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Regular Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2015

Parliamentary Items:

A regular meeting of the Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group was called to order by chair David Moty at 6:35 pm.

Members present at the start of the meeting: Frank Doft, Sean Harrison, Ken Horsley, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, Ann Pease, Darlene Love, David Moty, Keith Roudebush, Elvia Sandoval, Don Taylor, Deborah Sharpe, Kelly Waggoner; Mike Anderson arrived at 7pm; and Thomas Weigand was absent.

Also present were Ralph Dimaracut from Councilmember Marti Emerald's office, Daniel Hazard from Susan Davis' office, and Jason Weisz from Toni Atkins' office, as well as approximately 60 members of the public.

Approval of Agenda: David Moty asked if there were any objections or modifications to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes: David Moty asked if there were any objections or modification to the minutes. With no objections and no abstentions the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer report: Fred Lindahl stated the current treasury balance was **\$117.09**.

Community Forum:

Daniel Hazard from Susan Davis' Office presented informational news and updates. He stated that Susan Davis is on the House Armed Services Committee. She has also introduced a resolution against cluster post office boxes in residential areas that currently have at home postal delivery.

Jason Wiesz from Toni Atkins's Office presented informational news and updates. He stated that Assembly Democrats are making affordable housing a major priority this year.

Ralph Dimaracut from Marti Emerald's Office presented informational news and updates. He stated that the Fire Dept. had concerns about the plan to slow traffic on Highland, however, the Fire Chief is reviewing the plans again to see if some modifications can be made to allow it to go forward. The

proposed crosswalk at Kensington and Adams is waiting for the revised City Council policy, which should come before the City Council soon. The painting of the street light posts in Talmadge will begin next week, and the contract for restoration of the Talmadge Gates is going out for bid. Marti's office is working with City Staff to make the process of keeping the homeless out of the canyons more efficient. Daniele Laman asked for an update on the Storm Drain issue along Aldine Drive in Talmadge. Ralph did not have an update at this time. Kelly Waggonner asked Ralph to see what can be done about the poor pavement conditions on Fairmount leading into Kensington and Talmadge.

Non-Agenda Public Comment:

One member of the public with a group opposed to the current development plan for One Paseo stated that many City Planning Groups took a position against the plan, but the City Council still approved it. Now some citizens are working to gather signatures for a referendum against the plan. He stated he would have petitions in back, if anyone wished to sign.

Non-Subcommittee Items:

None

Subcommittee Items:

A. Elections (chaired by Deborah Sharpe)

1. Deborah reviewed the requirements for voting and running for office.
2. Deborah asked if there were any write-in candidates. Seeing none, she closed this part of the election process.
3. Deborah stated that Alison Moss was withdrawing as a candidate because she is moving out of Kensington. This left 8 candidates for 8 positions.
4. Deborah directed voters, who had not already signed in, to go to the tables at the back of the room to sign in and get their ballots.
5. Deborah then asked each candidate to give a brief statement regarding their interest in being elected, which they subsequently did. The candidates were: Ron Anderson, Stephanie Contos, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, Ann Pease, Marilyn Sanderson, Don Taylor and Kelly Waggonner.
6. Balloting was closed at 8pm.
7. All candidates were elected.
8. Fred Lindahl will chair the April KTPG meeting until a new Chair is elected by the Board.

B. Kensington MADs (chaired by Don Taylor)

Don Taylor gave a brief review of the discussion and action items of the Kensington Manor and Kensington Park North MADs at their February 2015 meeting. Those actions were forwarded to the KTPG Board for Action at this meeting.

He explained that the need to take action at this time is due to the City's planned street light infrastructure replacement/upgrade in Kensington Manor and a small portion of Kensington Park North along Alder Ave. Since the planned City project covers all of Kensington Manor, it is critical that wiring and bases for all proposed additional street lights be done at this time when it can be done at no cost to the MAD. This efficient approach offers long term cost savings and will avoid the need to again redesign/increase infrastructure in the near future.

The current City plan does not reach south of Alder Ave. However, any proposed additional street lights between Alder and Adams Ave on the one block segments of Terrace Dr., Kensington Dr., Marlborough Dr. and Edgeware Rd. will be dependent on the circuitry of this project.

These one-block street segments in Kensington Park North are in the business district sphere of influence, and serve as a major parking resource for the small businesses on Adams Ave. The current combination of lack of street lighting and damaged sidewalks makes this a hazard for pedestrians at night. If the budget allows for the project area to be expanded for additional wiring and light post bases on these one-block segments, at no cost to the MAD, it will accelerate the ability to correct the deficient lighting and help support small business success in Kensington.

The Kensington Manor MAD recommends the KTPG approve and the KTPG chairman communicate to the City the following:

Based on the Kensington Manor MAD map, sixteen additional street lights, of which nine were designated by City staff as "General Benefit," are needed in the Kensington Manor neighborhood. The Kensington Manor subcommittee unanimously approved the sixteen additional street lights, with the following adjustments:

Light Post 216 – move from corner of Norfolk Ter. and Rochester Rd. – to - Rochester Road, one lot north of Norfolk Ter.

