

Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee
4-12-17

Golden Hill Community Recreation Center

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Call to Order **6:33pm

Attendance:

Name	Present	Absent
Ruchell Alvarez	x	
Cheryl Brierton	x	
Sabrina DiMinico	x	
David Swarens	x	
Andrew Zakarian	x	
Richard Baldwin	x	
Melissa Serocki	x	
Victoria Curran	x	
Janice Davis	x	
Susan Bugbee	x	
Joe Coneglio	x	
Oscar Medina	x	
Cristina Magana		x
Kathy Vandenheuvel	x	
Saad Hirmez	x	
Susanna Starcevic	x	

City Staff Present:

Assigned City Planner: Bernard Turgeon - 619.533.6575 or bturgeon@sandiego.gov

Council Representative, District 3: Tyler Renner, 619-236-6633 or TRenner@sandiego.gov

SDPD Community Relations Officer Kevin Vasquez

Ashley Campbell for US Representative Susan Davis

Review and Approval of Minutes of 3-8-17 meeting – Swarens noted the motion to approve the Condominium Conversion Tentative Map was lacking a second (by Davis) and Brierton noted Joe Coneglio was marked as both present and absent (he was absent) and Melina Lee was marked as present (she was absent); **Motion** to approve the minutes with these changes was made by Brierton. Baldwin seconded motion – 11 –yes 3- abstained (Coneglio, Zakarian, Swarens)

Additions to agenda by Brierton – 1) Selection of Membership Rep 2) Extend appreciation to departing and running members not elected to the GHPCC

Government Reports

Kevin Vasquez - Circulated “Be on the Lookout” flyers for a woman who was witnessed stealing from several residents as well as flyers for 3 bicycles that were taken from a shed on Bancroft street (value of \$3,000); Course in Teen Alcohol Awareness w/ parents and teenagers; Vaquez also reported that Skidmore – the guy he circulated flyers for at the March meeting was taken under custody when he was found in Hillcrest; Starcevic asked about the problem of the homeless using the bathroom on 28th St bathroom between Ash & Beech; Davis inquired about the encampments in the alley east of 28th between B & C;

Ashley Susan Davis Office; is trying to fight against proposed government cuts by Trump; It is estimated that 24 million people will lose their healthcare with Trump’s; Davis hosted a Town Hall event in San Diego on 3/11 and had a dedication ceremony for Officer DeGuzman. Annual 2017 Art Competition hosted by Congress and winner has their art showcased in the US Capitol; Monday 4/24 at 6:00 pm at St. Paul’s Plaza in Chula Vista. Brierton said she called and tried to find out when the Town Hall was and was told she couldn’t get that information (Ashley said that was because it was on the campaign side and Susan’s office isn’t allowed to give out information for events sponsored at the campaign level

Tyler Renner – Mayor’s Homeless Czar has proposed a long term homeless intake center at 20th & B; Council office noted that this is contrary to what we just zoned for high density housing in our community plan; Intake center and emergency shelter – Ward is proposing that the Old Library and Golden Hall be used for as an emergency shelter; There’s a new committee on Homelessness; Coneglio – we don’t care what the issue is, we just want the problem fixed. Chris is looking at low barrier shelters (i.e. will accept animals, no curfews). Baldwin – how is Chris dealing with places like Father Joe’s who restricts access? Renner says we want them to continue doing what they’re doing but we also want to come up with new solutions. Vandenheuvel stated it’s disturbing that Broadway Complex development across from USS Midway is catering the development to high end luxury condos which they boasted would go for \$1,000 a square foot; Tesha D’Algian; Equal pay ordinance was passed that any city contractor is paying their people equally if they want to do business with the City; April is budget season so the Mayor is anticipating a deficit but they are looking to maintain services as they are; Swarens recommends the city consider providing a consistent public email address for all planning committees so they can release communication as public records; Ward will be at Golden Hill Rec Center on 5/24 from 11:00-1:00 pm for community feedback on city services;

Gerry Ray - in 1971 the City was dumping all its problems in Golden Hill until the community got together and pushed back. Zakarian – in the February meeting we brought up the issue of traffic on 25th and F St, requested status. Renner – traffic engineers are still looking into it and due to budgeting it is taking longer than it should. Renner reported that V Calm Flashing Signs have been approved for southbound vehicles on 32nd street (southbound under the 94 overpass). Alvarez noted that that was not on a problematic area that was raised by the community.

