

Normal Heights Community Planning Group

Normal Heights Community Center at 4649 Hawley Blvd

Tuesday, April 7, 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

- 3rd City Council District Office, Todd Gloria – Dion Akers
- City Planning and Community Investment Dept. – Victoria White
- 76th 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
 - Adams Ave. Recreation Council –
 - Friends of Normal Heights Canyons – Bank Dawson for Kevin Johnston

Information Items

1. Community Planners Committee activities and information – Chair reporting
 - a. The draft indemnification ordinance for community planning groups was heard and approved by the City Council. The question of whether sub-committee members who are not on a Planning Group or also covered is still to be decided.
 - b. Notice of 30 day comment period. The City of San Diego is in the process of revising its Landscape Regulations and Landscape Standards to comply with the California Water Conservation in Landscaping Act. This is proposed to be accomplished in two phases. Phase-one focuses on revisions to the City's Landscape Standards and Phase-two will focus on amendments to the City's Landscape Regulations. This information concerns only phase-one revisions to the City's Landscape Standards.

The proposed changes generally reinforce the City's existing standards for water conservation. Additionally, in compliance with California Water Conservation in Landscaping Act, additional standards have been incorporated that will apply to new construction. If you are interested in reviewing a description of the revisions and the revised Draft Landscape Standards please follow this link <http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/landdevmanual.shtml> go to the heading "Proposed Revisions to the Land Development Manual" and click on "**Revisions to Landscape Standards**". Please e-mail comments to dSDLDC@sandiego.gov.

- c. The Community Plan Preparation Manual was presented as an action item. Since May 2008 staff has met with the CPC's Community Plan Preparation Manual Subcommittee to discuss the community plan update process, gain their feedback on the draft language in the Manual, and present a second draft of the

Manual which responded to many of their initial concerns and suggestions. Throughout this process staff was able to resolve many of the subcommittee edits and concerns. As a result, the subcommittee approved six of the eight chapters with minor edits. The issue remains unresolved at this time.

2. Mid-City Mobility Coalition monthly community bike ride April 11 to visit canyon and valley overlooks in Mid City and especially Normal Heights beginning at 10 AM from the City Heights Farmer's Market.
3. The S.D. Community Forest Advisory Board will provide a PowerPoint presentation to better expand the visibility of the Forest Advisory Board and to promote Urban Forestry. Trees are frequently designated by our Board without the subject community being aware of the designation and it would be desirable if Community members were notified when a publicly owned tree was up for designation. For more information, email Vicki Estrada at vestrada@estradalandplan.com or call 619 236-0143 (w) or 619 980-0065
4. Chair was provided with computer files detailing Population Based Park Needs... not unsurprisingly we are quite deficient. The Normal Heights portion of these files will be attached to the minutes (I hope.).
5. The City of San Diego is developing a fire hazard map. A draft of this shows the areas of the City with severe fire hazards. There is a map for each community. Bob Forsythe has both hard copy and CD and the information is available on a web site at www.sandiego.gov/fireandems/forms/map.shtml . The City is asking for comments within 60 days so there is time for anyone to review if they wish to do so. The main ramification of this is that once a map is adopted, any new construction in those areas would be required to meet the latest building code for houses in severe hazard areas. It would not apply to existing houses, but we are not completely sure what sort of work that requires a building permit would trigger the code for existing houses - in other words, it may be possible that some property owners would get a surprise when they try to pull building permits.
6. Date: May 2, 2009 - Community Orientation Workshop (COW) Location: 9192 Topaz Way, Kearny Mesa Time: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., RSVP required to attend Attendance by all elected planning group members at a COW session is required by City Council Policy 600-24, "Standard Operating Procedures and Responsibilities of Recognized Community Planning Committees." It is also a great opportunity to hear dialogue about operations of community planning groups, and the generally required procedures. This is a 4-hour workshop that includes breakout sessions with speakers from a variety of City departments.

Action Items

New Business

1. Project Review – none received/requested
2. NHCPG Board Officer Elections by new Board members. Board officer positions include: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Secretary will collect Board and Officer information for providing to the City.

