

Encanto Neighborhood Community Planning Group



MINUTES OF MEETING Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Avenue, San Diego, CA 92114 October 20, 2014

Seat	Member	Present	Seat	Member	Present
Alta Vista	Marry Young	N	At Large	Salimisha Logan	Y
Broadway Height	Maxine Sherard	Y	At Large	Alfredo Ybarra	Y
Chollas View	Ardelle Matthews	Y	At Large	Patrick Ambrosio	Y
Emerald Hills	Gayle Reid	Y	At Large	Steve Ward	Y
Encanto-North	Vacant	-	At Large	Khalada Salaam-AI	Y
Encanto-South	Ken Malbrough	Y	At Large	Brian Pollard	Y
Lincoln Park	Leslie Dudley	Y			
Valencia Park	Monte Jones	N			
City Dept	Staff	Present	City Dept	Staff	Present
Mayors Office	Darnisha Hunter	Y	Planning	Karen Bucey	Y
Council Dist. 4	Pam Ison	Y	Planning	Lara Gates	N

Number of Visitors: 26 Sign-in sheet on file: Y

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 6:33 PM by Mr. Ken Malbrough (Ken M.)

2. **INTRODUCTIONS:** ENCPG members and audience introduced themselves.

3. **CONMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**
 - Mr. Charles Muhammad – Mr. Muhammad requested the village boundary along Imperial Avenue be extended on the south side to Woodman Street and the land use and zoning be revised to Mixed Use. He spoke in favor of the future plans of the “I am My Brother’s Keeper” organization to be located at 6601 Imperial Ave.
 - Mr. Wayne Brown – Mr. Brown spoke as a representative for 79th State Assemblymember Dr. Shirley Webber’s Office and he provided a hand-out; and invited all to a brain-storming event October 25th.
 - ENCPG Comment: Ms. Gayle Reid made announcement for the Farmer’s Market. Mrs. Ardelle Matthews spoke of a children’s fundraiser. Ken M. spoke that the San Diego Foundation will do a Teen Center Project and is requesting more outreach for their project.

4. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Motion Mr. Patrick Ambrosio/Mr. Brian Pollard to accept the agenda as presented (The vote 10-0-0 for the agenda was unanimously approved).

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Ken M. mentioned that unfortunately there was no minutes to vote upon, but there will be a large posting of minutes to review for the November meeting. The Secretary/Mr. Ambrosio also commented that the last few months have been very difficult to finalize so many meeting minutes in a shorter amount of time.
6. **CHAIR'S REPORT:** None given.
7. **STAFF REPORTS:**
 - **Mayor's Office Report:** Ms. Darnisha Hunter provided announced the Mayor's attending a Capital Improvement event at the Rolando Park Elementary on November 13th at 5:00PM. Ms. Hunter also updated all on the new parking law for oversized vehicles. Ms. Hunter brought hand-outs and gave a drought update on how to make sure to be in compliance. Ms. Hunter closed by updating all on the brush management for properties; fire season is now at hand at please take note of hand-out and class that will be offered.
 - **City Council Report:** Ms. Pam Isen handed-out the 4th District newsletter. Ms. Isen also gave an update on commercial development - linkage fee was added to projects that will soon take effect. Ms. Isen provided a reminder about the new law to help keep cyclist safe with a 3 foot Buffer to cyclist when driving. Finally, Ms Isen announced that Skyview Park will be named for Officer Christopher Wilson 7726 Skyline Drive.
 - **City Staff Reports:** None
 - **Jacobs Centers Report:** Ms. Kelly Odain & Ms. Emilla Castillia Provided update on the projects concerning the Jacobs Center. Questions came up from the audience for the turn lane into Wallgreens. Both Ms. Odain & Ms. Castillia hoped to soon announce dates in getting more community input on the Wallgrenns conceptual project ideas.
 - **CPC Report:** Ken M. waived his report to give his time to allow Civic San Diego's New President Mr. Les Reese to provide an update. Mr. Reese spoke of a new incentive for a promise zone/enterprise zones for developers in the ENCPG area. The zone will be a larger than just the ENCPG boundaries including areas like City Heights. He answered questions from the board & the audience the concerns that were addressed for increase for park space, and kudos/recognition for his new position to bring more support for the ENCPG. It was requested that he return for more communication with the ENCPG.
8. **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - A) 5917-5919 Linnet Street NDP Project No. 373786
Presenter: Mr. Derek Berg
Mr. Berg was not present. No action taken.
9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**
 - A) GroundWorks Earth Lab Project 47th Street & Castana Street
Presenter: Ms. Patrice Baker & Ms. Teresa Wilkinson
Ms. Wilkinson provided a project design update on the proposed 47th Street watershed; the 32 square miles of the Chollas Creek that encompasses all of the creek in the City of San Diego. Ms. Baker provided handouts and Ms. Wilkinson spoke of the community event being held on October the 25th to celebrate a new

