



North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting

Agenda: May 19, 2026 6:30PM

Meeting Location: North Park Christian Fellowship, 2901 North Park Way

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82605242705?pwd=Auj11rvybalvlabYAOBw1lKu15FwA5.1>

Board Member	Present (online)	Absent (excused)
Edgar Ramirez Manriquez	X	
Jason Vance	X	
Rachel Murray	X	
Cody Cocanig	X	
Holden Leslie-Bole	X	
Jay Robinson-Duff	X	
Krishna Hammond	X	
Johanna Mall	X	
Barbara Forsyth	X	
Malachi Bielecki	X	
Douglas Schueler	X	
Roger McClish	X	
Meghan Traynor	X	
Molly Ryan	X	
Steph Rojas	X	

I. **Parliamentary Items (6:30-6:40pm)**

- A. Call to Order. Roll Call.
- B. 15 present

- C. Approval of Consent Agenda/Modifications to the NPPC Agenda
 - Pull item A from consent and add it as an action item
 - Have item A at end of agenda to prioritize budget letter given timeliness

D. Approve Today's Agenda

Motion to approve - Malachi, second Johanna - 15 in favor

E. Approve Last Meeting's Minutes

No adjustment this time, but ensure in future to have attendance
Noted.

Malachi approve, Johanna second - all in favor

F. Treasurer's Report

\$381.94 - expenses, typical Google 8.40, Zoom 16.99, reimbursement - Jason for
microphone speaker \$165.92 - Election expenses - 168.40

All expenses need to be included this year for budget purposes

Additional resources to be included in non-agenda public comment

Cody: \$300+ has been in reserve over the past few years. No need to spend down.

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment, Announcements, Event Notices (6:40-7pm)

- Becky Rapp - support to urge prioritize enforcement in illegal hemp/vape product use. Businesses facing hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines, but little to no enforcement happening here and accountability is minimal. If \$500 per item, increase to revenue could help with budget concerns. Enforce laws already in place to balance the budget.
- Kathleen - enforcement - city has been remiss in oversight of irresponsible bar owners. Public drinking, noise in the communities from bars disruptive and on-sale CUP process is not happening. In Pacific Beach tourists say they won't come back due to loudness, including bull horns. Trash, litter, etc, all go along with public drunkenness without enforcement.
- Matthew Thompson - Be careful about urging the city to put in temporary solutions. The concern is that temporary solutions will become permanent.
- Mark Spitzer - Last meeting it was discussed to send a letter and encourage people who ran last time to come. It wasn't done and would like to resurface it.
- Malachi - acknowledged horrific shooting at Islamic Center.
- Edgar - OG Brewing at 8am tomorrow; Rock n Roll May 30 & 31st, expect road closures.

III. Elected Official, City Staff, and Community Reports: Limited to 5 Min Max (7:00-7:25pm)

A. **State Senate Dist. 39:** Dr. Akelia Weber, (619) 688-6700

Liaison: Sam Gonzalez (not here)

B. **State Legislator Dist. 78:** Chris Ward, (619) 280-7801

Liaison: Christopher Gris, Christopher.Gris@asm.ca.gov (not here)

C. **County Board of Supervisors Dist. 3:** Monica Montgomery-Steppe, (619) 325-7178

Liaison: Joshua Dunn, Joshua.Dunn@sdcounty.ca.gov (not here)

D. **Mayor of San Diego:** Hon. Todd Gloria

Liaison: Randy Reyes, randyreyes@saniego.gov (not here)

E. **City Council Dist. 3:** Hon. Stephen Whitburn, (619) 236-6633

Liaison: Logan Braydis, LBraydis@saniego.gov

1. Budget review committee meetings, presented on their budgets for upcoming fiscal year. Hosted budget town hall last week. Appreciated attendance. Next steps - tomorrow is the deadline for council members to

submit final budget numbers. Please submit letter asap to ensure it's included for tomorrow's deadline. June 2 independent budget analyst does a review and June 7 is when budget is completely finalized.

2. Main focus is traffic calming. Please use traffic calming form, first the evaluation has to happen. You can reach out to the office to see if an evaluation has been complete.
3. Looking forward to some new improvements.
4. Public question - mayor is considering removing traffic safety roles, is that matter in the budget. Logan confirms that the mayor kept it in and council members were surprised. This is the multi-modal role (red curbing, parking spot, any new street design, etc). Council member feels strongly about that removal and we'll find out tomorrow.
5. Public question - about park budget cuts. Cuts to rec centers and parks is something that's been a concern. The council member is aware that it's a priority. But we won't know specifically the scale. Morley, the pool, etc, such a gem. Bud Kearns pool received the most inquiries.
6. Malachi - asks to share what impacts to facilities in north park specifically on the current budget. Is anything closing? Logan doesn't know off the top of his head.
7. Jay - look into the process about intersections... Logan confirms it's more complicated than hoped

F. **Planning Department:** Sam Solis, soliss@sanidiego.gov, (619) 235-5221 - not here

G. **NP Library:** Zar Shain, SDhain@sanidiego.gov, (619) 533-3972 - not here

H. **UH Library:** Rachel Esguerra, resguerra@sanidiego.gov, (619) 692-4912

1. Both NP and UH library are currently slated to close on Mondays. If that goes through, Tuesday evenings then Wed-Sat. Unsure if that will happen, never know for sure. UH library will be a pit stop this week in association with UH community association. Keeping summer readings coming up for the whole family. Understands the importance of this in the community and encourages people to come and support.

I. **SD Police Community Relations Officer:** Jenny Hall, jmason@pd.sanidiego.gov - not here.

IV. **Consent Agenda (7:25-7:30 pm)**

Motion to approve consent agenda Jason and Krishna second. All approved.

- A. **UDPR:** Consideration of approval of a letter to Councilmember Whitburn expressing support for full and timely implementation of Senate Bill 79.

Included a list of tier 2 stops in YIMBY democrats of san diego - changed it to just commit to stops on SANDAG - SANDAG hasn't put out that map. Map coming out in a week or two.

Increases densification within high transit areas

What's up in the air is if Rapid bus lines apply because they're not dedicated lanes, they need to have two-door boarding in order to qualify as 'high quality' - some of the stops just outside our area, 805 and 15; 215 bus? Park blvd, bus only lanes and meet frequency requirements, they should be tier 2 stops - park and Howard and park and university

Approve letter - Jay first and Krishna second

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Doug - concerns - it should be redirected to sandag - he is concerned with the 'full and timely' language of implementation - the city did their job and some will be delayed, historical destinations and infrastructure concerns; but increase in a timely way

Jay - motion to approve the letter - second

Logan - item is phased implementation in non-transit orientation at 9am - he needs it by tomorrow

Edgar - General plan update a few years ago - SB 79 implemented - there's already an approach, in alignment - there's some technical differences

Propose a friendly amendment - to the SANDAG leaders (Krishna has names and titles)

Vote: everyone else

Nay - Doug and Roger

- B. **PFT:** Consideration of approval of a letter to the City requesting re-evaluation and implementation of pedestrian and traffic safety improvements at Arnold Avenue and Dwight Street, including all-way stop control, marked crosswalks, and related traffic calming measures.
- C. **PFT:** Consideration of approval of a letter to the City requesting evaluation and implementation of pedestrian safety and traffic calming improvements at the Adams Avenue/Alabama Street area adjacent to Trolley Barn Park, including quick-build pedestrian crossing and traffic calming measures.

V. **Informational/Action Items (7:30-8:00 pm)**

- A. **Informational Item: Appointment of Non-NPPC Board Member to the Public Facilities & Transportation Subcommittee** - Pursuant to NPPC Operational Procedures Article VI, Section 2(b)(i)(5), community member Kevin Carroll has met the attendance requirements to become a voting non-NPPC Board Member of the Public Facilities & Transportation Subcommittee. Per NPPC Operational Procedures Article VI, Section 2(b)(i)(7), the Chair shall appoint additional members to the Standing Subcommittee.

Edgar - welcoming Kevin as a non-member in the PFT subcommittee. Kevin will complete training accordingly. For anyone else, you can become a member after attending three meetings.

Holden - appreciates the work. Limit on six members of the public on a subcommittee. There is an attendance responsibility - if you miss 4 or 3 consecutive, then you're no longer a member.

