

**City Heights Redevelopment
Project Area Committee Minutes
Monday, April 12, 2010**

The members of the City Heights Project Area Committee (PAC) held their meeting at the Metro Career Center Office Building.

The following members were present:

Liz Avalon	Valentina Hernandez (6:12)	Elizabeth Tate (6:05)
George Billingsley	Fred Lindahl	Patty Vaccariello
Mark Cormier	Ahmed Malinomar (6:04)	Jim Varnadore
Niki DiPaolo	David Nelson	Tim Walsh
Georgette Gomez (6:05)	Michael Rossler	Katherine Eaton

The following members were absent: Larry Hofreiter and Jorge Leyva

Also present: Melissa Garcia (Redevelopment), Krissy Toft (Redevelopment), and Karina Danek (Redevelopment)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm. Roll call was conducted. A Quorum was established.

II. Agenda

Jim Varnadore made a motion to approve the April 12, 2010 agenda seconded by Fred Lindahl. Motion passed 10-0-0.

III. Minutes

Fred Lindahl made a motion to approve the March 8, 2010 minutes seconded by David Nelson. Motion passed 8-0-2.

IV. Public Comment, PAC Members Comment and Staff Announcements

Public Comments

The following members of the Public comments:

Linda Pennington- Update on FaceLift and Project CLEAN events (funded by the Redevelopment Agency's Community Enhancement Program).

Khadija Cunningham- Requested participation from PAC members for a school project.

Anthony Mendiola- Requested participation from PAC members for a school project.

Wendy Hope- Update on the Quality of Life Plan and Planning Grant from Caltrans for a community shuttle.

Mary Otero- Requested an update on the Storefront Improvement Program.

PAC Members Comments

The following members of the PAC made public comments:

Jim Varnadore- FaceLift on 6/5/10

Valentina Hernandez- Michele Obama will visit City Heights on 4/15/10. Canyon clean up on 4/24/10.

Staff Announcements

Melissa Garcia provided the following announcement: Nancy Buenaventura is an intern with the Redevelopment Agency and will be assisting Agency staff tonight.

Krissy Toft provided the following announcement:

Home Avenue Park- Agency funding commitment has been postponed until the Environmental Review Process is cleared.

Sally Wong Building- The Agency hired a consultant to complete a required historical survey for the Sally Wong Building due to the age of the building. The survey is complete and the building may have historical elements that may need to be incorporated into the future redevelopment of the building.

Redevelopment Agency Budget Review Meeting- Schedule for the Budget Review Meeting was distributed. The Budget Committee will discuss the Redevelopment Agency budget on May 7, 2010.

Karina Danek provided the following announcement:

City Heights Mini Park- Engineering and Capital Projects is moving forward with the design process; the General Development Plan for the park will go to the Park and Recreation Board for approval on 4/15/10.

V. New Business

A. New PAC Member Appointment for Open Seat- Action Item- The PAC was asked to recommend appointment for (1) Residential Owner-Occupant vacant seat. Mary Otero and Katherine Eaton each gave a short speech. Katherine Eaton was elected by the PAC to fill the Residential Owner-Occupant vacant seat; Katherine Eaton received 9 votes and Mary Otero received 4 votes.

B. Street Lighting- Information Item- Duncan Hughes, City Traffic Engineer, City of San Diego, presented information on Street Lighting. The representation included information on types of lights, light sources, and cost. Questions and comments followed.

C. City Heights Sidewalk Deficiency Map- Information Item- Healthy Equity by Design: students from several High Schools in City Heights presented their study on sidewalk deficiency in the City Heights neighborhood.

D. Woods to the Hood Program- Information Item- Presentation by Ty Sterns from Urban Corps will be rescheduled.

VI. Old Business

A. City Heights Redevelopment Project Area Draft Budget- Information Item- Melissa Garcia presented a reformatted preliminary City Heights Redevelopment Project Area Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2011. The PAC asked staff to reformat the budget spreadsheet and display Redevelopment Division expenditures, and City Services expenditures. The PAC also requested pictures of projects that have been funded through the Agency's pooling of Low Mod funds.

VII. Chair and Subcommittee Reports

A. Chair's Report- Several PAC seats are still open.

- B. Housing Subcommittee- Community HousingWorks presented on their foreclosure prevention programs.
- C. Ad-hoc Committee Infrastructure and Implementation Plan- no report.
- D. Ad-hoc California Endowment's Building and Healthy Communities Initiative- no report.

VIII. Next Meeting Agenda- PAC discussion and action on next meeting's agenda.

- A. Sally Wong Building
- B. City Heights Redevelopment Project Area Draft Budget
- C. Urban Corps Tree Presentation
- D. City Heights Sign

IX. Adjournment- The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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