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May 11, 2022 Minutes By Video Conference <u>navajoplanners@gmail.com</u> 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: May 11, 2022 @ 6:33 p.m.

By the Vice-Chair Brian Gile presiding: Welcome and instructions for participation relative to participation in the Zoom format and appreciation for your attendance

Roll Call of Board Members:

	<u>Term Ends</u>
Mike Murray (San Carlos)	March 2023
Danny Fitzgerald (San Carlos)	March 2024
VACANT	March 2024
Tamar Caspi (San Carlos)	March 2023
Cory Lashell (Grantville)	March 2024
David Smith (Grantville)	March 2023
VACANT	March 2023
Tommas Golia (Grantville)	March 2024 (Arrived after voting)
Chris Galuppo (Allied Gardens)	March 2024
Marilyn Reed (Allied Gardens)	March 2024
Shain Haug (Allied Gardens)	March 2023
Dana Cole (Allied Gardens)	March 2023
Abel Santana (Del Cerro)	March 2023 (Arrived after voting)
Brian Gile (Del Cerro)	March 2023
John Hoy (Del Cerro)	March 2024
Lance Grucela (Del Cerro)	March 2024
2 -Absent initially, Attended after voting	
3Excused	
9 in attendance	

<u>Modifications to Agenda and Appoval of the Agenda as Modified:</u> Motion to approve the agenda by Tamar Caspi, Seconded Cory Lashell by 9/0 AIF <u>The agenda is accepted.</u>

<u>Minutes:</u> Approval of the minutes of the April 13, 2022 meeting of the Board of Directors. Motion to approve by Mike Murray , Seconded by Marilyn Reed 9 /0 AIF <u>The motion passes</u>.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

David Ege. San Carlos Library. Our May 2022 Artist is Mike Hefner. His watercolor paintings are hanging in the Community Room from May 4 to 28, 2022. On May 14, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. the highlight will be Schools and Our Children – How Stress Impacts Learning and Achievement presented by Godwin Higa a nationally recognized expert in supporting the mental health and wellness of students. Every Wednesday we hold Kid's Yoga & Stories from 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. On the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday join our Meditation Hour from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The next Friends of the Library Booksale will be on June 4, 2022 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On June 7, 2022 between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. we will present the Robotics Team Interest Meeting hosted by HCSTEMM Foundation.

Patricia Burkes. Resident and home owner in Allied Gardens. States objection to the expansion of a residence to create a stand-alone business of child care center. The area is not zoned for this use and the changes must comply with the nature of the neighborhood and not adversely impact the community. We share community values that do not include a business. There are commercial spaces available. The Chair comments that this will be on the agenda at a future agenda.

Bettyann Bernhardt. Has lived in Allied Gardens since 1962 and owns the Longhorn Bar. Comments that the proposed child care center raises issues of safety of the children who live in the area. This is a dangerous development that the people who live in the area who did not buy with that development in mind at the time of purchase. The folks who do not live in the area are not respectful of our community and our safety. Our children should be able to walk to school in safety.

Elected and Public Officials' Reports:

Robert Raynor, San Diego Police Department Community Relations Officer. (By written submission to the Secretary)

The following crime statistics are for Grantville, Allied Gardens, Del Cerro, San Carlos, and Lake Murray from April 1 to today.

On 04/22/2022, at 0022 hours, an unknown male suspect brandished a firearm at a male at 8666 Lake Ashmere Drive. The unknown suspect was causing a disturbance in the parking lot when the male confronted him. The suspect removed a black pistol from his front waistband and held it in a threatening manner towards the victim. The male suspect fled on foot and is not in custody. On 04-01-2022 at approximately 20:05 hours, an unknown suspect shot a female victim in the back approximately 10-15 times with a BB gun in the driveway of 6500 Hopedale Court. The victim sustained approximately 6 BB sized circle welts on the left side of her lower and middle back. There were no witnesses to the incident. There are no suspect(s) in custody.

On 05/09/22 at approximately 0417 hours, an unknown suspect(s) discharged nine 9mm rounds at 5900 Margerum Avenue. A vehicle was impacted once, and an occupied apartment building was impacted three times. No one was injured. No suspects are in custody.

