



NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE (NPPC)

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I. Parliamentary Items

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Attendance Report

Member	Kate Callen	Steve Doster	Vacant	Daniel Gebrelassie	Marc Gould	Peter Hill	Megan Kucharski	Sarah McAlear	Dang Nguyen	Chelsi Sparti	Melissa Stayner	Tim Taylor	Eduardo Velasquez	René Vidales	Randy Wilde
Attendance	1	2		3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13
Late															
Absences							2		1						

2. Modifications to the NPPC Agenda

- a. **Consent Agenda Items:** Items were heard, voted on at an NPPC subcommittee and are not considered controversial. *Items on the Consent Agenda can be moved to Action for full discussion by any member of the Board or Public.*
 - i. Public Facilities & Transportation. Members present: Velasquez, Doster, Hill, Vidales, Wilde.
 - 1) **Proposal for Sidewalk Improvements.** Request for support of sidewalk improvements to address safety and/or drainage concerns at Upas St., and Morley Field Dr. Alan Bennett, CPNP Coordinator. The UD/DR *MOTION* was: *To include the following two projects on NPPC's CIP list during the next CIP review and update:*
 - a. *Impact Fee Study Appendix B No. 5.d. – Support the implementation of pedestrian facility improvements and increase connectivity within the community and to Balboa Park by removing barriers to accessibility and adding sidewalks, curb ramps and crosswalks at locations including but not limited to the following: In Morley Field and the East Mesa areas of Balboa Park adjacent to North Park including Morley Field Drive.*
 - b. *Impact Fee Study Appendix B No. 8.a. – Implement recommendations contained in the Balboa Park East Mesa Precise Plan which specifically aim to improve the existing and future accessibility to and from recreation facilities and North Park, particularly as follows: Provide 8'0" wide sidewalks with 10'0" wide planted parkways and security lighting with the Neighborhood Edge of Balboa Park along*

28th and Upas Streets and provide parallel parking adjacent to the curb, to connect the Neighborhood Edge with the surrounding community. Hill/Velasquez 5-0-0

MOTION: To approve Consent Agenda. McAlear/on Consent 13-0-0.

3. **Minutes:** Approval of the May 15, 2018 Minutes. **MOTION: To approve the May 15, 2018 Minutes. Wilde/Stayner 13-0-0**
4. **Treasurer's Report.** Chelsi Sparti. Account Balance is \$996.35
5. **Appointment of NPPC Board Secretary. MOTION: To appoint Marc Gould as NPPC Board Secretary. McAlear/Velasquez 12-0-1.** (Marc Gould abstained due to being the nominee).

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment:

1. Morgan Murtaugh, Candidate for U.S Congress District, CA-53. P.O. Box 641, La Mesa, CA 91941. Ph: 619-884-9255 Email: Murtaugh@Murtaugh4Congress.com www.murtaugh4congress.com. Morgan Spoke about running for Congress as the youngest person to run, her love for her community, her home and her desire to help our district.
2. Bill Fish, The New coordinator for the Uptown Community Service Center located at 3725 30th Street. San Diego, CA. 92104 uptownstaff@yahoo.com www.uptowncsc.org. Bill introduced himself and offered his services to the community.

III. Announcements & Event Notices: Limited to One minute each.

1. **North Park Thursday Market (Farmers Market).** Every Thursday 3 to 7:30 PM year round
2. **Ray at Night.** San Diego's largest and longest-running monthly art walk. Second Saturday of every month from 6 to 10 PM. Next event is June 9
3. **SANDAG Park Boulevard Bikeway meetings.** Wednesday, July 18, 7 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM and 4 PM. At Refill Cafe, 3752 Park Blvd. #104 www.KeepSanDiegoMoving.com/ParkBoulevardBikeway
4. **Sustainability Seminar.** Achieving the Sustainable Community Vision in San Diego. Wednesday, July 25 at Energy Innovation Center, 4760 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. from 8:30 to 11:30 AM. <http://sandiego.apwa.net/EventDetails/15036>

