

Clairemont Community Planning Group

Minutes of the Meeting of November 17, 2015 Cadman Elementary School Auditorium

P Scott Wentworth - Chair P Keith Hartz – Vice Chair P Lynn Titalii - Secretary A Delana Hardacre- Treasurer	P Harry Backer P Kevin Carpenter P Cecelia Frank P Chad Gardner	A Debra Howell P Richard Jensen P Michael Puente P Margie Schmidt	P Daniel Smiechowski A Joel Smith P Naveen Waney
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P – Present A – Absent L-Late

Item 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Scott Wentworth. Roll call was taken and a quorum present.

Item 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment – Issues that are not on the agenda and are within the jurisdiction of the Clairemont Community Planning Group. **NOTE:** 3-minute time limit per speaker.

Public:

The Clairemont sign on Balboa Avenue is damaged, plaster is delaminated. If it is to be replaced, change the design, letters moved up higher, and better design. The shrubs on Balboa block the sign.

Karla Roberts - I'm not on the agenda, however want to inform the CCPG and the community that Sewer Job 743 will occur the last week in December.

Committee Members:

Harry Backer - Need to put in an electronic sign on Morena Blvd. to encourage people to slow down.

Lynn Titalii - Will the CCPG be dark in December, we usually are? Group agrees to wait and see how agenda goes.

Michael Puente - Looking at By-Laws tonight, can access at 'Care about Clairemont.com'

Daniel Smiechowski - I am on the Parking & Transportation Committee with Richard, however are no meetings and/or items proposed for meetings. School district is taking on renaming Robert E. Lee school, can access voting online.

Chad Gardner - Concern about the many items on the agendas lately and due to time constraints, are not able to give time necessary to each item. It appears the last 3 items on the action items are information items.

Richard Jensen - Agree with Daniel Smiechowski on what he said about the Parking & Transportation Committee.

Daniel Smiechowski - On the appointments to the board, it should be an election.

Item 3. Modifications to the Agenda – Requires 2/3 approval.

Naveen Waney - Item 108 is an action item at the request of the applicant.

Scott Wentworth - Item 106 will be postponed to January. Lynn Titalii made a motion to delay item 106, seconded by Keith Hartz. Vote: 11-0-0

Lynn Titalii - Item 107 - Kristen McDade Bryne requested this item be an action item, and also that she could provide quarterly updates. She is not here and the person presenting is not presenting as an action item, just informational.

Item 4. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve CCPG minutes for October by Margie Schmidt, seconded by Daniel Smiechowski.

Vote: 10-1-0 Chad Gardner abstained as he was absent.

Item 5. Council Representative Reports

District 2 Council Report, James McGurick, you can contact him at: jmcgerick@sandiego.gov

Introduced himself as the new representative for District 2, Lori Zapf. Public input revisions put in place - existing committees no longer have to approve or oversee projects, thereby increasing efficiency and freeing up funding. The costs associated with having those committees in place can be used for other things. Water project 962 - many people are concerned about the project on Moraga. Things will change soon, will have contractor go back and redo. Clean dirt up each day. Clairemont Drive project - traffic calming will go in place when striping is going in place. There has been significant community outreach to gain input on solutions. Regarding Moraga Ave traffic circles - are using an online tool to gain additional input.

Richard Jensen - asking for additional information on projects, James McGurick is asking that people email him for additional information.

Daniel Smiechowski - Look beyond the numbers on Moraga.

Keith Hartz - How did Lori Zapf vote on the water rate increase? In favor.

Harry Backer - Why doesn't the City oversee the road projects better (regarding Moraga)? James McGurick - project managers oversee the projects, have asked the construction crew to make a presentation to CCPG again. Project is 4 months ahead.

Kevin Carpenter - I'm on parks and recreation committee, how does the CCPG get involved in projects occurring in that area? The Recreation council oversees Parks & Recreation so the CCPG would not be involved. On the survey monkey - for Moraga. Hate to see the poll take precedence over all the research and work that has been done on traffic calming on Moraga. Concern about the workmanship and design issues with many of the city projects that have occurred recently. To respect the community and the CCPG, would like the city engineering to treat the CCPG Project sub-committee as the private entities do, come and present individual projects to the committee and to the CCPG to gain input on design.

