



UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, January 19, 2020

Regular Time 5:30 PM

REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM

5:38 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL BY CHAIR: Andy Wiese

AW: Calls the meeting to order and calls the roll.

Roll Call:

Members present:

Andy Wiese (AW), Keith Jenne (KJ), Roger Cavanaugh (RC), Debby Knight (DK), George Lattimer (GL), Katie Rodolico (KR), Joanne Selleck (JS), Laurie Phillips (LP), Anu Delouri (AD), Rebecca Robinson Wood (RRW), Jason Morehead (JM), Dinesh Martien (DiM), Melanie Cohn (MC), Kristin Camper (KC), Kris Kopensky (KK), Carol Uribe (CU), Abbey Reuter (UCSD Student Rep to CPUS), Andrew Zhou (UCSD Student Rep to UCPG).

Members not present:

Petr Krysl (PK)

Non-voting Member:

Kristin Camper (KC).

Note: MCAS Miramar representative Kristin Camper does not vote per US Government policy.

City Staff:

Tait Galloway (TG)

Laura Ball (LBall) – Sr. Planner, Planning Department

Katie Witherspoon (KW) – Sr. Planner, Planning Department

Lisa Lind (LL) – Sr. Planner, Planning Department

Diego Velasco – Consultant, Urban Design and Planning

Some members of the public are identified below as:

Barry Bernstein	(BB)
Nancy Groves	(NG)
Deanna Ratnikova	(DR)
Diane Ahern	(DA)
Kaitlyn Willoughby	(KWI)
Louis Rodolico	(LR)
David Campbell	(DC)

Alyssa Helper	(AH)
Isabelle Kay	(IK)
Public member	(Public)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes for the CPUS meeting from October 2020 were offered for approval and approved unanimously.

Minutes for the CPUS meeting December 2020 were offered for approval and approved unanimously.

Chris Nielsen (CN) to take minutes for this meeting.

5:44 NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

LR: Comment on “environmental terrorism”, Regents Road Bridge, and corporate sponsored hate speech.

Jessie Garcia: (Resident, Carpenter’s Union) Comment on the community benefit for union members that live in the community for projects we review. Out of town members are undercutting local members.

RRW: Requests that if the CPU results in changing in zoning is recommended that individual property owners be notified.

Jeff Dosick (Community member): Regents Road southbound traffic south of La Jolla Village Drive forces bicycle riders to ride in traffic due to parked cars. He would like to know the status of this road in the plan update.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENT

No subcommittee member comment.

5:53 Information Item #1: Overview of Public Facilities and Safety Goals – Katie Witherspoon

KW: We will discuss these issues at the CPUS, and then City staff will further review the discussion. The community is invited to provide input at any time.

KW: Did a summary of the last three CPUS meetings, with PF&S tonight, and next month with mobility (including the use of breakout rooms).

Reviewed the purpose of the community plan.

Identified the elements in PF&S.

Went through the existing (1987 Plan) goals for safety.

We should keep the goals high-level.

Public facilities are schools, libraries, police, and fire. [Showed a map of these facilities from the existing conditions section of the UC atlas.]

There are two libraries, South UC on Governor, and North UC off Nobel. The south UC library is higher on the list for upgrades. [NB. It is also high on the UCPG CIP list.]

There are six public schools; LJCSD is private. Public enrollment is 1746 in 2020.

Fire and Rescue: Station 35 and Station 50. Fire Station 27 (Clairemont) handles south UC.

Our police station is Northern Division, in the UC plan area.

KW: I'll pause for questions.

JS: A new public facility is the trolley. Are MTS transit facilities "public facilities"?

KW: We have ongoing conversations with MTS, SANDAG but these are part of mobility.

JS: MTS does have transit police.

KW: This is out of our jurisdiction, but we will note it with MTS.

DK: La Jolla Station 9 often responds to UC.

KW: Yes. Another thing to note is that Fire Station 50 takes I-805 to south UC. The service standard is 7.5 minute response time 90% of the time.

KR: We had the rapid response but this is gone. One reason for FS 50 is the possibility of having a ladder truck. Was a ladder truck added to this station?

KW: We will have to follow up.

IK: Road safety? Nothing about traffic safety?

KW: That is in mobility. We can reference it in PF&S but it is best done in February.

IK: You showed hospitals, but there are lots of distributed health facilities, like urgent care, many in small facilities.

KW: We can reference them, but they are outside our jurisdiction. It's more about policy rather than goals.

