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Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025

I. PARLIAMENTARY ITEMS

- David Moty, KTPG chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
- Board members present: Dawn Anderson, Ken Baer, Cindy Collins, Marlyn Gonzalez, David Moty, David Roth, Deborah Sharpe, Lisa Sinclair, Stella Stehly, Lisa Stone, Paul Tourkin and Neil Winner.
- Board members not present: Cameron Lindsay-Hewett
- Approval of Agenda: Re: the non-subcommittee agenda item regarding the City's consultant's (Page & Turnbull) reconnaissance survey recommendation to change the boundaries of the Talmadge Park Estates Historic District, David Roth requested, considering the August 13th deadline for response/comments, that the scope of the agenda item be amended to include all existing and proposed historic districts in Kensington/Talmadge.
- Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the April 21, 2025 meeting were approved, without objection.
- Treasurer Lisa Sinclair reported a bank balance of \$1398.00, as of July 21, 2025, which includes our FY25 reimbursement from the City of \$500. Expenses for FY25 (the 12-month period which ended June 30, 2025) totaled \$758, compared to \$857 in FY24. Lisa also negotiated a reduced rate for our website hosting service, WIX, at a net cost of \$238.74 for 3 years of service beginning July 22, 2025 and extending through July 22, 2028. (The regular cost would have been \$756 for the same period).

II. COMMUNITY FORUM & NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

- **Karen Montufar-Federico, representing County Supervisor Monica Montgomery-Steppe**
 - Karen announced the swearing in on July 22nd of new County supervisor Paloma Aguirre.
 - David Moty raised the issue with Karen of County Adult Services investigating when houses are scheduled for auction.
- **Janet Farala, representing 79th District Assembly Member LaShae Sharp-Collins**
 - Announced passage of SB927, which provides an exclusion from gross income for amounts received in settlement by a taxpayer to replace property damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster.
 - Upcoming Back to School Health Fair on August 2nd at New Creation Church: Janet invited community members to participate and provided contact information
 - During public comment, Geoff Heuter raised concerns about SB79. Dawn Anderson expressed interest in meeting with Janet to discuss SB79's impact. Paul Jamason expressed support for SB79.
- **Judy Harrington, representing Kensington Fire Safe**
 - Announced that the most recent Dumpathon removed 20 tons of waste from the canyon areas. The next Dumpathon is scheduled for October 9-20, with a goal of capturing 21 tons.
- **Danielle Proctor, representing BikeSD**
 - Invited the community to join BikeSD as they reimagine El Cajon Blvd between 43rd and Euclid Avenue. Participants will compete in teams to propose infrastructure improvements for safety. The event will take place on September 27th from 10 AM to 2 PM at 4660 El Cajon Boulevard. More information is available at www.BikeSD.org/Events.
- **Although no one was present representing City Council District 9 member Sean Elo-Rivera, David Moty read an update provided by the District 9 office.**
 - The update covered housing projects, a Sea World settlement, energy-efficient home appliance rebates and City council's override of the Mayor's budget veto for libraries, fire prevention, homeless outreach teams and storm water maintenance.
- Becky Rapp expressed concern about the handling of taxation of hemp-based businesses and stated that residents want an updated report from the City regarding monitoring of tax generation and costs.

III. NON-SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

- **ACTION ITEM:** Approve/Disapprove a letter from the KTPG to the City of San Diego supporting the boundaries of the Talmadge Park Estates National Historic District. While the State Historical Resources Commission and the City of San Diego's Historic Resources Board supported the boundaries of the National Historic District, the Los Angeles based consultants (Page & Turnbull), hired by the City for the Mid-City Community Plan update, did not. KTPG to object to the districts/boundaries as described by Page & Turnbull and support one historic district in Talmadge, which aligns with the Talmadge Park Estates Historic District, as currently defined on the National Register of Historic Places. And to further support one historic district in Kensington, as currently defined in the application for the Kensington National Historic District pending with the California Historical Resources Commission.

Moved by David Roth. Seconded by Lisa Stone. The motion passed unanimously on a vote of 12 to 0, with one member absent.

