



North Park Planning Committee

Public Facilities and Transportation Subcommittee

Draft Minutes for 14 October at 6:00 p.m.

In Person Location North Park Christian Fellowship 2901 N Park Way

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

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

Attendance:

Board members: Holden Leslie-Bole, Roger McClish, Bob LaRose, Lynn Elliott, Malachi Bielecki, Krishna Hammond (on zoom), Mark Spitzer (on zoom), Edgar Ramirez Manriquez (on zoom, non-voting)

Members of community, in person: 1

- a. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Attendance Report

Call to order: 6:08

- b. Modifications & Adoption of the 14 October 2025 Agenda

Brent Boyd had to cancel. MTS Information Item moved to be first item addressed. Informational Item concerning Altadena crashes added. Time frames for different items overlap, so time listings for Action and Informational Items removed.

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

- c. Adoption of the 9 September 2025 Meeting Minutes

September minutes approved (Elliott/LaRose/6-0-1, Bielecki abstaining).

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.

Community member: Expressed disappointment that Brent Boyd is not in attendance. Believes that Boundary Street corridor from University south is underserved by transit, as it doesn't have access to transit without a mile-plus walk. City should work on last-mile solutions or serve the area directly. Number 2 bus route ends at Union and Broadway, at the jail; must walk to work from there. Jail does not seem to be a logical place for the route to end. The 992 route is the connector, but is often not on time due to the construction at the airport. Expressed belief that the 2 bus should go to Broadway and Harbor like it used to before the pandemic. Has reached out to Whitburn about these issues but has not heard back. Expressed concern that community is not consulted on changes to transit routes. Also that the buses don't run past midnight, even though the bars are open past then—seems at odds with the city's goal to reduce DUIs.

III. Action and Informational Items (6:15-6:55 p.m.)

- a. **Information Item 1:** Public Transit discussion with Mr. Brent Boyd, Director of Planning and Scheduling with the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System or MTS. This is intended to be an open

discussion with potential topics ranging from improved transit routes, transit signal priority, and other quick/low cost ideas or longer term improvements to our local public transit system.

Brent was not able to make it, concerns brought up here will be raised at the next meeting.

Board of Directors are currently having a meeting to determine the future operations of MTS. Concerns are the budget shortfall, potential solutions, and what will happen if MTS goes off the “fiscal cliff”. Brent is supportive of expanding transit. Funding will be an issue in terms of service levels, and the results of this remain to be seen. That being said, we can and should still advocate for service to our community and funding sources for it.

Point brought up that Boundary corridor is underserved but is still paying for transit. This is an issue that should be escalated. Point brought up that better transit would help businesses by providing more access for customers, especially when they have been drinking.

Question on if the 215 “Rapid” service is truly “bus rapid transit”. Has relevance for the zoning in the nearby areas under SB 79. Our request for transit signal priority could affect this classification. Currently, only Park Blvd. is classified under SB 79 for upzoning.

As of now, Brent is scheduled to be at the next subcommittee meeting on November 11th.

- b. **Action Item 1:** Review two initial angled street parking requests from the City of San Diego Transportation Department, and make recommendations for proceeding with the full evaluation process.

- i. Segment of Suncrest Drive from Kansas Street to 30th Street
- ii. Segment of 32nd Street from Howard Avenue to Polk Avenue

Question on how these were brought to our attention from the city. Seems that the city is interested in putting in back-in angled parking. Back-in parking has been discussed by this subcommittee in the past, perhaps this is a response to that.

Explanation that back-in parking is beneficial because it improves visibility when pulling out, prevents headlights from shining into people’s houses. This is the new standard; the city is not currently installing much old-style angled parking.

Asked about community opinions and buy-in. Knowledge about how this was proposed may help. Neither Jason nor Doug are currently here, they might know this information.

Google StreetView of areas in question shown to meeting. Question on which side of the street, or both, the parking would be on. Discussion of width of the street.

Belief that the city was asking us for input before going to the residents. Proposal may have come from the parking district. Concern raised that the city would want to charge for this parking; opinion was that this was unlikely on a residential street.

General idea that we could be in favor, if the residents agreed, if it fit, and if we had information about the origin and purpose of this proposal. Question on how we’d comment on this, what our action/deliverable would be. If they are looking for recommendations, we could give that. Wouldn’t want to give a definitive answer without hearing from the community first.

Motion to recommend that the city proceeds with the full evaluation process, to include back-in angled parking on one side of each street, as to be determined by the evaluation, on both the mentioned sections of Suncrest and 32nd streets passes. (McClish/LaRose/7-0-0)

Question on if there are limits to oversized vehicles parking in angled parking. Likely there are limits, enforcement could be raised with Jenny. May not be relevant in these areas anyway.

- c. **Informational Item 2:** Discussion on Altadena crashes

Issue is that people are exiting the freeway and speeding south on 33rd street. There is a traffic circle at Landis that people speed through and a stop sign at Dwight that people don’t stop at. There have been issues with crashes, speeders, drunk drivers. Speed humps have

been installed, as well as some more stop signs. Crashes have often been at Upas where the street jogs and narrows.

Terrence Morrissey is advocating on moving the 33rd St. traffic to 32nd St. The proposed street mural at 32nd and Thorn is designed to slow down traffic, but issue is that 32nd is too narrow for simultaneous traffic in both directions. Issue is that there are multiple things that need to happen (with the two streets) in order to have a solution, but there isn't support for doing those multiple things.

This has been brought up before and is a persistent issue. Should be a concerted effort to address these issues rather than just bringing them up piecemeal. Need to make plans for 32nd and 33rd together.

Proposal to make a detailed list of the issues in this area, and what needs to happen to fully and comprehensively address them. Could lead into a dedicated PFT meeting to discuss this. Right now nothing can be determined, but Lynn will start on that list, potentially consulting with Terrence.

IV. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: (6:55-7:00 p.m.)

Bob: City had a bid for a consultant for the Park/Blvd/EI Cajon intersection. Last time we discussed with Logan, they had mentioned that this study would be done in-house.

Edgar: Letter to Stormwater about drainage issues has received a response. Should be followed up on in future meetings.

Holden: Brent has asked us to compile list of local transit issues and desired improvements.

Question on if the PFT subcommittee will be meeting next month on Veterans Day. Plan is that we'll still meet, but Brent Boyd may need to be moved to the full board meeting.

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

5 minutes added (Bielecki/McClish).

Motion to adjourn passes (McClish) at 7:07.

Future PFT Subcommittee Meeting Date: 11 November 2025 at 6 p.m.

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