On 4/28/22, at 1736 hours, a male victim was struck in the face by a female suspect with an unknown object in his left hand. The assault occurred at the Roadway Inn on 5399 Adobe Falls Road. The victim suffered a cut under his right eye and lost consciousness for about 10 seconds. He was treated at Sharp Memorial Hospital. CT Scan results showed that he did not sustain any life threatening injuries, only low glucose levels.

On 04/17/22 at approximately 0200 hours, a male suspect, allegedly ran over male victim with his vehicle in the parking lot of the Blue Agave night club located at 6608 Mission Gorge road. The victim sustained apparent minor injuries from the incident and decline medical attention. There were no witnesses or video of the incident.

On 4/12/22 at approximately 0100 hours, a male suspect headbutted and strangled his girlfriend of 8 years. The strangulation occurred for five seconds and she refused medical attention. Suspect fled the scene prior to police arrival.

On 04/15/2022, at approximately 0151 hours, four unknown males and two unknown females entered 7Eleven located at 8508 San Carlos Drive in San Diego. Two unknown male suspects battered the cashier and stole unknown merchandise. One Black male punched the cashier in the face, and violently threw her into a display case. The cashier was also assaulted outside of the store. Two Black males punched the cashier twice in the face causing her to fall to the ground before kicking her in the head while lying on the pavement. The six unknown suspects fled the scene in a white four door BMW with a black hood, black rims, and a black strip along the door panels. They were last seen traveling west bound on San Carlos Drive. The victim (cashier), sustained a one inch laceration to the left side of her eye, and abrasions and bruising on the right side of her face.

No suspects are in custody at this time. Video surveillance captured the incident and is available for evidence.

On 04/18/22, an unknown adult male suspect (S1) walked out of Home Depot with a shopping cart containing unpaid merchandise. S1 was confronted by Home Depot Loss Prevention in regards to the property. S1 raised a hatchet at Dailey and displayed it in a threatening manner. S1 then fled on foot north bound in the parking lot. There are no suspects in custody at this time. S1 left behind the shopping cart with about \$398 worth of miscellaneous tools.

On 04-08-2022, between the approximate time of 12:00 and 15:30 hours, two suspects broke into an apartment located at 6450 Ambrosia Drive. Both were arrested and booked into County Jail. On 04/18/2022, between 1030 hours and 1245 hours, an unknown suspect entered a residence located at 8300 Lake Adlon Drive using an unlocked bedroom window. The loss is approximately \$2,370.00 in electronics, baseball caps, and foreign currency. There are no witnesses to the incident. 27 VEHICLES were burglarized.

19 VEHICLES were stolen (8 in Grantville and Allied Gardens, 6 in Del Cerro, 5 in San Carlos and Lake Murray).

50 ARRESTS were made.

Vic Vettiyll, Council District 7.

Citywide Updates:

Budget Survey/Budget Hearings:

- The City of San Diego is currently going through its FY23 Budget Process, and the Councilmember wants to hear directly from you on your priorities.
- Our office is currently soliciting feedback from the community on how the FY23 Budget should be prioritized.
- All of this feedback will be considered as the Councilmember drafts his revised FY23 Budget Priority memo that he will submit to the Mayor and IBA.
 - Please use this link to complete the survey: <u>https://bit.ly/3F9lqUy</u>
- Council District 7 Budget Town Hall
 - In addition to the Survey, the Councilmember also wants to hear directly from you at a virtual town hall on May 18, 2022 at 5:30PM
 - Please use the following link to register: <u>https://sandiego.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJItcOGuqjMqExqa7dW</u> <u>MUTqIUKIw5Y5wzC8</u>

<u>Navajo:</u>

- San Carlos Library
 - The Councilmember's number one priority for District 7 is the construction of the new San Carlos Library, and thank you everyone who called in on this issue at the Budget hearings last week. We are getting closer to the light at the end of the tunnel.
 - The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board just issued a letter of "No Further Action" for the proposed site which means the City is now able to purchase the land and move forward with construction.
 - Our office is already coordinating with City staff to make sure this project is brought forward in a timely manner.
- Old Mission Dam
 - Since 1803, the Old Mission Dam has been on the River, and it has been a National Landmark since 1963. However, it is currently at risk of being destroyed due to excess silt deposits damaging the structure.
 - Thanks to Councilmember Campillo's advocacy the City included 750,000 for the dredging of the Old Mission Dam to preserve this iconic piece of history for years to come.

