



# North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting Minutes: Feb 17, 2026 6:30PM

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

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
  1. 12 present
- B. Agenda modifications
  1. Move consent item C to the end of agenda, making it item D
  2. Add budget report from Cody related to the elections, item E
- C. Adoption of agenda
  1. LaRose-Elliott motion passes 11-0-0
- D. Adoption of previous month's minutes
  1. Ramirez Manriquez-Elliott 10-0-1
- E. Treasurer's Report
  1. \$784.51 in the bank account
  2. Google and Zoom payments went out last month

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

- A. Concern about roundabout at Landis and 33rd. Disabled neighbors struggle crossing it. Can we add flashing lights so people can cross safely?
- B. Boundary and NP Way has encampments and people don't cross the street there anymore. Get It Done hasn't worked. Fencing hasn't worked. There are drug issues happening there.
  - a. Elliott: State has put up partial fencing
- C. Concerns about land use tied to the city budget crisis. The city should not rely on promoting addictive products like marijuana to balance the budget. The city should remove drug-related advertising by adding language to the land development code update.
- D. Councilmember Campillo was removed from the housing committee after proposing amendments to make parking free at Balboa Park 24/7. He also proposed ballot language that had undergone thorough analysis so voters fully understand what they are voting for. Both motions failed. Campillo tends to vote less "developer-friendly."
- E. There are major changes to mental health service funding after July 1. There will be an opportunity for public comment beginning March 14-April 17. Mental health services are going to be drastically cut. Community should be informed and be ready to advocate at the Board of Supervisors.

### III. Elected Official & Planner Reports

- A. Joshua Dunn, Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe, San Diego County District 4, (858)325-7178 [Joshua.Dunn@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Joshua.Dunn@sdcounty.ca.gov)
  - 1. The county is focusing on a preventative approach in response to Federal HR 1. The supervisor has formed a subcommittee on sustainable fiscal planning. They're focusing on those losing critical housing and food services. She's proposing the Safety Net Bridge Program to help subsidize individuals falling off of self sufficiency services. This includes the immigrant population and those experiencing/at risk of homelessness.
  - 2. We are in budget season. Mochas with Monica happening Feb 20th at 4011 46th St.
  - 3. LaRose: What role does the county have in supporting mental health services?
    - a) County is the public health administrator. EBT, CalWorks, MediCAL are all facing federal cuts that are expected to affect 500,000 people in San Diego County. The supervisor is working to identify where the county can backfill the lost funding and which programs are most important to subsidize.
  - 4. Ramirez Manriquez: New work requirements are for which programs?
    - a) EBT, CalFresh, MediCAL, and more.
- B. Logan Braydis, Hon. Stephen Whitburn, City Council Dist. 3, (619) 236-6633 [LBraydis@sandiego.gov](mailto:LBraydis@sandiego.gov)
  - 1. Thurs Feb 19th at 1PM the active transportation committee will have an informational item on item 200-07 and 200-08 in relation to marked crosswalk criteria at uncontrolled locations. Community members should provide input on these policies in advance.
  - 2. Whitburn's office has been working with AARP and NP Main St and NPPC on an active transportation workshop - April 22 (to discuss traffic calming and place making concepts) and 23 (implementing a temporary quick-build traffic calming installation at NP Way and Ray st). Dates could change but Logan will keep us updated.

3. Parking meter revenue: 407 street lights and 1400 pot holes repaired with this money. They're shifting to a 2-week rotation between Downtown, Uptown, and Mid-City districts.
    - a) This money was previously managed by the parking districts. This went to things like murals and decorative street lighting. The city is using the money for safety issues like street lights and pot holes and painting curbs red so people know.
    - b) The transportation dept doesn't fund red curbing specifically anymore but just paints as roads are repaired over time. Logan can help with red curbs that need to be painted.
    - c) They prioritize major streets when doing repairs.
  4. Zone Zero
    - a) State mandated Zone Zero requirement will go into effect to reduce wildfire risk. All new structures within high fire severity zones will have to have 5 feet of ember-resistant space. Existing structures will have to have this by Feb 2027. [More information here.](#)
  5. Budget Priority Memo is online. The planning group can write letters in support of whatever priorities are relevant to NPPC. Each department is split in their budget priorities.
- C. Randy Reyes, Hon. Todd Gloria, City of San Diego, [randyreyes@sandiego.gov](mailto:randyreyes@sandiego.gov)
1. SDPD will not exceed overtime budget for the first time in a decade.
  2. City is putting \$16.5 towards more affordable homes through the Bridge to Home program
  3. City trash service can apply for financial assistance
- D. Jenny Hall, SD Police Community Relations Officer, [jmason@pd.sandiego.gov](mailto:jmason@pd.sandiego.gov)
1. Arsonist was going around last month on Jan 29th. Started over by Sprouts on Park Blvd lighting trash cans, bushes, a flag on fire over 2 hours. They continued down University Ave. Officers stopped a suspect on El Cajon who was taken into custody.
  2. Fire in the canyon over by 805-S on Feb 5th. Was an out-of-control cooking fire.
  3. This Saturday the 21st 10PM-3AM there will be a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint somewhere in the city.
  4. LaRose: Continued issues with kids throwing bottles down from the top of the parking garage.
  5. Robinson Duff: Asked about the results of the distracted driving grant.
    - a) This is managed by the traffic division. Will reach out to them to find out the results of this grant.
- E. Lynn Elliott, CPC Chair
1. They went through the land development code updates and made comments.
  2. There's a new website.
  3. They've asked the city for more money for planning groups.

