



North Park Planning Committee

Public Facilities and Transportation Subcommittee

Draft Minutes for 11 March 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

In Person Location North Park Christian Fellowship 2901 N Park Way

Teleconference <https://bit.ly/publicfacilitiesreg>

I. Consent Agenda Items (6:00-6:05 p.m.)

Attendance:

Board members: Doug Schueler (Zoom), Lynn Elliott, Roger McClish, Bob LaRose, Mark Spitzer (Zoom), Cody Cocanig (Zoom)

Members of community, in person: Janella Samson

Members of community, on Zoom: 4

- a. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Attendance Report
Call to order: 6:02
- b. Modifications & Adoption of the 11 March 2025 Agenda
Agenda approved (McClish/LaRose/5-0-0).
- c. Adoption of the 11 February 2025 Meeting Minutes
February minutes approved (McClish/Elliott/6-0-0).

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment (6:05-6:15 p.m.)

Limited to Items not on Agenda; non-debatable. Two-minute maximum, Chair can award more time.

None.

III. Action and Informational Items (6:15-6:50 p.m.)

- a. **Informational item 1 (6:15-6:25):** Implementation of daylighting law. The new "daylighting" law, AB 413, prohibits parking within 20 feet of any marked or unmarked crosswalk to improve safety by increasing visibility at intersections. The law applies to all intersections statewide, regardless of whether a red curb or no parking signs are present. The law has been in effect since 1 January 2025, however, the City of San Diego waited until 1 March to begin enforcing. While it will take time to modify unmarked curbs at intersections with red paint, there is also a concern over areas parking spots are incorrectly marked, such as handicap or diagonal parking spots. What is the best method for community members to report incorrectly marked intersections? Get it done?

Brought up that daylighting only applies on the side of the street where cars are entering the intersection—this is not known by all. Some curbs have been painted on all sides, however. City-marked parking spaces, such as disabled spaces, may be exempt, but it's not necessarily clear if this is being followed by parking enforcement. Question to the city should make sure that enforcement understands these two aspects of the law. Other questions involve lines on street marking parking areas that are within 20 ft of the intersection. Seems that city intends to mark intersections, but not sure what timeline will be, based on scale of task. Committee will continue to monitor this issue and get feedback from the community. Will see if someone from parking enforcement can present at a main meeting to discuss rules and enforcement plans.

- b. **Informational item 2 (6:25-6:35):** Mobility and traffic issues at the intersection of Upas, Pershing and 28th Streets. This intersection is at the north end of the Pershing Drive Bikeway. Due to the non-standard layout of this intersection where the three named streets meet, along with the new bikeway that crosses from Pershing to Upas, there have been incidents of vehicles driving into the bike lane, signs knocked over, and general confusion by motorists and pedestrians. New street painting and signs have been added, but does a hazard still exist? Further suggestions have ranged from better signage and more fortified barriers, to turning the north end of 28th Street into a cul-de-sac similar to Pershing on the north side of this intersection.

Mentioned that a 28th St. cul-de-sac could complicate the intersection, since people aren't used to three-way stops. Clarified that stopping 28th would allow protected bike lane to continue uninterrupted between Upas and Pershing. Discussion about this proposal, whether or not the disruption to traffic on 28th would be worth the benefits. This suggestion has been raised by people living on 28th. Signage for the intersection has been improved, addition of markings on the ground. Proposal could come before the board sometime in the future.

Also brought up that stop sign could be put in at Upas and Utah to improve safety for cyclists turning across the street. Mentioned that bike lane should have a stop sign, like the cars do, crossing the intersection—clarified that there is currently a stop sign for the bike lane. Mentioned that the single bike lane on the west side of Pershing is redundant, could be used as a breakdown shoulder.

- c. **Informational item 3 (6:35-6:45):** Fire Safety Council discussions. Issues that could impact our community from fire vulnerabilities to evacuation routes within our neighborhoods. Discussion led by Lynn Elliott, NPPC

Lynn wanted to gauge interest in working on this. Some other neighborhoods have similar groups. Could put out information for residents about lowering fire risk based on building materials, defensible space. Also an issue is the evacuation plan for North Park in case of a fast-moving fire. Could put on a workshop on the issue. Asked about what groups in similar neighborhoods do. Groups ask about and look into concerns about development into fire-prone areas, street capacity for evacuation. Groups are not affiliated with planning groups but are in contact, can have the same members. Might want to ask fire department or other city emergency departments about evaluating what would happen in an evacuation—don't fully know how different parts of North Park would rate. Will reach out to Logan to engage with city, Normal Heights Community Association. Lynn could also present to full board meeting. Could also reach out to insurance companies to see if they have resources.

- d. **Informational item 4 (6:45-6:50):** City Council District 3, Stephen Whitburn, Budget Survey: The focus for FY 2026 will include critical issues such as enhancing public safety, addressing homelessness with pro-active solutions, expanding affordable housing options, and ensuring our streets and neighborhoods are safer for everyone. We will continue to prioritize affordable housing to combat the housing crisis, while also advancing our commitment to climate action to secure a sustainable future for generations to come. But I want to hear from you—what do you believe should be prioritized in next year's budget? We invite you to share your priorities by participating in the survey below and encouraging others to do the same. Your input is invaluable and will play a key role in shaping the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget. [FY 2026 Budget Section | City of San Diego Official Website](#)

Meeting informed about survey, public meetings. Notice was also sent out to board members via email.

IV. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: (6:50-6:55 p.m.)

Lynn will move forward on letter of appreciation.

Bob: Daylighting law has implications for parking. Topic will be discussed further in the future.

V. Adjournment (7:00 p.m.)

Motion to adjourn passes (McClish/Elliott/6-0-0) at 6:55.

Future PFT Subcommittee Meeting Date: 8 April 2025 at 6 p.m.

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