

# Old Town San Diego Community Planning Group

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**Annual General Membership Elections** were held today from 3:26pm to 3:39pm. Geoffrey Mogilner and Linda Acuna authenticated the ballots. Ann Dahlkamp read the results. Fourteen people voted in the elections for the following:

Ann Dahlkamp	member and resident	14 votes
Patricia Fillet	member and resident	14 votes
Geoffrey Mogilner	member and business owner	14 votes
Arvilla Rodgers	member and resident	14 votes
Sunny Lee	member and organization	14 votes

## MINUTES v.1

### Whaley House, this meeting came to order at 3:41pm

**Members Present:** Linda Acuna; Chuck Ambers; Gloria Andrade; Chuck Curtis; Ann Dahlkamp; Vickie Durham; Patricia Fillet; Fred Grand; Geoffrey Mogilner; Arvilla Rodgers; David Swarens; Robert Zink

**Members Absent:** Amie Hayes; David Thornton

**Visitors:** Vickie White <[vwhite@sandiego.gov](mailto:vwhite@sandiego.gov)>; Vanessa Bernal <[vbernal@sandiego.gov](mailto:vbernal@sandiego.gov)>; Sunny Lee, Old Town San Diego <[sunny@oldtownsandiego.org](mailto:sunny@oldtownsandiego.org)>; Sheryl Colon; Stacey Anfuro; Paul Chace, Presidio Heritage Trust <[pgc@pgchace.com](mailto:pgc@pgchace.com)>; Alijandra Mogilner, Presidio Heritage Trust <[alijandra1@gmail.com](mailto:alijandra1@gmail.com)>; Andrew Perry <[awperry@gmail.com](mailto:awperry@gmail.com)>; Ofcr. Rudy Tai, SDPD; Ofcr. David Surwillo, SDPD; Richard Dennison, CA State Parks <[richard.dennison@parks.ca.gov](mailto:richard.dennison@parks.ca.gov)> Zach Bunshaft <[zach.bunshaft@mail.house.gov](mailto:zach.bunshaft@mail.house.gov)>

### 1. Non-Agenda Public Comments:

#### **Residents' Concerns re Crime/Security/Safety Issues**

Stacey Anfuro (Old Town resident) expressed concern regarding the increase of security issues and crime on her street. Some of the incidents she has personally experienced include repeated vandalism on personal property, personal attacks, and break-ins. These incidents have resulted in a feeling of not being safe in your personal environment.

Sheryl Colon (Old Town resident) also expressed concern about crime in Old Town. Of particular concern to her was the possibility of an increase of gang activity in the area.

#### **Presidio Heritage Trust**

Paul Chace, Presidio Heritage Trust, distributed the latest PHT Citadel newsletter. He informed that his group is looking to increase international tourism to the Presidio and Old Town area by promoting the historical aspect of the missionaries, soldiers, and local architecture.

2. **Agenda Modifications:** None

3. **Meeting Minutes:**

David Swarens motioned and Patricia Fillet seconded that the January meeting minutes be approved as written. Motion passed (10 yes, 2 absent, 1 abstain).

Geoffrey Mogilner motioned and David Swarens seconded that the February meeting minutes be approved as written. Motion passed (8 yes, 2 absent, 3 abstain).

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

Today's meeting collected \$21.00 which brings the total-to-date to \$203.64.

5. **Action Items:**

**D-PEIR Comment Letter**

Ann Dahlkamp requested approval of the comments letter she prepared to the City's Old Town San Diego Community Plan Update draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). David Swarens motioned and Fred Grand seconded to endorse the comments letter prepared by the OTSDCPG Chair to the City's PEIR. (Motion passed (11 yes, 2 absent)).

**Project on 2615 Congress Street**

A presentation was made to the group regarding conceptual plans to convert the property at 2615 Congress Street from a residence to a deli serving breakfast and lunch.

Fred Grand motioned and Arvilla Rodgers seconded to approve the concept as presented. (Motion passed (11 yes, 2 absent, 1 abstain)).

6. **Information items:**

**SDPD Update**

Officer Surwillo gave an update regarding homeless and other issues. He informed that:

- Patrols have increased in the Old Town area
- The Hepatitis A issue made clean up a priority
- Progress is continuing in cleaning up the San Diego River bed
- In conjunction with Veterans Village, a tent to help address homeless veterans' issues has been set up close to Big Lots

He suggested that the public can help with homeless issues by not handing out cash to individuals, but by donating to an organization that has programs and facilities in place to provide counseling and other needs to help people get off the streets.

The public is encouraged to use the City's "Get It Done" app to report graffiti, tagging, safety issues, illegal dumping, potholes, traffic signal malfunctions, etc. He also suggested checking the [crimemapping.com](http://crimemapping.com) website to check on crime in a particular area.

**Old CalTrans Building**

Richard Dennison, CA State Parks, gave an update on plans for the old CalTrans building:

- The building will be demolished and turned into an open space.
- Parking will increase by ten spots.
- The project is currently out to bid. Bids are due at the end of the month, with award within six months. Estimated construction time is one year.

He provided conceptual drawings of what is planned for the space and informed that they are working with the Kumeyaay throughout all stages of the project.

### **City Council Update**

Vanessa Bernal distributed Councilman Ward's monthly newsletter and gave information on upcoming community meetings and events the Councilman will be attending.

### **Update from Susan B. Davis' Office**

Zach Bunshaft provided an update from Congresswoman Susan B. Davis' office. He distributed The Davis Dispatch newsletter and informed that the office is a finalist for the 2018 Democracy Award. They also received a 100% score on the 2017 National Environmental Scorecard from the League of Conservation Voters.

### **Old Town Chamber**

Sunny Lee, Executive Director, gave an update on upcoming OT Chamber events. The next scheduled event is the Fiesta Cinco de Mayo.

### **Planned District Ordinance/Draft Proposed Environmental Impact Review (PEIR)**

Vickie White reported that work is continuing on the Planned District Ordinance (PDO). A revised draft is expected to be available for distribution at the April meeting. March 15 is the last day to provide comments to the draft PEIR.

7. **Committee Updates:** None

8. **Announcements:** None

### **Adjournment**

Chuck Curtis motioned and Arvilla Rodgers seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.  
Officially submitted,  
Linda Acuna, Secretary