

**College Area Community Council (CACC) and  
College Area Community Planning Board (CACPB)**

**Approved Minutes**

**From the Regular Meeting held on: May 9, 2018, 7:00PM**

**Held in: College Rolando Library, 6600 Montezuma Road San Diego, CA 92115**

Gary Campbell	Chair	P	Saul Amerling	P	Robert Montana	P
Jim Jennings	Vice-Chair	P	Ellen Bevier	P	Troy Murphree	P A(1)
Ann Cottrell	Secretary	P	David Cook	P	B.J. Nystrom	P
John Putman	Treasurer	P	Michael D'Ambrosia	P	Jerry Pollock	P
Rachel Gregg	SDSU Rep	P	Keith Henderson	P	Jose Reynoso	P
Carmel Alon	AS Rep	A(2)	Robert Higdon	P	Jason Wills	P
Jim Schneider	BID Rep	P	Jean Hoeger	P		

P =Present L=Late A=Absent; (1), (2), (3), (4)= 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> absence TOTALS 20

CP600-24, Art. IV, Sec. 1: "a vacancy exists upon the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive absence or the 4<sup>th</sup> absence in 12 months (April through March)

M/S/C = Moved/Seconded/Carried

The College Area Community Council (CACC) and the College Area Community Planning Board (CACPB) are two separate entities with a common board and officers and joint meetings. The items highlighted below with asterisks are CACPB business items, subject to City Council Policy 600-24 governing community planning groups. Items are reported in agenda outline order, although some items may have been considered in a different sequence.

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** 7:00 p.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Delete Items 1 and 3. Add Planning Board Retreat information.

\* Move: Reynoso

\* Second: Nystrom

\* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0

\* Agenda approved as amended

**III. Approval of Minutes of April 11, 2018**

Higdon: Correct spelling of Higdon and Wills

\* Move to accept as amended: Nystrom

\* Second: Putman

- \* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0
- \* Minutes approved as amended

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **A. Julie Hamilton.**

I suggest a housing needs assessment specific to the College Area. We do not have an accurate estimate from SDSU of number of beds needed. And we do not know how many units and beds exist. Information on existing beds/units can be obtained from SDSU and from apartment managers. We might consider having a student intern collect data. A formal proposal has been suggested. I can do that; Montana offered to help.

#### **V. GOVERNMENTAL & UNIVERSITY LIAISON REPORTS**

##### **A. Mark Peterson, community relations SDSUPD**

1. Graduation next weekend.
2. We are participating in Tip a Cop at restaurant, proceeds to Special Olympics.  
Details will be posted on Next Door
3. CARPUS next week. Representative from Greek life will discuss alcohol moratorium.

##### **B. Roberto Torres, Council District 9 office**

1. City budget hearings have concluded. Public is invited to sessions at City Council chambers and CD9 district budget town hall meeting. Budget includes requested funding for Tubman joint use park as well as funding for sidewalks, street lights and some undergrounding throughout CD9. We haven't heard about the crosswalk at 58<sup>th</sup> & El Cajon.
2. There are some additional code enforcement officers but limited because most resources are going to Mayor's Clean San Diego initiative targeting homeless, mainly downtown. Gomez wants these funds distributed outside down town, but that is not as likely.
3. Tubman joint use park is now with school board and city attorney for finalizing legal details. It should go to Parks and Recreation in June; final council approval is expected in July. We hope for final approval at the end of 2018 or early 2019.
4. Regarding complaints about SBMI realtor signs up at many occupied rental properties, Code Enforcement confirms they are illegal. You can help by recording them and submitting to "get it done." Mayor's office checks that log and pays more attention to a lot of posts. Code will contact SBMI and let them know they are in violation. Email addresses with large for rent signs to Code Enforcement and Torres.
5. We won't have information about the community plan amendment until July because the new Director of Planning just starting. The City has asked SANDAG for funding to update plans. College Area is at the top of the list. Won't know how much money until July. There will be many funding sources. Total cost is unknown.