Light Post 223 – move from the proposed location on Canterbury, west of Kensington Dr. – to – the south side of Norfolk Ter. mid-block, between Kensington Dr. and Marlborough Dr.

Light Post 226 – move one lot north on Marlborough Dr.

Two proposed “General Benefit” street lights are required on 42nd Street, which is currently unlit. Due to the utilitarian nature of 42nd Street, the subcommittee has not yet determined if those lights (#246 & 247) should be historic posts or cobra lights.

The Kensington Park North MAD recommends the KTPG approve and the KTPG chairman communicate to the City the following:

That the City expand the project to add the wiring and bases for these proposed eight additional street lights. The Kensington Park North subcommittee unanimously approved the proposed eight street lights on the existing Kensington MAD map for Edgeware Rd., Marlborough Dr., Kensington Dr., and at Alder and 42nd St. with the adjustments noted below; and proposed adding one street light on Terrace Dr. (near parcel 44054204 – 4745 Terrace Dr.).

Proposed street-light location adjustments:

Light Post 239 – Because of established trees, place light post location near property line between 4709 and 4715 Edgeware Rd.

Light Post 240 – Because of established trees, place light post location near property line between 4742 and 4748 Edgeware Rd.

Light Post 241 –Because of established trees, place light post location near property line between 4751 and 4757 Edgeware Rd.

Add a street light at 4745 Terrace Dr. that is not on the current Kensington MAD map.

Both MADs also prioritized the additional street light locations, in case that information is needed in the near future.

Reports on the January 28, 2015 and February 25, 2015 subcommittee meetings of the Kensington MADs.

David Moty explained that Kensington MAD minutes will be presented to the KTPG Board each month for approval as reports to meet City requirements and to ensure these are put into the record in a timely manner.

The Kensington Manor and Kensington Park North MAD proposals and reports were approved unanimously (Darlene Love and Deborah Sharpe absent at time of the vote, due to ballot counting)

C. CIP/PLANNING (chaired by David Moty)

David reviewed seven proposed CIP projects in Kensington and eight proposed CIP projects in Talmadge. He stated these will need to be prioritized by the next KTPG Board.

Kensington

1. TS-1 Adams/Ken Drive Enhanced Crosswalk
2. CU-2 Kensington Manor Circuit Upgrade
3. CU-3 Talmadge North (Alder Loop) Circuit Upgrade
4. SL-4 Marlborough Avenue Street Lighting
5. CU-1 Kensington Heights Circuit Upgrade
6. SL-5 Edgeware Road Street Lighting
7. SL-3 Kensington Drive Street Lighting

Talmadge

1. TS-5 ECB & Euclid Priority Left Signal
2. BP-2 Meade/Monroe (Fairmount to Collwood) SANDAG Bike Path
3. SW-5 Euclid & Monroe Storm Drain(s)*

*Note with more information and SANDAG's design there may be a need for more than one drain.

4. PX-1 Euclid & Monroe Pedestrian Improvements
5. SW-3 Monroe (between 47th & Menlo) Storm Drain
6. SW-4 47th & Menlo 4400 block culvert
7. RY-2 ECB W/B to Fairmount N/B Right Turn Lane
8. RY-1 Fairmount Avenue Slope Restoration

KTPG Liaison Committee Reports

- A. Historic Resources Division 45 year review liaison – Fred Lindahl: Fred stated there were three properties reviewed in this last month, of which one at 5317 Palisades was deemed to have historic significance.
- B. Community Planners Committee – David Moty
 - a. David Moty stated that Nancy Bragado presented an update to the City's Long Term Planning program. Clairemont and Kearney Mesa are next, but after that, they will start applying more criteria than just age as to which communities come next. They will prioritize based on five criteria: age, past amendments, employment/population growth, transit priority, and infrastructure deficit (primarily parks). He further stated that the criteria most likely to raise the priority for updating the Mid-City Communities plan are transit priority and infrastructure deficit.

- b. At CPC, the Normal Heights CPC rep raised the issue of dividing the Mid-City plan into its component parts. Nancy Bragado stated that now there are active planning groups in all 4 areas, it was much more likely they would be updated with individual stakeholder groups, rather than as one entity.
 - c. Nancy Bragado also stated there could be three types of Community Plan Updates, Comprehensive, Focused Plan Amendment, and Clean Up. Comprehensive updates would be from the ground up with an area wide EIR, traffic studies, etc. Focused Plan Amendments would focus on particular areas while leaving broad sections of the plan alone. Clean Up amendments would be geared to providing more legible graphics and cleaning up ambiguous language.
 - d. David also mentioned the Small Lot Ordinance plan and how during its presentation to the Mayor he asked if it might help with the Huffman apartment building problem.
- C. Talmadge Maintenance Assessment District – Kelly Waggoner
- a. Kelly Waggoner presented the current status of the paint removal plan for street lights in Talmadge. She hopes to set up a meeting with other MADs to discuss issues MADs may have in coordinating with the City on MAD projects.

Possible Agenda for the next or future KTPG Meetings

1. Election of KTPG Officers and Formation of Subcommittees.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.