parties 7 days a week, late at night, early in the morning, all contributing to the noise level. Car alarms go off from the vibration and noise is so high.

Jan - Concern about the noise from the Harley Davidson motorcycle shop on Morena Blvd. An employee gets to work around 7:15-7:30am and the noise starts. Its ruining the weekends for residents in the area. There was a party at the dealership until 9:45pm last Tuesday. The dealership has parties all the time and they're outside and noise carries. Residents cannot leave windows open and enjoy the summer any longer. The motorcyclists rev their engines and come and leave in groups.

Trisha - Concerned about people who live on Stephenson Canyon and have fire pits. There is a risk of fire, plus smoke from the fire pits come into other homes.

Ronald - As far as noise on Morena Blvd, the SDPD is doing a good job of patrolling the area, and doing their job. Concerned about accidents with pedestrians when the new trolley starts.

Steph Groce - Clairemont Town Council - explained people should attend the Clairemont Town Council, meets at Cadman Elementary on the 1st Thursday of the month. The SDPD attends and provides an update to many issues. The SDPD is working with the new Harley Davidson center to reduce noise in the area.

**Committee Members:**

Delana Hardacre - if you have concerns that involve SDPD, go to Clairemont Town Council meetings.

Daniel Smiechowski - roundabouts are the wrong solution.

Richard Jensen - People should visit other areas in the city who have roundabouts to see how they're configured. Suggestion: Birdrock area.

Margie Schmidt - Clairemont Days are on August 1st at South Clairemont Recreation Center, farmers market on Saturdays, 9am - 2pm at Madison High School.

Lynn Titalii - There is a new restaurant opened on Clairemont Drive (in the Keils Shopping Center), Mikes Barbecue, suggested to support local small business.

**Item 3. Modifications to the Agenda – Requires 2/3 approval.**

Naveen Waney made a motion to move Item 102, Balboa Avenue Median Conversion, from Action Item to Item 203 Informational Item. Seconded by Richard Jensen. **Vote: unanimous, 13-0-0**

Joel Smith - Take Item 201, Murals, off the agenda, delay until September. Motion by Joel Smith. **Seconded by Margie Schmidt. Vote: unanimous 13-0-0.**

Daniel Smiechowski - Motion for item 104, Emission Control, to be moved to September. Chad seconded. **Vote: unanimous 13-0-0**

Naveen Waney - Request to Scott Wentworth to back up to Public Comment, as someone arrived late to the meeting that has something to share. Scott Wentworth encouraged the person to be on time for future meetings to get on the agenda, or participate in public comment.

Public Comment: Kip Gestettenbauer, Voit Real Estate Services, is the representative that will be leasing the building on the corner of Clairemont Drive and Burgener St (formerly Citi Bank Building, attachment). Naveen Waney states he now has a vested interest so will no longer be having contact with Kip through the Project Review Committee. The Vice-Chair will now handle interaction with Kip and his company.

**Item 4. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes for June 16, 2015 by Margie Schmidt, seconded by Naveen Waney. **Vote: 13-0-1** (Richard Jensen abstain)

**Item 5. Council Representative Reports**

**District 2 Council Report** (Ernie Navarro, Community Liaison, [enavarro@sandiego.gov](mailto:enavarro@sandiego.gov)) Shared Councilmember Lori Zapf's July District 2 Update (attached). Movie night will be at Cadman Elementary at 5:30pm, this Friday. See [summmoviesinthepark.com](http://summmoviesinthepark.com) for more information. Saturday 8/1 will be Clairemont Days at the South Clairemont Recreation Center.

**District 6 Council Report** (Allen Young, Community Liaison, [allen@sandiego.gov](mailto:allen@sandiego.gov)) The Clairemont Community Neighborhood Watch is very active, 90 new signs were unveiled in District 6. If you're interested in being a part of the program, or starting a new program, contact Allen Young for more information. Allen Young introduced Councilmember Chris Cate.

