

## Midway Community Planning Group Minutes

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

- 1) Call to Order: 3:01PM
- 2) Introductions around the room
- 3) All Members were Present: George Diaz, Tod Howarth, Gilbert Kennedy, Cathy Kenton, Randall LaRocco, Jacob McKean, Judy Palmore Holiday, Kurt Sullivan, Dave Siegler, Mark Swanston.
  - a) Members Excused: Meg who resigned
- 4) Approval of June Minutes: Minutes unavailable from May & June meetings, will be sent out in August for approval at September meeting; Committee is dark in August
- 5) Public Comment: None
- 6) City and Government Office Reports:
  - a) Mayor's Office - none
  - b) Jason Weisz for Assemblymember/Speaker Toni Atkins' office – asked the community to be alert to increased sex trafficking during prominent events.
  - c) Bruce Williams for Council District 2 office – Reported that the City Council voted 8-1 to approve the Midway as the designated IS-11 part of the county for the installation of an emergency homeless shelter. A spirited, lengthy discussion/debate followed about the unfair burden and detrimental impact this represents to the Midway District, and what can be done to reject and push back on this decision. Cathy suggested that perhaps we could change the zoning in our area, and also that we speak with property owners about this decision to get their support and help to fight this.
  - d) Regional Airport Authority Presentation – Peggy Cooper, Sr. Communications Specialist, with a presentation by Bob Bolton Director of Airport Design & Construction on the new “Terminal 2 Parking Plaza”. Will eventually be taking down/replacing Terminal 1. Lot in front of Terminal 2 closes on August 6<sup>th</sup> to begin construction of the new covered parking. Referenced a new 24/7 connector service to the Airport that launched in January to help ease the traffic. Peggy Cooper's email: [PCooper@san.org](mailto:PCooper@san.org)
- 7) Action Item: Couts Street parking proposal to restripe existing parking from parallel to diagonal parking to increase the number of available parking spaces. Motion by Kurt to support the diagonal parking proposal provided the City insures there will be

no adverse safety issues as a result therefrom. The motion was seconded by Gil. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 8) Action Item: Ongoing Information Item - Elizabeth Studebaker & Tracy Reed, City of San Diego Economic Development Department – Returned as a follow-up and for discussion about their presentation at the June MCPG meeting re: the reformation of a Midway BID or MAD. Cathy proposed that we form an Ad Hoc Committee to determine how to spend down the dollars remaining in the old BID to the benefit of the community, and then figure out what to do as a next step, perhaps reforming a BID or a MAD. Motion by Gil to form an Ad Hoc Committee to explore use of the existing BID funds and make concurrent recommendation of forming a MAD in the Midway District. Jacob seconded the motion, and the motion passed by unanimous vote. Gil accepted the role of Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee. Elizabeth pointed out that the Ad Hoc Committee does not need to be comprised only of Board members, but can be other interested individuals, residents and business owners in the community.
- 9) Old Business: None
- 10) New Business –
  - a) Meg resigned just before the meeting effective immediately, served as Secretary. Judy offered to take minutes today.
  - b) Nomination of Amy Stark and vote to appoint her to fill the existing vacancy on the Planning Group board (this is not the seat just vacated by Meg.) Motion to nominate Amy Stark to fill the current vacancy on the Board was made by Kurt, and seconded by Todd. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.
- 11) Mobility Analysis Study Update: Vickie White from the Planning Department handed out a Mobility Analysis Status Update with Comments received the Draft Study, What has Changed in the Document, a Document Overview and Next Steps. Vickie said that they are hoping to have an updated draft of the Community Plan in the fall, an Environmental Impact Report on the Plan next April, and have the final Plan ready to go to Council by next October (2017)
- 12) Last Public Comment/New Business: Anthony Theodore, a realtor in Point Loma, made a brief statement about the issue of homeless/vagrants, and said he would be requesting time on the next meeting's agenda.
- 13) Meeting Adjournment: 5:01 PM