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# Minutes of the May 23, 2011 Meeting

Meeting opened at 5:40pm by Tom Cleary, Presiding Chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Doug Beckham.

<u>Members present</u>: Melinda Appling, Doug Beckham, Jo-Ann Carini, Tom Cleary, Gail Cole, Drew Corley, Polly Dong, Sandy Duncan, Grace Lee, Margaret Lopez, Kathleen Morgen, Dottie Perez, Tisha Rocha, Kim Shannon, and Ron Tomcek. (15)

Members absent: Ester McNulty, Jeff Perwin, Dixie Wilson. (3)

15 members present. 12 visitors present. Total in attendance: 27

Motion to approve the May agenda: Doug Beckham/Gail Cole 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 13-1 (Kathleen Morgen not in vote). May agenda approved.

Motion to approve April meeting minutes with two corrections (zip code in title changed to 92171, Doug Beckham was present as a committee member after voted in): Doug Beckham/Dorothy Perez 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 13-1 (Kathleen Morgen not in vote). April minutes approved as amended.

# Reports by government officials:

- Police Department: Officer David Surwillo, provided update on crime in the area, gang activity and RV (camping) parking enforcement.
- Congress: Rep. Susan Davis' representative, Katherine Fortner, provided The Davis Dispatch and an update on the Congresswoman's schedule to tour the area this summer. Recent visit was made to Normal Heights (150 attendees). More local events planned for throughout the summer.
- City Council: Councilwoman Lorie Zapf's representative, Matt Donnellan, shared that budget funding for public services such as parks/rec center/library hours will be maintained. They have presented a business package to the council which includes: return of small business city liaison, Code Compliance amnesty in August, sunset clause on tax charge and misc other charges from the City, Enhancing business improvement district.
- CCDC, Joyce Summer provided update.

# Public comment:

- Linda Vista Town Council president, Tom Kaye, announced that Assemblywoman Toni Atkins will be speaking at the Town Council meeting on 6/16/11 at 6:30pm at the Baha'i Center.
- Margarita Castro noted her concern about the City Water department having multiple projects going on all over Linda Vista where they are leaving equipment for extended periods of time and that it is becoming a nuisance to Linda Vista. She asked for the issue to be added to the agenda for next month.

# Chairman's Report:

- Tom Cleary reported that Rob Spahitz has agreed to continue on as Chair of the Tecolote Canyon Committee.
- A temporary cell tower has been put up at the American Legion Post/Padre Gold site & they are working on the replacement structure that should be completed by July.
- Joe Sorenson just started as the Supervisor of the LV Boys and Girls club. He has students that starting on 6/7-9<sup>th</sup> will be looking to help out in the community.

#### Information Items:

1) New owner/developer of Pacific Ridge 533-unit apartment development was introduced. Mark Garrell, representing Carmel Partners LLC has taken over the project from Irvine Co. which is now underway. They are committed as a long-term community partner and plan to also manage the property once occupied. Project manager, Craig Thompson gave an update on the building process, which is being done in phases. Perimeter wall is going up, grading in process, parking structure in process.

The following community questions were answered: the park will eventually be city-owned and while the apt units will have 24-hour guard on duty, SDPD will be responsible for park security; 30 below-market rate apartments are among 533 units; and Carmel Partners are committed to road improvements and repairs along Linda Vista Road.

2) Announcement that there will be an election of the Linda Vista Maintenance Assessment District on June 27, 2011. Margarita Castro, Kathleen Morgen, and Ron Tomcek are up for re-election. Others are welcome and encouraged to stand for election if interested.

#### Action Items:

1) Motion to table action item #1 due to Pamela Hill not being present for appointment to LVPG. Doug Beckham/Kathleen Morgen 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 14-0 (Grace Lee not in vote).

2) Motion to elect Drew Corley as alternate LVPG representative to the Community Planners Committee, Ron Tomcek/Gail Cole 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 14-0 (Grace Lee not in vote).

3) Motion to approve the following requested reimbursements: Jo-Ann Carini, \$20 for get-well gift for former long-time LVPG member Rob Spahitz. Tom Cleary, \$68 for opening up a LVPG post office box address rental for 1 year. Melinda Appling/Drew Corley 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 14-0 (Grace Lee not in vote). Other items noted: Treasurer, Tisha Rocha is now approved to sign on the LVPG bank account. Tom Cleary will hold on to one key for the post office box and it was recommended that Zoning Committee Chair, Dixie Wilson be asked to keep the second key.

4) Following discussion about city redistricting process and various public proposals, a motion was made for chair to write a letter to the City Redistricting Commission from LVPG requesting community boundaries be respected and LV remain in current district as much as possible, especially with Clairemont and west Mission Valley. Gail Cole/Melinda Appling 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vote: 12-0 (Grace Lee, Polly Dong, Drew Corley not in vote).

# Committee Reports:

- Two positions open on the Tecolote Canyon Citizens Advisory Committee
- Dorothy Perez as the LV Town Council Liaison reported:
  - Kearny GSI teachers and students invited us to attend their environmental show case on 6/8 from 9am-12pm. www.kearnysct.com for more information.
  - Linda Vista Farmers Market will be held at the Linda Vista shopping center on Thursdays from 3pm-7pm starting on 6/16/11.
  - Ernie Navarro, aide to Councilwoman Zapf was able to acquire over \$4,000 from Wal-Mart for city to rent the portable pool for Linda Vista Park & Rec. Mr. Navarro also invited the Morena district business owners to attend the LVTC meetings.

# Treasurer Report:

Previous Balance: \$383.00 Collected 5/23/11: \$32.00 Payout: \$20.00 (Jo-Ann Carini), \$68.00 (Tom Cleary) reference Action Item #3 for details New Balance as of 5/23/11: \$327.00

7:50pm meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Shannon, LVPG Secretary.