



North Park Planning Committee

Public Facilities and Transportation Subcommittee

Minutes for February 10th, 2026 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: Holden Leslie-Bole, Roger McClish, Jason Vance, Malachi Bielecki, Cody Cocanig, Bob LaRose, Mark Spitzer (on Zoom), Krishna Hammond (non-voting), Johanna Mall (non-voting), Jay Robinson-Duff (non-voting, on Zoom)
Members of community, on Zoom: Peggy Russell

- a. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Attendance Report
Call to order: 6:06
- b. Modifications & Adoption of the February 10th, 2026 Agenda
Agenda approved (McClish/Bielecki/7-0-0).
- c. Adoption of the January 13th, 2026 Meeting Minutes
January minutes approved (McClish/Bielecki/6-0-1, Cocanig 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.

Peggy Russell: Concerns about building aesthetics in North Park, relating to uniform street number labeling and advertisement billboards. Also, the alley between 32nd St. and Iowa St. between Lincoln Ave. and Polk Ave. ought to have the current ground cover removed and its surface graded and covered with cement. A new seventy-two unit building has been completed with access to 32nd Street and the alley.

Question of why the city would not have made the developer of the new building redo the alleyway. Could be something the committee looks into. Mentioned that often times the main way alleys get resurfaced is for new sewer lines or stormwater drains.

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

- a. **Item 1, Action (6:15-6:25):** Review request letter and petition for a request for an all way stop sign with crosswalks at the intersection of Madison Avenue and Idaho Street. The

PF&T subcommittee will review and edit the proposed letter, and vote on a recommendation for the NPPC board to submit the letter to the city.

Letter shown to meeting, additional context for intersection explained. Street can act almost as an arterial when it is not intended to be so. Intersection is nearby schools and so should be safe for kids to cross. Petition was sent to us, including signatures from the principals of the schools. Clarification asked on if painted crosswalks can be installed with four-way stop, what seems to be the case is that we have to explicitly ask for it.

Motion to send letter to full board for approval with technical details entered approved (LaRose/Bielecki/7-0-0).

- b. **Item 2, Action (6:25-6:35):** Review request letter and petition for a request for an all way stop sign with crosswalks at the intersection of Polk Avenue and Ohio Street. The PF&T subcommittee will review and edit the proposed letter, and vote on a recommendation for the NPPC board to submit the letter to the city.

Resident who brought request explained the background on the intersection. Mentioned that many inebriated people leave Working Class nearby late at night, and that in general there have been multiple accidents. Resident had asked for a four-way stop previously but had been declined by the city, so was pursuing it through the planning committee. Mentioned the heavy activity and new apartment buildings going up in the area. Neighbors had responded enthusiastically to resident petition. One neighbor had proposed a roundabout, but this idea was not shared by other neighbors due to construction required. Committee members concurred with the need for a stop sign at this location. Mentioned that two pedestrian fatalities had occurred recently in Pacific Beach in nightlife areas, that this is something the committee should be aware of. Asked what the time frame would be for this request, mentioned that in the past it had taken several months to a few years, but that this could vary.

Motion to send letter to full board for approval with technical details entered approved (Bielecki/LaRose/7-0-0).

- c. **Item 3, Action (6:35-6:45):** Discuss the request for an all way stop and crosswalks at the intersection of Monroe Avenue and Mississippi Street. Vote to recommend for NPPC to submit a support letter, pending a petition with signatures from neighbors.

Resident who brought request shared what they had noticed with regard to the intersection. Mentioned that they had noticed increasing traffic on Monroe throughout the time they had lived there. Monroe only seems to have one stop sign currently in this area. Had mentioned that they had noticed several accidents at the intersection, generally with cars entering from Mississippi and getting hit by traffic on Monroe. Mentioned that they believed that the main issue was for vehicle traffic more than pedestrians. Resident is currently getting signatures on a petition. Letter shown to meeting. Discussion on how the point-scoring system works, how intersections that don't quite meet the cutoff may still warrant an all-way stop.

Motion to send letter to full board for approval, with technical details entered and contingent on receiving the petition approved (Bielecki/LaRose/7-0-0).

- d. **Item 4, Action (6:45-6:55):** Review and vote on a recommendation to endorse a letter from the Rapid 215 Coalition asking for service improvements on the 215 bus. This is a new public advocacy campaign to request dedicated bus lanes, transit signal priority, and other solutions to speed up the bus.

NPPC sent a letter advocating for transit signal priority on the 215 last year, but this was not acted on. Organizers explained the issues mentioned in the letter. The Rapid 215 bus is heavily used but still gets stuck in traffic, which would be helped with transit signal priority. Currently transit signal priority is installed on much of the route, but only used for when the bus is running behind schedule to help it catch up. Letter requests that the priority be used all the time, installed for the intersections where it currently is not. Letter also requests that the bus lanes be clearly marked to NACTO standards where they are currently installed, and added where they are not yet. There has not been noted pushback to these proposals, and the El Cajon Boulevard Business Association has been supportive.

Question on whether the bus lanes would be center-running or shoulder-running. Answer was that what would be proposed here would be shoulder-running, given what is most feasible now and what can be done to improve the route soon. Question on SB 79. Answer is that the bus lanes on El Cajon would not qualify, given that the bus lanes are also bike lanes. Either way, would not impact what is being requested here. Issue raised that it seemed like we were prioritizing bus riders over cars by taking away a lane. Mentioned that those lanes are already supposed to be bus-only, that this proposal would only be clarifying where the bus lanes are in North Park. Also mentioned that the idea is that the bus should be made more efficient, given that it is currently underused. Brought up that the bus can take pressure off of vehicle traffic by motivating people to switch to public transit. Proposed that the transit signal priority section be made into its own letter. Point made that NPPC already sent a letter on that topic.

Motion to recommend to full board passes (Bielecki/Cocanig/6-1-0).

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

None.

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

Motion to adjourn passes.

Future PFT Subcommittee Meeting Date: March 10th, 2026 at 6 p.m.

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