

## Midway Pacific Highway Community Planning Group Regular Meeting

**Date:** March 19, 2025

**Location:** 2911 Sports Arena Blvd, Suite A San Diego CA 92110

**Call to Order:** 3:12 PM. Quorum present.

**Approval of Minutes:** No minutes submitted for approval.

**Modifications to the Agenda:** None

**Non-Agenda Public Comments:** None.

### **Government Reports:**

- **Officer James Harris (SDPD):**
  - Presented crime analysis data based on a three-year average: Crimes against persons (batteries, assaults) in the Western Division are up 2.4%. Property crimes down 19.3%. Society crimes up 15%.
  - Discussed specific incidents including a staffing incident at the Salvation Army and a home burglary on the 3000 block of Calypso.
  - Announced "Coffee with a Cop" events at local businesses and encouraged suggestions for locations.
  - Addressed questions regarding homeless encampments and the "Get It Done" app for reporting issues.
- **Randy- Mayor's Office (Emailed - Not Present):**
  - Serra Mesa Library (3440 Sandrock Road) to be transformed into 59 affordable housing for veterans.
  - Mayor sponsors SB 569 to streamline encampment abatement on Caltrans property.
  - City of San Diego Invites Residents to Learn More About Proposed Trash and Recycling Services: April 4th Virtual meeting 9:00am-11:00am and April 7 at SD College of Continuing Education at 5:30pm.
  - Mayor Gloria and City Council to Host Annual 'Women of Distinction' Ceremony in Honor of Women's History Month.
- **Margaret (Councilmember Campbell's Office):**
  - Randy's report covered most of the updates. No additional specific updates were provided.
- **Sophie (Regional Airport Authority):**
  - **New Terminal 1 Project (Phase 1A):** Approximately 85% complete, on track for late summer opening. Wi-Fi being installed, systems being tested. Concessionaires are building out their spaces.
  - **Parking Plaza (Stage 2):** Approximately 90% complete, set to open in June.
  - **Airlines in New Terminal:** Southwest, Frontier, Sun Country, Spirit, JetBlue, Elysian, and Breeze.
  - **Roadway Changes:** New on-airport roadway from Laurel Street will take approximately 45,000 vehicles off North Harbor Drive.
  - A new Terminal 1 roadshow presentation will be given in July or summer to inform the community about changes. September planned opening.
  - **Air Service Updates:** New non-stop service from San Diego Airport to Panama City with Copa Airlines. WestJet extended several services. New daily service to Fresno, California. Lufthansa upgrading San Diego-Munich route with premium cabin offering starting March 30th. Turkish Airlines service to Munich resumes March 1st.
- **Robson (Assemblymember Tasha Boemer's Office)**
  - Addressed concerns about encampments on County property, advising contact with his office.
  - **Legislative Updates (13 bills introduced):**
    - **Density Bonuses:** Clarifies density bonus law to include non-residential projects and short-term vacation rentals (if affordable housing percentage is met).
    - **Affordable Home Internet:** Mandates internet service providers to offer affordable plans to low-income households in California.

- **Toxic Microplastics:** Bans the sale of non-rinse personal care and cleaning products containing plastic microbeads.
  - **SB1017:** Focuses on affordability and transparency in SDG&E's rate setting by requiring reporting on distribution capacities.
- **Shaina (Congressman Scott Peters' Office):**
  - **Tijuana River Valley:** Secured almost \$650 million for repairs and upgrades to the South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant.
  - **NIH Funding:** Congressman Peters highlighted the importance of NIH funding by bringing Dr. James Brewer from UCSD to the President's State of the Union address.
- **Dina (Naval Base Point Loma):**
  - No updates on NAVWAR revitalization; environmental document in production.
  - Increased traffic due to federal civilians returning to in-person work. Transportation fairs will be held in early April to promote ride-sharing and public transit.
  - The F18 jet crash on February 12th is still under investigation. Both occupants are safe. Environmental team deployed a boom system to contain spillage, and recovery efforts for the jet are complete.
- **Jim (MCRD):**
  - Operations continue as normal despite the federal government hiring freeze and lack of FY25 budget.
  - Recruitment and training of Marines continue; on track to meet mission this year and have a larger starting pool next year.
  - Increased activity expected in the summer with more graduations, bringing visitors to the area.

#### **Information Items-**

##### **San Diego Aquatic Center Presentation:**

Stephen Rodie, President of the San Diego Aquatic Center Council, presented on the proposed aquatic center at the former Naval Training Center site.

- The master plan for the NTC closure included an aquatic center for the region.
- The recently burned Building 619 was in disrepair and limited the site's capacity.
- Advocates for a multi-pool facility to serve diverse groups simultaneously, including teaching swimming, competitive practices, and community use.
- Highlighted the ideal waterfront location for a world-class facility.
- A multi-pool facility would drive economic impact through large-scale competitions, tourism (elite and collegiate teams), and local school use.
- Proposed a design with multiple 50-meter pools, a shallower community pool, and movable bulkheads to maximize water use.
- Expressed the need for an economic impact report to assess revenue generation, noting current city pools operate in the red.
- Anticipates a public-private partnership for funding, with strong interest from stakeholders like Point Loma Nazarene University.
- Envisions the center providing opportunities for all children to learn to swim and potentially fostering Olympic athletes.
- Project estimated to cost \$40-50 million, likely to be phased.
- Encouraged support through their website (QR code provided), email list, and community outreach.

##### **Midway Rising Update:**

Jason Potter, Director of Development with Chelsea Investment Corporation (affordable housing partner), provided updates:

- The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is expected to be released for public review in the next two weeks.
- Next informational workshop will be held at Council District 8 on Monday night in the Otay Mesa West State Road area.

##### **Action Item- Election Results:**

- The election ended officially at 4:00 PM.

- Marco (Goodwill) and Bob (Pacifica Companies) did not run for re-election, leaving two vacant seats.
- Derek and Karen were re-elected for three-year terms.
- Cathy Kenton was elected to a new seat, serving a three-year term.
- A motion was made by Ryan to accept the election results for the two renewals and one new seat was seconded by Tod and unanimously approved.

**Adjournment:** 4:18 PM.