Councilmember Chris Cate introduced the Neighborhoods First Coalition (attached), a mid-year strategic plan update for District 6. This Coalition is to be a sounding board for representative of each of the District 6

neighborhoods to share and discuss issues, concerns, community events as well as solutions. Each neighborhood has a voice within the Coalition, with representatives serving as leaders to ensure the needs of the residents are expressed to other District 6 residents, the councilmember, and other City Officials. The purpose is to have a plan which will serve as a working document that outlines District 6 goals, and neighborhood goals and objectives. The members will present ideas and priorities for the budget. In January the budget priority list will be developed and submitted to the CCPG. The Capital Improvement Plan will be developed by our group. Steph Gross presented his involvement in this process, and bringing the community together. He is available for questions and input.

#### Questions -

What groups are involved and how are they selected? A - Kiwanis's club, Town Council, any groups that are involved in the local community.

What is status of vacation rentals for City of San Diego? A - Lori Zapf is chairing this group, the proposal is with the City in draft form. This will require an ordinance from the Mayor.

There was an off-lease dog park included in a local plan, but it wasn't feasible in the proposed area. Will they continue to look for a space to have a dog park? A - Yes, this is the type of idea that the coalition will want to hear about.

Are they all Capital Improvement Projects? A - They will work on any and all projects.

Can the public provide feedback on the website? A - Yes, but you can also contact our office.

With so many groups already established and working on the community issues, how does this group interact?

A - That is the purpose of this plan - to bring all the groups together, to work together.

It feels that this is a duplication of effort with so many groups already working on the issues in the community, why aren't they working with existing groups? A - This is a way for a representative from each of those groups to come together with other community members to share ideas, and prevent duplication of effort, and not take away from anything the other groups are working on.

Steph Gross - I am here to advocate on behalf of Clairemont on the side of Chris Cate and all the community groups. I want to get to know everyone. The Coalition will put it all together in a format that's easy to understand and read.

Daniel Smiechowski - Everyone should appreciate this opportunity to get involved. Debra Howell - Should read through document to get a full understanding of what they're trying to accomplish, and that anyone can attend the meetings.

#### **Item 6. Action Items**

**101. Bay Park Signage - Dave Potter.** Met with Ernie Navarro about how to recognize and identify Bay Park with signage. Dave is asking the board to support the installation of two City of San Diego Bay Park neighborhood signs on Morena Blvd. One is to be located where Morena and West Morena intersect, and one to be located at the Clairemont Drive/Morena Blvd intersection at the underpass on Morena Blvd. The Morena Business District is proceeding with signage in the business area of Morena. Margie Schmidt supports this idea, and any future signage that may identify Bay Park as a historical area. Delana Hardacre made a motion that we write a letter to Lori Zapf to support the signage. Daniel Smiechowski seconded. **Vote: 13-0-0** unanimous.

**102. CCPG - Board Member Attendance - Susan Mournian.** Susan Mournian provided information about a spreadsheet that is used by the Clairemont Town Council to record attendance so information is provided at a glance. The by-laws state that a member of the board cannot miss more than 3 meetings in a row, or 4 meetings in a year. This would assist members in keeping track of attendance and could be a public record. Cecilia Frank has offered to keep this record, and Delana Hardacre will assist. Another suggestion by Susan Mournian is to add a section to the sign in sheet where a person signing in could indicate that they are "interested in membership". Keith Hartz asked about the format, clarified that there would be a merging between the sign in

sheet and the new spreadsheet. Once the spreadsheet is in final draft it will be brought back to the board. Chad Gardner made a motion to approve the development the format, Daniel Smiechowski seconded the motion.  
**Vote: 13-0-0**

**Item 7. Informational Items**

**201. Murals - Joel Smith, Andy Hamilton.** Taken off the agenda and moved to September.

**202. Sewer Group Job 743 - Paula Roberts, Humanability.** This project entail going in to an existing manhole and putting in a plastic liner in a very small area on Erie Street. This is part of a much larger project. There may be trucks in the area for one day. There will be door hangers out 48-72 hours in advance and a written letter 30 days in advance. This will start in September and end next summer. Paving may not be done until months later.

