

# Normal Heights Community Planning Group

Normal Heights Community Center at 4649 Hawley Blvd

Tuesday, June 2, 2009 6:00 p.m.

## A G E N D A

**Welcome & Introductions** – (though not required, please sign-in on our attendance sheet)

**Non-Agenda Public Comment** (non-agenda items only, limit of 3 minutes per speaker)

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

**Acceptance of or Modifications to the Agenda**

**Reports from Government Representatives or others may be heard**

3<sup>rd</sup> City Council District Office, Todd Gloria – Dion Akers

City Planning and Community Investment Dept. – Victoria White

76<sup>th</sup> Assembly District Office, Lori Saldana -- Lindsey Masukawa

San Diego Police Dept. Community Relations – Officer Dean Thomas

Updates from other Normal Heights or Mid City organizations

Adams Ave. Business Association – Jim Schneider, Director. To subscribe to the email newsletter of the AABA contact Jim Schneider <aaba.jim@sbcglobal.net>

Adams Ave. Recreation Council –

Friends of Normal Heights Canyons – Bank Dawson for Kevin Johnston

## Information Items

1. Rebuilding San Diego Together - Rebuilding Together San Diego (RTSD) to provide information regarding the programs available through RTSD. Rebuilding Together San Diego is a 501(c)3 organization that provides home repairs for low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled. We also do non-profit facilities that serve the communities of these individuals.
2. Community Planners Committee activities and information – Chair reporting
  - a. Airports land use compatibility guides – Montgomery, Gillespie, and Brown. DVDs and online resources with details are available.
  - b. Water Conservation – City is at State 2 Water Alert level of conservation with  
**MANDATORY WATER USE RESTRICTIONS.** See  
<http://www.20gallonchallenge.com/> and  
<http://www.sandiego.gov/mayor/pdf/090504water.pdf>

The mandatory water use restrictions included with the Level 2 Drought Alert Condition will affect all City Water Department customers. Under Level 2, all voluntary conservation practices currently recommended by the City become mandatory. In addition to a host of specific requirements spelled out in the Emergency Water Regulations, Water Department customers will be required to:

- Water lawns and landscape only between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m.
- Water only three times a week from June through October.
- Know their watering days:
  - Homes with odd-numbered addresses can water: Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday
  - Homes with even-numbered addresses can water: Saturday, Monday & Wednesday
  - Apartments, Condos and Businesses can water: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

- Standard lawn sprinklers can water: Only 10 minutes.
- When taking their car to a car wash, use only those that recycle their water.
- Wash their cars at home between 6 p.m. & 10 a.m. only, and use a bucket and a hose with a shut-off nozzle.

c. Fire Hazard Zones Map explained. Concerns remain for lack of differentiation of hazard levels and economic impact of new building restrictions. Website is: [www.sandiego.gov/fireandems/forms/map.shtml](http://www.sandiego.gov/fireandems/forms/map.shtml) . Also at the libraries.

3. Mid-City Mobility Coalition monthly community bike ride will be June 13, 10AM from the City Heights Farmers Market. It's to be a "Bicycle Blast" and "Ice-cream Social" with bike bells, horns, playing cards in spokes, and other sonorous sound equipment to bring attention to bicycling.
4. Air Quality study report given to I-15 Mid City BRT stations working Group. Mid City's air quality apparently is relatively good and far under Federal standards at the locations tested along I-15; near Central Elementary and Wilson Jr. High.
5. The City Planning & Community Investment (CPCI) Department is pleased to announce that the Community Orientation Workshop (COW) Training has now gone Electronic and can be taken online at your convenience. The Department is now offering the Electronic COW or E-COW, as an alternative which allows Community Planning Group (CPG) Members to take the training online in lieu of attending the COW training session. Ordinance # O-19842 "An Ordinance Providing for Defense and Indemnification of Community Planning Groups" requires that CPG members attend the first COW available to them either electronically or in person. Therefore, with the E-COW now live on our website, CPG members can easily take the training at their convenience prior to participating in their first Planning Group meeting. CPCI will continue to host an annual COW training session for those who prefer to take the training in a traditional classroom setting with a variety of useful breakout sessions. Additionally, veteran Community Planning Group members who have already taken the COW may be interested in taking the E-COW as a refresher course, as it is based upon the most recent updates to City Policies, Ordinances and the Brown Act. Planning Group Members can access the E-COW through the following link:  
<http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/ecow/index.shtml>  
Please sent any messages with concerns or questions about the E-COW to [SDPlanningGroups@sandiego.gov](mailto:SDPlanningGroups@sandiego.gov)
6. Fair Housing Workshops – SD County and its cities invite your participation in a workshop to discuss fair housing issues. A series of four community workshops located throughout the County will be held ... June 4, 6:00 to 8:00 PM Metro Community Room, 3910 University Ave. For information contact Nancy Graham 619-233-1454, [nancy.graham@edaw.com](mailto:nancy.graham@edaw.com) .

## Action Items

### New Business

1. Project Review – none received/requested
2. Discussion of our sponsorship or otherwise assisting the re-introduction of NH Community Dinner events; identify two or three possible dates late in the summer/early in the fall, subject to availability of the hall and key personnel, and solicit volunteers from the

NHCPG and audience for this task - to include publicity, raffle donations, food/serving/clean up, entertainment and whatever else needs doing.

### **Old Business**

3. Discussion and comment regarding Neighborhood Code Compliance proposed/draft prioritization of issues. <http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/pdf/cow/ncc.pdf>

### **Committee Reports** (All subcommittee meetings scheduled are open to the public)

1. Historical Housing Designations – (Nancy Wolfing) –
2. Community Needs – (Morris Dye)
3. Facilities – (inactive committee)
4. Transportation -- (Morris Dye, Jim Baross)
5. Bylaws -- (Morris Dye, Susan Redelings)
6. Canyons -- (Kevin Johnston)
7. Normal Heights Library – (inactive committee)
8. City Heights PAC – (Larry Hofreiter)

### **New Business/Agenda Items for the next meeting, July 7, 2009.**

Agenda times are approximations. Items may be heard before, on, or after listed times. This information is available in alternative formats. To request an alternative format (sign language, oral interpreter or an Assistive Listening Device) for the meeting call 619-533-3650 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting. If you have questions concerning the NHCPG please express them at the meeting or contact the NHCPG Chair Jim Baross at [jimbaross@cox.net](mailto:jimbaross@cox.net) or City of San Diego Community Planner Vickie White at 619-533-5967 or at [vwhite@sandiego.gov](mailto:vwhite@sandiego.gov).