

Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee (GGHPC) Minutes of Meeting on September 12, 2018

at the Golden Hill Recreation Center, 2600 Golf
Course Drive, San Diego, CA 92102

Present:

1. David Swarens, Chair.
2. Kathy Vandenheuvel, Vice Chair
3. Cheryl Brierton (taking minutes)
4. Sabrina DiMinico (secretary, resigned)
5. Timothy Briggs
6. Susan Bugbee
7. Joe Coniglio
8. Victoria Curran
9. Oscar Medina
10. Michael Nazarinia
11. Richard Santini
12. Susanna Starcevic

Absent:

1. Molly Brooks
- .2. Maggie Fulton
3. Cristina Magaña
4. Mary Sparks

Meeting called to order by the Chair at 6:32
pm. Brierton volunteered to take minutes for
this meeting.

Changes to Agenda

*Wayfinding (Agenda Item deleted at request of
Briggs)

* City of San Diego Styrofoam Ban (straws,
plastic utensils limited) proposed by Council

Member Chris Ward (Taken out of order due to time constraints of Ward's Policy Advisor Brian Elliott).

Brierton moved, Briggs seconded: To approve proposed ban and send letter of support from GGHPC Chair. Motion carried as amended (to allow Chair to draft own letter), 10-yes, 0-no, 0-abstaining (Coneglio and Santini not participating).

Discussion/Clarifications following questions: Similar bans have already been enacted in County and State (Starcevic), does not include industrial uses (Vandenheuvel), regrets at delay/resistance due to businesses not being aware of same-priced alternatives (Curran), Navy cafeteria and schools ahead of City (Gerry Ray), need to ensure proactive measures to educate businesses about alternatives, available waivers for financial hardships and contracts (Nazarinia), comparable to plastic bag ban (Gary Roberts).

Approval of Minutes of August 8, 2018

Vandenheuvel moved, DiMinico seconded: To approve the revised minutes of August 8, 2018 with attachments, as disseminated by the Chair. Motion carried, 9-yes, 0-no, 1-abstention (Bugbee was not present for entire meeting) (Coneglio and Santini not participating)

Government Reports

*53rd Congressional District (U.S. Rep Susan Davis' aide not present)

*39th Cal Senate District (State Sen Toni Atkins' aide Not present)

*City Planner Bernard Turgeon: Not present

*SDPD Officer Vasquez

--Asked whether homeless enforcement in East Village is impacting Golden Hill by displacement: Yes. Homeless trash, camping, defecating behind Millers' Market, packages stolen (Nazarinia); drug dealing in 28th Street restroom (Starcevic); sleeping/sex in car, drug dealing at 22nd-23rd & F (Curran); also in Normal Heights (DiMinico)

--Update requested on legalities (Swarens). Councilmember Ward's representative, Brett Weise replied with information about 2 cases: (1) For property abatement, former requirement of 72 hours

notice has been reduced by court to 3 hours, given available storage; (2) for RVs, police can request relocation.

--(Curran, Vandenheuevel questions).
Officer Vasquez indicated that police do not issue tickets, because availability of alternative housing/beds changes quickly.

*3rd SD City Council (Councilmember Chris Ward by Brett Weise) (Newsletter distributed)

--City Council back in session after 3 week break

--Balboa Park Committee approved GGHPC alternative for multi-modal path on Golf Course Drive. Golf Committee approval scheduled for its meeting tomorrow. Councilmember Ward provided design funds, and \$5-\$^ million project is a relatively small amount, so this may finally become a reality after 30 years. (Brierton thanked Curran and Vicki Granowitz for their motion to approve, carried unanimously.)

--Housing: Ward is working on recuperative care housing for homeless released from hospitals. Only 41 beds currently available. Also working on housing models for juveniles. The Select Committee on Homelessness is asking each Council District to identify a place for 144 units for permanent affordable housing/services. A 9-month extension for tents is currently under consideration.

Nazarinia asked about tent track record in securing permanent housing: 12% versus 65% projected. Weise indicated exit surveys from tents had not been performed, so performance metrics would be added, as well as staff to help find housing. In response to Vandenheuevel, Weise indicated other districts are working with Real Estate Assets to locate sites, except the Pacific Beach District.

Nazarinia asked whether the Housing Navigation Center in the former skydiving facility would be coordinated with this effort. Weise said this was unclear. Brierton asked that it be made contractually explicit.

--Bikes and scooters: questions about City liability in the event of injuries on sidewalks and streets unclear (Nazarinia), legislation on Governor's desk removing requirement to wear helmets on scooters (Vandenheuvel); bikes have been displaced by scooters.

--Street repairs/ schedule.

#Nazarinia pointed out that the Streets Public Affairs Officer is not getting back to the Councilmember's office about needed repair and torn up streets. Nazarinia stated potholes needed repair under 94, only south side was repaired, no recourse. Weise indicated City is closing requests when scheduled; Councilmember Ward's office is trying to get a photo of the repair after it is done. There is not a responsive relationship with Streets; hard to get leverage in a Strong Mayor system of government.

#Brierton stated 30th Street repairs and detours are backing up traffic in South Park and Golden Hill.

#Swarens requested a repair schedule in May, and was told in June he should get one, but has not. Perhaps concerns need to be directed to Mayor's Office.

--Congratulations to Councilmember on new baby (Brierton); Thanks to Weise for help getting dead tree removed from Bancroft Street (Brierton).

--Golden Hill Park Cleanup 9-10:30 am September 30.

Nonagenda Public Comment

*Roberts: still not receiving City emails of GGHPC meeting minutes and agendas. Renews request for GGHPC to take over City's responsibility (voted down last month). Nazarinia pointed out Roberts can check the new GGHPC website. (See below.)

*Gerry Ray: #There is a new after school children's program in the former Studio Maureen space.
#Thanks to GGHPC Board members for all they do.

Chair's Report

*Golf Course Drive multi-modal path: Balboa Park Committee unanimously adopted GGHPC recommended Alternative # 2 with barrier. Next step: City Golf Committee meeting tomorrow.

*Has been working with City on mailing list. GGHPC members are not receiving notice and agendas, either.

*Will follow up on request for repair schedule; was told in June we would receive it.

* Community Planners Group (CPC) is considering the 12th Update to San Diego's Land Code. Workshop schedules were attached to emails. Assigned sections of the Land Code Update to GGHPC members for any comments/concerns, to be discussed at an upcoming GGHPC meeting in 2018. A matrix of the issues was also forwarded to all GGHPC members.

*Airport Authority is holding a workshop Tues 9/18 in Golden Hill Rec Center Clubhouse Building on new tools to report noise; individual appointments can also be scheduled at the Authority's Liberty Station office. Planes seem to be coming further north.

Vice Chair's Report *None.

Action Items

(1) Medina provided an overview of his new GGHPC website, goldenhillplanning.com. This was the cheapest platform option.

Brierton expressed thanks, and requested a link to the official City website and a disclaimer, in the site is not maintained.

Medina said he planned to link to MailChimp for emails. Vandenheuvel reiterated that GGHPC does not want the obligation to send out City email. Roberts indicated he already signed up.

Swarens requested different photos of Golden Hills. Santini recommended a photo gallery, where people could upload.

(2) 12th Land Code Update. See Chair's Report. Action deferred to later in 2018.

(3) Filling the Office of Secretary.

DiMinco's resignation was accepted with thanks and regrets, by acclamation.

Nazarinia volunteered. Motion to fill the office of Secretary with Nazarinia by Santini, seconded by DiMinico. Motion carried, unanimous. (12-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.)

(4) Airport Noise Citizens' Advisory Committee. Starcevic, Briggs, Santini and Vandenheuvel are eligible, because within the noise contour. Vandenheuvel volunteered. Santini moved, Brierton seconded, to appoint Vandenheuvel to this Committee. Motion carried, unanimous. (12-yes, 0-no, 0-abstaining).

(5) Appointing a second alternate to CPC. Swarens is the representative, Brierton the alternate. Swarens indicates there may be an option for a second alternate. He will explore if

that is the case. Vandenheuvel would be interested.

(6) Exploring possible mail ballots for GGHPC elections. Curran moved, DiMinico seconded. Brierton will research with City Clerk whether AB 216 (no postage for mail ballots) applies to community planning groups. Motion carried, unanimous. Yes-12, no-0, abstaining-0. This is for information gathering only, and does not constitute an approval for using mail ballots.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.