##### **C. Jim Schneider, College Area Business Improvement District**

1. Events: Hosting bike to work day pit stop with goods from several businesses, BID Fund Raiser Meat Up at Corbin's Q, Grand opening DO Beauty Boutique
2. Second annual Art St. free art/stage entertainment June 23, 11 am-9pm on Art St. south of El Cajon Blvd. We're looking for artists and volunteers.
3. Since last year we have begun acting more like an economic development corporation and less like a business improvement district.; our focus is increasingly attracting and retaining businesses. primarily on El Cajon Blvd.

##### **D. Javier Gomez, representative for State Assemblymember Todd Gloria.**

1. We're awaiting the Governor's May revised budget, hoping for funds to address homeless.

2. AB 2843 requires counties to spend designated mental health funds. It specifies that unspent mental health money be redistributed.
3. Applications still accepted for California Latino Legislative Caucus Foundation Scholarship Program, \$1,000 scholarships not limited to Latino students. Deadline June 1.

**E. Rachel Gregg, SDSU Representative**

Times on graduation ceremonies. Top majors: Psychology, criminal justice, business administration finance.

**VI. UPDATE ON MID-CITY PIPELINE PROJECT 2A**

Vick Salazar Community Liaison for Mid-City pipeline project

Mid City Pipeline Phase 2A will install a main from Mohawk St. and 69<sup>th</sup> St. to just west of 69<sup>th</sup> and El Cajon Boulevard. The final phase, still in design, will install the remaining one mile of transmission main from Mohawk and 69<sup>th</sup> to the Alvarado Water Treatment Plant. When complete the old Trojan Pipeline will be out of service for maintenance and repair. Streets will be resurfaced. Anticipated construction is May 2018 through July 2019. Work will be done one lane at a time to not interrupt traffic. Information is available on City Public Works website.

Schneider: The irrigation system on El Cajon Blvd is not on the city's radar. You need to make sure that is not damaged.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of sending letter of concern regarding City's failure to enforce existing codes important to communities in support of letter from City Heights Area Planning committee. (CHAPC). (Action Item)**

Hoeger: Board has been sent letter drafted by CHAPC and NEAC suggestions for letter in support; these show what letter might say. Letter asks City to divide large category of code violations no longer enforced into two, identifying some codes of importance to local communities ,e.g. illegal parking, signage, for low priority enforcement rather than non-enforcement.

- \* Move to approve a letter to be sent to names on the letter: Hoeger
- \* Second: Nystrom
- \* Ayes 16 Nays 3 Abstain 0
- \* Motion Passes

**B. Approval of Dollar Per Ticket (DPT) project recommendations of: 1) \$15,000 -- I8 & College ave signal coordination 2) \$400,000 -- traffic signal repair Montezuma Rd. and College Ave 3) \$100,000 -- Montezuma wall mural 4) \$275,000 -- electronic parking supply signs. (Action Item)**

Putman: These were submitted last month as possible solutions but some on Board objected and asked committee to reevaluate. Last week we discussed possibilities and how to move forward. SDSU is between Presidents so there is no hurry. Committee members disagreed on wording of the original MOU: are projects limited to traffic mitigation or can they include beautification projects as well? We will all read the original MOU. I asked City about removing parking on Montezuma between Campanile and 55<sup>th</sup> St. That would require a proposal from the board, a petition from neighbors and other support organizations. It could then be a DPT project if approved by all three signatories.

- \* Move to return recommendations to DPT committee for discussion bringing recommendations to board in the fall: Putman
- \* Second: Jennings

Pollock: I see no reason to bring it back to the board as board does not understand it. Let's have an attorney come to explain what it means.

Reynoso: I will send the original documents to the board and invite the attorney, Marshall Lewis, to speak to the board.

Hamilton: Some items on this list are actually mitigation for other projects which those projects should have paid for, e.g. 5030 College, S. Campus Plaza. They should not be able to use DPT to avoid obligations.

Hoeger: Can you provide documents showing what projects should have done that are in the DPT list?

Hamilton: I can probably pull them up.