#### IV. Consent Items

- A. PFT: *All-Way Stop and Crosswalks, Madison Ave & Idaho St*: Approval of a letter to the City requesting installation of an all-way stop sign and marked crosswalks at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Idaho Street. The request is supported by a

neighborhood petition, including signatures from local school principals, and is intended to improve pedestrian safety near nearby schools.

- B. PFT: *All-Way Stop and Crosswalks, Polk Ave & Ohio St*: Approval of a letter to the City requesting installation of an all-way stop sign and marked crosswalks at the intersection of Polk Avenue and Ohio Street. The request is supported by a neighborhood petition and aims to address safety concerns related to increased traffic, nearby nightlife activity, and recent development in the area.
- C. MOVED TO ACTION/INFORMATIONAL
- D. PFT: *Endorsement of Rapid 215 Coalition Letter*: Endorsement of a letter from the Rapid 215 Coalition requesting transit improvements along the 215 route, including expanded and clearly marked bus lanes and broader implementation of transit signal priority to improve reliability and efficiency.
  - 1. 12-0-0 vote in favor of the consent items

## V. Action/Informational Items

- A. **Information:** Candidates running for the NPPC will each be given up to two minutes to introduce themselves and share why they are interested in serving on the board. This item is informational only and intended to provide voters an opportunity to hear directly from candidates.
  - 1. 20 candidates for 7 seats
- B. **Action:** *CPC Request for Designated Community Presentation Time at City Hearings*: Consider adoption of the Community Planners Committee (CPC) proposal requesting designated presentation time for Community Planning Groups at City decision-making hearings (Planning Commission, City Council, and Council Committees), consistent with time afforded to project applicants and proponents. If approved, authorize submission of a support letter to Council District 3 in alignment with CPC's request.
  - 1. Question from Zoom: Would it be both CPC and CPGs that would comment?  
Concern that this would give an even more lopsided voice to homeowners over renters.
    - a) Yes. It would be both CPC and CPGs.
  - 2. Ramirez Manriquez: NPPC has worked hard to engage with a wide spectrum of North Park. Other CPGs don't do that same work. Many of the groups have people who have been there for years and years and don't engage the neighbors like NPPC.
  - 3. Elliott: Activists in the communities are part of these groups and not just stodgy old homeowners.
  - 4. McClish: Could NPPC be represented by CPC in support of issues that NPPC has voted against?
    - a) NPPC would have a separate voice as CPGs are represented.
    - b) Ramirez Manriquez: The CPC has spoken on our behalf even without NPPC input before.
  - 5. Lynch: For clarity - NPPC and CPC would have a separate voice in this change?
    - a) Elliott: Yes.
  - 6. LaRose-Elliott motion to approve letter 4-4-2
- C. **Action:** Consider approval of an expenditure of up to \$175 to purchase an Anker PowerConf S500 Speakerphone for improved Zoom audio quality during board meetings and committees.
  - 1. Vance-LaRose motion to approve passes 9-0-0

- D. PFT: *All-Way Stop and Crosswalks, Monroe Ave & Mississippi St*: Approval of a letter to the City requesting installation of an all-way stop sign and marked crosswalks at the intersection of Monroe Avenue and Mississippi Street. This approval is contingent upon receipt of a neighborhood petition supporting the [request.northparkplanning.org](http://request.northparkplanning.org)
  - 1. Logan: Are there results of a traffic survey?
    - a) It did not qualify and was recommended that we go through the alternative process.
  - 2. Ramirez Manriquez: We should wait for more signatures.
  - 3. Logan: The city can share the results of the survey so this has more context.
  - 4. Elliott-Lynch motion to move it back to PFT passes 9-0-0
- E. Approving election expenses
  - 1. Expected to pay \$37 for in-person voting, \$30 for online voting, and ~\$40-\$50 additional miscellaneous expenses.
  - 2. Elliott motion to approve expenses to not exceed \$200
  - 3. Lynch-LaRose motion to approve final 9-0-1

## **VI. Subcommittee Reports**

- A. Urban Design & Project Review: Chair Jay Robinson Duff
  - 1. Get It Done request to change light timing at 30th and University was denied due to protected turn signals. Working on another way of bringing this to the full board.
- B. Public Facilities & Transportation: Chair Doug Schueler
  - 1. 3 stopsign requests + the Rapid 215 letter as well as a request to clearly mark the bus lanes.
- C. Communications: Chair Edgar Ramirez Manriquez
  - 1. Focus on outreach strategy for the election. 30 flyers across NP and 30 mini ones.

## **VII. Liaison Reports**

- A. Maintenance Assessment District: Edgar Ramirez Manriquez
  - 1. Meeting was cancelled.
- B. North Park Main Street: Bob LaRose
  - 1. Cleanup survey second saturday of the month
  - 2. Mobility meeting April 28th
- C. El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association: Lynn Elliott
  - 1. Meeting this Thursday
- D. University Heights Community Association: Holden Leslie-Bole
  - 1. Presented an overview of NPPC accomplishments

## **VIII. New Business**

- A. None

## **IX. Adjournment: 8:29PM**

- A. Next meeting: March 17th, 6:30PM