

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
6 P.M . July 12, 2016

Directors present: Janay Kruger (JK) (Chair), Meagan Beale (MB) (Vice Chair), Andrew Wiese (AW), Nancy Groves (NG), John Bassler (JB), Nan Madden (NM), Alison Barton (AB), Isabelle Kay (IK), Ash Nasserri (AN), Kristopher Kopensky (KK), Donna Andonian (DA), Roger Cavanaugh (RC), Alice Buck (AB), Ryan Perry (RP), Ross Caulum (RCu), Jason Moorhead (JM), and Anu Delouri (AD).

Directors absent: Caryl Lees Witte (CW), Rebecca Robinson (RR), Kristin Camper (KC), Petr Krysl (PK), and Lesly Figueroa (LF), and Dan Monroe (DM).

1. Call the Meeting to Order- Janay Kruger, Chair
  - a. Time: 6:05
2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by Moment of Silence
3. Agenda: Call for additions/deletions: Adoption
  - a. No changes

**Motion:** Motion to approve by AN and seconded by DA.  
**Vote: Unanimous**
4. Approval of Minutes: June, 2016
  - a. Rebecca Robinson moved from absent to present.

**Motion:** Motion to approved as changed by RP and seconded by RC.  
**Vote: Unanimous**
5. Announcements- Chair Letters/meetings
  - a. SDPD
    - i. Announcements
    - ii. Thank you to community during current difficult time with words and letters of support
  - b. Costa Verde Update - John Murphy
    - i. Announcement of scoping meeting on July 28 at Costa Verde 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
    - ii. JK: Sub-committee will present feedback at the scoping meeting
    - iii. Reminder that the scoping meeting is for feedback to be incorporated into EIR
  - c. JK: Ballot initiative for Fire Department did get the adequate amount of votes in order to be on the ballot
  - d. UCSD- Anu Delouri
    - i. Community Update Review
  - e. SANDAG-
    - i. If all goes to plan they should issue a notice to proceed to the General Contractor in September
    - ii. Building will commence all along the corridor
    - iii. JK: Genesee widening project also starting soon
  - f. Membership Report- John Bassler
    - i. Review of election criteria and membership criteria
  - g. Councilperson Sherri Lightner- Kyle Heiskala
    - i. Many ballot proposals, reviewed several
    - ii. Review of change in water use restriction
    - iii. Drought level reducing partially relaxing water restriction requirements

- iv. Community: Comment on white marks on fencing along roadways: A: Believed that to be residue from water leaks or issues but will research and follow up
  - h. Supervisor Dave Roberts- Janie Hoover
    - i. Absent
  - i. Senator Marty Block- Sarah Fields
    - i. July is summer recess
    - ii. SB1257 - bill that requires pro bono work before graduating from law school
    - iii. SB1314 - extension of cal grant program, allows community colleges to fund for students that are working on bachelor's degrees
    - iv. Our office is available to help with CA state issues
  - j. Assemblywoman Toni Atkins- Deanna Spain
    - i. Absent
  - k. 52<sup>nd</sup> Congressman Scott Peters- Hugo Carmona
    - i. Absent
  - l. MCAS Miramar- K. Camper
    - i. Absent
  - m. Planning Department- Dan Monroe
    - i. Absent for announcement but planning on coming in later in the meeting, did not arrive before the meeting adjourned
- 6. Public Comment: Non-Agenda Items, 3 minutes per speaker
  - a. Community: Spoke about Jacob's medical center and upcoming Open House
  - b. Community: President of organization that is in support of the Regents Road Bridge spoke
- 7. Two Action Items: University Community Plan – Transportation Element
  - a. Vote on the Community Plan Amendment Language
    - Presenter: AW
      - i. Review of sub-committee meeting
 

**Motion:** Motion to recommend the planning group vote to approve the transportation element proposed for the University Community Plan Amendment which removes the Genesee widening and Regents Road bridge removal by AW and seconded by RC.
      - ii. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment
      - iii. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment
      - iv. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment sighting Rose Canyon as a reason not to have the bridge
      - v. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment due to added traffic from freeways that would occur
      - vi. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment
      - vii. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment due to the importance of Rose Canyon
      - viii. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment due to the importance of Rose Canyon
      - ix. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment and added the importance to reduce the effect of traffic near schools for their health
      - x. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment
      - xi. Community: Spoke in opposition to the amendment as the widening and the bridge were part of the original plan and we need to reduce traffic
      - xii. Community: Spoke in opposition to the amendment as she is in support of the bridge and not in support of the newly added proposed grade change for Genesee.

