



North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting Minutes: July 15, 2025 - 6:30PM

Meeting Location: North Park Christian Fellowship 2901 N Park Way San Diego, CA 92104

In attendance:

Board Member	Present (online)	Absent (excused)
Malachi Bielecki		(X)
Cody Cocanig	X	
Jay Robinson Duff	X	
Lynn Elliott	X	
Krishna Hammond	X	
Neil Heacox		(X)
Bob LaRose	X	
Holden Leslie-Bole	X	
Barton Lynch		(X)
Johanna Mall	X	
Edgar Ramirez Manriquez	X	
Roger McClish	(X)	
Doug Schueler		(X)
Mark Spitzer		(X)
Jason Vance	X	

I. Parliamentary Items

- A. Call to order, roll call, and attendance report
- B. Agenda modifications
 1. None
- C. Adoption of agenda
 1. Elliott/Cocanig — *Approved 10-0*
- D. Adoption of previous month's minutes
 1. Pushed to next month
- E. Treasurer's Report
 1. Current balance: \$764. Recent expenses include a reimbursement to Roger and recurring Zoom fees. A reimbursement check from the City for last year's expenses is expected. Cody received a letter confirming this.

II. Non-agenda public comment, announcements, event notices

- A. Concern raised about AB413 daylighting enforcement: City issued warning flyers that residents didn't receive. ~\$140 tickets are now being issued; many curbs are still unmarked or mispainted (e.g., 28th Street).

III. Elected Official & Planner Reports

- A. Randy Reyes, Hon. Todd Gloria, City of San Diego, randyreyes@sanidiego.gov
 - 1. 500 miles of city street resurfacing completed
 - 2. Seaworld settlement will fund SD parks
- B. Logan Braydis, Hon. Stephen Whitburn, City Council Dist. 3, (619) 236-6633
LBraydis@sanidiego.gov
 - 1. Daylighting tickets are \$117, not \$140. City inventory of which curbs to paint is ongoing.
 - 2. Whitburn supported AB1127 (ban on semi-automatic weapon sales).
 - 3. Update on Mini Park shade structures: pergola footings were installed originally; delays due to material shortages. Completion expected December 2025.
 - 4. Thanked NPPC for support on renaming Lucky Lane
 - 5. SB 79: Gloria endorsed on behalf of the City
 - 6. Will follow up on the affordable housing letter and data
- C. Zar Shain, Head Librarian, NP Library (619) 533-3972 SDhain@sanidiego.gov
 - 1. California State Parks passes are available at the library
- D. Lynn Elliott, CPC Chair
 - 1. CPC voted to oppose SB79. NPPC abstained due to timing mismatch between CPC and NPPC meetings.

IV. Consent Items

- A. Letter to City Stormwater Dept. re: Flooding on Madison Ave. & Utah Street and Park Blvd. & Meade Ave.
 - 1. Letter addresses long-standing flooding issues at these intersections which have been the subject of frequent neighborhood complaints. The letter reflected submitted Get It Done reports and ADA concerns from blocked sidewalk ramps in both locations during flood conditions.
 - 2. LaRose/Robinson-Duff motion passes 10-0-0

V. Action/Informational Items

- A. Action Item: 2025 CIP (Capital Improvement Project) Prioritization List
 - 1. An Ad-Hoc subcommittee met (Jay, Edgar, Malachi, Jason) to synthesize community survey responses and projects listed in the North Park Community Plan for the CIP list to submit to the City.
 - 2. Discussion emphasized prioritizing mobility infrastructure over items not eligible under CIP (e.g., park bathrooms).
 - 3. Given the short timeframe and continued responses, leave the poll open another week. Schedule another Ad-Hoc subcommittee.
 - 4. Logan: uncertain if CIP projects will be funded next year, but the list is still valuable to guide advocacy for the needs of our neighborhood.
 - 5. Public comments during the meeting encouraged a focus on projects that support a multimodal transportation network, improve safety and walkability, and reduce congestion. Ideas included a neighborhood shuttle, bikeshare expansion, and improved bike parking.
 - a) Motion: Draft list to be submitted as preliminary to the City; final version to follow full board approval. LaRose/Hammond — Passed 9-1-0

b) Next Ad-Hoc CIP Subcommittee Meeting: Sunday, July 27 at 6:00 PM

B. Informational Item: Streetcar Revival Initiative – Presented by Michael Donovan (Vibrant Uptown)

1. SANDAG has proposed a streetcar (Project Tram 555) connecting Uptown, North Park, South Park, Bankers Hill, and Downtown. This was originally scheduled for 2035 but has now been pushed back to 2050. With increasing density in Uptown and North Park, we need better transit sooner than 2050.
2. Concept: Built at-grade, frequent stops, “walk-on, walk-off” model. Cities like Portland and Seattle have had successful streetcar revivals, spurring walkable development around the fixed route corridor.
3. Vibrant Uptown is bringing this forward to open community conversation around where the right route is to serve business districts and residences. Proposing a series of town halls around this. SANDAG requests that Vibrant Uptown raise \$500k to pay for community meetings.
4. Proposal: creation of an economic development zone to fund the project, where tax increment financing would capture the natural increase in property taxes to pay off construction bonds. After town halls, this would fund initial planning work.
5. Starting the process of creating an economic development zone requires permission from the communities to form such a zone. SANDAG has stated that if Vibrant Uptown shows community interest, they will adjust the priority of the project. Other cities have successfully implemented this strategy.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Urban Design & Project Review: Chair Jay Robinson Duff
 1. Discussed CIP process, survey outreach, and AB413 pilot location ideas.
- B. Public Facilities & Transportation: Chair Doug Schueler
 1. Focused on stormwater letter and CIP process.
- C. Communications: Chair Edgar Ramired Manriquez
 1. Reviewed workplan and communications priorities
 2. Revamp of Instagram, improved virtual participation links
 3. Minor updates to Community Participation Plan
 4. CIP flyer posting campaign launched

VII. Liaison Reports

- A. Maintenance Assessment District: Edgar Ramired Manriquez
 1. Meeting was cancelled
- B. Balboa Park Committee: Lynn Elliott
 1. Streamlining volunteer coordination
 2. Reviewing proposals for paid parking starting January
- C. Adams Avenue Business Association: Roger McClish
 1. Discussed AB413 space reuse pilot
- D. El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association: Lynn Elliott
 1. Adding parking; meetings have moved east on El Cajon Blvd.
 2. Next meeting: Thursday

VIII. New Business

- A. Discussion on improving CPC-CPG coordination and timing
- B. CPC agendas are often issued the Friday before the meeting, limiting NPPC ability to respond
- C. Consider requesting mayor's office support to better structure CPC engagement with CPGs

IX. Adjournment: 8:25PM LaRose/Hammond motion

- A. Next meeting: August 19, 6:30PM