IK: There is a big call to defund police. Do we envision changes like mental health being included?

KW: We take direction from the Mayor's office. We do note that public safety is not just P & FS but includes much more. We can reference this.

RRW: Wondering if police and fire can provide emergency contact phone.

KW: Good comment but not clear at what forum to bring this up.

Lisa Brezina: What is the south boundary of the Northern Division?

KW: Unsure what the boundary is.

Lisa: Mental health workers are riding with police to try to deal with mental health issues.

RC: Mental health emergency teams have been in place for awhile. Probably not going to get more funding, near term, but well integrated at present.

LR: Fire Stations: we have three in north UC, none in South UC. Need a fire station in south UC once the Torrey Pines Fire Station is built.

KW: Move along to "Goals" and "Policies": Public Facilities Draft Goals:

Goal #1: "A community well served by public facilities that promote neighborhood health, safety, and livability".

DK: "Livability" is pretty vague. It's fine, but does not say much.

KW: It might be a buzzword. Are there substitutes?

JS: Access to services.

DK: What about recreation centers?

KW: Should we put this in an additional element?

AW: "Services" is achieved by being "well-served". Health and safety: goal is now "...health, safety, education, and livability".

IK: Distribution of Fire Stations? When the community is “well-served” do we have a sense of the “distribution of the facilities”?

KW: I wondered about “adequate” and thought it might be pejorative.

AW: There might be further “policies” that allow for “equitable distribution”.

LP: “Livability” means something different to each person.

KW: Goals should be broad, policies can be more specific.

AW: I am OK with “livability” even if it is squishy.

Lisa: It carries a lot of weight, so I am warming to it.

KW: As planners we believe people have basic rights and livability is important.

Goal #2: “A system of public facilities that are accessible by transit located near or within mixed use development, [communicated as needed with local population - JS], technologically equipped and are environmentally sustainable.”

AW: Likes this. Maybe “well” in place of “as needed”.

KW: We don’t have control of police and fire, but the idea is that public services are communicated well to the community.

AD: “A system of public facilities which are reliable and strategically located and accessible to transit”.

JS: Try dividing the goal above into two goals.

KW: [works on this]

KW: Need to be careful about “easily accessible” so we like to use transit in this.

JS: Why is “near or within” mixed use development important?

KW: The idea is to make it more accessible.

AW: One point about location of services and one about how they operate.

KW: Will rework this. Feedback can still be given to us later on.

AD: “A system of public facilities which are convenient and accessible to users, bikes, and walking and located near or within mixed use development”.

KW: These can be added to policies.

KW/IK: “A system of public facilities whose services are provided equitably communicated well to the local population”.

JS: I would hope dialog continues with police and fire department.

KW: How about adding this to policy?

JS/KW/Lisa [discuss back and forth.]

AW: “Effective communication is a goal”.

KW: Take a pause here.

AW: Agreed, this is very important for many in the community.

Goal #3: “A healthy, safe, and livable community that is prepared to reduce the risk and respond to the risks posed by fire, flooding, and hazardous materials, geologic and seismic hazards and extreme temperatures, and other disasters and dangerous situations”.

JS: There are a whole lot of things that are dangerous but not natural.

KR: Plane crashes should be mentioned. The City Council said last week that some areas can have more residential density.

KW: The APZ 1 and 2 zones have not changed. The only thing we control is the Transition Zone which has not been changed by the City. On crashes, this is where it gets tricky. Air crashes are a disaster but can happen anywhere. We need to stick to the APZ1/2/TZ for land use. We need to keep things narrow with land use planning.

AW: We need to mention aircraft. The APZ1/2 Zones matter so we need to think about it.

JS: Add "aircraft hazards" after "temperatures".

KW: Remove "dangerous situations"?

IK: Leave it.

JS: Remove "disasters", add "other dangerous situations".

DK: Flooding is mostly due to water main breaks.

JS: Suggests additional modifications.

KW: Summarizes the current wording [need this].

DK/KW: Go over mixed use again from goal #1.

KW: Even though the mixed use has counter examples, the long range is for new facilities to be mixed use.

DK: Take out mixed use.

MB: You make a point...

RRW: First version of mixed use might be in the 1970s, adjacent to the south UC library. More recently Nobel athletic, Renaissance, etc.

AW: Would like to remove "near or within mixed use development".

KW: Given the time we'll work off-line on this, sending it out to all.

AW: Thanks to all, and see you next month.

Adjourned at 7:31