

Normal Heights Community Planning Group

Normal Heights Community Center at 4649 Hawley Blvd. SD. CA 92116

Tuesday, February 1, 2011 6:00 p.m.

Normal Heights Community Project Review Committee

5:30 p.m. preceding the Planning Group meeting

Project – Arco 3295 El Cajon Blvd., # 198907

A G E N D A

Welcome & Introductions - though not required, please sign-in on our attendance sheet

Non-Agenda Public Comment – for non-agenda items only, 3 minute limit per speaker

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – reviewing previous meeting draft minutes

Requests for modifications to the agenda -

Reports from Government Representatives or other NH groups may be heard

76th Assembly District Office, Toni Atkins – Linsey Masukawa (619)645-3090

4th District County Supervisor, Ron Roberts – Lauren Prescott, (619)531-5544

3rd City Council District Councilmember, Todd Gloria – Dion Akers, (619)236-6633

City Planning and Community Investment Dept. – Michael Prinz, (619)533-5931

San Diego Police Dept. Community Relations – Officer Jenny Hall, (619)516-3009

Updates from other Normal Heights or Mid City organizations

Adams Ave. Business Association – Jim Schneider, Director. To subscribe to the email newsletter of the AABA contact Jim Schneider <aaba.jim@sbcglobal.net>

Adams Ave. Recreation Council – (619)235-1149 Ted Ewing / Mark Rowland

Friends of Normal Heights Canyons – If you have not yet joined the new Friends of Normal Heights Canyons (Google Groups) e-mail list you may do so by visiting:

<http://groups.google.com/group/FriendsNHCanyons/boxsubscribe>

City Heights PAC – Aaron Allen

Safe Neighborhoods, Citizen's Patrol - Oscar Padilla

Information Items

1. Horton Plaza Park Project, information from Westfield, Clint Carney
2. Requests for Historical Value/45-Year Review for Normal Heights properties: 5047 Raymond Place, a Combination Building Permit for foundation repair for existing single-family residence.
3. Community Planners Committee: Issues discussed included Councilmember Sherri Lightner new chair of Land Use and Housing Committee; 7th update to Land Development Code; Sustainability subcommittee recommendations; Code Enforcement training Jan 27th.
4. BRT routes: The Community Planners Advisory Committee on Transportation (COMPACT) is planning an "Open Forum" type event to discuss the proposed BRT Routes through our communities, Monday 1/31 at MOC II.
5. Completion of either the online or in-person Community Orientation Workshop (COW) session is required for Planning Group members within 12 months of being elected or appointed to a planning group. The COW Training online (E-Cow) is available at the following link: <http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/ecow/index.shtml> .

Discussion and potential Action Items – taken in a sequence to be decided during the meeting

1. Project Review:
 - a. Arco Station 3295 El Cajon Blvd., # 198907
Projects for potential future review; in process -
 - b. Kenmore Terrace – street vacation request
 - c. T Mobile, Normal Heights Methodist Church – concealed antennae
2. Community Gardens – discussion regarding the review, cost and approval processes for introduction of a community garden.

Some points of view previously emailed include:

(1) Communities and especially redevelopment areas should not be required to host gardens whose scope, management, etc. are not under the supervision of a Community Planning Group or Redevelopment Project Area Committee or both. I'm firmly convinced that community gardens can and should be under local control, that they should not be dictated by outside groups whose goals might be different from the goals of the community or its redevelopment project.

(2) The One in Ten Coalition, Community Garden Permitting Committee is very close to convincing the San Diego City Council that change is needed in the permit process, but WE NEED YOU to let them know that these changes are sought by and will benefit a larger community of residents. Two items of significance will be discussed at City Hall this upcoming Tuesday regarding 1) approving a lease for the new People's Produce Project garden in the Mount Hope area of SE San Diego and 2) an ordinance change to allow gardens in all redevelopment zones. This could be the win we have working toward for nearly three years!

3. Update on Ward Street Park projects – expansion proposals, access, and outcomes from public meeting Jan 25th.
4. Governor Brown's budget and its impact on the community, particularly on redevelopment and enterprise zones – What effect these proposals might have on community.
5. Update on public meeting regarding proposals for removing car parking from Plaza de Panama in Balboa Park.

Committee and continuing issue reports (All subcommittee meetings are to be publicly scheduled and open to the public)

1. Historical Housing Designations – (Nancy Wolfing)
2. Project Review – (Larry Hofreiter, Art Harrison, Mark Rowland)
3. Community Dinner organization – (inactive committee)
4. Community Needs Wish List & Prioritization Listing & CIP Plan – (Art Harrison)
5. Transportation -- (Jim Baross)
6. Bylaws -- (Susan Redelings)
7. Canyons -- ()
8. Normal Heights Library – (inactive committee)
9. Community Planners Committee – (Jim Baross)
10. City Heights PAC (includes part of Normal Heights) – (Aaron Allen)

11. NH Website revitalization – (Nancy Wolfing, Allan Acevedo)
12. Housing Moratorium Issue – (Aaron Allen)
13. NHC Plan update/revisions – (Jim Baross)
14. Overhead utility undergrounding project – (Mark Rowland)
15. Community Garden development – ()

New Business/Agenda Items for the next meeting March 8, 2010.

Agenda order is approximate. Items may be heard before, on, or after listed order. This information is available in alternative formats. To request an alternative format (sign language, oral interpreter or an Assistive Listening Device) for the meeting call 619-533-3650 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. If you have questions concerning the NHCPG please express them at the meeting or contact the NHCPG Chair Jim Baross at 619-280-6908 or jimbaross@cox.net, or City of San Diego Community Planner Michael Prinz, at 619-533-5931.