

North Park Planning Committee (NPPC)
Urban Design-Project Review Subcommittee Meeting
Minutes: March 4, 2025 – 6:00 pm
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Attendance: Mark Spitzer, Lynn Elliott, Roger McClish, Bob LaRose, Jay Robinson-Duff, Cody Cocanig (Zoom)

Members of community, on Zoom: 2

I. Meeting Called to order: 6:07

Agenda should list the next meeting as on “April 1” rather than “March April 1”.

Approved as amended (Elliott/6-0-0).

February 4, 2025 minutes approved.

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment

None

III. Project Review [or - 0]

A. Annual San Diego Greek Festival

Put on by St. Spyridon’s Greek Orthodox Church on Park Avenue. Motion to approve passes (LaRose/McClish/6-0-0).

B. Letter asking for a San Diego City accounting of affordable units provided by new projects since 2020.

Letter shared with meeting. Formalizes our request for information about if affordable housing units that are required for specific projects have been completed, where they are located.

Freedom of Information Act request has not been made yet. Logan was asked three months ago to look into this. Question about who at the city keeps the list of affordable housing units, who we can ask. Concerns about how much time we’re giving Logan to look into this, whether a Freedom of Information Act request is a more appropriate channel. General feeling that the letter is tactful and an appropriate way to move inquiry forward.

Motion to send to full board meeting passes (LaRose/McClish/5-1-0, Jay opposed).

C. Proposal for the creation of a community Fire Safe Council

Concern about fire hazard near canyons, evacuation routes in event of fire. Unknown what our current fire plan is. Fire Safety Councils have been instituted in other neighborhoods in the San Diego area to discuss material

selection, defensible space. They put out information rather than make rules.

Bylaws don't mention a Fire Safety committee, so might need to be an ad hoc committee. Could have information on our website about fire preparedness, then ask the city to work on evacuation routes. Could invite people to come speak to us, like fire officials. Should bring this to the full board or hold a community meeting.

Motion to recommend to further explore this issue passes (LaRose/McClish/6-0-0).

IV. Discussion Items - 0

V. New Business

Jay brought up idea to send a letter of appreciation to Logan for all he's done for the neighborhood. Letter shown to meeting. Can be given to Logan at the full board meeting in April, when the new board is seated and outgoing members are honored. Motion to approve the letter for presentation to Logan at April meeting passes (LaRose/Elliott/6-0-0).

Follow up on projects last month where the representatives didn't show up. Have not received anything further from the city, so nothing has moved on them yet.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 (LaRose/6-0-0).

Next Urban Design-Project Review Subcommittee meeting date: April 1, 2025

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