Midway Pacific Highway Community Planning Group

May 27, 2020 Regular Meeting

3:06 pm Call to Order

The meeting was held electronically using ZOOM to respect the Covid-19 distancing protocols.

Attending:

Cathy Kenton, Kurt Sullivan, Dave Siegler, Dike Anyiwo, Jason Viera, Judy Holiday, Amy Stark -

Quorum present.

Minutes: Tabled

Public Comment: None

Government Reports:

Josh Coyne spoke from Council Office 2. The councilmember's budget priority memo has been submitted and it is on the website for review. The height limitation removal issue will go back to the Rules Committee on June 10 with proposed ballot language from the City Attorney and Josh will share the time with us. It will then go to Council in July or August.

Emily Wier from County Supervisor Fletcher's office. Office is open and willing to help anyone with needs related to the virus crisis. Daily briefings are conducted on media on the crisis. Cathy and Kurt expressed appreciation for Nathan's handling of the public briefings.

Randy Wilde from Todd Gloria's office spoke. Legislature is in full swing moving through the state budget and a condensed session. Many changes will occur to the original plan for 2020 due to Covid situation. AB 2731 on NAVWAR project was moved to the policy committee. Business reopening in SD County is moving ahead of the pace of the overall state into Phase 2 with others such as churches and salons coming into play for reopening. Unemployment is the key issue at hand in the office at this point.

Gia Ballash from SANDAG spoke. Continuing the collaboration with the Navy on the NAVWAR project site. Developing messaging for SANDAG's role in the process.

Muska Laiq from the Navy spoke. No significant issues to report. Continuing to work on the EIR and expects June availability.

No other representatives attended.

Informational Items:

Mariners Cove. Ben Haddad from California Strategies introduced Patti Shwayder, Richard Hawthorne & Derek Ullian from AIMCO and she spoke on the Mariner's Cove development plan. It is in the Ocean Beach Planning Area, but as a neighbor of Midway they wanted to brief us on this issue. Due to the project's age, AIMCO, owner since 2002, proposes an update to align with current community plan standards. Looking to construct 772 new apartments increasing over the current 500 with 40% being affordable, and the remaining at work force housing levels. Development and construction would extend into 2025. Kurt, Judy, and Jason voiced support and appreciation for the plan and presentation. Cathy asked about traffic considerations; that aspect is at early stages and will be worked through the complete CEQA process. Patti and Ben indicated they have been in discussion with Ocean Beach Planning Group members and they were enthusiastic about it; full group presentation will follow. She will send the presentation to Cathy for availability to anyone who would like to have it. Cathy would like to hear back on progress as it occurs on this; AIMCO will keep the relevant planning groups informed throughout the process.

Action Items:

7-Eleven CUP. Steven Pollock spoke on behalf of the applicant. It is a transfer of the existing store 1,000 feet to 2990 Midway to create a larger updated store with a transfer of the ABC Type 20 license for beer and wine only. The area's high crime rate at over 120% of city average requires discretionary consideration of this request. Hours will be limited to 10 am to 10 pm and alcohol sales of single units will not be permitted. The Rosecrans driveway will be ADA improved, more fresh food and fruit will be added. Cathy expressed concerns about traffic increases and disruption as well as attracting loitering. City reviews have been completed with Police Department approval still needed. The request is for our Planning Group to support the application. Jason moved and Kurt seconded to support provided concerns of the police department can be worked out. **Vote: 6 in favor; 1 opposed. Motion passes.**

CPC Report:	None.
Chair Report:	Cathy thanked the members of the board who attended the Rules Committee and supported the Councilmember's proposal. She will attend the June hearing and hopes all will do the same and further support the elimination of the 30- foot height limit onto the November ballot.
New Business:	None.
Old Business:	Dave Sigler reported that the Veterans Village tent that has been since in use on and off since 1977 near Goodwill will not return as the Navy property is being redeveloped. Dave thanked the group and community for the tremendous support of this temporary housing over the years.
Adjourned at	4:17 pm