

SOUTHEASTERN SAN DIEGO PLANNING GROUP (SSDPG) MINUTES

Meeting Location: Neighborhood House, 841 S. 41st Street, San Diego, CA 92113
February 13, 2012, 6:00 p.m. – 7:55 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND INTRODUCTIONS
Present: Andrea Carter, Robert Leif, Liliana Garcia-Rivera, Reynaldo PISAÑO, Maria Riveroll, James M. Lawrence, Jerry Guzman-Vergara, Reginald Womack.
Absent: Paul Sweeney, B.D. Howard, Ivette Vela, Ben Rivera.
2. APPROVAL OF TODAY'S AGENDA (ADDITIONS, CHANGES, OR OMISSIONS). None.
3. APPROVAL OF January 9, 2012 MINUTES
Motion to approve as presented. Riveroll, Womack MSC
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS (two minutes per public speaker, on non-agenda items only)
5. STAFF REPORTS
Bruce Williams District 4- Council President Tony Young: Distributed copies of the weekly update from the Councilman dated February 8, 2012. Featured the Council action on Tuesday, 2/7 which allocated \$57,101 to the Dennis V. Allen Park tot lot improvements. (*SEDC purchased new playground equipment for \$27,000. The money from the City paid for installing the new equipment and rubberizing the safety surface at the tot lot in the Mount Hope Neighborhood*).

A new pocket park will be built in the area west of the Food for Less on Euclid. This is on Jacobs property and the organization has agreed to maintain it. The City and the Park and Recreation Department will work closely with Jacobs.

Marta Zapata District 8- Councilmember Alvarez - no comment.

Ricardo Flores Staff Assistant to Susan Davis, Congresswoman 53rd Congressional District
Distributed the latest copy of the *Dispatch*. Congresswoman Davis' priorities for the 2nd Session of the 112th Congress emphasize: innovation, home ownership, funding transit & infrastructure, and making education work for all our children. Her primary goal is to restore trust in our Government.
6. CONSENT ITEMS: None
7. ACTION ITEMS:
 - A. **Gregory Morales, Chair, Encanto Planning Group** – asked our Support of a foreclosure moratorium on privately owned single family homes in San Diego. Morales recommended a two-year moratorium on home foreclosures that would be declared by elected officials. Such a moratorium would help the stabilization of the economy. Morales expounded on the effect on small businesses.
Motion: to embrace the proposal and research the impacts to our specific neighborhoods. Riveroll, Carter MSC 7-0-0

- B. **2540 ISLAND AVENUE, TENTATIVE MAP WAIVER, PTS # 236599, Zone MF 3000, Single Family Residence with a SF house in the rear of 1,209SF. The Proposal is to get approval on a tentative map waive to create a total of 2 condos.** Presentation by Bruce Douhit.

Pisaño presented Motion by the Projects Committee:

To recommend support of the Project as long as it is consistent with the Zoning Code Section S125.1=0461, Item 3-A. When the Single Family Residence is constructed, the front doors shall be oriented 180° to Island Avenue. Front Door view from Island Avenue shall not be blocked with solid fence. Recommend wrought iron fence with child-protective spacing and a street light at the rear of the property illuminating the alley which is very dark. 7-0-0

- C. **Verizon Wireless Gateway Plaza PTS 258715, Wireless Antennae at the Blood Bank in Gateway Center East. At 3636 Gateway Center Ave.** Presentation by Shelley Kilbourn.

Riveroll presented the Motion from the Projects Committee:

Recommend support to the full Board including the deviation to exceed the limit of 250sf for the equipment room by 166sf. Committee also recommended the implementation of the SDPD Recommendations. 8-0-0

8. INFO ITEMS:

Proposal to pave the alley north of Beta Street and west of 38th Street. It is a demonstration project for the Stormwater Department, which will include new storm drains and an area of porous concrete paving. This was presented by L. Clark Ritter, RLA #2218, Park Designer

Presentation:

- This Green alley is a pilot project.
- The storm drain will be cleaned out with vacuum.
- The cost will be \$565K, for this 20ft wide – 2 block-long alley.
- Filters may be changed every 3 years. That is their life expectancy.
- 6"-8" of gravel will be below the concrete, (this porous concrete), which will clean the water before it goes into the Chollas Creek.
- The alley runs from South 38th west to the Creek.
- It was noted that the website is being redone. Eventually, we will be able to access updates and more complete information on the Project.

Committee Concerns:

1. Can it be designed so that the sediments can be analyzed to show what is going on?
Response: we can look into it.
2. There has been a concern about all the unimproved alleys and why they remain so.
3. Lights should be at the beginning, middle and end of the alley.
4. Curves should be installed on the south side on the alley.
5. A community member brought up concerns about alleys in the area and the completion of Southcrest Trails. She was referred to the Projects Committee.

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (two minutes per Board member)

- Commercial & Imperial Master Plan – Is there a CD available? Karen Bucey responded that it is on the City website.

- Community Plan Update – formal vote not taken on Robert’s appointment to the committee to select a consultant to work on the Community Plan. Robert Leif was ratified as our representative to that Committee. Riveroll, Womack MSC 7-1-0

10. PLANNER’S REPORT: Karen Bucey reported on the Community Plan Update and distributed copies of the Point Presentation on the 14-page Scope of Work. Committee questioned the inclusion of the 43rd & National Study due to the past studies. Bucey indicated there is a grant to do such a study.

10. CHAIR’S REPORT: None

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: by **7:55 p.m.**