



# LINDA VISTA PLANNING GROUP

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## Minutes of the February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Meeting (DRAFT)

Meeting opened at 5:38pm by Tom Cleary, Chair. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dixie Wilson.

Members present: Doug Beckham, Jo-Ann Carini, Tom Cleary, Drew Corley, Sandy Duncan, Kathleen Morgen, Tisha Rocha, Kim Shannon, Ron Tomcek. Gail Cole joined the meeting at 5:43pm, Jeff Perwin joined at 5:46pm, Polly Dong joined at 5:50pm, (12)

Members absent: Melinda Appling, Grace Lee, Ester McNulty, Dorothy Perez and Dixie Wilson. (5)

Margaret Lopez recently resigned, so the group has 17 members and needs a quorum of 8.

12 members present. 18 visitors present. Total in attendance: 30

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Motion by Doug Beckham to approve the February draft agenda, seconded by Sandy Duncan. Vote: 9-0. February agenda approved (Chair does not vote except in case of a tie).

Minutes tabled for group to review, will revisit later in the meeting.

Motion by Doug Beckham, seconded by Duncan to approve January meeting minutes, with spelling correction, seconded by Sandy Duncan. Vote: 11-0. January minutes approved (Vice-Chair abstained do to absence, Chair not included in vote).

### Reports by Government Representatives

- Police Department - Officer David Whitfield:
  - 1/31/12 Robbery on 6700 Linda Vista Rd. Young female walking home from school, black male suspect stole necklace from around her neck on took off running on 6700 Linda Vista Rd, he is not in custody as of yet. He's described as: 20-25 years old, 5'2", 135 lbs., Black hoodie, black t-shirt, and black pants
  - In recent months, there has been a rise in gang activity in the area. Gang Detectives have been out in full force, and have made a few arrests, and they have heard things are quieting down.
  - There was a fatal accident on Ulrich a few weeks ago. One of our local residents, a female who was homeless and living on the street, was hit by a truck and died.
  - Take pictures before you paint over any graffiti and send them in online to Officer Miles or call the police non-emergency number to get to the gang unit.
- Congress: Relayed for Katherine Fortner for Rep. Susan Davis:
  - Telephone Town Hall Meeting being Hosted by Congresswomen Davis on Wednesday Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Can RSVP through Congresswomen's website (<http://house.gov/susandavis/>), the deadline is Wednesday at 8am.
- State Legislature: Gibran Maciel for Assemblywoman Toni Atkins:
  - Assemblymember Atkins is judging the Art Essay Contest for the Elementary Schools for the Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair
- City: Ernie Navarro for Councilwoman Lorie Zapf's office:

- The Cohen Restaurant Group will be taking over the old information center at the end of Clairemont Drive on Mission Bay and opening by summer time.
- Taste of Morena will take place 4/24/12
- The homeless are venturing into our local canyons and setting up encampments. So when you go hiking, keep alert, and don't leave valuable in your car. If you see something, call the police.
- Linda Vista Road – They are reviewing the original development permit to verify what the developer is obligated to do regarding resurfacing of the street, height limits, etc. (Chair says we will attempt to invite developers to next month's meeting to get a construction schedule update on the project and seeks answers to some questions.)

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#### Public Comment/Announcements

- Monica Fernandez – Bayside Community Center and Linda Vista Collaborative
  - Passed out March calendar
  - Rumors that farmers market will be closing but it's not. They actually want more community involvement (i.e. booths, or activities). This Thursday they are providing samples and will be doing cooking demos in the coming weeks
  - Bayside Community Center – 80<sup>th</sup> Family Reunion Sep. 21<sup>st</sup>. Looking for those in the community who may have relatives that may have lived in Little Italy when Bayside was there. Would like to invite anyone with any involvement in Bayside at any level.
- Margarita Castro – Would like to bring to attention the problem being caused on Linda Vista Road and Levant Street. Traffic backed up in the morning, and there were enough cars that the kids walking to Kearny High are being blocked from the sidewalk by the traffic. So they have to go around the cars and out on to Linda Vista Road. Needs to be addressed.
- Sam Hannah of Presidio Market – Hopes to be on the agenda for march meeting and would like to thank LVPG for allowing them to be in the community. (Chair says we are just waiting on the final assessment letter, SDPD still has to weigh in.)
- Janet Kaye, Linda Vista Multicultural Fair -
  - The fair is still 4/21/12. The Grand Marshall is a secret. They are way ahead of schedule.
  - Linda Vista View will be out the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week in March
  - The Farmer's Market has over 30 booths, and once a month there is a booth with info about the community.
  - Huge graffiti got painted by Urban Corps. Thank you Joann for linking us up.
- Jeff Perwin, Children's Coalition –
  - Children's Day is 4/28/12. San Diego still not celebrating Children's day. Month long celebration, and are picking charities and groups, to help educate community about local charity events.
  - Thursday 4/26 it's the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the San Diego Family Magazine and they are celebrating with the 1<sup>st</sup> ever Children's Gala with the San Diego Children's Coalition at the Bali High on Shelter Island.
- Polly Dong, YMCA -
  - They are collaborating with Bayside Center, USD Community Service Learning Center and 8<sup>th</sup> graders from Montgomery Middle School to help develop leadership skills and prepare for high school, help with the Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair, community clean-ups, and also some mentoring programs. They would like to have community members be a part of that effort.
- Ron Tomcek -