Call for Vote:

\* Ayes 18 Nays 0 Abstain: Gregg conflict of interest

\* Motion Passes

**C. Reconsideration of request from Mesa Colony community group of \$250 to defray cost of circulars welcoming new residents to Mesa Colony and surrounding areas and inviting them to join the Group and the CACC. (Action Item)**

Amerling: Not just for circulars, but to fund things like lawn signs. We have no funds to reach out to unrepresented neighborhoods especially east of Mesa Colony. There is now a line for this in the budget.

Campbell & Cottrell: concerned that other groups cover expenses with their own fund raising. Can see this as seed money to help new groups start, rather than to an existing group. Funds should then go to all communities in College Area, not just Mesa Colony.

Amerling: We should reach out to all neighborhoods that aren't organized. I will put an article in College News and offer Mesa Colony to train new groups.

Hoeger: Objected to board member calling CVE representatives greedy and reminded board of pledge to be civil.

\* Move to allocate \$250 for this purpose contingent on budget approval: Putman

\* Second: Nystrom

\* Ayes 17 Nays 1 Abstain Amerling (conflict of interest)

\* Motion Passes

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of lot split on Reservoir Dr. Project # 592426** Removed from agenda

**B. Consideration of lot split on Pembroke Dr. Project 580286 (Possible action item)**

Jennings Planning Committee recommended it unanimously.

\* Move to approve the lot split if all city comments are addressed and resolved. Jennings

\* Second: Montana

\* Ayes 18 Nays 0 Abstain 0 (Henderson absent)

\* Motion passes

**C. Consideration of Proposed Apartment Project at 6195 Montezuma Rd.**

Removed from agenda

**D. Consideration of Request from Mesa Colony for a letter in Support of Final approval and Completion of the Harriet Tubman Charter School Joint-Use Park (Action item)**

\* Move to write letter of support from CACC/PB: Amerling

\* Second: Pollock

\* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0

\* Motion Passes

**E. Discussion Regarding Board Technical Knowledge and Awareness Survey and Proposal to dedicate 15 minutes per meeting, as possible, to have speakers present information and materials that will assist the Board in making informed decisions on projects. (Action Item)**

Reynoso. Amerling survey shows Board has very little knowledge of tools or important documents needed for decision making. We should have experts speak to the board on these topics as time is available in agenda.

Points of discussion: Presenters should be independent of projects, with no interest in local issues as activists. They should be neutral experts, e.g. city staff. All board members should be familiar with existing community plan; the link to the College Area plan is: <https://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd9/neighborhoods/college>

- \* Move to invite presentations on information important to board decision making; Reynoso
- \* Second: Nystrom
- \* Ayes 17 Nays 0 Abstain Gregg, Schneider (oppose spending more time not the idea)
- \* Motion Passes

**F. Discussion regarding sending a letter to the City regarding its response to the Grand Jury's April 18, 2018 Report on CPGs. (Action Item)**

Montana: I propose we respond only to the five recommendations individually.

1. *18-0: Review Community Planning Group boundaries; determine if some CPGs could be consolidated.*

- \* Move to reject recommendation: Montana
- \* Second: Schneider
- \* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0
- \* Motion to reject passes

2. *18-02: Determine if Planning Department should develop methods and provide resources to improve recruiting that could result in more diverse CPG membership.*

Points made in board discussion

- a) Would city tell us what to do or recruit board members, or would it just create tools for communities to use if they want? We can identify our own tools.
- b) It isn't clear what "diversity" means, it can be code word for something we don't want imposed; we all have different understanding of diversity

- \* Move to reject recommendation: Montana
- \* Second: Amerling
- \* Ayes 14 Nays 5 Abstain 0
- \* Motion to reject passes.

