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La Jolla Community Planning Association

Regular Meetings: 1st Thursday of the Month

Thursday, 6 August 2009

La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street

D R A F T MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

President: Joe LaCava, Vice President: Tony Crisafi, Secretary: Nancy Manno, Treasurer: Jim Fitzgerald

Present: Michele Addington, Darcy Ashley, John Berol, Tom Brady, Bob Collins, Mike Costello, Tony Crisafi, Dan Courtney, Jim Fitzgerald, Orrin Gabsch, Joe LaCava, Dave Little, Tim Lucas, Nancy Manno, Phil Merten, Glen Rasmussen, Greg Salmon, Ray Weiss

1. Welcome and Call To Order: **President Joe LaCava**, @ 6:05 P. M.

2. Adopt the Agenda

Approved Motion: To adopt the Agenda, (Fitzgerald/Collins 12/0/0).

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Manno, Merten.

3. Meeting Minutes: Review and Approval: 02 July 2009

Approved Motion: To approve the minutes of July 02, 2009, (Berol/Ashley 12/0/0).

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Manno, Merten.

4. Elected Official Reports – Information Only

A. Council District 2 – Councilmember Kevin Faulconer

Rep: **Thyme Curtis**, 619.236.6622, tcurtis@sandiego.gov

Not Present: **President LaCava** reported for Ms. Curtis: La Jolla Mesa Road at Linda Rosa will be repaved.

B. Council District 1 – Councilmember Sherri Lightner

Rep: **Erin Demorest**, 619.236.7762, edemorest@sandiego.gov

Present: Made Report: Discussed water conservation; asked community for input and to contact CD One office with suggestions. One beach trashcan has been restored; Children's Pool controversy is on going.

5. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Issues not on the agenda and *within CPA jurisdiction*, two (2) minutes or less.

A. UCSD - Planner: **Anu Delouri**, adelouri@ucsd.edu, <http://commplan.ucsd.edu/>

Present: Made report: Report is available on line.

Trustee Lucas questioned source of financing for East Campus Bed Tower Hospital; Ms. Delouri responded that the Hospital is responsible for funding.

Trustee Gabsch questioned Scripps Fisheries plan: Ms. Delouri said the project is a joint venture with NOAA: Trustees Weiss, LaCava and Costello were able to answer **Trustee Gabsch's** questions and provided him with the Scripps Fisheries draft EIS.

Trustee Salmon: Reported on planned festivities for the dedication of the Kellogg Park Playground, September 10 at 5:00 PM.

Trustee Lucas: Reported on intention to schedule a meeting in September to review the LJ Shores Planned District Ordinance and propose changes.

Trustee Weiss: asked that the Valet parking places, assigned to the now closed Jack's restaurant, be restored to public use. **President LaCava** suggested the subject spaces, (if they had not been restored by that time), would be reviewed at Traffic & Transportation in September.

Trustee Gabsch: (1) Asked that the Historic Homes on Cave Street be put on the September agenda. **President LaCava** Indicated this is an active application and applicant is searching for a location to relocate these historic structures. Once they do so they will initiate community review. (2) Commented on his disappointment with the action last month in regard to the French American School; specifically to the lack of traffic issue mitigation. Asked that the Trustees might reconsider the action, particularly in light of the planned review of our current CPA Policy, (Agenda Item 13), this evening.

Member **Roger Wiggans** (1) Supported **Trustee Gabsch's** comments and expressed his disappointment with the action taken by the Trustees in regard to the French American School, specifically the lack of traffic mitigation. (2) Asked about Cell Phone Tower installation on Soledad Road; **President La Cava** responded there are (4) applications; we will wait for applicant Verizon to present to LJCPA, probably starting in September.

Member **Keith Kellman**, in regard to the Valet parking spaces assigned to the now closed Jack's Restaurant, reported that Councilmember Lightner's office is investigating how quickly the spaces can be returned to public use and that the subject is on the T&T Agenda.

6. President's Report – Action Items Where Indicated

A. Community Planners Committee (<http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpc/>)

Did not attend meeting; nothing pertaining to La Jolla on agenda

B. Rainbow Curbs – Status report

City has agreed to the first (16) parking spaces, therefore La Jolla will recover 16 spaces by the end of August.

C. Trustee Attendance – Minimum threshold to qualify for meeting attendance?

For future consideration: Suggested a minimum threshold for recorded attendance be established.

D. Abstaining – 600-24 says only "In limited circumstances."

Reminded the Trustees of their obligation to vote.

E. Shift in CPA and subcommittees procedures due to pending change in City policy.

Notified the Trustees of the anticipated action by the City in regard to complying with SEQA; This will require a major change in LJCPA process; LJCPA will be unable to take a final action until the environmental document is in hand. The normal LJCPA process will, of necessity, be changed. The environmental document does not come out until the end of the process. **President LaCava** suggested: that the LJCPA have an initial review in which subcommittee comments and concerns of the subcommittee will be relayed to the City through the LJCPA. Then, when the environmental document comes out, the subcommittee will hear the project for a vote, which will then be relayed to the City through the LJCPA.