IV. Elected Official Reports & contact Info.

1. **Jessica Poole, Hon. Susan Davis, US Congress Dist. 53,** 619-208-5353, Jessica.Poole@mail.house.gov. Jessica was not present but sent her report to the Chair.
 - a. Congresswoman Davis has two upcoming events:
 - i. A forum on U.S.–Russia relations the morning of Saturday, July 28th
 - ii. A general town hall the morning of Saturday, August 4th.Constituents can call her office to RSVP or for more details.
2. **Michaela Valk, Hon. Todd Gloria, State Assembly Dist. 78,** 619-645-3090, Michaela.Valk@asm.ca.gov. Michaela Valk is now the representative for Todd Gloria for the North Park Planning Area instead of Nick Serrano. Michaela was not present but sent an announcement to the Chair. Assembly member Todd Gloria is having a Community Coffee at the Normal Heights Community Center, Saturday August 4, 2018 from 10:00-11:30 am.
3. **Toni Duran, Hon. Toni Atkins, State Senate Dist. 39,** 619-645-3133, Toni.Duran@sen.ca.gov
Toni Duran was not present but sent her report to the Chair.
 - a. All of Senate Pro Tem Toni Atkins' bills moved from the Senate to the Assembly. Funding for her bill SB 945, which expands access to treatment for breast & cervical cancer for uninsured or underinsured individuals, was added to the Governor's budget.
 - b. Over 6400 pairs socks & almost 700 undergarments were donated by the community for her "Socks For Stand Down" drive that go to the Veterans Village of San Diego for our veterans experiencing homelessness.

- c. Governor Brown signed his budget on June 27th. Some highlights for San Diego are:
 - i. \$32.9 mil was added for San Diego to address homelessness. (\$14.1 mil goes directly to the City of SD. \$18.8 mil goes to the region more broadly as administered by the Regional Task Force on the Homeless.)
 - ii. San Diego Unified School District lost money for their “Education for Homeless Children & Youth” program due to clerical error. Pro Tem Atkins was able to get \$250k to them through the Governor’s budget for the program.
 - iii. \$30 mil from Prop. 68 for SD’s Pure Water program
- 4. **Tyler Renner, Hon. Chris Ward, City Council Dist. 3**, 619-236-6633 TRenner@sandiego.gov
 Kathleen Ferrier (former NPPC board member) is the new policy advisor for District 3. Councilmember Ward marched at San Diego Pride was last week. Comic Con, another big event is happening next week. This past Monday the Mayor approved short term vacation rentals in San Diego with the help of a 6-3 city council vote. University Heights utilities undergrounding project has no dates or map yet, but as soon as it is finalized it will become public. New scooter policies are now in place, information on regulations at sandiego.gov. New ordinances regarding Styrofoam Recycling and Plastic Straw Limitation is being proposed. North Park Mini Park opening in 2020 behind the Observatory (North Park Theater).
- 5. **Planner’s Report:** Elizabeth Ocampo Vivero, 619-236-6301, EOcampo@sandiego.gov
 The city is currently working on a multiple community plan updates across San Diego.

V. **Information Item:**

- 1) **County Probation Project update.** Peter Hill. On Ohio St. The county of San Diego has had a probation services office for many years. The plan is to demolish the old building and build a new more efficient building with better services. Currently the old building has been demolished and is going through the design phase. Construction will start at the end of 2019 and is planned to be finished by 2021.

VI. **Action Items:**

- 1) **Accept Kathleen Ferrier’s Resignation.** Special Election proposed for August 21, 2018. NPPC Board vote to fill vacancy per NPPC Bylaws. A letter of resignation was presented. Discussed special election process per NPPC Bylaws. Chair Vidales nominated Megan Kucharski to Chair the Special Election Subcommittee, and Randy Wilde as member of that subcommittee.
MOTION: To accept Kathleen Ferrier’s resignation and to hold Special Election on August 21, 2018. Kucharski/Sparto 13-0-0.
- 2) **Quickway Transit proposal.** Transit concept that proposes to create a significantly faster, more direct, better-located, and more useful transit system for the region. Alan Hoffman, Lecturer, School of Public Affairs, SDSU. Fact Sheet at: www.quickwayproposal.wix.com/proposal and Executive Summary at: https://1drv.ms/b/s!AiLYHUTI_8lphScz-Ro2_EleryUs. The book ‘Sails to Trails’ has a detailed information on the Quickway Transit Proposal. Alan Hoffman made a presentation on Quickway, a world-class rapid transit system for San Diego, focusing on ways to provide connectivity between North Park and Hillcrest. No motion was made. This topic will be brought to a future Public Facilities & Transportation (PF&T) Subcommittee meeting at a future date.

VII. **NPPC Reports**

1. **Chair’s Report**

- a. **APA Award on Comprehensive Planning to NPPC and City of San Diego for the North Park Community Plan.** The American Planning Association (APA) San Diego Chapter gave the Award of Merit on Comprehensive Planning-Large Jurisdiction to the North Park Planning Committee and City of San Diego on May 17. This is the 2nd award to the NP Community Plan, as the first award was given by the Association of Environmental Professionals last October for Outstanding Planning Document. After a search on awards to local community plans in the last few years, only 2 other community plans have obtained the APA award on comprehensive planning, but none have received both awards. Chair Vidales wanted to share the award with the

- City and Elizabeth Ocampo Vivero (who worked on the Community Plan) from the Planning Department was in attendance to received it.
- b. **Park Boulevard Proposed Residential Historic District.** The area covers roughly Park Boulevard from south of Robinson St. to Upas St. There was a Workshop held on July 7 and Webinar held on July 10. There is a Joint Uptown/North Park Ad Hoc Meeting tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 2 at 6 pm at Joyce Beers Community Center in Hillcrest.
 - c. **San Diego Forward: Results of SANDAG Public Outreach.** First round of outreach on overarching transportation network themes and key issues that are important to quality of life in the region has been completed and published.
 - d. **Community Planners Committee (CPC).** Tuesday, July 24, 2018, 7 to 9 PM. 202 C St Civic Concourse. Terrace Level Silver Room. For more info: <http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpc/agendas/index.shtml>
 - i. **City Department and Mayoral Staff Changes.** The changes include Elyse Lowe as newly appointed Director for the Development Services Department.
 - ii. **Sidewalk Liability and Repair.** Council Policy 200-12 (Effective Date: February 6, 1975), and related issues. Looking for ways to reduce liability to the City; among others looking to reduce effects from expansive tree roots that create sidewalk disrepair.
 - iii. **Tree Canopy & Climate Action Plan (CAP).** Tree planting component of CAP to reduce carbon in the atmosphere. Looking for ways to plant more trees in the right-of-way.
 - iv. **Quickway Transit proposal.** Item previously discussed in tonight's meeting.
2. **Social Media.** Chelsi Sparti and Randy Wilde - 900 followers on Facebook, 560 followers on Twitter.
 3. **NPPC Website.** Chelsi Sparti and Randy Wilde
 4. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 - a. **Urban Design/Project Review (UDPR):** Peter Hill Chair, Melissa Stayner Vice Chair – NP Rec Center Social Room, 6:00 pm 1st Monday. Next meeting June 4, 2018. No meeting in July, next meeting is Monday, August 6th and will include discussion about the process for Tentative Maps and Map Waivers.
 - b. **Public Facilities & Transportation (PF&T):** Eduardo Velasquez Chair, Steve Doster Vice Chair – NP Adult Center, 6:00 pm, 2nd Wednesday. Next meeting June 13, 2018. In addition to the item in the Consent Agenda, we talked about the Utility Undergrounding Master Plan at the Aug 8th meeting. We ask the City to provide a representative to answer questions.
 5. **Liaisons Reports:**
 - a. **Balboa Park Committee.** Rob Steppke. BPC did not have a quorum for June and did not meet in July.
 - b. **Maintenance Assessment District (MAD).** Peter Hill. MAD was dark in July. There was a site tour with a city employee and residents at the east corner of the 30th and University to view a few trees that are not growing as quickly as they expected.
 - c. **North Park Main Street.** Tim Taylor. There was no board meeting in July. Next meeting is Thursday, August 9.
 - d. **Adams Avenue Business Association.** Chelsi Sparti.
 - i. Adams Avenue Street Fair will be held on Saturday Sept. 29 from 10 to 10 and Sunday Sept. 30 from 10 to 6. More info at: <https://www.adamsavenuebusiness.com/event-info/adams-avenue-street-fair/>
 - ii. Free WiFi project. Work on free WiFi along the Adams Avenue corridor continues. Will install 6 out of the 10 antennae to start.
 - iii. Pedestrian enhancements on the Adams Ave. I-805 overpass. Currently discussing this project.

- e. **El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association.** Randy Wilde.
- i. The Blvd 20/20 Town Hall event was held on June 9 and it provided an interesting discussion on balancing housing needs with displacement concerns and other development issues. Randy attended as did several other board members. The next few Blvd 20/20 events are in the planning stages and will have more information to share soon. There may be opportunities for NPPC input on these events.
 - ii. Pedestrian crossing facilities. Local business hubs advocating for pedestrian crossing facilities at Mississippi St. and Kansas St. - unclear exactly what they are asking for.
 - iii. Juneshine. San Diego's first alcoholic kombucha brewery and tasting room is now open at North Park Brewery Igniter at El Cajon Blvd. and Ohio St.
 - iv. First Friday Night Market is a new free, all-vegan night market will be held every first Friday of the month from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the parking lot of Anthem North Park, at Hamilton St. and El Cajon Blvd.
 - v. Trashy Hour is an event hosted by Homebrewer & Home Brewing Co at El Cajon Blvd. and Kansas St. at 10 am on the last Sunday of the month
 - vi. Unico Juice Shop is now open at Utah St. and El Cajon Blvd.

Next ECBBIA board meeting this Thursday, July 19.

VIII. **Future NPPC Meeting Dates & Agenda Items.** Next meeting is Tuesday, August 21, 2018.

IX. **Adjournment.** Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.