

# Greater Golden Hill Planning Committee

## Draft Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 13, 2019, 6:30 P.M.

Golden Hill Recreation Center- Community Meeting "Clubhouse"

[www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpg](http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpg)

2646 Russ Blvd., San Diego, CA 92102

The clubhouse is the smaller building south of the main gym  
along Golf Course Dr., near 26th St. and Russ Blvd.

Present (10): Kathy Vandenheuvel (GGHPC Chair, Community Planners Committee (CPC) Representative, Airport Noise Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC)), Susan Bugbee (Elections & Membership Representative, Historic Subcommittee Chair), Victoria Curran (Balboa Park Representative), Michael Nazarinia (Secretary), Cheryl Brierton, Sabrina DiMinico, Erika Espinoza-Araiza, Valerie Pasquetto, Richard Santini, Susanna Starcevic

Absent: Tim Briggs (Vice Chair), Joe Coniglio, John Kroll (Airport Noise Advisory Committee Representative), Cristina Magana (resigned)

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm by Chair.  
No additions or deletions to Agenda

A. Minutes: Brierton moved, DiMinico seconded: To approve the minutes of October 9, 2019. Motion carried, 7-yes, 0-no, 3-abstentions (DiMinico, Espinosa-Araiza, Pasquetto--not present at October 9 GGHPC meeting)

### B. Governmental Reports

1. CA 78th Assembly District (Assembly Whip Todd Gloria by Randy Wilde). There is a holiday party/legislative update by state legislators 12/11/19. Handout provided and reviewed. Brierton relayed thanks for representative's attendance)

2. 53rd US Congressional District (Rep. Susan Davis by Jonathan Clark). Handout provided and reviewed. Davis not seeking re-election. December policy discussion will cover US relations with Canada and Mexico. Past GGHPC Chair/Member of Public David Swarens requested that information be provided re sudden removal of canopy trees at Hillcrest post office on holiday 11/11/19, and tree replacement plan.

3. San Diego City Council District 3 (Councilmember Chris Ward by Brett Weise). Handout provided.

#### \*\*Updates provided on:

(a) housing bond: \$900 million will be on City ballot, property taxes to increase \$18 for every \$100,000 of home value, to pay for homeless services to an estimated 1,000 persons for 10 years. (Questions/comments/concerns by Brierton, DiMinico, Nazarinia). (Brierton also thanked Weise for homeless update circulated to GGHPC members in response to prior questions).

(b) SDSU purchase of the former Qualcomm stadium site: \$89 million on table, does not include \$10 million upkeep, or environmental cleanup costs for demolition;

(c) Strategic investment strategy failed on a 2-2 vote split in City Committee, will return for further consideration.

#### \*\*In response to questions:

(a) No information on noise impact of 5th Avenue Gaslamp Closure (Vandenheuvel);

(b) San Diego Mayor Faulconer is excluding Ward from his Option A plans concerning 30th Street bike lane--Ward is advocating a different approach, Option B, after community input (Member of public Gary Roberts)

4. 39th California Senate District (Pro Tem Toni Atkins by Chevelle Tate). Not present.
5. 80th Assembly District (Rep. Lorena Gonzalez by Lucas Cruz). Not present.
6. San Diego Police Department (by Community Relations Officer Kevin Vasquez). Not present.
7. City of San Diego Assigned Senior Planner Bernie Turgeon. Not present.

#### C. Non-Agenda Public Comment

1. Brierton. Former GGHPC Chair Pat Shields, who helped shepherd the current Greater Golden Hill (GGH) community plan, has passed away. No information is available at this time concerning memorial/celebration of life services.
2. Kate Coller (Member of public). Advocating for Democratic City Mayor Candidate Barbara Bry. Handout provided.
3. Roberts. Advocating against Democratic City Mayor Candidate Todd Gloria.

