

## Clairemont Community Planning Group

### Draft Minutes of the Meeting of July 18, 2017 St. David's Church

P Naveen Waney - <b>Chair</b> P Nicholas Reed – <b>Vice Chair</b> P Margie Schmidt - <b>Secretary</b> P Delana Hardacre - <b>Treasurer</b>	P Lynn Adams P Harry Backer A Kevin Carpenter P Gary Christensen	P Cecelia Frank P Chad Gardner P Richard Jensen P Susan Mournian	A Billy Paul P Ryan Rolla P Daniel Smiechowski P Jason Young
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P – Present    A – Absent    L-Late

#### **Item 1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chair Naveen Waney. Pledge of Alligence was said. Roll call was taken and a quorum present.

#### **Item 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment** – Issues that are not on the agenda and are within the jurisdiction of the Clairemont Community Planning Group. **NOTE:** 2-minute time limit per speaker.

##### **Public:**

Pauly de Bartolo took many of the comments/suggestions that were made at the previous Project Review Subcommittee meeting about Lieta Street back to the developer; and they are making some modifications to the project. He would like to request the Planning Group hold their meeting in August so he could present these modifications.

Arian from the North Clairemont library announced many upcoming programs –See calendar or go online to SD Public Libraries for more information.

##### **Committee Members:**

Richard Jensen commented what a great turnout there is at tonight's meeting.

Harry Backer announced that by having the Project Review Subcommittee look at new projects it has a big impact on getting a better understanding of these projects.

Margie Schmidt announced that the Morena Subcommittee meeting is Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8pm at St David's.

Daniel Smiechowski announced that Solar Grid Alternative will help the consumer.

#### **Item 3. Modifications to the Agenda** – Requires 2/3 approval.

None

#### **Item 4. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes for June 20, 2017 by Nicholas Reed, seconded by Jason Young.

**Vote: 11-0-2** Abstain - Ryan Rolla (new to board) and Naveen Waney (absent). Minutes were approved.

## **Item 5. Council Representative Reports**

**District 2 Council Report** (Marc Schaefer, Community Liaison, [MPSchaefer@sandiego.gov](mailto:MPSchaefer@sandiego.gov))

They are currently surveying for the Moraga traffic circle– hope to have design update at the next meeting.

Longfellow School request for traffic calming is moving along. Continental crosswalks will be installed first, then possibly signage before school starts.

Jason Young commented there is a large gap between Clairemont area schools zones and safety issues.

A Community member asked if there is a light being installed Mt. Acadia and Mt. Alifan?

**District 6 Council Report** (Dan Manley, Community Liaison, [DManley@sandiego.gov](mailto:DManley@sandiego.gov)) – No reports as Dan was not present.

## **Item 6. Action Items**

**101. High Tech High, CUP for Former Hale Middle School Site, Current Horizon Site. Applicant:** Paul Dooley, HTH Director of Facilities (760) 759-2735), [Pdooley@hightechhigh.org](mailto:Pdooley@hightechhigh.org)

Paul reviewed the same information he shared at the previous Project Review Subcommittee meetings. HTH is a Public charter school. There is one in Pt. Loma, Chula Vista and San Marcos – about 5300 students altogether. HTH has owned the Clairemont property for over 3 years and it will be a K-12 campus. It currently has 10 buildings. They will refurbish 8 of them as they were built in 1959. They will demolish café and locker room building to add a High school building. City requires 210 parking spaces; they are providing 384.

The school will stagger times of the 3 schools to help with traffic. He added there are other transportation options, i.e., buses (MTS) - they provide monthly transit passes for students who qualify and [www.icommutesd.com](http://www.icommutesd.com) will help connect drivers to share driving.

Traffic report studies show there are 5 intersections that need some type of mitigation to help alleviate traffic:

1. Balboa at Charger (restripe through only lane and revised signal timing)
2. Balboa at Mt. Everest (create left turn pockets, revise signals and remove 4 parking spaces)
3. Mt. Alifan at Genessee (Modify signal to allow right turn onto Mt. Alifan w/arrow and restripe 2 crosswalks)
4. Mt. Acadia at Mt. Blanca (Modify from 2 way to 4 way stop, create left turn pockets, add 4 crosswalks and remove 7 NB parking spaces and 4 SB spaces)
5. Mt. Alifan at Mt. Acadia (add 3 crosswalks and install signals).

The Project Review Subcommittee suggested moving the bike lane to behind the curb.

HTH is asking that the currently 1110 student population be amended to allow 1636 students.

### Board Questions/Comments

Chad Gardner – Feedback from the Project Review Subcommittee to the entire CCPG group is too much traffic, too many people, increase too big, and too hard on the community.

A motion was made by Richard Jensen to not recommend expanding to 1636 – no one seconded.

Ryan Rolla mentioned he was concerned where the traffic study was conducted, and that it did not take Southbound Mt. Acadia Blvd into consideration.

Richard Jensen commented he is bothered that we should change rules to what they want, CUP was 1100.

Harry Backer asked if this project is dead without the increase in students? Paul replied No.

Margie Schmidt is torn as she is aware of the value of HTH to the community. It is an excellent educational opportunity.

Chad Gardner mentioned that parking at other high school campuses in Clairemont are just high school staff and HTH needs parking for 3 schools - for students and staff .

Susan Mournian pointed out there are 100 staff members for HTH that would equate to 1736 in the neighborhood. Susan felt the burden too great for the neighborhood.

