

Clairemont Community Planning Group

Minutes of the Meeting of
January 18, 2021
Meeting Held via Zoom Meeting Platform

P Naveen Waney - Chair P Briar Belair - Vice Chair P Marc Mytels - Secretary A Cecelia Frank - Treasurer	P Kevin Carpenter P Nicholas Reed P Lori Carpenter	P Glen Schmidt A Carol Schleisman P Billy Paul	P Erin Cullen L Brett Montgomery A Abbie Hawkins
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P - Present A - Absent L-Late

Item 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Naveen called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present. Quorum was established at 6:03p.m. with 9/12 members present.

Item 2. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Issues that are not on the agenda and are within the jurisdiction of the Clairemont Community Planning Group. **NOTE:** 2-minute time limit per speaker.

Public:

Michael Dwyer - Free Covid testing site at Zion Market parking lot, W - F, 9 - 5, thanks to councilmember Chris Cate.

Committee Members:

Nick - Attended Mid Coast trolley opening, noticed overall Trolley ridership has increased since that time. Noticed numerous UCSD students are riding, along with many riders to the Monster Jam event held at Petco Park.

Item 3. Modifications to the Agenda - Requires 2/3 approval.

- None

Item 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Prior CCPG meetings

- November minutes approval seconded and approved
 - Approved: Marc and Nick.
 - Abstained: Billy, Briar, Kevin, Lori and Naveen

Item 5. Council Representative Reports

District 6 Councilmember Chris Cate

- Acknowledged Clairemont in its entirety will be consolidated into District 2 and thanked the community for allowing him to serve.
- Reported budget items:
 - Budget submitted to mayor's office for budget stating in July, due April.
 - Clairmont has 66 million dollar deficit but has 26 million in excess from previous period.
 - Budget covers public infrastructure (sidewalks, police, etc)

- The IBA (Independent Budget Analyst) position is vacant, search is underway for a new person to fill the position, goal is end of April to fill position
- A budget townhall meeting in May has been proposed. Might be Zoom meeting
- A Covid test facility is running, expected to serve 1000 people per hour. Other testing sites are expected to be opened
- Questions on conditions and requests for repairs of several streets currently in Councilmember Cates district, including Clairemont Drive, Clairemont Mesa, Diane, Conrad, Shawline and Convoy
- Questions on less than ideal planning of placement of new bike lanes on Clairemont Mesa. Councilmember Cate acknowledged is known issue that is being investigated, and he will look into the matter personally.
- Councilmember Cate introduced Sheldon Zemen, who will be the new District 6 representative replacing Jon Shiner
- Sheldon announced the following:
 - 50 Balboa park passes to museums for underserved families for a year are being made available
 - Police are aware of speeding vehicles performing “Donuts” in Mountain streets.
 - Unleaded fuel available for airport vehicles

District 2 Council Report, Carrie Munson, Community Liaison, cmunson@sandiego.gov

- Constituent services for District 6 will remain as part of District 6 until switchover to District 2 is complete.
- A short term vacation ordinance is being discussed.
- The development of policies regarding street vendors went back to committee.

City of San Diego Mayor’s Office Neighborhood Representative Report (Kohta Zaiser, Clairemont Community Liaison)

- City council approved 40 million for road repairs, including the following streets in Districts 2 and 6:

District 2	District 6
● Bacon St from W. Point Loma Blvd to Cape May Ave.	● Balboa Ave. from Balboa Way to Ruffner St. and Mercury St. to Kearny Villa Rd.
● Kenyon St from Kemper St. to Wing St.	● Clairemont Mesa Blvd. from Shawline St. to Kearny Mesa Rd.
● Wing St from Midway to end	● Convoy St. from Aero Dr. to State Route 52
● Waco St from Dakota Dr to Cowley Way	● Camino Ruiz from Miramar Rd. to Jade Coast Rd. and Mira Mesa Blvd. to Reagan Rd.
● W. Point Loma from Nimitz Blvd to Adrian St.	● Armour St. from Caledonia Dr. to Ruffner St.
● Borreson St from Baker St to Ticonderoga St.	● Jade Coast Dr. from Camino Ruiz to Westhill Dr.
● Lloyd St from Lloyd Terrace to Baker St.	● Ruffin Rd. from Skypark Ct. to Ridgeway Ct.
● Lloyd Pl from Lloyd St to End	● Balboa Ave. from Balboa Way to Ruffner St. and Mercury St. to Kearny Villa Rd.