Emily Piatanesi, Office of the Mayor. (By written submission to the Secretary)

Mayor Gloria's "Ready to Rebuild" Fiscal Year 2023 Budget: Mayor Todd Gloria released his Fiscal Year 2023 \$4.89 billion "Ready to Rebuild" The goals of the proposed FY23 budget of \$4.89 billion are:

- Repairing aging infrastructure by making the largest infrastructure investment in City history
- Improving the speed and quality of City of San Diego services like Get It Done and police, fire, and medical responses
- Enforcing regulations for new ordinances such as sidewalk vending and short-term rental regulations
- Enhancing pay and investing in facilities for SDPD, lifeguards, and firefighters
- Furthering our commitment to key investments to address homelessness
- Ensuring competitive employee compensation

Budgets are statements of priority; our priorities for this fiscal year are centered around rebuilding after COVID-19 and making significant investments to address issues that have been neglected for years. Our revenue has increased over the last fiscal year, sending us into our first year that we have not seen significant cuts to City services in several years.

Housing/Homelessness Investments

\$63.3 million total funding for homelessness, with two-thirds coming from state and federal grants. \$4.3 million has been added to support existing efforts to address homeless encampments in the City, and \$13.6 million was allocated toward increasing resources for people experiencing homelessness, including bolstering shelter capacity, services, and coordinated street outreach. Infrastructure Investments

\$77 million in funding for capital improvements to do street resurfacing - a \$27.6 million increase over the last fiscal year. \$8.8 million from low-interest federal loans has been set aside to prepare for major Stormwater infrastructure improvements. This includes \$4.1 million for pump station repairs and maintenance, \$4.1 million for increased street sweeping, and \$1.4 million to educate residents on how to avoid common inadvertent pollution. Additionally, the proposed budget adds \$8 million for basic City maintenance like upgrading traffic signals, sidewalks, and curb ramps, improving traffic management, maintaining trees, and removing weeds and graffiti.

Public Safety Investments

SDPD is fully funded in the proposed budget, to the tune of \$584 million. The budget proposes increases for police department overtime, and the City is currently in contract negotiations with public safety bargaining units for increased salaries for police, firefighters, and lifeguards, which will be included in the proposed final budget.

Neighborhood Services Investments

- \$6 million to implement new ordinances like the short-term rental (STRO) and sidewalk vending ordinances.
- \$4.3 million for Parks & Recreation to increase employee recruitment and training, and to help move away from hourly positions and toward salaried positions.
- \$5.4 million toward ensuring that the City is in compliance with Senate Bill 1383, which will help divert organic and food waste away from landfills, reducing our carbon emissions and food waste. This will require the City to provide 240,000 green organic waste containers and kitchen pails to residents, develop route-optimization and collection software, and educate residents on how to comply with the Bill.
- \$1 million in additional funding to increase efforts to make San Diego a more equitable place to live and work, going toward the Offices of Race & Equity, Child & Youth Services, and Immigrant Affairs.
- \$1.2 million distributed between various recreation programs to improve equity and accessibility for all residents -- \$171,000 for translation and interpretation services, \$441,000 for the digital equity program, and \$850,000 for technical and bonding assistance programs.
- \$1.25 million each for Connect 2 Careers and Small Business Enhancement programs.

Beginning on <u>May 4th</u>, the City Council will not meet as regularly scheduled, but as the Budget Sub-Committee to hear presentations from each of the departments mentioned in the proposed budget, who will present their ideas for how they will utilize their funds. The Mayor will release his May revise of the budget after hearing from the Council and the public comments on <u>May 19th</u>, and the final budget will be released and signed by the Mayor sometime in early June.

Jawad Al Baghdadi, 53th Congressional District.

This month is Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage month. During this month, Congresswoman Jacobs was glad to attend the dedication ceremony of the Sally T. WongAvery Library at UCSD and present Sally with a proclamation celebrating her foundation's generosity. The gift to the library establishes ensures that East Asian scholarship and collections will be a key part of education in perpetuity.

