

North Park Planning Committee

Public Facilities and Transportation Subcommittee

Draft Minutes for 8 July 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, Jason Vance, Malachi Bielecki, Edgar Ramirez Manriquez, Bob LaRose, Lynn Elliott (on Zoom), Krishna Hammond (on Zoom), Roger McClish (non-voting), Holden Leslie-Bole (non-voting), Mark Spitzer (on Zoom, non-voting), Jay Robinson-Duff (on Zoom, non-voting)

Members of community, in person: Joshua Logsdon, Mackenzie Kerwin Members of community, on Zoom: 1

- a. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Attendance Report Call to order: 6:01
- b. Modifications & Adoption of the 8 July Agenda

The description for Informational Item 2 should read "safety buffer considerations similar *to* streets" for clarity.

Agenda approved as amended (Vance/Bielecki/7-0-0).

c. Adoption of the 10 June 2025 Meeting Minutes

June minutes approved (Elliott/Ramirez Manriquez/5-0-2, LaRose, Bielecki abstain).

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.

Edgar: Communications subcommittee discussed posting flyers to promote CIP surveys. Looking for volunteers to post flyers at businesses, have flyers printed. Businesses that are willing to have postings will be recorded for future reference. NPPC-specific survey is the one that was used last year; clarification on how results were collected. Will be discussed further later in the meeting. Some locations may be willing to host permanent postings about NPPC.

- III. Action and Informational Items (6:15-6:55 p.m.)
- a. **Action Item 1 (6:15-6:20):** Letter to the City Stormwater Department requesting updates regarding flooding during heavy rains on Madison Avenue at Utah Street, as well as on Park Boulevard at Meade Avenue. Action: Review and make recommendation to the full board as appropriate.

Resident had submitted GetItDone reports two years ago on this issue, but issue had not been fixed. Letter would request information on the status of these reports. Issue may partially be an issue of underground stormwater system rather than street drainage, which would require a larger project to address. Drain is present at Park and Meade, but is either too small or is blocked. May not be a drain at Madison and Utah.

Need to be proactive and address this before the rainy season returns. Storm water department attended NPPC meeting last year to discuss other projects, might be willing to discuss this issue with us. Water may be causing ADA issues, this can be mentioned in the letter in order to get attention of the city. Will be added to letter.

Motion to recommend letter to full board as modified passes (LaRose/Vance/7-0-0).

b. **Informational Item 1 (6:20-6:30):** Bike lane on the right side of southbound Pershing Drive originating at Upas Street.

Bike lane on east side of Pershing Drive is protected and safe, but bike lane on west side isn't. People may not be aware of the full bike lane, adults with children have been seen in the west bike lane. Drivers may not think to look for cyclists on the west side of the road. This was discussed at a full board meeting last year, with the desire expressed to remove this bike lane. SANDAG was unable to change the design at that time. Inclusion of west bike lane was intended to enable the project to appeal to as many groups as possible, including those who wanted to ride faster. The lane on the west side does appeal to those who want to go faster than would make sense for the full bikeway, that was the intention. Road currently does not have a shoulder, meaning that a breakdown would halt traffic. Bike lane may be wide enough to be turned into a shoulder.

Question on whether the more dangerous bike lane option should be allowed/promoted for those who would want to take the risk. Issue in justifying asking cars to slow down for safety while allowing or encouraging cyclists to take faster, more dangerous options. Question about whether the west lane is well-maintained, opinion in room was that it was.

c. **Informational Item 2 (6:30-6:40):** Utah Street surface markings and considerations for remarking with safety buffer considerations similar to streets with newer bike lanes such as Meade Avenue and Lincoln Avenue.

Will be pushed to next month due to time considerations.

d. Informational Item 3 (6:40-6:55): Capital Improvements Program (CIP) inputs: The City of San Diego Planning Department invites planning groups to submit priorities for infrastructure projects and improvements for the City's Capital Improvements Program (CIP), which helps the City plan future infrastructure projects. Individual planning group's knowledge at the local level will help the City direct infrastructure where it will best meet community needs and enhance quality of life for residents.

Word about the deadline was received this year without too much notice. If we do our own survey, we can bring ideas to the city that we know have community support. There may not be much money available for CIP projects this year, but requests should still be submitted in case of unexpected room in the budget, and to put them on the city's radar. Last year's requests were submitted to the city on time (or close to it), with some revisions being submitted later to Whitburn. List could be categorized in terms of cost to reflect this current issue with the city. Some requests may be in the purview of Parks and Rec. Requests from last year outlined. Idea to reach out to Logan to see if any of our requests have active plans.

Deadline for our CIP submission would be August 1. We can try to get what we can reviewed and approved at next full board meeting, but at worst we can resubmit what we submitted last year with necessary modifications. Other option would be an ad-hoc committee before next week's meeting. Question on who would be able to attend a meeting and on which day—seemed to be enough board members available on Sunday. Survey responses will be collected as quickly as possible in order to provide input for this meeting. Discussion on whether proposals in the Mobility Master Plan, Community Plan should be asked for as CIP projects. Point mentioned that the CIP requests can serve to prioritize projects that may already exist.

Motion to set up ad-hoc subcommittee, meeting on Sunday at 6 on Zoom, consisting of Jason, Jay, Edgar, Lynn, and Malachi, to discuss the CIP request list to be presented to full board meeting passes (Vance/Bielecki/7-0-0).

Moving forward, it would be good to have survey open throughout the year, would give us more time to deliberate over responses and options.

IV. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: (6:55-6:59 p.m.)

Bob: Caltrans may have cleared northbound on-ramp onto I-5 from Pershing.

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

Motion to add 10 minutes to meeting passes (Vance/LaRose/7-0-0). Motion to adjourn passes (LaRose/Ramirez Manriquez/7-0-0) at 7:09.

Future PFT Subcommittee Meeting Date: 12 August 2025 at 6 p.m.

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