

NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE

PUBLIC FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, PARKS, AND PUBLIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE

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## MEETING AGENDA: Wednesday, April 11, 2012 – 6:00 p.m. North Park Recreation Center/Adult Center, 2719 Howard Avenue.

- I. Parliamentary Items (6:00 pm)
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Modifications to & adoption of the April, 2012 Agenda
  - **C.** Chair's Comments
  - D. Approval of Previous Minutes: February 08 & March 14, 2012
  - E. Announcements: (See page 2 of Agenda for details and links)
- **II.** Non Agenda Public Comment (2 minutes each). Please fill out a Public Comment Sheet and give to Chair prior to the meeting.
- III. Information Items:

# IV. New Business:

**A. Proposal to install three road humps on the 3500 block of Alabama Street:** Signed petition indicates residents representing approximately 82% of the property frontage along the subject portion of the street are in support of this proposal. *Action Item* (6:10 pm to 6:40 pm)

### V. Old Business:

- **A. Texas Street Improvement Design:** Update on improvements to Texas Street from Madison Avenue to Camino Del Rio South, part of mitigation improvements for the Quarry Falls Development in Mission Valley. *Action Item* (6:40 pm to 6:50 pm)
- **B. Plaza de Panama Balboa Park (Project No. 233958)**: Proposed project includes an amendment to the Balboa Park Master Plan; an amendment to the Central Mesa Precise Plan; and a Site Development Permit. Discussion of plans, plan amendments, EIR comments, parking, pedestrian & vehicular circulation for possible action. *Action Item* (6:50 pm to 7:30 pm) <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama.hrb</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama</a> <a href="http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama">http://www.balboapark.org/sites/default/files/plazadepanama</a> <a href="http:/
- **C. North Park Entry/gateway Monuments:** Ongoing discussion of potential improvements to entryways to North Park, including landscaping, signage and entry monuments/gateways. *Action Item* (7:30 to 8:00)
- VI. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items.
- VII. Next Meeting date: Wednesday, May 09, 2012
- VIII. Adjournment (8:00 pm)

Times listed are estimates only. Please speak only when recognized by the Chair. Be respectful of others and their ideas. Listen and be open-minded. No interruptions or side conversations. Stay focused on issues rather than personalities.

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### Background for Item IV.A :

Map showing location of proposed street lumps: (from Google Maps)



Re: How these proposed lumps might impact other proposed projects:

Recent Fire Department response re Traffic Circle at Upas and Granada:

"Traffic Circles on Upas St. at Granada Av are denied due to the following reasons:

- 1) Upas St. is a primary fire route of response in this area.
- 2) Granada Av has humps from Upas St to University Av.
- 3) Alabama has been approved (11/2011) for lumps from Upas St to Landis.
- 4) Villa Terrace has been approved (10/2004) for humps from Upas to Wightman."

### NPPC-PF Subcommittee 04/11/2012 <u>Announcements</u>:

#### SANDAG http://www.sandag.org/enewsletter/index.html - The March 2012 edition of rEgion - facebook.com/SANDAGregion

- <u>Smart Growth Concept Map updated</u>
- <u>Service Bureau estimates economic impact of algal biofuel research</u>
- Bike to Work 2012 pit stop registration now open
- <u>SR 905/I-805 connector opens to traffic</u>
- <u>SANDAG acquires land for preservation in North County</u>
- SR 78 improvement project breaks ground

#### North Park Community Association:

See the NPCA's home page <u>http://northparksd.org/</u> and their community calendar at <u>http://northparksd.org/meetings-calendar</u>. Contact Beth Swersie - <u>news@northparksd.org</u> to have your event/meeting added to the calendar

Volunteer Alert for the Bird Park Summer Concerts: NPCA is looking for enthusiastic volunteers for fundraising, music selection, promotion, coordination, and day-of-event activities. Contact Lynn Elliott at LElliott@northparksd.org to join the crew!

#### University Heights CDC: Shaping Our Community's Future: Tools and Basics of Community Planning – Lecture series

All lectures are *free* and will take place on <u>Thursday evenings from 6 to 7:30 pm at the historic Grace Lutheran Church in University</u> <u>Heights</u>, located at 3993 Park Blvd. at the southeast corner of Park and Lincoln. Free parking is available in the lot behind the church. Enter the church from the back alley and take the stairs to your right up to the Fellowship Hall on the second level. For more information, contact the University Heights Historical Society at (619) 297-3166 or <u>uhhs@att.net</u>.

#### APRIL 12: 2012: Tools for Preserving Community Character: Conservation Areas

Bernie Turgeon, Senior Planner in Community Planning and Co-Project Manager for North Park and Uptown Community Plan updates Conservation areas are a planning tool that can be used to help protect a neighborhood's unique community character through architectural guidelines, development standards, and special zoning provisions. The precise nature of each Conservation Area is generally determined by the residents of a particular neighborhood, in conjunction with the local Planning Group and the City. Used successfully in other cities, San Diego is contemplating use of Conservation Areas. Bernie will provide an overview of the background, purpose, and process for using Conservation Areas and how they might be used in University Heights.

#### **MISSION HILLS HERITAGE**

Saturday, April 21, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. - "Cradle to Grave," a docent-led walking tour hosted by Mission Hills Heritage (MHH),

Tour explores the core area of Mission Hills in its infancy, 100 years ago. Hear the stories and visit the hidden gems—from a nursery to a school, church, cemetery and wonderful century-old homes—in this pivotal, historic neighborhood.

- Tickets are \$10 for MHH members and \$15 for non-members.
- Tours leave every 15 minutes and last 60 to 90 minutes. Refreshments following tour. Walking shoes advised.
- For more information and starting location e-mail info@missionhillsheritage.org or phone (619) 497-1193.

#### Adams Ave Business Association (AABA): Presenting "Adams Avenue Unplugged"

A brand new type of weekend music and art festival is about to debut on Adams Avenue. Adams Avenue Unplugged will take place the weekend of **April 21st and 22nd** along a two mile stretch of Adams from Texas St. on the West, on through Normal Heights and into parts of Kensington to the East. The event will feature 170 live musical performances staged inside or around, more than 30 restaurant and bars lining the neighborhood. Musicians will also perform on three community stages spread throughout the area. As the name implies Adams Unplugged will feature acoustic music.

**Free trolley service** will be provided on Adams Avenue during the event which will give folks the option of subsidizing the walking required to traverse the expansive event footprint. MTS bus routes 2 & 11 service the neighborhoods. The event will offer **bike valet** hosted by Brooklyn Bikes at Smitty's on the corner of Adams & Hawley. Wear comfortable walking shoes and plan on getting your daily portion by exploring all the avenue has to offer.

Music will be scheduled from **11am until 9pm on Saturday 21st and noon until 7pm on Sunday the 22nd**. Some performers will be playing multiple sets allowing folks more opportunity to catch their favorites. Many of the Avenue's bars will also extend performances later into the night. A program will be available at the event.

Map & Program

Poster w/ Stages

Poster w/ Artists