3. Potential ByLaw modifications as identified by Vickie White, Community Planner with the City Planning & Community Investment. She provided the following:

"We at CPCI have reviewed NHCPG's draft bylaws and the City Attorney's office has too. For the most part the bylaws are in conformance with Council Policy 600-24 and the bylaws shell. However, there are a couple of instances where your draft bylaws deviate from the Council Policy and shell bylaws, and I'd like to make a couple of suggestions to the group about those instances.

The first instance is in Article II, Section 4. The draft language NHCPG proposed is "The elected planning group members may take a position on a ballot measure." The shell bylaws language is "The planning group may take a position on a ballot measure." NHCPG's draft language conveys a slightly different meaning from shell bylaws language, which gives the group as an entity to take a position on a ballot measure. Considering this difference in meaning, I would suggest to the group to consider changing its proposed language here to conform to the shell bylaws.

The other instance is in Article III, Section 2. The draft language NHCPG proposed for the third category of people who are eligible for general membership is "Local business person, who is a local business owner, operator, or designee at a non-residential real property address in the community's planning area." The shell bylaws language is "Local business person, who is a local business or not-for-profit owner, operator, or designee at a non-residential real property address in the community planning area." This deviation from the shell bylaws is more significant from the previous one, and it is also contradictory to the policies in Exhibit C of the draft bylaws that encourage participation by non-profits such as the Adams Avenue Business Association and the local school Parent Teacher Associations. CPCI thinks it's important to include non-profit representatives in the list of categories of eligible members, and considering this and the conflict within the bylaws, I would suggest to the group to consider changing the language here as well to conform to the shell bylaws.

If it is possible to have NHCPG consider these changes soon, we can move forward with the administrative approval of the proposed bylaws. If the group considers the changes and would like to maintain the proposed bylaws as they are, the Council Policy provides the opportunity for the group to take these deviations to City Council for consideration.

Old Business

4.

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

1. Housing – (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, April 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 or City of San Diego Community Planner Vickie White at 619-533-5967 or at vwhite@sandiego.gov.

Mid-City Normal Heights
Population-Based Park Needs

1/1/2007

	2006	2030		
SANDAG HOUSEHOLD POPULATION				
POPULATION	17,132	20,459		
Population-Based Park Acreage	47.97	57.29		
2.8 acres/1,000 population = useable acres required				
(Source:Land Development Code)	2.28	2.43 pph		
PARKS by CLASSIFICATION				
	Gross <u>Acres</u>	Developable <u>Acres</u>	Developed Useable <u>Acres</u>	*Future <u>Acres</u>
Community				
39th St. (Normal Heights)	3.07	5.02	3.07	1.95
39th St. (Normal Heights) (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Adams Ave.	1.47	1.47	1.47	0.00
Norm/Ken/Tal Pool (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
SUBTOTAL	4.54	6.49	4.54	7.95
Neighborhood				
34th Street (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.10
35th Street (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
40th Street (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Oneria Club	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.00
SUBTOTAL	0.18	0.18	0.18	15.10
Mini-Parks				
Kenmore Terrace Mini-park	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00
Normal Heights (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00
North Mtn. View Mini-park	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.00
SUBTOTAL	0.42	0.42	0.42	6.00
Joint Use				
Adams E.S. Turf, play, courts	2.43	3.30	2.43	0.87
Normal Heights E.S. (future)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.75
SUBTOTAL	2.43	3.30	2.43	1.62
Total Park Acreage				
	7.57 acres gross	10.39 acres developable	7.57 acres developed	30.67 future* acres

* Future Acres per Facilities Financing Plan/ Community Plan

Required Population-Based Acreage**2006**7.57 acres existing
47.97 acres required
40.40 deficit useable

20307.57 acres existing
30.67 future acres
57.29 acres required
19.05 deficit useable

**Neighborhood and Community Park
Population-Based Park Goals:**Neighborhood Parks
(10 ac./ 5,000 people)Community Parks
(20 ac./ 25,000 people)

	<u>Req.Park Acres</u>	<u>Existing Park Ac.</u>	
2006 Neighborhood Park Ac.	34.26	31.23	deficit useable
Community Park Ac.	13.71	9.17	deficit useable
	<hr/> 47.97	<hr/> 40.40	deficit useable
2030 Neighborhood Park Ac.	40.92	15.17	deficit useable
Community Park Ac.	16.37	3.88	deficit useable
	<hr/> 57.29	<hr/> 19.05	deficit useable