Note: The Scripps Fisheries project mentioned by Trustee Gabsch; the project will be heard by the Coastal Commission on August 13. **President LaCava** noted that the Commission staff had evaluated the proposed building carefully to make sure it did not disrupt public views. The commission criticized the landscape plan, which had proposed Torrey Pine trees that would have blocked public views. The project is now conditioned to prohibit any trees that would block public views.

Note President LaCava called for an Ornithologist: A Hummingbird joined the meeting, and became trapped.

Note: In reference to: California High Speed Rail: Voter approved Proposition 1A on the November 4, 2008 ballot provided \$9 billion in bond funding for the 800-mile statewide network and \$950 million to finance capital improvements to commuter and intercity rail as well as local transit lines that will connect existing infrastructure to the high-speed train system: A Public Scoping meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 29, 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the UTC Forum Hall.

Note: **President LaCava** presented the very gracious "Thank You" letter received from the Helen Revelle family

Agenda Item #10 is a Time Certain item:

10. LA JOLLA SHORES KELLOGG PARK PARKING LOT RETROFIT & LOW FLOW DIVERSION SYSTEM ALONG TORREY PINES ROAD

Part (1) Retrofit Kellogg Park parking lot with pavers, landscaping strips. Provides low flow diversion systems for storm drain outfalls that discharge directly into the La Jolla Ecological Reserve Area; **Part (2)** includes construction in/on Torrey Pines Road between the Throat and the Village with potentially significant traffic control measures required.

Information only: Presented by: City of San Diego, Senior Public Information Officer Jennifer Nichols Kearns, and Associate Civil Engineer Andrea Demich, P. E. and Mark Webb, P. E. of Harris & Associates.

Comments and questions were posed by **Trustees Berol, Costello, Little, Manno, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss** and member **Michael Morton**.

Note: Trustee Salmon gently rescued the Hummingbird and restored him to freedom, there followed wild applause of approval from the Trustees and the audience.

Ms. Kearns, Ms. Demich and Mr. Webb presented the project plans, in great detail; answered Trustees questions; addressed Trustees comments.

President La Cava commented that the Engineers have produced an elegant solution that will drastically reduce the potential negative impact of this project on Torrey Pines Road and requested a round of appreciative applause signifying the Trustees and Members gratitude.

7. Officer's Reports

A. Treasurer – **Jim Fitzgerald**

Beginning Balance: \$458.06 + Income \$223.04 – (Expenses \$88.95) = Ending Balance: \$592.15

Trustee Fitzgerald commented on the generosity of the Membership last month, and reminded Trustees, Members and guests: LJCPA is a non-profit organization and must rely solely on your generous donations. All donations must be in cash to preserve anonymity.

B. Secretary – **Nancy Manno**

Remarks, prepared by **John Berol**, read by **President LaCava**, for secretary **Nancy Manno**:

If you want your attendance recorded today, please sign-in at the back of the room. You are entitled to attend without signing in, but only by providing proof of attendance can you maintain membership or become a Trustee. If you want your attendance recorded without signing-in at the back, then hand to me before the end of the meeting a piece of paper with your printed full name, signature and a statement that you want your attendance recorded. Eligible non-members wishing to join must have recorded attendance for one meeting and must submit an application which is available at the membership table and on-line.

8. CONSENT AGENDA – Ratify or Reconsider Committee Action

Consent Agenda allows the Trustees to ratify actions of our joint committees and boards in a single vote with no presentation or debate. The public may comment on consent items. Anyone may request that a consent item be pulled for full discussion.

Items pulled from this Consent Agenda are trailed to the next CPA meeting.

PDO – Planned District Ordinance Committee, Chair Ione Stiegler, 2nd Mon, 4pm

DPR – Development Permit Review Committee, Chair Tony Crisafi, 2nd & 3rd Tues, 4pm

PRC – LJShores Permit Review Committee, Chair Helen Boyden/Michael Morton, 4th Tu, 4pm

T&T – Traffic & Transportation Board, Chair Todd Lesser, 4th Thurs, 4pm

A. Girard Gourmet Sidewalk Cafe

PDO ACTION: Proposal is in conformance to PDO, 9-0-0.

7837 Girard Avenue - Neighborhood Use Permit for a Sidewalk Cafe for an existing restaurant, PDO-Zone 1.

B. Nguyen Residence: **Pulled by Trustee Costello**

DPR ACTION: Findings can be made for variance, 6-2-0.

8007 Ocean Lane - Variance to reduce the required setbacks for a 364 square feet addition to an existing single family residence on a 0.01 acre site.

C. Miller Residence

DPR ACTION: Findings can be made for preliminary approval, 9-0-0.

1505 Buckingham Drive - Coastal Development Permit to demolish an existing residence and construct a 9,621 sf single family residence on a 0.90 acre site in the RS-1-1 zone.

D. Isakow Residence

DPR ACTION: Findings can be made for preliminary approval, 8-0-0.

9872 La Jolla Farms Road - Coastal Development Permit, Site Development Permit for Environmentally Sensitive Lands and Neighborhood Use Permit to construct a 13,456 sf single family residence with guest quarters on a vacant 1.52 acre site in the RS-1-2 zone.