Daniel Smiechowski pointed out that the City can override us as we are only an advisory group to the City.

Jason Young stated in most of our schools in Clairemont the students come from immediate area so foot traffic is more feasible. At HTH neighborhood traffic would start cutting through other streets and it would get worse.

Nicholas Reed asked if they had talked to MTS about adding MTS school trippers?

After the Board comments, Paul made a couple of clarifications:

- The traffic study used the Hi Tech school in Chula Vista.
- They are not a for profit school.
- Lunch will not be allowed off campus

#### Public Questions/Comments

Dave Campbell – if 1600 has no affect on their profit why push for more?

Debra Howell - when Horizon was at 1100 you could not get out your driveway in the morning.

Angela Wolf – another public choice is great – parents are excited.

Community member - there are some 92110 students currently going to Pt Loma, can they now go to Clairemont? Will HTH allow their school be used to have community meetings? Paul replied we have allowed at other locations.

Community member mentioned that a traffic light at Mt. Acadia and Mt. Alifan would help. However, it would be horrible all the rest of the hours although may help during school hours. Paul commented that that intersection has already been identified as currently needing a light.

Sherry – no other high school is even close to major road like Balboa and Genesee.

Mike mentioned he has seen Paul's presentation before and it doesn't change with things the community has asked for.

Debra wants safety first for the children – Lights good. Landscaping – no one has brought up drought tolerant plants. There is a lot of grass and trees now. Paul replied, the City requirement is to be drought tolerant. We

don't have to be on Mt. Acadia, however, we will be drought tolerant inside of campus. You will never have an eyesore to look at. Trees take a lot of water but trees help with ground water.

Motion made by Richard Jensen that the committee should not approve the CUP increase from 1110. It was seconded by Chad Gardner.

#### **VOTE: 14-0-0 Motion Passes**

**102. Opposition to a Letter of Support for Community Choice Energy** (Herman Collins, Collins Group representing Sempra Services, [hc@collinsgroupinc.com](mailto:hc@collinsgroupinc.com)) (Peter Norvey)

We have until Sept or Oct to make a recommendation to the City Council; and we ask that you not act until PCIA and the SB100 is resolved. We are here to help you fully understand the risks. They then presented a number of charts and graphs to help explain what they felt would help the community make some decisions about the Choice Energy Program.

#### **Board comments**

Richard Jensen stated he now feels more confused than ever. He thought the program that came to us was private (community choice). Peter Norvey stated it is the government. We are only talking about the procurement piece; SDGE will always distribute.

Margie Schmidt asked if SB100 passes how will it impact SDGE? Peter replied, they will be required to be at 100%. She also asked about security of our source of electricity – how vulnerable are we? Peter replied we are working on a redundancy for energy storage.

Susan Mournian stated she felt that this should be an individual decision/choice.

Daniel Smiechowski asked if SDGE opposes this program? Herman Collins stated that they have no position. They just want to insure the community read the study and encourages your council to read the study.

Alicia Race, who represents the Climate Action Campaign stated that they are non profit. Her ask of our committee is to write a letter to the City stating that we support this action. SDGE delivers – you choose who you want to buy your energy from.

#### **Public Comments/Questions**

SDGE rates continue to go up –any competition is good. They are too busy giving CEO and employees breaks

Cora suggested that everyone should get involved now read feasibility study and PCIA – Be informed .

Hate to see San Diego make a decision to do something as a backlash against our high rates – huge facility study and no one will read or understand – it could be really bad for us.

I would not be in favor of community if I have not seen other cities. These Sempra people have tried to confuse us. The climate issue is urgent.

It's going to cost us – how will it affect low income, the care program? Medical needs for electricity.

Motion made by Daniel Smiechowski to support the letter of choice with the provision we review the feasibility study – no 2<sup>nd</sup> – dropped.

Motion by Nicolas Reed –to continue for one additional month to review the letter and feasibility study - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn Adams.

**VOTE: 13-1-0** No – Richard Jensen. Motion passes.

**103. 2017 CCPG Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List – Lynn Adams**

Naveen is looking for approval to the CIP list that the subcommittee has been working on. There are a few carryovers from our last list, some new items – carry over 11 CIPS from our last list to the new CIP list.

Susan Mournian made a motion that we approve the list as presented by Lynn Adams with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chad Gardner.

**VOTE: 12-2 -0 Motion Passes - No** (Daniel Smiechowski and Delana Hardacre )

**104. Potential August 2017 CCPG Meeting** Naveen Waney

Motion made by Naveen Waney to hold meeting in Aug . It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicholas Reed.

Discussion was had that the CIP list is due to city beginning of Sept. Susan mentioned we needed to ask the City for an extension on our submission. Also, the Architect for the Lieta project asked to present in August.

**VOTE: 3- 11-0 Motion Fails - No** (Richard Jensen, Ryan Rolla, Chad Gardner, Cecelia Frank, Lynn Adams, Harry Backer, Daniel Smiechowski, Susan Mournian, Jason Young , Nicholas Reed and Delana Hardacre)

**105. CCPG Project Review Subcommittee (PRS) Open Seat – Naveen Waney would like to appoint Ryan Rolla.**

A motion was made by Chad Gardner that Ryan be appointed. It was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicholas Reed.

**VOTE: 14-0-0 Motion Passed**

**Item 7. Information Items**

None

**Item 8. Workshop Item**

None

**Item 9. Potential Action Items**

None

**Item 10 Reports to Committee**

No reports given as meeting ran late.

**Adjournment at 8:47 PM**