- Republic services trash strike ended Monday Jan17th. All services have resumed. If trash service is not resuming at a particular address, notify the Mayor’s office.
- Mayor gave state of city speech. Speech subjects included homelessness and housing. A recording of the speech may be found online.
- Questions were asked about the public electric outlet area and the eastbound delineators on Balboa Ave, which have been reported as being down.

City of San Diego Planning Department Update (Marlon Pangilinan, City of San Diego)

- Community Plan's revised draft is being targeted to be released in March, and the environmental document is aimed to be released in sometime in summer 2022.
- Community Plan's delays in its release date are due to the need to adequately address public comments.
- Nick suggested a second CCPG special meeting to review the Community Plan before the April meeting.

Item 6. Consent Agenda (see agenda)

- None

Item 7. Informational Items

701: Kevin Carpenter

- Would like to remain as a PRS (project review subcommittee) member but hand off duties to Glen Schmidt.
- Meeting times are at noon. Meeting times would like to be kept to an hour to allow working members to attend during lunch hours.
- Glen will be new chair and Nick will be vice chair

702: Briar Belair:

- Will establish an election subcommittee.
- Need voting members to be Clairemont residents or Clairemont business owners.
- A few volunteers were requested to serve.
- A meeting the week of January 24th was proposed.

703: Naveen Waney:

- The City of San Diego is divorcing itself from Planning groups. Planning commission will no longer require planning group recommendations.
- A Grand Jury investigation in the past found that planning groups were operating as expected, but City was not living up to expectations. As a result of that investigation Marlon Pangilinan now attends CCPG meetings.
- Without support from the city, planning groups are at risk for the following:
 - Working with city representatives who are not familiar with their assigned planning group. For example, Marlon Pangilinan is highly familiar with Clairemont, but other representatives might not have his background.
 - City wants to end hosting website, make planning groups have their own website, such as a goDaddy site.
 - City wants to end funding (\$500 stipend); opens up planning groups to bribes.
 - Remove legal protections to members
- Billy gave historical perspective of planning groups

Item 8. Action Items

801: Sonja Robinson, Protect Our Communities Foundation (PCF) sonja@protectourcommunities.org

- Sonja presented a PowerPoint presentation covering the following:
 - Energy rates charged by SDG&E are rising 16cents per KWH, a 40+ % increase
 - Would like the San Diego City Council to support net metering
 - High energy rates are due to transmission projects, which are wasteful and profitable to SDG&E. Profits of 1 million per day from ratepayers are earned from transmission projects

- SDG&E has highest the rates in California, while Sacramento, which has a municipal utility, has lowest rates. Sacramento ratepayers pay on average half of what SDG&E users pay.
- Wildlife dangers are greatly absolved by rooftop solar + battery installations in homes
- San Diego leads state in rooftop solar
- Governor Newsome said we have to do better with solar
- Statewide editorials say need to keep rooftop solar
- In Sacramento the decision to end net metering has been postponed from its original date of January 27th.
- Sonja's organization would like to promote Community Choice Energy in San Diego, similar to the Sacramento's utility arrangement.
- Using rooftop solar and similar means, is it possible for San Diego to run on 100% green energy by 2035 through Community Choice Energy. Bill Powers was appointed to oversee the undertaking.
- Community Choice Energy procures & generates power, SDG&E operated the transmission lines and handles billing matters.
- Sonja's organization requests San Diegans call Govenor Newsome, Senator Atkins or Assemblblymember Brian Maienschein, to request they support the NEM letter from Senator Nancy Skinner
- Sonia answered the following questions:
 - Is there enough green energy potential to power all of San Diego County? The answer is that numerous empty rooftops and uncovered parking lots with tremendous energy potential.
 - How are electric vehicles to be charged if there are no required off-street parking spaces? The answer is there is a separate EV committee, run by Bill Powers
 - If cases where community power does not supply 100% of the needed power, is SDG&E a backup? Answer was yes.

Item 9. Informational Items

- None

Item 10. Workshop Items

- None

Item 11. Potential Action Items

- None

Item 11. Reports to Group

- Marc (Secretary): Nothing
- Briar (Vice Chair): Is back from leave
- Naveen (Chair): See above Informational Items
- Brett (Parking & Transport): Nothing
- Glen:
 - State of improvements on Ottawa and Balboa Ave.
 - Clairemont Village development discussions are on the horizon

Adjournment at 8:11PM

The next meeting will be held on February, 15, 2022, 6:00 pm at via Zoom Meeting Platform.