- B. **Action Item: City of San Diego Proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Budget** - The NPPC will review and discuss the City's "May Revise" Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Budget, including the Independent Budget Analyst's (IBA) report on Councilmembers' proposed budget modifications. This discussion will help shape the draft letter to Councilmember Whitburn outlining the community's priorities for programs and services that should be preserved or strengthened. The Urban Design and Project Review Subcommittee (UDPR) will also present a preliminary draft letter summarizing issues raised during its May 5, 2026 meeting.

Public comment -

agree with all of it. It will be like an unwatered garden.

Matt (Zoom) - take exception to approach with regard to private planes and golf courses. And justification against police increase. He believes we're not at a sufficient staffing problem. He believes we don't have enough police.

Public - agree with Matt on policing fees

Matt - overtime is the most cost effective way to keep our streets safe

Malachi - question - 1 establishment of community owned electric company - where is the savings for the city? Wouldn't it add to debt?

Megan - it would save for rate payers, but it wouldn't be budget-specific - this could be what's useful down the line, but not addressing current budget issues

Malachi - appreciating creative fees such as private plane fees

Doug - overtime is pretty high, planning for overtime is perhaps abused, not considered operationally effective; and golf course is already done; Doug doesn't want to have private plane fees - they won't stay and pay more.

Krishna - agree to include the overtime problem - make that perhaps a separate bullet perhaps?

Restructure the police department - investigate the systemic increase in overtime costs - there's something going on - crime rate isn't increasing, but we need more - perhaps some sort of study?; address sentiment in the room - response times aren't a good proxy in this case. It's justified to have some level of cuts, this is a place for negotiation. Starting point is important. Additional line item in the section - mentions impact fees - recently it was mentioned that impact fees, put it back in the arts fund. Are there equity considerations, generate in north park, it could come back to north park.

Jay - respond to overtime - most police don't put on overtime, less than 200 hours a year; but there are about 50 or so that have 1000+ OT or 2000+ OT, perhaps focusing on the big offenders

Megan - agree with Krishna that a line item would be appropriate. Acknowledging overtime.

Recognizing response times are better than average.

Malachi - agrees to have overtime specifically discussed. And we should use numbers from current year. They significantly reigned in OT this year since it was previously discussed and an issue.

Doug - he recalls they kept things steady on OT

Johanna - police academy as another line item - police academy is funded by the city of san diego and it's fully covered, no cost to you - it costs \$75K per recruit per year, there's no requirement after completing to stay within the city - would be interested to see what attrition rates look like - investigate attrition/retention rates (!)

Megan - \$2M in overtime on top of the included \$718M, \$1M is reimbursable overtime at special events - \$1.7M is special events

Holden - affirming the addition of arts & culture - no debates on what's being saved; these are no brainers; question on increasing revenue - measure C 2020, increased occupancy tax - the city was obligated to 59% of convention center - is there an argument to be made that the transient dollars can be something considered?

Edgar - police - 18 new positions for parking enforcement - that's the type of enforcement

Malachi - wording adjustments

Motion - Krishna - to add a line item to request that under the new funding section that the city investigate any unspent development impact fees in North Park and redirect to cuts - second by Roger

Amended motion - to redirect funds (instead of investigate) - divert any unspent fees to mitigate cuts to North Park

Krishna, Roger second, all say aye

Edgar gave some context - Build Better SD program - buckets of cash in neighborhood - NP has funds here, but less where there's not as much development - because of these inequities, there's money in the pot for the entire city.

Doug - wants to remove private plane fees - seems like a reach

Johanna - second

- Megan - vote no it's an example of a cut and isn't
- Johanna notes that young people use it for pilot fees -
- Holden - side with Doug - folks using these airports are science people, we don't
- Steph - would support as it's written as it's just saying to explore, and further learn - in some cases there are really life saving
- Logan - they would have to be spent on plane fund
- Edgar - understands the planning - reviews projects for airports, in this scenario where the fee increases, there's administrative managing there
- Krishna - that includes parking fees (etc)
- Roger — make it more specific for corporate planes
- Malachi - really strong to have an example there; what's catching his eye, is it's a municipal airport - maybe we think about instead leveraging different assets

Motion to remove everything after the line item - explore other form of revenue generation

Doug first, Johana

Yea: Doug, Jason, Cory, Johanna, Barbara, Malachi, Molly, Holden

Nay: Edgar, Rachel, Megan, Roger, Jay, Krishna

Motion to remove passes.

Krishna - increased business fees

After exploring other forms of revenue generation, insert the phrase: "which minimize impact on residence while maximize revenue generation such as increased fees on corporate activity in the City of San Diego."

Second: Roger

Cory: we don't have enough info and not helpful to add more.

Malachi to amend the motion

Include leveraging city-owned, moving the bullets above to fix the issue of exploring additional fees

Krishna accepts as friendly amendment

All aye, no oppose

Convention center revenue - increase transit occupancy tax - money from general fund

Barbara - worth calling out that pool? Add a motion:

Add reference to Morley Field and Bud Kearns in first paragraph

Rachel second

All aye, no oppose

Move to approve the letter with revisions - Krishna

Second - Doug second

All aye, Malachi abstained,

VI. Subcommittee Reports (8:00-8:10 pm)

A. Urban Design & Project Review: Jay Robinson-Duff, Chair

Bird Park improvements presentation - also discussed Mission and Monroe intersection; discussed budget and sb79 letters

- B. Public Facilities & Transportation: Holden Leslie-Bole, Chair
reevaluation on arnold and Dwight; eval on pedestrian safety on Adams & Alabama trolley barn; park blvd traffic calming
- C. Communications: Johanna Mall, Chair
productive conversation, what comms does, public outreach, internal support, organizing for party on park, university heights — thanks to everyone who volunteered. Thanks to mark Spitzer for chairs and Cody to return things; great event, look forward to tabling at future events
- D. Ad Hoc: Edgar Ramirez Manriquez, Chair
first mtg on may 7; clarifications to operating procedures; proposed scopes; tbd on when that will happen; reminder to chairs/vice chairs, provide proposed scope for subcommittees

VII. **Liaison Reports (8:10-8:25 pm)**

- A. *Maintenance Assessment District*: Rachel Murray
Meeting was cancelled
- B. *North Park Main Street*: Erin Minelli
Extended petition for signing the beautification project that Roger helped out with; music fest is June 6th and fest is fundraiser for local arts since we'll be losing the arts grant; tickets online
- C. *Balboa Park Committee*: Howard Blackson
last week had a mtg, it was a sad meeting on the state of the future of Balboa - \$15M a year for ops and maintenance — the paid parking for some of the areas haven't been charged yet; \$4M raised of the \$15M; Balboa park master plan from 1989 is being updated for the first time comprehensively; Planning dept is looking to take ops and maintenance off general funds and looking to find other sources of revenue to just maintain; we're in a cycle of disinvesting to fund other sources; revenue from parking is not meeting the needs; park will lose all its park rangers and up to 7 more staff members; will have minutes for next meeting; north park and Morley field area is doing well, fixing fields, grant for gopher holds in baseball fields; golf courses looked at to redirect revenue; hold on situation
- D. *Adams Avenue Business Association*: Roger McClish / Edgar Ramirez Manriquez
Roger: mayors office give notice on new meters to be turned on as of two weeks ago; director attended mid-city mtg; enforcement and road maintenance spending from parking fees; losing money to association, impacting street fair, etc
- E. *El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association*: Roger McClish
Roger: no minutes online

North Park rec center - fields resting, available for sports after June; going to do edging on north park dog park; summer programs and camps; school district funding lunches; rec staff at this time seem to be keeping current hours

- F. *University Heights Community Association*: Holden Leslie-Bole / Edgar Ramirez M.
Not happened yet (quarterly)
- G. *MTS Advisory Board*: Holden Leslie-Bole
MTS is at a fiscal crossroads; community can give input and Holden and Krishna were able to weigh in on things like rail to airport; community outreach, hopefully board and community can weigh in on transit priorities
- H. *CPC Liaison*: Roger McClish
Jason was there; they're fighting SB 79; NP quick build project - they weren't too interested;

VIII. **New Business (8:25-8:30 pm)**

No new business

IX. **Adjournment (8:30 pm)**

- A. Next NPPC Meeting: June 16, 2026
- B. Krishna motion to adjourned at 8:32PM