#### D. Action Items

1. T-Mobile 26th & C Street Project 533580, Process 2 Neighborhood Use Permit for 10 years. Presentation by Vince Voss of SAC Wireless (a Nokia company) concerning proposed replacement of T-Mobile antenna near bus stop, with associated changes to antenna mount and decorative base. The design was approved by the assigned City Planner.

Voss clarified that there was wheelchair access around the pole to the bus stop (Brierton). However, there were numerous unanswered questions from committee members:

\*Nazarinia (why can't a light be placed on top of antenna structure to minimize proliferation of antennas?; what is overall plan for placement of antennas in the Greater Golden (GGH) community planning area, as requested? what is link to 5-G plan?);

\*Santini (what is impact of anticipated merger of T-Mobile with AT&T? Are antennas necessary/viable when technology changes so rapidly?);

\* Brierton (how many GGH community members will benefit from this unsightly antenna?)

Brierton moved, DiMinico seconded. To disapprove the project unless information is provided about (1) consolidating poles; (2) the number of people in GGH who will benefit from this pole; (3) the overall T-Mobile antenna placement plan in GGH. Motion carried, unanimous.

2. Phase 2--12th Land Use Development Code Update. (Vandenheuvel). The GGHPC Chair prepared an issue matrix for the 41 proposed amendments to the San Diego Municipal Code. (See Attachment 1.) The proposed revisions were only presented to the CPC on October 22, then two days later on October 24, to the City Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission approved all but those revisions addressing how to compute the 1,000-yard distance requirement for marijuana businesses from schools and other sensitive locations (as the crow flies, as the pedestrian walks legally, or as the pedestrian trespasses); these were held in abeyance for further community input. However, there is still an opportunity to give input directly to the San Diego City Council.

Brierton read her comments about the proposed revisions, previously submitted in writing to the GGHPC Chair. (See Attachment 2).

Following discussion and input from GGHPC and members of the public, Brierton moved, Espinosa-Araiza seconded: The Chair will relay GGHPC concerns about the following to CPC: #3--reduce separation distance for steep hillsides; #4--allow tables and chairs for food trucks; #5-retirement communities by right; #7-shadow development; #8-no permits to grade underground parking; #17-companion units, recommend to require 30-day minimum rental period (as recently upheld in lawsuit involving City of Coronado); #19-child care centers, ensure all safety requirements for children are met; #27-increased school student enrollment in transit priority area, too high, traffic impact. Motion carried, unanimous.

3. Community Planning Group (CPG) Taskforce Draft Report. (Vandenheuvel). San Diego City Councilmember Scott Sherman established a task force on CPG reform; the task force has now requested CPC input on the task force recommendations, for inclusion in a report to the City Land Use and Housing Committee, and to the City Council. Vandenheuvel prepared a chart with her recommendations for GGHPC action. (See Attachment 3.)

Following discussion, Brierton moved, Diminico seconded: The GGHPC will put forward the GGHPC Chair's recommendations concerning community planning groups, on behalf of GGHPC. Motion carried, unanimous

4. Angled Parking petition on 21st Street between E and F Streets (Vandenheuvel). Some 30 residents signed a petition to reconfigure parking, to create an additional 8 parking places and 1 disabled space. There was no representative for the resident petitioners, but Pasquetto is familiar with resident concerns.

Following discussion, Pasquetto moved, Brierton seconded. To support the residents' petition. Motion carried, unanimous.

## E. Reports.

### 1. Chair.

- (a) Magana has resigned. Bugbee will review attendance records and contact those eligible. GGHPC will discuss at its next meeting in January, whether to fill by appointment or wait for spring election.
- (b) No meeting in December 2019. Next GGHPC meeting is January 9, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.
- (c) The Chair attended a City training on Environmental reviews (CEQA)--her notes are available on request.
- (d) The GGH Community Development Corporation is holding a community cleanup on 11/16/19.
- (e) a meeting on airport noise is set for 11/20/19.

2. Vice Chair. No report (absent).

3. CPC. Chair covered this above.

4. Historic (Bugbee). No action has been taken by the City yet. Vandenheuvel will ask Turgeon for an update.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.