

Community Planners Committee

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CPC FINAL MINUTES FOR MEETING OF MAY 23, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Russ Connelly, City Heights
Nicholas Reed, Clairemont Mesa
Rhea Kulman, College Area
Lisa Ross, Del Mar Mesa
David Swarens, Greater Golden Hill
David Moty, Kensington/Talmadge
Noli Zosa, Linda Vista
Jeffrey L. Stevens, Mira Mesa
Dotti Surdi Mission Valley
Daniel Smith, Navajo
Jim Baross, Normal Heights
Mark Freed, Otay Mesa

Henish Pulickal, Pacific Beach
Jon Linney, Peninsula
Victoria Touchstone, Rancho Bernardo
Wallace Wulfeck, Scripps Ranch
Guy Preuss, Skyline/Paradise Hills
Robert Leif, Southeastern
Jake Mumma, Torrey Pines
Leo Wilson, Uptown
Tim Taylor, North Park
Lorayne Burley, Miramar
Ranch North

VOTING INELIGIBILITY/RECUSALS: Del Mar Mesa, Mission Valley, Torrey Pines.

Guests: Betsy McCullough, Sandra K. Wetzel-Smith, John Nugent, Sophie Wolfam, Pat Nemes, Joan Raphael, Patricia Murphy, Ty Tosdel, Joyce Lane and others.

City Staff/Representatives: Nancy Graham, Tony Kempton

NOTE: *The sign-in sheets provided at the entrance to the meeting are used to list CPC Representatives, guest speakers, and staff present at the meeting.*

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair David Moty called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and proceeded with roll call.

2. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tomas Herrera-Mishler, CEO Balboa Park Conservancy, discussed the role and vision of the Conservancy. Tomas said their mission is to provide expertise, advocacy and resources to envision and enhance and sustain Balboa Park for all visitors in partnership with the City of San Diego and in collaboration with other community organizations. The Balboa Park Task Force serves as the City's private, non-profit 501(c) (3) partner for the benefit of Balboa Park. Tomas invited CPC members to a tour of the park he and Betsy McCullough will conduct on July 12. Betsy McCullough said emails would be sent to the planning groups so they could sign up for the one hour tour.

3. MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

No modifications proposed. Agenda approved by unanimous consent.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2017:

David Swarens submitted a correction in the minutes regarding fast tracking of proposals. He said he what he was referring to staff budget, not needing more funds per se. Where accessory dwelling units are discussed he requested that the record should read limiting the program to the state's parameters regarding single-family zoned properties. And a section stating that David Moty made a motion that "Multi..." should be deleted as an incomplete sentence. David Moty requested that yeas and nays be called out by planning group. Greater Golden Hill motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Southeast. Motion passed 14-0-5. Yeas – City Heights, Pacific Beach, Mira Mesa, Southeast, Greater Golden Hill, Uptown, Linda Vista, Peninsula, Normal Heights, Navajo, Rancho Bernardo, Scripps Miramar Ranch, College, Skyline/Paradise Hills. Nays- 0. Abstentions: Clairemont, Kensington/Talmadge, North Park, Otay Mesa, Miramar Ranch North.

5. CPC OFFICER ELECTIONS-Action Item

Jeff Stevens said there were three candidates for three positions. Write-in candidates are allowed. The three candidates introduced themselves: Leo Wilson for Secretary, Jon Linney for Vice Chair and David Moty for Chair. Ballots were collected and counted. Results were announced during Reports to CPC at the end of the meeting.

6. COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION- Information Item

Francisco Urtasun, Regional Vice President, Sempra Energy Services Corporation provided an overview of Community Choice Aggregation and Sempra Services role in providing that option to municipalities and communities as increasing competition and creating choice for rate payers. Sempra does not, at this time, have a position on community choice aggregation but wishes to be part of the conversation about how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Mr. Urtasun requested that CPC consider inviting Sempra to any future discussion that would involve a vote.

Some members of the public provided comment in support of Community Choice Aggregation. An organized group has requested to make a presentation to CPC in the coming months about the benefit of the strategy.

Board members asked questions of Mr. Urtasun and provided general comments on Community Choice Aggregation.

7. PLACEMAKING INITIATIVE – Action Item

Elizabeth Studebaker, Neighborhood Investment Manager, Economic Development Department, and Chris Larson, Development Services Project Manager presented proposed amendments to the San Diego Municipal Code to assist community organizations with implementation of placemaking projects by reducing permit costs and requirements for small projects that enhance the community experience. Some examples of place making projects are: bulb outs, decorative lighting and shade structures on streets and alleys; benches, library stands and bike racks on sidewalks; benches/furniture, gathering areas on private

property/vacant lots. These code amendments will allow placemaking projects to be processed as a Process 1 instead of the more expensive and time-consuming Process 4.

In addition, six hundred thousand dollars have been earmarked for placemaking and activation projects, which will be available to formal community groups (such as planning groups, neighborhood associations, community development corporations, and town councils) in the form of grants and loans.

CPC discussion centered on the desire to have planning groups provide input on the appropriateness of placemaking projects. Staff communicated that support from community planning groups would be a component of the process, and indicated a willingness to provide more clarity on how planning groups will be involved. A September City Council hearing and approval are anticipated.

After Board discussion, Uptown motioned to approve with two conditions: 1) present to the local planning group as an action item, 2) obtain a vote with issues raised in the vote from the planning group. Motion seconded by Skyline/Paradise Hills. Motion approved (16:1:2)- Yeas: City Heights, Clairemont Mesa, College Area, Mira Mesa, Navajo, Normal Heights, Otay Mesa, Pacific Beach, Peninsula, Rancho Bernardo, Scripps Ranch, Skyline/Hills, Southeastern, , Miramar Ranch North, Uptown, North Park. Nays: Linda Vista. Abstentions: Greater Golden Hill, Kensington/Talmadge.

8. QUALCOMM SITE PUBLIC VOTE- Potential Action Item

Joe LaCava, representing "Public Land Public Vote Coalition," discussed the role city voters should play in deciding the disposition of the city-owned Qualcomm Stadium site and Kearny Mesa practice facility. A group of private investors have drafted a development proposal by initiative to be heard by City Council on June 19. If initiative signatures are validated, the City Council will have two options, a) accept the initiative and grant the development and acquisition rights, or b) place the initiative on the ballot for a public vote. LaCava urged the CPC to vote to request that the City Council put the initiative on the ballot for a public vote.

After Board discussion, Greater Golden Hill motioned to request a public vote for the initiative. Seconded by Clairemont. Motion Approved (17:0:1) Yeas: City Heights, Pacific Beach, Mira Mesa, Southeastern, Greater Golden Hill, Clairemont, Uptown, North Park, Linda Vista, Peninsula, Normal Heights, Navajo, Rancho Bernardo, Otay Mesa, Scripps Miramar Ranch, College, Miramar Ranch North, Skyline/Paradise Hills. Abstentions: Kensington/Talmadge.

REPORTS TO CPC:

- Staff Report: Nancy Graham thanked David Moty for attending the COW.
- Subcommittee Reports: Staff will be available at June 27 subcommittee meeting at 6:00 pm in Silver Room lobby to respond to questions about the CIP process.
- Chairperson's Report:- None
- CPC Member Comments – Officers for Fiscal 2018 will be David Moty-Chair, Jon Linney-Vice Chair, Leo Wilson-Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT REGULAR MEETING, June 27, 2017

The meeting was adjourned by Chair David Moty at 9:07 PM