E. 11th Annual Fire Run (Aug 23)

T&T ACTION: Approved as presented, 7-2.

Prospect Street & La Jolla Boulevard street closure from 5a to 10a for run from Prospect/Girard to Pacific Beach.

F. Additional Red Curb on Prospect at Roslyn Lane: **Pulled by Trustee Gabsch: referred to T & T**

T&T ACTION: Approved as presented, 6-1-2.

Provide additional red curb to increase sight distance

Approved Motion: to accept the recommendation of the PDO Committee: to approve (A) Girard Gourmet Sidewalk Cafe and forward the recommendation to the City. To accept the recommendation of the DPR Committee: to approve (C) Miller Residence, (D) Isakow Residence, and forward the recommendation to the City. To accept the recommendation of the T & T Committee: Prospect Street & La Jolla Boulevard street closure from 5 AM to 10 AM for run from Prospect/Girard to Pacific Beach, and forward the recommendation to the City. (Ashley/Addington 17/0/0)

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Courtney, Crisafi, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Note: **President LaCava** welcomed, with gratitude, two new committee chairs: Ms. Ione Stiegler will chair the Planned District Ordinance committee and Ms. Helen Boyden will chair the Permit Review Committee.

9. REPORTS FROM OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Information only unless otherwise noted

A. LA JOLLA COMMUNITY PARKING DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD: On hiatus.

B. COASTAL ACCESS AND PARKING BOARD: Regular meetings should be initiated in September.

11. GATTO RESIDENCE

PRC ACTION: Approved 5-0-0 (Mar 2009), ratified on consent by CPA (Apr 2009)

PRC ACTION (July 2009): Motion fails due to lack of quorum.

8368 Paseo Del Ocaso - Applicant returning for CPA action in light of potentially new information presented in the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) dated July 30, 2009.

Michael Morton, Architect for the project, representing Ms. Gatto, presented the project and the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Trustees Lucas, Courtney, Costello commented.

Trustee Gabsch reiterated his previously expressed concern regarding lack of quorum at the Sub Committee level.

Approved Motion: Motion to approve that Findings can be made on the Gatto Residence with the benefit of the draft environmental document, (Mitigated Negative Declaration), being considered (Ashley/Addington 17/0/0)

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Crisafi, Courtney, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

Note: **President LaCava** emphasized Trustee Gabsch's comments in regard to Sub Committee quorums.

12. ART & WINE FESTIVAL

T&T ACTION: Approve as presented with clarifications including providing survey of merchants to CPA, 8-1-0 (See T&T minutes).

7300 & 7400 Blocks of Girard – Proposed street closure and Art & Wine Festival from Oct 9 (evening) through October 11.

Detailed plans for the Festival were presented by: Ms. Sherry Ahern, Ms. Jana Purdy, Mr. Mitch Feingold.

Questions and comments by **Trustees Ashley, Berol, Courtney, Little, Lucas, Rasmussen**, and Members, **Michelle Fulks, Sally Miller**.

The Festival will benefit La Jolla Elementary School, Bird Rock Elementary School, Torrey Pines Elementary School.

Approved Motion: Motion, As presented, to the La Jolla CPA, with clarifications in regard to the parking, and to the specific time of street closure: (Little/Addington 17/0/0)

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Crisafi, Courtney, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

13. REVIEW CPA POLICY

Request to review policy prohibiting the CPA from issuing Conditional Approvals of projects and limiting actions to either Approval or Denial (Weiss, Ashley)

Trustees Ashley and Weiss presented, followed by a thoughtful discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of the subject Policy. In addition to **Trustees Ashley and Weiss** ... **Trustees Berol, Collins, Courtney, Gabsch, Lucas, Manno** spoke against the Policy and asked that the Policy be rescinded, while some of these Trustees were also sympathetic to the Policy, however found it unworkable. **Trustees Addington, Brady, Crisafi, Costello, Fitzgerald, Little, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon** spoke in favor of the Policy, while some of these Trustees advocated that the Policy remain in place, on a trial basis and then be revisited after the first of the year. Members **Michael Morton** and **Helen Boyden** spoke against the Policy. City Planner **Leslie Hennegar** commented. **President LaCava** commented in support of rescinding the Policy.

Failed Motion: Motion to approve rescinding the Policy: (Ashley/Berol 8/9/0)

In favor: Ashley, Berol, Collins, Courtney, Gabsch, Lucas, Manno, Weiss.

Opposed: Addington, Brady, Crisafi, Costello, Fitzgerald, Little, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon

14. LA JOLLA SHORES PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE BYLAWS

Proposal to reduce the number of parent organizations, adjust the number of appointments, and reduce seats from 8 to 7. Offered in response to trustee concerns in approving the update at the June meeting. See attached draft revisions.

Approved Motion: Motion to continue consideration of La Jolla Shores Permit Review Committee Bylaws, (Agenda Item 14), to September 03 meeting: (Lucas/Salmon 17/0/0)

In favor: Addington, Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Crisafi, Courtney, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Manno, Merten, Rasmussen, Salmon, Weiss.

15. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:30 PM

*Next Regular Meeting:
Thursday, 3 September 2009*