District 6 Council Report, Allen Young, Community Liaison, allenyoung@sandiego.gov.

Many overlay projects occurring. Repaving projects occurring all through Clairemont this week. Clairemont Drive has been repaved. Many great repaving projects occurring. Working currently on Mt. Acadia. there were problems, and they're fixing. The Senior Center will be reopening on Thursday, staffed by Parks and Recreation staff. Goal is still to have an independent contractor run the program. Traffic calming on Clairemont Drive will not occur behind the shopping center, only south of that area on Clairemont Drive. Cece Frank - Question about painted area with cones, are they redoing that part of Clairemont Dr? Allen Young is not aware of that part of the project. Kevin Carpenter - was there any public input on the traffic calming for Clairemont Dr? Allen is not sure, will check into it.

Item 6. Action Items

101. City of San Diego - Speed bumps on Lehrer Drive - Jon Hannasch

Jon Hannasch is not in attendance, nor is anyone else to present this item. Scott Wentworth explained we will still vote on this item. The project will occur on Hawthorne, in front of Hawthorne Elementary. Petition - 75% of people that live on street in area are in support. People that live on North side are also in support. Map distributed. Margie Schmidt made a motion to approve the speed bumps with a request for crosswalks at intersections; Lehrer & Diane & Lehrer & Baxter. Michael Puente - Parking & Transportation should review projects like this, where is the petition? Richard Jensen 2nd the motion. Daniel Smiechowski asked if the principal approved, answer is yes, feels petition should be available to CCPG. Richard Jensen feels CCPG should approve, as cars speed and the speed bumps are effective. Vote: 8-1-2, Daniel Smiechowski abstaining, Michael Puente, Lynn Titillii voted against.

102. Mount Acadia Complex, 3560 Mt Acadia Blvd - Cami L. Jackson, PLSA

Had a large community meeting, went to the CCPG Project sub-committee, made changes to the project design based on input. Will be presenting the changes. The changes are; the design of the parking deck in the back, adding landscaping to the entire project, improved the pedestrian pathways, improved the facade, changed the loading dock from permanent to temporary. Residential care facility, 2/3 assisted living facility, 1/3 memory care. 99 beds. Retail 4500 square feet. Margie Schmidt requests clarification - fire department connection adjacent to canyon is blocked - not required. Undergrounding waiver - have requested and have no response as of this date. 30' height limit - entire roof in that area is set aside for health and wellness, stair in one location and elevator reaches above height limit. SDGE easement - will be granted a new easement. Naveen Waney - at CCPG prior to June, and requested they go to Project sub-committee, which they did in June. Voted to recommend the project as is to the main group. Requested Jack Carpenter attend meeting to review. Richard Jensen - there at Project sub-committee, new additions have not been reviewed. One tree added to street trees. Easement now 24' (was 10'). Storm drain will be draining to back corner of property, larger outfall with more rock. Kevin Carpenter and others in audience - asking about how the outside of the care facility building and retail space will be designed. Motion to approve plan by Daniel Smiechowski, seconded by Naveen Waney. Vote: 11-0-0.

103. CCPG By Laws - Michael Puente, CCPG Board Member

Presenting information on the changes proposed to the CCPG By-Laws. Numerous changes are recommended in the CCPG By-Laws (attachment to these minutes), however the recommended changes must be approved by the full planning group. Changes to proposed: an 'or' rather than 'and' be included so the chair can be allowed to participate in discussion and comment on items, however, not vote. If a quorum cannot be established in a sub-committee, the chair of the planning group can appoint a member 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Under Vice-Chair put in something about in charge of communications to the public. Public made comment that it is advisable to vote by electronic vote, or online voting be available however that is a City of San Diego decision. Margie Schmidt commented there should be more flexibility in establishing the number of people in a sub-committee. Michael Puente made a motion to accept the recommendations to the By-Laws and Exhibit B and E, with the changes that were discussed and approved. Chad Gardner seconded. Vote: 11-0-0.