In that spirit, Congresswoman Jacobs was also helped open the annual Pacific Arts Foundation Spring Showcase film festival with remarks and a Certificate of Congressional Recognition for their important work in uplifting Asian American and Pacific Islander films and stories year-round. On Earth Day, the Congresswoman and the team visited Mission Trails regional park to plant native plants and learn about all of the FREE educational programs they have and how Congress can better help our communities increase access to this regional treasure.

Lastly, The Congresswoman and I visited a few HomeStart sites run by the Neighborhood House Association to thank childcare providers for their work and hear from parents first-hand about how important the program is for their kids. As you may know, increasing access to affordable and accessible childcare is one of the Congresswoman's top priorities in Washington D.C. and one of the many topics she focuses on in her work on the Select Committee on Economic Fairness and Growth. She believes that this is one of the fundamental things we can do as a society to address poverty. More and affordable childcare means more people in the workforce and more money in families' pockets.

We wrapped up our submissions for the Congressional Art Competition and our judges selected the winner yesterday. Please keep an eye out for an announcement for our special event that we hold every year for all of the participants. Last year, we displayed the submissions in the San Diego History Museum for 1 month after a reception with the Congresswoman. The winning piece that will be announced at the reception will hang in the U.S. Capitol for a year.

Our office back open in-person on a limited basis. We recommend making an appointment with our office if you'd like to visit, need help with casework, wanted to talk about particular issues.

Tamar Caspi mentions that the Congressmember visited Patrick henry High School recently and our thanks to her for doing so and for her communication with the students and staff.

Upcoming Events: None

Directors and Board Members' Reports:

Chair, David Smith. Not Present

Vice Chair/CPC Representative, Brian Giles. David smith indicates that he will bring more information next meeting regarding the development near the Grantville Trolley Station and the ability of the owner to avoid the walking path. As CPC representative: there was another recap of the Council Policy 600-24 and the changes. The needle has moved to the positive for the CPGs and changes have been made to the favor. The city discussed it Climate Action Plan to move the city to electrical power, but the city could not answer whether SDG&E had a true commitment to the plan. The cannabis equity assessment was discussed with a lot of opposing views on the increase of cannabis sales locations in the communities. No real facts, a lot of emotion.

Action Items:

NCPI Officer Elections. Nomination for and election of a Treasurer to the NCPI Board of Directors. Chris Galuppo nominates himself and is appointed by acclimation.

Grantville Seat Vacancy- Board Member Nomination. Barbara Culver introduces herself as a resident of the Allied Gardens and a business owner in Grantville. Tommas Golia offers his support to her membership. Motion to elect Barbara Culver to the vacant seat for the Grantville Community with a membership to expire March 30, 2023 Motion by Cory LaShell, Seconded by Danny Fitzgerald. 9/0 AIF The motion passes and Barbara Culver will take the seat on June 1, 2022

Informational Presentations:

Alvarado Canyon Road Re-Alignment PAED Update, Chun Yu Chan, Project Manager.

Presentation from the City of San Diego's Engineering & Capital Projects related to the possible transportation improvements at Mission Gorge Road and Fairmount Avenue. This is located in Grantville at the Mission Gorge/Fairmont exchange. The city presents a brief update on where the project is going since February 2020 and lot has changed. Some issues to be addressed: the non-standard connection of Alvarado Canyon Road to Mission Gorge, and the Alvarado Creek. The goals to alleviate traffic, pedestrian access, flooding issues. Discussed the background investigation

of traffic, flooding, costs, environmental constraints, and project phasing. Provided a look at the alternatives considered all of which would enhance pedestrian access and access to the trolley station. Discussed the technical studies required including the environmental issues and the possibility for federal funding.

Tamar Caspi asked when the proposed completion. This is not yet established and cannot be until the matter is funded for final design. But this should take the matter to late 2025. Look to six to eight years. Note that the project is not yet funded. Ms. Caspi asks whether there will be any work on the roads until then and how will the residential developments in the area affect the design. The city comments that the road work and maintenance will continue. The city is in direct communication with the developers in the area

Dana Cole. Asks how the lost walkway access that Greystar is eliminating will be replaced. The city says that the pedestrian access will be considered

Shain Haug. When will the public be allowed to look at the options for the final design. Nothing scheduled now, probably not until the environmental process begins.

