

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE SUBCOMMITTEE Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, June 16, 2019 REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM

6:10 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL BY CHAIR: Andy Wiese

AW: Summarizes the proceedings for the subcommittee and members of the public.

Roll Call:

Members present:

Andy Wiese (AW), Keith Jenne (KJ), Roger Cavnaugh (RC), Dinesh Martien (DiM), Debby Knight (DK), George Lattimer (GL), Veronica Ayesta (VA), Katie Rodolico (KR), Joanne Selleck (JS), Laurie Phillips (LP), Anu Delouri (AD), Rebecca Robinson Wood (RRW), Jason Morehead (JM), Petr Krysl (PK)

Members not present: Kristin Camper (KC), Erin Baker (EB), Kris Kopensky (KK), Melanie Cohn (MC)

Non-voting Member: Kristin Camper (KC).

Note: MCAS Miramar representative Kristin Camper does not vote per US Government policy. Business seat 1 (previously held by John Bassler) is to be filled with one of the three UCPG Business 1 members.

City Staff:

Katie Witherspoon (KW) – University CPU Project Manager, Planning Department Martin Flores (MF) – Park Designer, Planning Department Scott Sandell (SS) – Park Designer, Planning Department

Some members of the public are identified below as:

Barry Bernstein	(BB)
Nancy Groves	(NG)
Deanna Ratnikova	(DR)
Diane Ahern	(DA)
Justine Murray	(JuM)
Louis Rodolico	(LR)
David Campbell	(DC)
Alyssa Helper	(AH)
Isabelle Kay	(IK)

Janay Kruger (JK) Public member (Public)

6:03 CALL THE METING TO ORDER – Andy Wiese, Subcommittee Chair

Andy Wiese called the meeting to order.

6:05 ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Andy Wiese called the roll; see above. Call to approve the minutes of 5/19/2020 by RRW, seconded by JM. 11 Yes, 0 No, PK abstains (not present for 5/19).

Chris Nielsen (CN) to take minutes for this meeting.

6:09 NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

JS: One thing that came up at the UCPG meeting was the City's proposed housing element plan. The concern is that the plan would call for very dense, high rise development next to low rise housing. Although I understand at the CPUS meeting there was a concern voiced about this related to North Park neighborhood area, we in UC should be equally concerned that the same increased height problem could occur right next to single family houses in South or North UC.

6:13 SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENT

No member comment.

6:20 Item 1—Information Item: Existing UC Plan Area Park Status -- Katie Witherspoon

KW: This is a discussion about existing community parks, not the proposed Parks Master Plan. This is a policy document, rather than a general development plan.

KW: Outreach to the following Recreation Councils was done: Nobel, Doyle, Standley, University Villages, Marcy.

KW: Will use menti.com for recording community input. She reviewed the CPUS initial workshop in 2018 and the CPUS workshop in 2019. Summary: There is a need for park connections, natural areas, non-programmed areas, more park space, overlook parks, dog parks, and open space.

Noted: Results of Menti Polling are listed on the City website under June 2020: https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/university/subcommittee-university-documents

MF: (presenting current park status): I visited all the parks in the community and attended many CPUS meetings. It is a very interesting area in terms of beach, transit, UCSD, etc. We will depend more on Joint Use Parks going forward. Things have changed over the last 30 years. The Eastgate Mini-parks #1 and #2 are very interesting. UCSD's open space is important. We need to determine joint use parks opening times and examine existing UC Plan goals.

KW: This is the first introduction to the parks.

LP: I would like to see some individuality in parks, similar to Solana Beach.

MF: Co-location is a good idea.

KW: What is the intersection of the Parks Master Plan and the CPU?

MF: The Park Master Plan is higher policy and the community plan is more of a direct implementation.

PK: I want to point out that we aren't a representative group.

KW: Polls are to get a feel about what's important.

JS: Does City rank parks on how well things are working?

MF: I don't really have an answer but it is a good chance to make changes.

DK: Concerning the PMP, this was badly received by the CPGs and other groups. The commercialization of parks is a problem and is a dangerous direction for parks. The other aspect of this is that green space important, so cramming more things into parks is not beneficial. This is in direct conflict to many community goals.

KW: We are talking about existing conditions, so hold off on a PMP discussion.

MF: Here is a list of community parks; a great mix. Larger parks with infrastructure are "Community Parks", medium parks are "Neighborhood Parks". Access is an important part of the park system.

[Here are comments on the Regents Road north and south termini at Rose Canyon.]

KW: Again, note that the Regents Road Bridge, together with bike and emergency vehicle versions of it, are out of the plan and will not be part of the CPU.

MF: We need to look for opportunities to create connections to canyons, some with parking. These are connectors from open space, not just a dead-end, but an opportunity. Linear parks are possible, depending on topography. We need to consider pedestrian pathways, Park Play Amenities, BMP/water conveyance areas, and open space overlooks.

KW: We will get our consultants back shortly as the City Council approved the money today. We are looking at linear parks around the Regents Road area for the CPUs, including contacting the HOAs and looking at the utility easements in the areas.

KR: Regents Road between Milliken and Lahitte is already used by kids for bike riding. Trash (receptacles at the entrance to reduce litter) and parking (north and south Regents Road, and near UCHS for Genesee) should be addressed so access to the canyon is improved.

LR: Regarding an overlook park at the west end of Governor. These are like walls preventing access to the canyon. Is the plan to prevent access to Rose Canyon? For years the south Regents entrance has been dangerous.

IK: I have a comment about the area on the west side of North Torrey Pines across from the UCSD Revelle parking lot. This is a very diverse area.

LP: There is the opportunity to extend the wildlife corridor at the North Regents Road south end.

JS: Examples of park structures showed a lot of concrete use, but we should work on more natural designs.

KW: Open Space is next. Trails-connectors, habitats, MHPA/MSCP, urban design in the public realm. Urban Parks, promenades, urban pathways, opportunities for park space within villages.

7:38 Meeting adjourned.