Bernie Turgeon – Progress update on process to consider a portion of the South park neighborhood for historic designation. He and Kelly Stanko just finished assessing the area and collecting data. Next step is analyzing the data and there will be a workshop in May or June and a notice will be sent out to the property owners of record to inform folks on what the district is and the process, as well as present some of the data; next step is going to the historic resources board subcommittee who will be looking at the boundary of the district as well as some other items that are presented to them. Swarens noted we had formally asked for more of a partnership role and less of a spectator role and is hoping there is still an opportunity for that. Bernie – these items are still under review but there is a very distinct process for the formation of historic districts and that is what they are following right now. There will be a decision by the historic resources board sometime in July and August and there will need to be agreement by the people participating in the process. It is a fairly intensive process with a lot to discuss. Brierton – we have extremely knowledgeable people in David Swarens and Susan Bugbee who did a lot of the legwork and she thought we had discussed numerous times that they would be involved in this process, Brierton hopes that they will give some special status to a designated representative from our committee so they can give input. Starcevic asked who makes the final decision? Swarens responded - the Historic Resources Board. Starcevic asked once the district is decided, are all the properties subject to the rules? Turgeon confirmed yes, that's how it will work. Bugbee asked if there is any way we can see the results that that will be submitted to the Board so that the committee (particularly Bugbee and Swarens) can weigh in?

Non Agenda Public Comment

Gerry Ray has been putting out her street sweeping signs and she and her neighbors have been doing this for 30 years. She put a yellow flower out on her street to see if street sweeping had come by but it had only been moved to the house a few doors down. Her neighbor saw a street sweeping vehicle go by earlier with 2 men who were not doing a satisfactory job; DiMinico suggested that she attend Chris Ward's meeting in May to share that feedback on City Services.

Chair's Report

CPC meeting – entire meeting was dedicated to speaking about Sherman's Smart Growth and Land – the one item that the GGHPC discussed at the March meeting (the removal of Community Planning Groups from the planning process) has been removed from the initiative; One aspect that looks likely to happen is enhanced required training of Planning Group members in addition to the COW training. Swarens asked for input on topics that people would like to be included in the new training. Airport Noise Advisory

Committee had a couple of complaints from the Golden Hill/South Park area on Granada saying they feel that planes are flying where they shouldn't be; Quieter Home Program – no change on that. Still haven't gotten the go-ahead to advance on that. The number of homes completed in January was 0 and the number of homes expected to be completed in 2017 is tbd. Vandenheuvel – are Condo complexes included because she was under the impression they weren't? Swarens said they are included and if Vandenheuvel can get him the address he will look into it. Bancroft Street homes may be coming forward on the May agenda and Swarens would like to ask for members to volunteer to review that plan this month in advance of the meeting. Brierton volunteered (but she acknowledged she will be away for several weeks prior to (and including) the May meeting; Swarens will send the material out for Committee members to review; Swarens was contacted by Channel 10 news regarding 2834 Broadway and wants to thank Bernie and the Planning department for coming through with a well drafted response; Balboa Park committee – last month Swarens attended in lieu of Curran b/c she couldn't make it. Ward has put together a task force who will meet on a quarterly basis. Zakarian asked if Curran could give us updates on the Fountain restoration in Balboa Park. Curran noted that the 2 meetings have been dedicated to the monuments that will be going at the entrance on Park; also there will be a sign at 26th & Russ for the entrance to the Golf Course.

Election of Officers

Brierton – moved that Swarens is the Chair; seconded by Bugbee yes- unanimous; 1 – abstention (Swarens) Brierton moved to nominate Vandenheuvel as Vice Chair, seconded by Hirmez – yes unanimous, 1 abstention (Vandenheuvel) ; Curran moved to nominate DiMinico as Secretary, seconded by Brierton; yes – unanimous, 1 abstention (DiMinico); Brierton moved to nominate Bugbee to be Historic Subcommittee Chair, seconded by Hirmez yes-unanimous, 1 abstention (Bugbee); Brierton moved to nominate Serocki as Membership Representative, seconded by Vandenheuvel, yes –unanimous, 1 abstention (Serocki). Brierton volunteered to be the CPC alternate and Swarens noted that Brierton's designation stands.

Action Items

- 1) Companion Unit Regulations – tabled to next month; Coneglio asked how will this impact our Community Plan with regard to density? Turgeon replied that it's a statewide initiative that will affect Single Family zones; Turgeon acknowledged it will have an impact. Vandenheuvel feels that the City is making recommendations that are far more lax than the Senate bill. Swarens asked that Committee members address specific questions on the Companion Unit Regulations Draft for the May meeting.
- 2) Smart Growth & Land Use – tabled to next month. Swarens asked that the committee come to the next meeting with training recommendations.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm