

CITY HEIGHTS AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
Minutes for December 3, 2018

1. Chairman Russ Connelly called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Abdullahi Yusuf, Brenda Diaz, Brian Green Carson, David Nelson, Jessie Sergent, Jose Hernandez, Juan Pablo Sanchez, Maria Cortez, Mazda Mehrnaz, Patty Vaccariello, Ramla Sahid, Randy Torres-Van Vleck, Rickie Brown, Rosa Calvario, Scott Paquette were present. David Bowen and Roddy Jerome were absent.
2. The committee unanimously approved the minutes for November.
3. Patty Vaccariello offered and Jose Hernandez seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The Committee voted 15/0/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed.
4. Off-agenda public comments: Winter Festival – Saturday and Sunday December 9th and 10th at Thorn Street & Belle Isle Drive
5. Staff reports and comment:
Council Representative - Gloria Cruz announced new council inauguration at Golden Hall @ 10:00 am. Announced a community clean up at Colina del Sol, there were 40 volunteers. In 2018 they were able to do 19 clean ups. They are also conducting interviews this month for their internship program.
6. **6.1:** David Nelson offered and Patty Vaccariello seconded a motion to appoint Jim Varnadore to the At Large 2019 seat. The committee voted 10/5/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed and Jim Was seated.
6.2: Patty Vaccariello offered and Juan Pablo Sanchez seconded a motion to appoint Francisco Garcia to the At Large 2020 seat. The committee voted 14/1/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed and Francisco was seated.
6.3: No youth appeared to be appointed. Item was continued until next meeting.
6.4: A draft letter was presented by the Mid-month subcommittee. After considerable debate on it's contents, Patty Vaccariello offered and David Nelson offered to approve the draft letter as amended with the request of the police chief and the captain of Mid-City attend this meeting at their earliest convenience to discuss police priorities. The committee voted 16/1/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed.
6.5: Presenter did not appear before the Committee and the item was continued for a future meeting.
6.6: Groundwork San Diego presented their Chollas Creek rehab project. After discussion David Nelson offered and Brian Green Carson offered to support in concept

the channelization changes of Chollas Creek between 805 and Home Avenue not superseded by any existing plans and not be dependent on expansions of highway 94. The committee voted 16/0/1 (chair not voting) and the motion passed. Francisco Garcia abstained.

6.7: Lesley Henegar, Senior Planner, Planning Department gave a presentation on the citywide tree planting program. She answered questions by community and committee.

6.8: Brenda Diaz gave an update from the Election Subcommittee. Randy Torres-Van Vleck joined the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee will be reconvening in December to discuss outreach ideas and go over application paperwork.

7. Chairman shared we are looking for a permanent location for our monthly meetings.
8. Patty Vaccariello, Francisco Garcia, Jim Varnadore, Randy Torres-Van Vleck, Jose Hernandez, Maria Cortez, Jessie Sergent, David Nelson, Ramla Sahid offered Committee comments.
9. The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.