



North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting Draft Minutes: September 15 6:30PM

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

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

- A. Call to Order. Roll Call.
 - 6:38pm
- B. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - Motion to approve - Roger, Doug second, all approve - 11-0
- C. Approve Today's Agenda
 - County's Health and Human Services Dept - Impacts of HR1 - Edgar, Barbara second - approve 11-0
 - Roger, Rachel, 11-0
- D. Approve Last Meeting's Minutes
 - Adding dash to the Zelle account name
 - Approve - Doug, Second from Holden - all approve 11-0
- E. Treasurer's Report
 - The bank account balance is \$285.38, only outgoing expenses last month were the normal Zoom and Google. Still waiting on our reimbursement from the city for last year's expenses.

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

- A. Angel - Movie in the Park Sept 26 - Trolley Park - ET movie

- B. Paul - Address the growing unhoused situation, the issue is getting worse, it continues. Can Paul ask Smart & Final to come and discuss? Yes.
 - Someone from PATH came, some case managers did provide resources, but the issue is that these individuals are not interested in any other opportunities or services.
- C. Steph - On Thursday, the Community Wealth Building Coalition - posting a zoom on forming a Housing Cooperative fundamentals - 7-8:15pm
- D. Holden - SANDAG Fri 9am, airport transit connection study report results - can join via zoom or in person. Agenda item 5 to talk about the report.

III. Elected Official & Planner Reports

- A. **State Senate Dist. 39:** Dr. Akilah Weber Pierson, (619) 688-6700 - Not here
Liaison: Sam Gonzalez, Sam.Gonzalez@sen.ca.gov
- B. **State Legislator Dist. 78:** Chris Ward, (619) 280-7801 - Not here
Liaison: Christopher Gris, Christopher.Gris@asm.ca.gov
- C. **County Board of Supervisors Dist. 4:** Monica Montgomery-Steppe, (619) 325-7178 - Not here YET TBD
Liaison: Joshua Dunn, Joshua.Dunn@sdcounty.ca.gov
- D. **Mayor of San Diego:** Hon. Todd Gloria - Not here
Liaison: Randy Reyes, randyreyes@sandiego.gov
- E. **City Council Dist. 3:** Hon. Stephen Whitburn, (619) 236-6633
Liaison: Logan Braydis, LBraydis@sanidiego.gov
 - a. Continue to work with transportation dept on street/safety improvements, repairs using community parking district revenue... if you have any improvements or repairs near parking meters (street lights, sidewalk repairs, daylighting)
 - b. Traffic safety improvements - 33 and Palm, memo sent and that will be installed at end month
 - c. Polk and Ohio, 6-8 weeks
 - d. El Cajon, the fork, Park & Normal St - results of feasibility study. A roundabout is considered feasible. A quick build was considered but not feasible. Probably a few years before it can be moved forward. Results of study to be available in the coming weeks.
 - e. Holden -
 - i. Dwight & Arnold intersection status?
 - ii. El Cajon BIA community town hall possible for the study
 - f. Doug - will the roundabout be city funded or SANDAG?
 - i. Completely unknown, but currently the city doesn't have the money to fund
 - g. Sidewalk repairs - it's just the patching they could do to mitigate harm, with some exceptions such as the street trees or city/utility, then the city would be responsible for full repairs
 - h. Perhaps it would be helpful to have an informational item to expose all of the specific updates and what it can be used for specifically
 - i. Pot of money is still available? It's \$250K-\$270K for Mid-City in total
 - j. El Niño, advocating for the areas that will be worse, if there are specific areas, please reach out

- F. **Planning Department:** Sam Solis, soliss@sanidiego.gov, (619) 235-5221 - not here
- G. **NP Library:** Zar Shain, zshain@sanidiego.gov, (619) 533-3972 - not here
- H. **UH Library:** Rachel Esguerra, resguerra@sanidiego.gov, (619) 692-4912
 - All libraries served as cool zones and extended hours to be a resource to get away from the heat
 - September is library card sign up month! Free to California residents and waiving the replacement fee this month
 - All city libraries will serve as official dropbox locations until election night. Registrar of voters will release what places will have people. At UH Library, the closest voter sites would be the north park rec center or LGBTQ center. sdvote.com is the site
- I. **SD Police Community Relations Officer:** Jenny Hall, jmason@pd.sanidiego.gov
 - Regarding Smart & Final, talked with new neighborhood policing sergeant will work on addressing the area. They don't have a trespass letter yet, she'll be working on that, but S&F haven't been easy to work with.
 - North Park Way & Hermann encampment
 - NPMS is working on encampment behind the CVS
 - Aug 23 incident - 8pm, Chase ATM attempted break in east alley, suspect fled.
 - Aug 30 incident - 3020 North Park Way robbery and attack around midnight
 - New lieutenant has started, staff changes
- J. **North Park Main Street:** Erin Minelli
 - Status of AARP quick build - postponed due to budget and legislative issues, could be years. NPPC is welcome to write letters of support and NPMS can pass them along.
 - NPPC shared that a local business owner shared homelessness issues - NPMS is unable to assist.
 - NPMS - Taste of North Park Oct 3, Puttober this Thursday at the Farmer's Market
 - Chad presenting info on entertainment zones at promotions meeting. If anyone's interested in attending it's Sept 22, Erin can send time and zoom link.