\* Move to reword our response to say we reject planning commission devising methods but want the community to increase membership to better reflect community. We want clarification of terms diversity and methodology: Amerling

- \* Second Montana
- \* Ayes 18 Nays 1 Abstain 0
- \* Motion passes

3. *18-03: Determine if members of Planning Department staff should attend all CPG meetings.*

- \* Move to support recommendation: Montana
- \* Second: Jennings
- \* Ayes 18 Nays 1 Abstain 0
- \* Motion passes

4. *18-04: Consider directing San Diego City Neighborhood Services Department staff to closely monitor CPG actions and provide timely guidance to preclude requests for inappropriate project additions or modifications.*

Points in Board Discussion: We don't want the city telling us what to do. We already get feedback from staff on project decisions; staff input is helpful.

\* Move to reject recommendation: Montana

\* Second: Jennings

\* Ayes 15 Nays 1 Abstain Cook, D'Ambrosia, Henderson, (all confused)

\* Motion passes.

5. *18-05: Determine if all CPG members should be required to complete the eCOW training each time they are reelected or reappointed.*

\* Move to support recommendation: Montana

\* Second: Nystrom

\* Ayes 17 Nays 1 Abstain Pollock (no opinion)

\* Motion passes

## **G Approval of Board Committee and Delegate Assignments for 2018-9 (Action Item)**

1. Long Range Planning Committee (a PB committee)

Reynoso PB committees cannot have more than 10 because that is a quorum; This has 11.

Points of Board discussion: Long Range Planning Committee does not function as a planning committee; its goal is developing a long range vision for College Area with significant community input; it has a CACC function. Though not required of CACC committee, meetings should be noticed and minutes posted to keep community involved.

\* Move that Long Range Planning and Beautification committees operate as a single committee, Long Range Vision and Beautification, and that it be a CACC committee.:  
Campbell

\* Second: Amerling

\* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0

\* Motion Passes

- 2 Committee Assignments

Add Bevier to Project Review Committee (a PB committee)

\* Move to approve committee list: Putman

\* Second: Jennings

\* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0

\* Motion passes

3. Reynoso Points of information:

CACC committees are not indemnified by city. Any Board member may attend Planning Committee as observer but cannot participate per Brown Act

## **H. Approval of the 2018-19 CACC/PB Budget (Action Item).**

Items in the budget approved at the Board retreat have been reallocated to conform to the committee realignment discussed above. Originally \$3,900 was budgeted for Long Range Planning (LRP) and \$1600 of restricted funds for Beautification. The reallocated distribution moves \$2,500 from LRP to a new line item, Campus Coalition Committee (CCC), leaving \$3,000 for Long Range Vision and Beautification Committee (\$1400 remaining in LRP and the restricted \$1600 in beautification).

\* Moved to approve 2018-19 Budget: Schneider

\* Second: Pollock

\* Ayes 19 Nays 0 Abstain 0

\* Motion Passes

**I. Planning Board Retreat. (Information item)**

Special Board retreat , May 19<sup>th</sup> 9am – noon at the BID office, to clarify CACC vs CACPB functions and consider reorganizing the Board meetings to better distinguish CACPB and CACC.

**IX TREASURER’S REPORT (Putman)**

April was a slow month with a net gain of \$4.56. Cash balance (Checking, CDs, Savings) is \$25,072.47. SDSU provided a revised amount in the DPT fund, now \$776,719.92.

**X COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Project Review:** Will meet June 4

**B. Dollar Per Ticket:** Report covered earlier

**C. NEAC:** No meeting will meet May 23.

**D. Long Range Planning:** Did not meet, will meet first Wednesday of June

**E. Community Outreach:** Committee is in development

**F. Campus Community Committee:** No report

**XI DELEGATE REPORTS**

**A. Community Planners Committee (D’Ambrosia)**

Rejected Circulate San Diego’s recommendation that city appoint members to Planning Boards.  
Met Mike Hansen is the new planning department  
Update on storm water maintenance

**B. College Area Public Safety (CARPUS) (Hoeger)**

Neighborhood Prosecutor spoke. Ofo bikes are beginning to be a problem. Fewer Party Administrative citations, Number of CAPP Houses is holding steady.

**XII PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

I plan to update the board on calls I get so you aware of what is happening, for example projects in the early planning stages such as at corner of College and Montezuma.

**XIII ADJOURN 9:05p.m.**

Minutes by Ann Cottrell