Marilyn Reed. Years ago during the Grantville plan consideration there was a consideration for bike paths along Mission Gorge Road. The city comments that both sidewalks and bicycle paths are in consideration.

Cory LaShell. It was mentioned that the alternatives should be considered with all stakeholders. When will they be allowed to speak. The city responds that they have identified a range of alternatives. Need to get those alternatives to the stakeholders to consider any major objections, such as those have been raised by MTS. The public access will come once the technical aspects are resolved. The options may be narrowed. Mr. LaShell asks if there is any requirement for eminent domain. City says probably not. Mr. LaShell asks if there is any chance to get the matter moving sooner through the cooperation of local stakeholders, that the priority is to get this going. Further, are they in the loop relative to the funding to improve the box culvert/hydro choke point, does the delay run the possibility of losing the grant for that development? Mr. LaShell asks whether the funding really possible.

Barbara Culver. One of the considerations is cul-de-sac at the end of the road before Mission Gorge, and if so, how are the persons using and occupying the residences, storage, trolley station going to get out. Cory LaShell comments that there would be a connection to Mission Gorge Place. City refers to the considerations of the re-routing to Mission Gorge Place was recognized as an undesirable aspect of the possibility. This is less desirable option because of the traffic.

Tommas Golia. Was the high density of the area taken into account. City comments that the traffic modeling in mid-2018 and was accounted for, but there have been addition developments since. Brian Gile. Regarding the 2018 traffic studies, can we assume that a then current traffic count be used? The city comments that there will be an update. Mr. Gile comments that the environmental review is important, where is the scale of the real world use inconsideration? The city comments that there will be a lower tier environmental review. That the studies will include a broad range of factors. Cory LaShell. Returns to the issue of the cul-de-sac. This just does have some pros, but it needs a very close look. We really need to take a close look.

Discussion Items: None

Pending Projects for NCPI Review/Action:

Project 679788: Ace Self-Storage: SDP: 7395 Mission Gorge Road. No contact as of this time. Project 636444: All Peoples Church SDP PDP CPA. No contact as of this time.

Further discussion deferred.

NCPI Sub-Committee Reports: None.

Community Group Reports:

Allied Gardens/Grantville Community Council, Shain Haug. Our May 24, 2022 Town Hall Meeting will center on the presentation by *Represent San Diego*. This is the local body of a national movement with goal of bringing clarity and transparency to the process of our democratic elections. **Voice of Del Cerro.** None

San Carlos Area Council, Tamar Caspi. Tamar Caspi. There had been a request for increased safety items on Park Ridge near Patrick Henry. The city responded that the area will receive crosswalk markings in the context of other infrastructure work in the area. The crosswalk on the access to the playground has been denied. The city will be asked to circle back on that issue. There is a new Board President, Micky Zeichick.

Mission Trails Regional Park, Marilyn Reed. Had a recent meeting where the action items were discussed the bridge with \$2.4 Million on hand. Construction in 2023 and the work has been awarded. The sites have not been finalized. Another grant for improvement to the trails has been obtained.

Additional and Final Public Comments: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None.

Adjournment. At 8:20 p.m. The next meeting will be on June 8, 2022

Meeting Calendar 2022:

January 12th, February 9th, March 9th, April 13th, May 11th, June 8th, July 13th, (August dark subject to the requirement for call for a meeting), September 14th, October 12th, November 9th, (December dark subject to the requirement for call for a meeting))

Public Attendees and Presenters:

Members of the public who attended the meeting as shown on the Zoom Participants listing: Patricia Burkes Darwin Cruz BettvAnn Bernhardtt Rachel Cohn Barbara Culver Chun Yu Chan (City of SD) Jawad A. (Rep Jacobs) David Ege (San Carlos Library) Daniel Smith Dan Tomsky Mashaneh Ashrafzadeh (City of SD) Vic Vettiyil (CD7 Staff) Bob Jagla Paul Disbro Dean Gayon Sofia Frost Mark Tarrall

Janice Taylor Sara Madonia