IV. Consent Items

- A. **UDPF:** Letter to Councilmember Whitburn Following Up on Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Prioritization
- B. **UDPF:** Letter to City Planning Department Regarding Implementation of [Affordable Home Development Master Plan](#)
- C. **Mobility: Residential Permit Parking (RPP) — Letter to Councilmember Whitburn:** Approval of a letter requesting collaboration on community workshops and updates to the City's Residential Permit Parking (RPP) program in North Park. Drafted by RideSD on behalf of the Mobility Subcommittee.

V. Action/Informational Items

- A. **Informational Item: County Charter Reform** - Earlier this year, the Board of Supervisors voted to place a measure to change the Charter. Board Member

Malachi Bielecki will provide an overview of the proposed changes residents will vote on in the November election.

B. Informational Item: HR1 Impact Presentation - CalFresh and Medi-Cal (County specific numbers)

- Effective April 1- About 13K people (non-citizens) can no longer receive benefits (includes asylees, trafficking victims, battered non-citizens, and many more)
- If they have benefits, they will be removed when their recertification is due, so not immediate
- 93,500 Able-bodied adults without dependents - work requirements, many exemptions exist, including children under 14 and physically or mentally unable to work
- 20 hours/week (80 hours/month) or be self employed or complete on the job training or do volunteering for that amount of hours
- Medi-Cal changes impacting ~310K people by Jan 1 2027
- Increase in bureaucracy will have significant impact
- <https://engage.sandiegocounty.gov/hub-page/federal-changes>
- <https://211sandiego.org/food-and-health-access>

C. Action Item: NPPC Positions on November 2026 Ballot Measures - Article II, Section 1 of the NPPC Operating Procedures grants broad authority to advise the City Council, Planning Commission, City staff, and other governmental bodies on land use matters and other areas of community concern. Additionally, under the City's [Administrative Guidelines for Council Policy 600-24](#), Community Planning Groups are permitted to endorse non-partisan ballot measures. The Ad Hoc Subcommittee will present a letter for consideration by the Full Board for potential endorsement of ballot measures in the November election.

- Doug - concerned about endorsing/opposing ballot initiatives, while okay with providing information; concerned that we will be viewed as a political/biased committee
 - a) Edgar - A lot of the decisions we make are not apolitical. This is an opportunity for us to have a discussion and weigh in.
- Motion to remove language to support or oppose each measure - Doug first, Jay second. In Favor 2 - Oppose - 9
- Motion to approve this document, concerns about the lack of a space to do this, but Malachi, Barbara to second In Favor, 9, Oppose 2

VI. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Urban Design & Project Facilities: Jay Robinson-Duff, Chair
 - Met about changes to Lafayette, gates with fences, entertainment zones, and two letters on consent agenda
- B. Mobility: Holden Leslie-Bole, Chair
 - Parking management letter - inviting Whitburn to discuss residential parking permits as an exploration
- C. Communications: Johanna Mall, Chair
 - Newsletter, tabling at farmer's market
- D. Ad Hoc: Edgar Ramirez Manriquez, Chair
 - Discussed and developed proposition positions

VII. Liaison Reports

- A. *Maintenance Assessment District*: Rachel Murray

- Met to discuss FY27 budget options and NPPC subcommittee possibilities
- B. *Balboa Park Committee*: Howard Blackson
 - NA
- C. *Adams Avenue Business Association*: Roger McClish / Edgar Ramirez Manriquez
 - NA
- D. *El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association*: Roger McClish
 - NA
- E. *University Heights Community Association*: Holden Leslie-Bole / Edgar Ramirez M.
 - Fundraising to restore the University Heights neon sign (out for 2 months) - looking for more funding because they need to refurbish the whole thing
 - Could comms take on neighborhood newsletter for UHCA due to bandwidth
 - Oct 1 quarterly typically, but this is an election
- F. *MTS Advisory Board*: Holden Leslie-Bole
 - Cost more to ride the bus and trolley
- G. *CPC Liaison*: Roger McClish
 - Law on free parking along beaches is now going to be a council measure. But this was performative.
 - Two La Jolla buildings destroyed by fire, city says no mitigation necessary, people unhappy, would set precedent.
 - What's the best way to involve the NPPC in making decisions as a board with regard to CPC decisions.
- H. *Other Liaison*: TBD

VIII. New Business

- A. None

IX. Adjournment:

- A. 8:47pm - adjourn
- B. Next NPPC Meeting: October 20, 2026