**203. Balboa Avenue Median Conversion Update - Joshua Adelman, Project Engineer, City of San Diego.** The place on the Balboa Avenue median at Mt. Alifan and Abernathy has been unsightly for a long time. There have been numerous complaints and they are now going to fix the problem by putting in cobblestone bordered by concrete (project 200 feet). They are 2-3 months out on projects so this is anticipated to be completed by next summer. Keith Hartz supports the concept with no landscaping. Kevin Carpenter - why isn't landscaping being installed? A - to reduce water use, a decision was made to install cobblestone or stone with no landscaping. There will be a standard crown, enough of a slope to drain.

**Item 8. Workshop Items**

None

**Item 9. Potential Action Items**

None

**Item 10. Reports to Group**

**Planning, Neighborhoods, and Economic Development - Michael Prinz, City of San Diego -** Not in attendance.

**Clairemont Town Council - Delana Hardacre -** Clairemont Days will be at the South Clairemont Recreation Center on August 1st. Lots of information, and fun for entire family. Clairemont Town Council meets the 1st Thursday of the month, and your public entities, fire, police and other representatives attend.

**Community Planners - Scott Wentworth -** Expand the construction of fire houses by building them three to four at a time. Clairemont Community Planning will have an update, this will involve the CCPG, more information to follow.

**Scott Wentworth - Chair -** We had to pay a permit fee to use this facility during the summer. \$170 for use of custodian for 4 hours of work. \$10 for the remainder of the year. The city should reimburse us. CCPG will pursue reimbursement.

**Keith Hartz - Vice Chair -** Likes the idea of having the agenda displayed on an overhead screen, and will bring a laptop to the next meeting.

**Lynn Titalii, Secretary -** The permit to hold CCPG meetings at Cadman Elementary has been paid for the year. Also obtained Letter of Self Insurance. All forms, files, and attachments are scanned and stored electronically.

**Parking & Transportation** - Joel Smith - nothing to report

**Project Review Sub Committee** - Naveen Waney - Michael Puente has resigned from the group, and we have an opening. Scott Wentworth provided an update that Troy Terpening has resigned from the CCPG, creating an additional opening. Cecilia Frank and Debra Howell volunteered to be in the Project Review Sub Committee group. There are no public members so if someone is interested, attend the meetings. Glen Schmidt committed and joined the subcommittee as a public member. The agendas are publicly posted on our facebook site and website for the City Planning groups.

The Project reviewed this month was a mixed use 19 unit apartment project at 3040 Clairemont Drive. Applicant is Scott Spencer, going through neighborhood development permit process. There is an existing pool that will remain, and the apartment building will be around it. The complex will be three stories, with 10-15% of residents low income. Scott Spencer will return to the subcommittee as the project progresses with additional information.

**Treasurer** - Delanah Hardacre - Got the bank account set up and anticipating receiving more money from the City soon.

**Morena Blvd. Station Planning Area Study** - Margie Schmidt - Held a meeting and there were over 150 people in attendance. The Raise The Balloon committee videotaped the meeting. Notes taken and those will be posted. The majority of the time was taken up by the public voicing their comments on the Morena Blvd trolley projects. Information on the subcommittee progress is posted on My Sidewalk. Troy Terpening's resignation will leave a vacancy on the committee. Joel Smith volunteered to be a part of the group. The next meeting is proposed to be 8/17/15 at Bay Park Elementary. You can contact Margie Schmidt at [morenasubcommittee@aol.com](mailto:morenasubcommittee@aol.com) with additional comments.

**Airports** - Keith Hartz - nothing to report

**By Laws** - Michael Puente - All committee members were in attendance this month, and quite a bit accomplished. They are working on the exhibits and will be bringing the By Laws to the board to be voted on, and then they will go to the City Attorney's Office. General note to all board members - If there is anyone that has 3 absences, the secretary has to prepare a written report to the Chair of CCPG.

**Additional Items:** None

**Adjournment at 8:45 PM**

**The next meeting will be held September 15, 2015, 6:30pm at Cadman Elementary School.**