YES (12) - Dawn Anderson, Ken Baer, Cindy Collins, Marlyn Gonzalez, David Moty, David Roth, Deborah Sharpe, Lisa Sinclair, Stella Stehly, Lisa Stone, Paul Tourkin, Neil Winner

NO (0) –

- **ACTION ITEM:** Authorize the Treasurer to renew the website hosting contract with WIX for a three-year period.

Moved by David Moty. Seconded by Marlyn Gonzalez. The motion passed unanimously on a vote of 12 to 0, with one member absent.

YES (12) - Dawn Anderson, Ken Baer, Cindy Collins, Marlyn Gonzalez, David Moty, David Roth, Deborah Sharpe, Lisa Sinclair, Stella Stehly, Lisa Stone, Paul Tourkin, Neil Winner

NO (0) –

- The Board discussed the challenges of holding in-person meetings vs. virtual meetings in the future. Ken Baer expressed concern about the loss of representation and engagement from elected officials at our meetings since moving to a virtual format. Other expressed concern about diminished community participation. David Moty agreed in-person meetings were preferable but noted the cost of room rental. Marlyn Gonzalez suggested researching the possibility of locating available space at local businesses. The Board agreed to investigate potential meeting sites which could accommodate 50 people, with Marlyn taking the lead on this initiative. David Moty will forward the City's letter of indemnification template to Marlyn for reference.

IV. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

○ CIP & PLANNING

ACTION ITEM: Approve/Disapprove subcommittee's motion to recommend the following top five CIP projects for the Kensington-Talmadge planning areas:

1. Talmadge Park North street light circuit upgrade (Alder Loop Area)
2. Pedestrian improvements at Euclid & Monroe Avenue
3. Euclid & Monroe storm drain
4. Talmadge neighborhood park
5. Alder & Vista sidewalk installation (Include a note in the CIP document to the City regarding the need for clarification of property lines and public right-of-way on Alder Drive).

Moved in subcommittee by Moty, 2nd by Salayev. Passed 3-0. Ayes: Moty, Salayev, Sharpe.

The motion passed unanimously on a vote of 12 to 0, with one member absent.

YES (12) - Dawn Anderson, Ken Baer, Cindy Collins, Marlyn Gonzalez,
David Moty, David Roth, Deborah Sharpe, Lisa Sinclair, Stella Stehly,
Lisa Stone, Paul Tourkin, Neil Winner

NO (0) –

○ TRANSPORTATION

ACTION ITEM – Approve/Disapprove subcommittee motion to “Write the City Transportation Department and the District 9 councilmember’s office to request restoration of the speed humps, damaged sidewalks, and curb striping on Monroe Avenue, per City street preservation ordinances. Additionally, to perform a speed study in the area and determine appropriate traffic calming methods.” (Located in a school zone, the issues on the 4400 and 4500 blocks of Monroe Avenue arose out of stormwater project B-12096).

Moved in subcommittee by Tourkin, 2nd by Anderson. Passed 6-0.
Ayes: Anderson, Baer, Burnett-Troisi, Gonzalez, Salayev, Tourkin.

The motion passed unanimously on a vote of 12 to 0, with one member absent.

YES (12) - Dawn Anderson, Ken Baer, Cindy Collins, Marlyn Gonzalez,
David Moty, David Roth, Deborah Sharpe, Lisa Sinclair, Stella Stehly,
Lisa Stone, Paul Tourkin, Neil Winner

NO (0) –

V. KTPG LIAISON REPORTS

- **Community Planners Committee (CPC)** – David Moty
 - MTS is facing a fiscal cliff in FY2028. Covid funding, which has provided 25% of their budget, is now gone.
- **Historic Resources 45-year review** – David Roth
 - A list of projects reviewed since the last KTPG meeting (April 21st) was distributed to Board members prior to tonight's meeting. Refer to the separate 'Historic Review July 2025' document for this information.
- **TMAD** – Cameron Lindsay-Hewett (Absent)
 - No Report

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM