

PACIFIC BEACH PLANNING GROUP
EARL AND BIRDIE TAYLOR LIBRARY
OCTOBER 26, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

6:34 p.m. meeting called to order, quorum established. **Attendees:** John Shannon, Eve Anderson, Ruben Carrillo, Brian Curry, Greg Daunoras, Paul Falcone, Tanya Ho, Brenda Hollis, Jennifer Nowak, Chris Olson, Curtis Patterson, David Russell, Clif Smith, Damon Westwood, Barbara Williams, Baylor Triplett (6:39 p.m.), Jim Morrison (7:05 p.m.) and Tricia Fox (7:07 p.m.).
Absent: Scott Chipman and Rosalie Schwartz.

Agenda & Minutes: Chris Olson motioned to adopt the meeting agenda for the evening, Eve Anderson seconded, motion **passed 13-0-1**, the one abstention stated that Eve Anderson cannot second this motion. Chris Olson motioned to approve the August 2011 regular meeting minutes, Paul Falcone seconded, motion **passed 11-0-3**. One abstention stated that our meetings are illegal and the other two were not present for the August 24th regular meeting. Brian Curry motioned to approve the September 28 meeting minutes with changes and attachments that have just been discussed, Curtis Patterson seconded, motion **passed 14-0-1**. The one abstention stated she was late for the September meeting due to another community event.

Chair's Report: John Shannon reminded all in attendance that the Board members of the PBPG are all volunteers doing the best job possible and the results may not please every person involved with a decision. He asked all to silence cell phones and to observe the rules when asking to speak. He mentioned the goal of the PBPG is to support the Pacific Beach Community Plan, after a pause a Board member spoke up and asked the Chair to conclude his comments and continue with the meeting agenda. The Chair stated the Board member was out of order, but did indeed conclude his report.

Government Office Reports:

Mayor Sander's Office – Not Present

City Council District 2 – Katherine Miles from Councilman's Faulconer's office mentioned that Mr. Faulconer shares the community's concern about San Diego Unified's proposal to close certain public schools in Pacific Beach and Pt Loma. She also mentioned the update to the expansion plans to the San Diego Convention Center and took questions from the Board and public in attendance.

Long Range Planner – Not Present

Non-Agenda Public Comment: The following individuals made public comments of 2 minutes or less:

Don Gross mentioned a serious safety and health hazard on Quincy Street.

Maria Palmieri introduced herself and stated there are security issues in some of the bars in PB that could cause personal injury to patrons.

Barbara Williams expressed appreciation and thanks to PBPG Chair John Shannon for his many hours dedicated and his devotion to the PBPG Board.

Marcie Beckett distributed a Center for Disease Control (CDC) press release on the high cost to the U.S. of excessive alcohol consumption.

Christopher Terpack introduced an idea of a community-wide recycling program to help raise money to save Crown Point Elementary.

Paul Falcone expressed appreciation to Katherine Miles for her responsiveness and help for inquires.

Informational Items:

None

Action Items:

Consolidation of the PBPG November and December meetings:

After some discussion, Clif Smith motioned to move the November meeting of the PBPG from the 4th Wednesday to the 5th Wednesday (November 30), Chris Olson seconded, motion **passed 14-3-0**. Greg Daunoras motioned to cancel the December regular meeting of the PBPG, Jim Morrison seconded, motion **passed 16-1-0**.

PBPG Goals and Annual Report:

Chair John Shannon distributed the accomplishments of the PBPG for 2010 and its goals for 2011, this report is attached at the end of these minutes.

PB Drive Connection to Rose Creek Bridge:

Don Gross gave an update to this project and specifically mentioned that the project keeps going and has not been stalled.

SD Unified School District Consolidations and Closures in PB:

Amy Monroe from the Mission Bay Cluster Committee spoke for about 25 minutes regarding the concerns of parents and community members of the School District's proposal to close a number of public schools in both PB and Pt Loma. Ms Monroe stated that out of the 10 schools targeted for closure, 5 happen to be in PB and Pt Loma which raises the question of real estate values being a motivation for closure. She informed us that a large number of other students are bused into the PB schools which increases our attendance and we have a large and successful special needs program for students. Pacific Beach needs to attract more families to live in our community and school closures will not help. Also, the consolidation of elementary schools in Pacific Beach will greatly increase neighborhood and residential traffic.

Chris Olson motioned to send a letter from the PBPG to SDUSD Board of Education and copy the City Council and Mayor to express concern about the draft recommendations for the Mission Bay Cluster. State the relevant issues from the PB community plan and include excerpts from the community plan to include 1) traffic circulation 2) park & recreation facilities and open space and 3) safe, pleasant and useful pedestrian and bicycle linkages. State that the proposed changes cannot conflict with the PB Community Plan, Jim Morrison seconded, motion **passed 15-0-0**.

Jim Morrison motioned to extend the meeting by 30 minutes, David Russell seconded, motion **passed 14-1-0**.

Residential/ Mixed Use/ Commercial Subcommittee Projects:

The committee met on October 13th at 12 noon.

1. **Project # 244902:** Linton Residence, 4269 Everts Street – Request Coastal Development Permit to construct New Three Story, 3 bedroom, 2,247 S.F. residential building with 457 s.f. attached garage on existing house of 1971 s.f. – Scot Frontis presenting.

Curtis Patterson motioned to approve the project, Brian Curry seconded, motion **passed 11-4-0**. Those opposed stated the square footage of the existing carport should be included in the FAR calculation.

2. **Project # 254066:** Sanchez Wallinger Residence, 1235 Loring Street - Add a new guest quarter's 720 s.f. over an existing garage – Carl Linden presenting. Neighbors Jerry Newfield and Kurt Hallock spoke in opposition to the project regarding past and probable future noise concerns

Curtis Patterson motioned to approve the project, Ruben Carrillo seconded, motion **passed 10-5-0**. Those members opposed stated concerns about the garage being converted, privacy issues, the potential to become a rental and support for the neighbors' concerns.

3. **Update Project # 114197:** Gresham & Hornblend Duplexes, 1366 Hornblend & 1374 Gresham - Extension of Time on a previously approved Coastal Permit that adds two new 4-unit buildings. Board previously approved EOT subject to site being brought up to code compliance. Update needed. Baylor Triplett presenting, for informational purposes only.

Curtis Patterson motioned to extend the meeting by an additional 15 minutes, Eve Anderson seconded, motion **passed 13-1-1.**

4. South Pacific Beach Oceanfront Planning Project: Development plan for Boardwalk and adjacent properties between PB Drive and Grand Avenue, and Mission Blvd to the Ocean. Chris Olson reported on the first special meeting held October 13, 2011, 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. at 1503 Garnet Ave, 92109. The meeting was attended by 27 persons including community members and professionals with a broad range of expertise and experience. The meeting minutes were provided to the audience. The meeting was basically a brainstorming session with discussions of Vision and Goals. Primary issues were: Parking: "Parking off the beach, people on the beach" Traffic: "Improve accessibility for all", Land Use: "Primarily commercial not residential in this area", Public Safety: "Family friendly" and Serve visitors, local residential community, commercial and businesses. The project will identify what is unique about PB, what is the identity of PB and build on that. Due to meeting time constraints he asked everyone to e-mail him with their ideas for vision, goals and PB identity. The next meeting will be Nov. 7, 2011 5:30pm at the office of Discover PB.

Another motion was made to extend the meeting by 15 minutes, Eve Anderson seconded, motion **passed 13-1-0.**

John Shannon made a nomination and motion to select Brian Curry to represent the PBPG at the monthly Community Planning Committee meetings (CPC), motion **passed 14-0-0.**

Subcommittee Reports:

Election and Vacancies:

Traffic and Parking/ OVO: City streets informed us that a Pedestrian cross walk is being installed at the intersection of Tourmaline and La Jolla Blvd.

Neighborhood Code Compliance:

Bylaws Review and Revision: Bylaws are an ad hoc committee. We met several times for possible election changes in the bylaws; but with no other action pending, there's no need for a meeting.

Alcohol License Review:

Curtis Patterson motioned to extend the meeting by 3 minutes, (not sure who seconded) seconded, motion **passed 13-1-0.**

Special Events and Community Advisory: Curtis Patterson reiterated that Planning Group members cannot send recommendations to the City without a formal vote of the full board. Curtis Patterson reviewed the Pacific Beach Community Advisory Committee's past meeting minutes and found that a small group of Planning Board members, including our chair, have been voting on items without the consent of the board. This subcommittee is not acting in accordance with our Bylaws and Council Policy.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Attachment

Pacific Beach Planning Group – Annual Report

2010 Accomplishments

- Held ten (10) regular board meetings
- Held a special community meeting on June 14, 2010 to inform the community of the ALRC subcommittee Draft Report
- Remained updated on the progress of the Rose Creek Bridge and Crown Point Projects
- Wrote a letter to the City concerning ongoing flooding at Mission Blvd and PB Drive.
- Hosted a City engineering presentation on causes and remedies of storm drain issues
- Voted on the recommendation of 5 new stop signs
- Voted on 20 plus residential and commercial projects
- Wrote a letter to the City concerning the exploitation of the carport loophole.

2011 Goals

- Increase community awareness and participation
- Fill all vacancies on the PB Planning Group Board
- Create a dialog for an overall plan for “South Pacific Beach Oceanfront Project”
- Promote the use of non-motor vehicle transportation
- Improve the pbplanning.org website

Upcoming

Accomplishments for 2011

Goals for 2012