Old Town San Diego
Community Planning Group

Thurston Coe, Chairperson
2836 Juan Street
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Whaley House, this meeting came to order at 3:37 pm

Members Present: Linda Acuna; Chuck Ambers; Thurston Coe; Ann Dahlkamp; Vicki Durham; Patricia Fillet; Fred Grand; Aime Hayes; Geoffrey Mogilner; Richard Stegner; David Swarens

Members Absent: Gloria Andrade; David Thornton; Robert Zink

Visitors: Vickie White, City Planning of San Diego, vwhite@sandiego.gov; Don Fowler, San Diego Sheriff’s Museum; Chuck Curtis, San Diego Sheriff’s Museum; Paul Chance, Chance & Associates, pgc@pgchace.com; Bill Woods, Mormon Battalion Historic Site, William.woods@ldschurch.org

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments:
Chuck Ambers commented on the email he received from SDUSD Office of Leadership and Learning announcing the new 4th Grade Old Town San Diego State Historic Park Field Experience. Instead of Old Town Foundation paying for the bus and students being led by a district employee, the Foundation will now cover the cost of the CA State Park Interpreter-led tour. Chuck Ambers was disappointed with the news as well as Don Fowler because this would mean the 4th graders will not be touring the churches, Sheriff’s museum, Whaley House and other museums about Old Town.
Fred Grand will request a meeting with the CA State Park and the Old Town foundation for further information.

Patricia Fillet announced that she is seeing more graffiti south of the trolley. She placed a call to the Graffiti hotline. Richard Stegner said it is up to property owners to take care of the graffiti but if graffiti is on the city right away then the city will clean it up.

Vicki Durham report that a lot of business are not adhering to Old Towns building sign and paint color codes. The Old Town Store painted their building red, Montessanto Restaurant is painted bright turquoise with large graphics, The Living Room Restaurant bill board signs are placed in the public right of way, the shops on Congress street are painted bright orange, blue and turquoise were few of the infractions by some of the businesses. Fred Grand said there are forms on the city website to down load to complain about infractions. When filling out code enforcement request be specific about paint color, signage and right a ways. Vicki White indicated requirements should be in the PDO

2. Modifications:
None.
3. **Meeting Minutes:**
David Swarens motioned and Geoffrey Mogilner seconded that the October meeting minutes be approved. 10 yeses, 3 absent, 1 abstain.

4. **Treasurer’s Report:** November’s meeting collected $10.00 which brings current amount to $32.00.

5. **Action Items:**
(a) Action Item to fill a seat on the Old Town Planning group was tabled for the December meeting.

(b) Action item to update the current Draft Plan to include a pre 1769 period. It was motioned by David Swarens and seconded by Fred Grand that the Old Town Community Planning Group recommends designation as a historic resource within it’s planning area, Cosoy: Birthplace of New California. The 1769 location of Cosoy’s habitations and water source are described in The San Diego Journal of History, v.62 no.2, article, Cosoy: Birthplace of New California and include language in the draft CPU. Motion passed. 10 yeses, 3 absent, 1 abstain.

6. **Information items:**
**Juan Street Update**
David Swarens if the tree planting was to begin soon.

Thurston Coe expressed poor planning on the city part when working on projects like Juan Street

Patricia Fillet thanked the Veterans

Vicki White announced the completion of the Community Plan Draft will be soon.

7. **Committee Updates:**
None at this time

**Announcements:**

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.
Officially submitted,
Ann Dahlkamp, Secretary