

CITY HEIGHTS AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
Minutes for February 4, 2019

1. Chairman Russ Connelly called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Abdullahi Yusuf, Brenda Diaz, Brian Green Carson, David Bowen, David Nelson, Jessie Sergent, Jose Hernandez, Maria Cortez, Mazda Mehraz, Patty Vaccariello, Ramla Sahid, Randy Van Vleck, Rosa Calvario, Scott Paquette, Jim Varnadore, Francisco Garcia, and Lisa Nguyen were present. Juan Pablo Sanchez, Rickie Brown, and Roddy Jerome were absent.
2. The committee unanimously approved the corrected minutes for January.
3. Jim Varnadore offered and David Bowen seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The committee unanimously approved the agenda for February.
4. Off-agenda public comments: Maria Cortez shared the next meeting for ITCH (Improving Transportation in City Heights) is Monday February 11th at 5:30pm at the Price Building. She also mentioned that the Teralta West Neighborhood Alliance will be meeting on February 20th from 6-7pm at the Metro Villa on 39th and University Avenue. Jim Varnadore and Lisa Nguyen passed out lucky red envelopes for Lunar New Year.
5. Staff reports and comment: Representatives from Georgette Gomez's office, Christopher Vallejo and Anna Medina Ochoa passed out a newsletter as well as a map that shows a rudimentary coloration of what the district representatives boundaries will look like going forward.
6. Business Agenda:
 - 6.1:** Project engineer Young Dan and project manager Reyhaneh Martin introduced the project AC Water and Sewer Group 1044. The project proposes to replace 1 mile of water main and 0.1 miles of sewer main on University Avenue between Highland Avenue and Euclid Avenue and alleyways. The work will consist of replacement of mains, services, fire hydrants, sewer laterals, manholes and other appurtenances. In addition, the work will include curb ramps installation and concrete pavement in alleys. They are tentatively scheduled to start construction in summer 2020 and end construction in summer 2021. They answered questions from the committee and left their contact information.
 - 6.2:** This started as a petition from residents on 42nd Street: to convert the existing parallel parking spaces to angle parking spaces on 42nd Street between Thorn Street and Myrtle Avenue. The new configuration would add approximately 22 parking spaces. The City wants to know if the CHAPC objects to the plan. After discussion, Patty Vaccariello offered and Maria Cortez seconded a motion to approve the perpendicular parking on 42nd Street between Thorn Street and Myrtle Avenue. The committee voted 17/0/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed.

6.3: A proposal for angle parking on Poplar Street between Jamies Way and Columbine Street. It is head in parking and it would add 19 parking spots. After discussion, David Bowen offered and Maria Cortez seconded a motion to accept the perpendicular parking on Poplar Street. The committee voted 13/4/0 (chair not voting) and the motion passed.

6.4: The Transit Priority Area (TPA) is proposed for the University and El Cajon Blvd transit corridors and on the City's maps it shows that the Northern half of City Heights is covered by this proposal. Transit Priority Areas are based on where the transit is. In the areas designated as TPAs developers can ask for zero parking in those projects. This isn't final, its only what city staff is proposing. At the last Community Planners Committee meeting, they were uncomfortable approving this proposal and instead came up with a second proposal that states they want a pilot program. Most of these developments that are going to come in aren't going to be proposed for the next five years to ten years. Therefore, we won't know what the impact of zero parking is going to be for at least another 15-20 years. By that time the concern is that there won't be a way to resolve the parking and transit issues. The City wants all or nothing. Either we approve new projects with transit areas with zero parking or we don't. Russ wanted to bring this up because of the fact that we have a great deal of transit and have a parking crisis. Wants to have a discussion so that if the Committee wants to craft a proposal or letter with a position that we can submit to the city to express what the CHAPC's opinion is on the subject. After discussion, Jim Varnadore offered and Brian Green Carson seconded a motion to approve the City's recommendation for zero minimum parking space requirements in Transit Priority Areas and for communities that are undeserved, additional amenities must be considered. The committee voted 5/12/0 (chair not voting) and the motion did not pass.

6.5: Brenda Diaz, Chair of the Election Subcommittee shared that there was an event put on by Mid-City CAN, City Heights CDC, PANA and Circulate SD on January 28th. The event "Learn about your local Planning Group" included a panel of previous and current committee members from different area planning groups. Also reminded those interested in running about the deadline to turn in their application.

7. Chairman shared that he's working on getting a person from Purchasing and Contracts Department that oversees water projects come out to the committee to explain the process of how they select a contractor and how that contractor is vetted. Spoke with Caltrans in regards to the transit deck kiosks. They are currently working on a draft lease for the City of San Diego. They need a lease in place before anything further can be ascertained. Next month's meeting will be chaired by vice-chair Patty Vaccariello due to Russ being part of the election subcommittee.
8. Jose Hernandez, Jessie Sergent, Mazda Mehraz, Randy Van Vleck, Jim Varnadore, and Francisco Garcia offered committee comments.
9. The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.