Curious why we are voting while the EIR comments are not in. JK: The amendment language was shared last month

- xiii. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment
- xiv. Community: Spoke in opposition to the amendment
- xv. Community: Opposed to the process of the response letter
- xvi. Community: Spoke in support of the amendment and justification for the EIR process
- xvii. AB: Would like to vote on the Bridge or the widening separate
- xviii. RC: I see a correction that was made in the plan update

**Vote: 11 in favor, 1 opposed, and 3 abstentions, motion passed**

b. Vote on the Draft Response Letter to the DPEIR

Presenter: Andy Wiese, Chair of the Sub-Committee

**Motion:** Motion for approval by UCPG to approve the language as drafted as response to the DPEIR by AW and seconded by DA

- i. AW: Read the draft response letter
- ii. MB: Thank you for your work on the letter. TRA1.6 proposes making Genesee road 6 lanes, I would like us to amend the letter to oppose TRA1.6
- iii. JK: Would like to discuss chapter 10 in the DPEIR after we talk about the letter
- iv. MB: That is ok
- v. AB: Again concerned that the bridge and Genesee widening are linked
- vi. RC: Spoke in support of the letter
- vii. AB: Suggest we add a paragraph before paragraph three. Add "We note that "the project"- the removal of the Regents Road Bridge and Genesee Avenue widening - " is the environmentally superior alternative. Add "also" after the first word in the fourth paragraph to read "We also....."
- viii. Community: Spoke in opposition of adding language that speaks to the environmentally superior alternative by the group without factual basis.
- ix. DA: Spoke of experience with the use of Waze on side streets in L.A.
- x. Community: Wondering about name change in EIR name change from Project to Program? JK: Not sure of technical answer but Dan Monroe should be able to answer that

**Vote: 11 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 abstentions**

8. Information/ Action Item: SANDAG Ballot Initiative

Presenter: Muggs Stoll, SANDAG

- a. Review of benefits of initiative
  - b. NG: Can we have copies of the program
  - c. JK: When it comes to matching funds, they often come from the DIF. What are the benefits to our community? A: Improvements to Sorrento Mesa station and adjacent roads as well as greater City wide improvements to transit
  - d. IK: How do you relate to Cal-trans? A: We hire them for projects
  - e. Community: Shared feeling that SANDAG is secretive and does not inform the public
  - f. AN: Review of frustration with SANDAG ignoring community opinion inclusive of direction given by City Council
  - g. RC: Wishes SANDAG well and best of luck on getting this passed. Also would like you to look at how SANDAG relates to the planning groups
  - h. Community: In support of SANDAG as they have a difficult job
  - i. Discussion on possible voting. Decision of the directors was to wait until next meeting
9. Continuing conversation on response letter to DPEIR, item 7.b. On the agenda

- a. JK: There are several mitigation recommendations in the report that I do not think we would support. The ones I think we would support are:
  - i. TRA1.8
  - ii. TRA 1.9
  - iii. TRA 1.10
  - iv. TRA 2.5
  - v. TRA 2.6
- b. RP: Why are we voting on something not in the agenda? KK: It was mentioned in the letter response section (7.b. By JK) that we would discuss this separately tonight
- c. AN: Concerned about voting on any of these tonight without more information
- d. AW: Instead of opposing a large amount we could mention the ones that we would support and be silent on the rest
- e. MB: Can we just state that we would want all of these items voted on ahead of study? JK: The problem is that it will get to CEQA

**Motion:** Motion to add to the response letter in regards to Chapter 10 of the EIR that we oppose TRA 1.6, TRA 2.3 and support TRA 1.8, TRA 1.9, TRA1.10, TRA2.6, and TRA2.5 by JK and seconded by NM.

- f. RP: Concerned about cherry picking from the letter after it was voted on earlier today. Also concerned about removing recommendations from the letter
- g. NG: We are making a correction to errors in the document
- h. AW: The two items being removed are in contradiction to our support of the removal of the Regents Bridge and Genesee widening
- i. Continued conversation amongst the Directors regarding the best way to respond
- j. NG: Does not believe that there is an issue with process
- k. Community: Feels this is a dangerous precedent as the item is not on the agenda. JK: It is in the agenda
- l. NM: We are saying we like 5 and do not like 2, we are silent on the rest and I am comfortable voting for that
- m. AW: We could do this separate
- n. JK: Let's talk about the FBA
- o. Kyle Heiskala: We could have a vote to reconsider the original motion to ensure we are following proper process.

**Motion:** Motion to reconsider the vote for the the response letter by MB and seconded by RC.

**Vote: 10 for and 1 opposed, 4 abstentions, motion passed.**

**Motion:** Motion for approval by UCPG to approve the language as drafted as response to the DPEIR and add a paragraph before paragraph three, "We note that "the project"- the removal of the Regents Road Bridge and Genesee Avenue widening - " is the environmentally superior alternative. Add "also" after the first word in the fourth paragraph to read "We also....." and also add to the response letter in regards to Chapter 10 of the EIR that we oppose TRA 1.6, TRA 2.3 and support TRA 1.8, TRA 1.9, TRA1.10, TRA2.6, and TRA2.5 as they are inconsistent with "the project" description by MB and seconded by RC.

**Vote: 10 in favor, 1 opposed, 4 abstentions, motion passed.**

#### 10. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- a. Bicycle Safety Committee- Petr Krysl and Andy Wiese
  - i. None
- b. High Speed Rail
  - i. None
- c. Costa Verde Retail

i. Earlier in the meeting

11. Old Business/New Business

a. Community: Aren't we supposed to have a financial review of the FBA funds? JK: It is not finished and you were invited

12. Adjournment

a. Time: 9:15