- Linda Vista Maintenance Assessment District meeting dates: 3/15, 5/17, 7/19, 9/20, 11/15 all at 1pm at Skateworld
- Jo-Ann Carini
  - Reminded everyone that on Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> 1992, her neighbor, Angela Kleinsorge, was brutally murdered. No one was caught, the police have no suspects, and they only have DNA. She just wants the group to know that this happened and that it was the 20 year anniversary of her unsolved murder.
- Kim Shannon
  - The SD Humane Society has had a change in presidents from Dr. Mark Goldstein to Dr. Gary Weitzman, who will be coming out from the Washington Animal Rescue League in D.C. hopefully in mid-May.
- Tom Cleary (on behalf of USD)
  - USD will honor kabuki (traditional Japanese theater) artist Tamasaburo Bando at the Kyoto Laureate Symposium on March 22, at the Shiley Theatre, its free and open to the public.
  - March 30-31 Annual Relay for Life charity fundraiser will take place on campus over 24 hours, which is organized by USD students to remember victims of cancer and honor survivors. If you would like to participate, please call 619-260-4588 or contact usdrelay@gmail.com.
  - The Dali Lama will be speaking at USD on 4/18, also at SDSU and UCSD, tickets are already sold out. Expect heavy traffic.

#### Chairman's Report –

- Margret Lopez has stepped down from LVPG for family reasons; we now have 4 vacancies plus 3 seats that will be up in next month's election
- Last month he attended the Community Planners Committee where the CPC approved adoption of a strategic plan to go after grants for sustainability projects within city parks. There was also a discussion to clarify council polices 600-24 and 600-33 that govern how planning groups operate and report, and that item was continued.
- North Bay Redevelopment Project Area Committee Meeting – this group is basically abolished with the demise of redevelopment.
- Pacific Ridge – hopes to have issue on next month's agenda as an information item.
- Anna Ave. Street Vacation Project – the City tells LVPG that they have done their review, or at least the first round. There are still questions because there is a lot that the city did not seem to address. Item will likely be on March agenda.
- Avalon Fashion Valley – LVPG has previously talked about the area by Friars road and Ulrich. There was concern about the brush and the trash, and to Avalon's credit they have had folks out there cleaning and maintaining. Also concern about rocks building up behind fence and potential hazard to public safety. Avalon's maintenance director says that the original engineering group is revisiting the site to ascertain if new work might be necessary to install additional safeguards.

#### Information Items:

1) Presentation by Dominic, Raymond Garcia, Denise Warren (Kearny High School) with adult advisory Mario Arellano regarding traffic along Linda Vista Road and a walk-ability study between Genesee Ave. and Mesa College Drive

The group is concerned about students jaywalking from Kearny High so they did an assessment, using radar guns to see how fast the cars were coming down Linda Vista Road off Daniel Ave. Speeds were between 37-54 mph, but the limit there is 35 and during school time it's 25 and some of the time they took speeds was during school hours. They are coming to LVPG to find out what can be done to help the situation.

After some questions and discussions the issue was referred to the traffic subcommittee for further consideration and a proposal to be brought forward at a future meeting.

Action Items:

1): Metro Wine (Project 154083) – The proprietors are seeking a Conditional Use Permit for off-sale wine sales in a 1,200 sf. in area of an existing 10,400 sf. building at 5332 Metro Street zoned CC-4-2. After some questions and discussions, Doug Beckham motioned to approve, Drew Corley seconded. Item was approved, 11-0.

2): Discussion of recommendations on Community Development Block Grants projects (CDBG). Margarita Castro raised an issue that the CDBG rankings for the Morley project are inconsistent with two other proposals from the same census tract

Tom suggested a motion to communicate to all council members supporting both the Picnic shelter and clarifying that Morley should have been ranked higher. Drew Corley made the motion, Doug Beckham seconded. Item was approved, 11-0.

Committee Reports & Updates:

- Bylaws & Elections – Dixie Wilson: None
- Code Compliance – Jo-Ann Carini: None
- Landscape Maintenance Assessment District – Ron Tomcek: covered earlier
- Traffic – Doug Beckham: None
- Zoning – Dixie Wilson: None
- Representative Committees:
  - CPC – Drew Corley: none
  - Linda Vista Collaborative – none
  - Historical Society – none
  - Kearny Mesa Recreation Council – Dixie Wilson: none
  - Mission Bay Park – none
  - Mission Valley River Preserve –
  - North Bay Redevelopment Project Area Committee – Tom Cleary: already covered
  - Tecolote Canyon Advisory Committee – Rob Spahitz:
  - Linda Vista Recreation Council – Doug Beckham:
  - Linda Vista Town Council – Dorothy Perez:

Treasurer's Report:

Previous Balance: \$394.96

Collected 1/23/12: \$11.75

Need reconciliation with new bank statement (\$384.65)

New Balance as of 1/23/12: = \$406.71

Says collected 10.12 giving balance of \$394.77

The chair adjourned the meeting at 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Shannon, LVPG Secretary.