

NORMAL HEIGHTS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP 4649 Hawley Boulevard San Diego, CA. 92116

### Agenda for Tuesday, November 5th, 2019, 6:00pm until approximately 8:00pm

#### 6:00 Call to Order - Start of NHCPG Meeting

- 1. Introduction of planning group members and audience
- 2. Agenda Setting/modifications (Note: items may be addressed out of listed order)
- 3. Approval of October meeting minutes Adam Deutsch
- 4. Treasurer's Report Caroline McKeown

#### 6:10 Public Comment

5. Non-agenda public comment may be limited to two minutes per person

#### 6:20 Reports

- 6. Government Representatives
- 7. Community Groups
  - a) Adams Avenue Business Association
  - b) El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association
  - c) NH Community Association and NH Urban Arts
  - d) Adams Rec. Advisory Group
- 8. Social Media & other communications Adam & Caroline

#### 6:40 Chair Report

9. Grand Jury report

#### 6:50 Action Items

#### 7:30 Discussion Items

- 10. Park access
- 11. Undergrounding and MAD update
- 12. SDSU EIR
- 13. Potential alley activation

#### 7:50 Information Items

14. Permits generating age 45 review

#### The following topics are candidates for further discussion:

Community character contributors

- 1. Streets pavement, curbs, gutters, drainage
- 2. Lighting public and private
- 3.Parking on street & off street
- 4. Shade amount, intensity and location
- 5. Upkeep condition of public ROW & visible privately held property

**History & Preservation** 

- 1. Archive responsibility and location
- 2. Content please email photos and info to normalheightshistory@gmail.com
- 3. 70 year NH demographic trend lines

#### Intersection enhancements

- 1. Crosswalks
- 2. Crossing signals
- 3. Pop-outs
- 4. Bollards

Bicycle lanes and markings

- 1. Early action painting lanes?
- 2. Storage issues

Arts & Culture

- 1. Gateway structures design theme
- 2. Statuary, sculptures & murals

#### 8:00 Adjournment

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## Normal Heights Park Development Options

Preface: Normal Heights is substantially underserved in park space according to the City's own General Plan standards yet very little is being done to address the situation. The NHCPG suggests that the solution lies in somewhere in the following strategies.

• Explore the feasibility of expanding and/or reconfiguring the existing park sites.

• Identify opportunity sites including properties either in public ownership, on the market or in strategic locations.

• Develop generic schematics of mini-parks scaled to the fabric of Normal Heights.

• Evaluate the feasibility of converting any and all excess Caltrans property along the I-805 freeway into park like settings, along with appropriate uses.

• Identify any possible overlook locations and explore methods of converting them into a park-like setting with benches, shade, and lighting.

• Evaluate the feasibility of humanizing the canyon system embracing Normal Heights through the introduction of trails, pathways and outdoor classrooms, along with the reduction of appropriate brush in order to reduce the risk of fire.

• Identify and develop a system of connected green streets throughout Normal Heights, enhanced with landscaping, pavement reduction and appropriate street furniture. The Urban Trail has had some public investment to date but not enough to use as an example.

\* Develop rooftops for use by residents and/or businesses housed in the structures.

\* Enhance every park like setting developed within Normal Heights with urban art including murals, sculptures, statuary and writings.

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Develop a tool box of park components for use in identifying how to best configure and use any space that would be created in this process (the process of plan implementation)

> Gary Weber July 2019