People's Produce Farmers Market to help bring more community focus on the Chollas Creek area that GroundWorks hopes to build into trails/parks and community spaces. The Earth Lab Project is a program that encourages parental involvement with GroundWorks with students/families to direct learning and create a dynamic school culture of classes for grades 6th through 8th grades. GroundWorks will return to get more community input as the project continues to develop. There were more comments of support than questions from the ENCPG Board. The project is seeking support via the San Diego City Schools as a formal school program.

- B) Ouchi Courtyard Project located at 6395-6397 Imperial Avenue
Presenter: Ms. Sherry Brooks/Mr. Jordan Penn/Mr. Robert Ito
Presentation on the project on Imperial Avenue also had handouts and also covered a view of the project located near the Hilltop Avenue & Euclid Avenue intersections. In the earlier part of the month of October 14th, 2014; four ENCPG members went on a tour to see similar projects that were presented as well in the informational items. Ms. Brooks provided the outreach for more input will be up and coming with the final community plan ideals in support a high quality design project. An all rental project; it will assist the community with some commercial use outlets at the base of the project. Mr. Penn provided the basic design concept of Imperial Avenue and sub-terrain parking; Mr. Penn expressed that there will be many free community services; such as there will be computer rooms for the residents. Some of the community benefits include: a resident garden that will look more as a plaza that welcomes the community to the area. A resident Council will be present to help bring representation with community involvement to the project. The project was supported by Former Council President Tony Young that was in the audience to provide feed-back. Question: What type of retail? There are no definite plans as of current. Another Board spoke in support of the tour that was done to bring concepts to the ENCPG. Mr. Penn provided more insights of the design of the project. There will be a balance that will be added to the community; the projects will provide both community service to the residents and an estimated \$9 million for job support in the area. It will be more supported for the quality that will be sustained. There was support for both projects, as the ENCPG members provided feedback. A sub-committee may be set-up to help the design concept. Questions from the audience was also addressed about time frame of the development's construction. It was noted that there were letters of recommendation for both Ouchi Courtyard development projects was received from another Former Planning Group Chairman, Mr. Jim Varnadore of the City Heights Community, Mr. Richard Juarez, Reverend Rickey T. Laster.
- C) 1579 Republic Street Project
Presenter: Mr. Daniel Sweeney
Mr. Sweeney presented handouts; that he provided which gave the modern design images of the proposed property. Mr. Sweeney spoke of how the building will be a green building design that gives the promise of being a low carbon footprint. There will be solar in-fill energy used in the project. All of the Board expressed support. Plan details will be at a challenge, due to the steep terrain and that the project will bring a modern image to the ENCPG area. The project will be a focus in a documentary of the building with all of the unique ramps. There was a neighbor that spoke-up in favor of the project and was in the audience.
- D) Mallard Project

Presenter: Mr. David Weiland

Mr. Weiland has met with the Broadway Heights community; and has been supported by Mr. (Robert)Bobbie Robertson. The project actually lies in City of Lemon Grove. Mr. Weiland provided feedback concerning the project 6800 Mallard Street and provided handouts that reflected the layout of the project. All of the Board expressed support.

CONTINUING BUSINESS: None was covered.

10. NEW BUSINESS: None was covered.

11. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Ambrosio/Ybarra to adjourn the meeting (10-0-0).
The ENCPCG adjourned at 8:43PM.