



UPTOWN PLANNERS

Uptown Community Planning Group **NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

February 16, 2012 – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

LOCATION

**St Paul’s Cathedral “Great Hall”
2750 Fifth Avenue**

I. Board Meeting: Parliamentary Items/ Reports:

- A. Introductions
- B. Adoption of Agenda and Rules of Order

Public Communication – Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.3, as applicable to special meetings, members of the public will be provided the opportunity make public comment regarding the special order of business on the agenda. There will be no non-agenda public comment.

II. POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS – SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. **PLAZA DE PANAMA CIRCULATION & PARKING STRUCTURE PROJECT BALBOA PARK MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT, CENTRAL MESA PRECISE PLAN AMENDMENT, SDP; REVIEW/ COMMENTS ON DRAFT EIR** – Balboa Park – Site Development Permit (SDP) to implement the Balboa Park Plaza de Panama Project. Notice of Draft EIR issued on January 23, 2012; comments are due by March 8, 2012.

Project goals include rehabilitation of the Plaza de Panama consistent with the original vision of a ceremonial plaza and gathering space by eliminating vehicle traffic from Plaza de Panama, El Prado, Plaza de Panama and the Esplanade. Project elements include:

1. **Plaza de Panama:** Eliminate automobile traffic from the Plaza de Panama and adjacent promenades and remove parking from the Plaza.
2. **El Prado and Plaza de Panama:** Allow pedestrian use of El Prado and Plaza de California by re-routing traffic to the bypass bridge.
3. **Bypass Road and Bridge:** Construction of a new two-way bypass road starting at the east end of the Cabrillo Bridge and continuing through the eucalyptus grove around the southwest corner of the Museum of Man to the Alcazar Parking Lot.
4. **Alcazar Parking Lot and Walkway:** Redesign the Alcazar Parking Lot to provide additional accessible parking as well as passenger drop-off, museum loading, and valet.
5. **Esplanade & Pan American Road:** Reclaim both the Esplanade and Pan American Road for pedestrian access by rerouting vehicle traffic west of Pan American Road.
6. **Parking Structure and Roof-top Park:** Construct a new parking structure with a roof-top park and garden at the location of an existing Organ Pavilion

surface parking lot. The new three level underground structure that is 265,242 square-feet in size, and will have 785 parking spaces. The new rooftop park would consist of 97,000 square-feet.

2. **4041 IBIS STREET (“SPRINT NEXTEL MISSION HILLS NUP”)** – **Process Two** – Mission Hills – Neighborhood Use Permit application for a Wireless Communications Facility (WCF) consisting of antennas on an existing building with a residential use in a commercial zone.

III. INFORMATION ITEM:

1. **2900 SIXTH AVENUE (“PALM STREET PROJECT”)** – Bankers Hill/Park West – Proposal to construct two 150-foot high rise buildings on the block bordered by Sixth Avenue & Fifth Avenue; and Palm Street & Spruce Street. The building on Sixth Avenue will be a 13-story height and consisting of 145 residential units; the Fifth Avenue building will be 14-story mix of commercial and retail units. There will be 330 parking spaces located in two floors of underground parking; the historic Hazard House will remain onsite; project will be built to Gold LEED standards.

IV. Adjournment:

Uptown Planners: Next meeting: March 6, 2012, at 6:00 p. m., at the Joyce Beers Community Center at the Uptown Shopping Center in Hillcrest.

All times listed are estimates only: an item may be heard earlier than the estimated time:

For more information on meeting times or issues before Uptown Planners, contact Leo Wilson, Chair, at (619) 231-4495 or at leo.wikstrom@sbcglobal.net. Uptown Planners is the City's recognized advisory community planning group for the Uptown Community Planning Area.

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