104. Consideration of Applicants for the CCPG - Keith Hartz, CCPG Vice-Chair

Keith Hartz provided information that we have two applicants for the one vacant position. Nicholas Reed and Leslie Goossens both applied, however, only Nicholas is in attendance tonight. A requirement of being a board member is they must of attended two meetings in the last year. Leslie is only showing attendance at one meeting. Naveen Waney commented that Leslie came to a meeting and said she had attended another but didn't sign in. Naveen supported that she had been in attendance at that meeting. Due to Leslie not being in attendance, Nicholas is only person up for the position (application attached). Richard Jensen made a motion that we appoint Nicholas Reed as a new member to the board, seconded by Keith Hartz. Vote: 11-0-0. Chair Scott Wentworth welcomed Nicholas Reed to the board.

105. Morena Corridor Sub-Committee - Margie Schmidt, CCPG Board Member and Chair of Sub-Committee.

Margie Schmidt presented the information that a Mid-Coast trolley will be running along the West side of our community on Morena Blvd. Margie has been the chair of the planning group, Morena Corridor Sub-Committee on land use matters. It was requested that there be a written task and goal (attached). There have been five meetings, and this committee will continue to present and make recommendations on development that occurs with this project. Keith Hartz made a motion to approve the Task and Goal for the Morena Corridor Sub-Committee, seconded by Lynn Titilii. Vote: 11-0-0.

106. CCPG Capital Improvement Plan 2016 - Debra Howell, CCPG Board Member - Continued to a future date.

107. Wet Utility Relocation Work - Mid-Coast Trolley Project, Kristen McDade Byrne, MJE Marketing
- Moved to an information item.

108. Clairemont Drive Resurfacing and Corridor Safety Improvements - Brian Genovese, Deputy City Engineer, City of San Diego, Transpiration Department.

This project is to propose a road diet, by reducing the number of lanes on Clairemont Drive by one and repurposing the lane into a bike lane in each direction (attachment). This is for safety improvement project. The entire area was resurfaced, and striping will occur soon. Preserves left turn lanes. This is a part of the master plan adopted by City Council. The crash history in this corridor identifies 195 collisions between 2005-2013. Of those, 116 injuries and 1 fatality. Looking citywide, we develop crash rates, and average crash rates. There is a significantly higher crash rate in this area, than the average city rate. 16,000 vehicles per day, 85% of people are traveling an average of 10 miles over the speed limit on a consistent basis. Kevin Carpenter asking if the numbers support this action, reply is yes. Will remain parallel parking. Would like to see diagonal parking with trees. Keith Hartz expressed an opinion that they should put in stop signs to slow traffic, and doesn't feel people will use bikes if they put in bike lanes. They have received comments in the council district office about concerns about congestion, also complaints about speeding in area. Margie Schmidt is asking if the city is looking into a road diet on the area of Clairemont Drive below Balboa Avenue. Question from the audience what type of public outreach was there? Answer is since this is a safety project, they make a decision based on crash data and safety, rather than doing public outreach. They are asking for support from the CCPG. Daniel Smiechowski made a motion to support the road diet project, seconded by Lynn Titalii. Vote: 8-3-0. Against, Keith Hartz, Richard Jensen, Cecilia

Item 7. Informational Items

201. Moraga Avenue - Update on Traffic Calming - CCPG - covered this item. Confident that there will be money for the traffic circles. Councilmember

202. Town Center Park for Bay Park - Glen Schmidt - asking to present on the next CCPG agenda.

203. Wet Utility Relocation Work - Mid-Coast Trolley Project, Kristen McDade Byrne, MJE Marketing
Next Fall will be doing utility relocation work, on Santa Fe, Morena Blvd, all along corridor. A lot of upgrades to your existing system. About a year of construction. We are open to questions and concerns.

Item 8. Workshop Items

None

Item 9. Potential Action Items

None

Item 10. Reports to Group

Chairman Report, Scott Wentworth: Declaring a vacancy, Joel Smith has resigned. There will not be a CCPG meeting in December.

Planning Dept, Michael Prinz: The next phase of the trolley/Morena corridor project is the Balboa Avenue station area. There is already a Morena Corridor Sub-Committee, and the city is looking to establish another sub-committee for the development of the Balboa Station, hopefully beginning in December. Anyone interested in being a chair should talk to Michael Prinz.

Additional Items: None

Adjournment at 9:04 PM

The next meeting will be held January 20, 2016, 6:30pm at Cadman Elementary School.

