



NORTH PARK PLANNING COMMITTEE (NPPC)

Agenda

Nov 17, 2020; 6:30 pm

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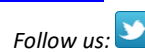
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I. **Parliamentary Items**

(6:30 p.m.)

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call and Attendance Report**
2. **Modifications to the NPPC Agenda**
 - a. **Urgent Non-Agenda Action Items:**
 - b. **Consent Agenda**

Urban Design/Project Review. Board Members Present: Aria Pounaki, Jen Spencer, Melissa Stayner, Tim Taylor, Peter Hill (Community Member), Pat Sexton (Community Member)

(PROCESS 3) 4419-4427 Texas Street Map Waiver

Application to waive the requirements of a Parcel Map to create 5 residential condominium units in buildings under construction on a .161 acre site at 4419-4427 Texas Street in the RM-3-7 Zone within the North Park Community Plan. Presenter: Maggie Roland

SUBCOMMITTEE MOTION: *To approve the map waiver for 4419-4427 Texas Street, because increasing access to opportunities to home ownership increases neighborhood stability and desirability. However, the NPPC strongly believes that the often-used “dual tracking” method of initially permitting a building as apartments, to later change to condominiums, deliberately circumvents neighborhood input into the design process. NPPC would like to work with city staff to improve upon this process. The NPPC would like to address the use of palm trees for tree points as they do not provide shade or adequately address the climate action plan of creating more shade and reducing the urban heat island effect. The NPPC is also concerned about the deck encroachment into the required setback on this project. Pounaki /Stayner (5-0-1) (Taylor abstaining because he arrived late and missed the presentation)*

Public Facilities & Transportation. Board Members Present: Aria Pounaki, Steve Doster, Arash Kahvazadeh, Peter Hill (Community Member)

SANDAG Roundabouts in University Heights

There are two roundabouts (one at Meade Ave & Alabama Street, and one at Meade Ave & Louisiana Street) that are in the University Heights neighborhood, as identified in the North Park Community Plan. These two roundabouts have been completed and sandblasted with the name “North Park” as decorative elements. Residents of University Heights request these two roundabouts be updated to read “University Heights.”

Presenters: Tyler Renner (Councilman Ward’s office), Danny Veeh and Natalie Cushman (SANDAG representatives)

SUBCOMMITTEE MOTION: Support the removal of “North Park” from the two roundabouts on Meade Avenue Bikeway at Alabama and Louisiana Streets and replace with “University Heights” as long as the estimated \$50,000 cost is paid by SANDAG’s budget. Kahvazadeh / Doster 4-0-0

3. **Agenda:** Adoption of the November 17, 2020 Agenda, *if necessary*.
4. **Minutes:** Approval of the September 15, 2020 Minutes.
5. **Treasurer’s Report:** Sarah McAlear.
- II. **Non-Agenda Public Comment:** Limited to Items not on the Agenda and non-debatable. Two-minute maximum, Chair can award more time. (6:40- 6:50 p.m.)
- III. **Announcements & Event Notices:** Limited to One minute each. (6:50- 6:55 p.m.)
 1. **North Park Farmer’s Market:** Thursdays weekly 3-7:30PM on North Park Way & 30th Street, for more info: <https://www.northparkfarmersmarket.com/>
 2. **December Nights (Dec. 4 through Sunday, Dec. 6):** Over 20 food truck/food vendors offering their most popular menu items in a drive-thru setting in the Inspiration Point parking lot near Balboa Park. For more info: <https://www.sandiego.gov/taste-of-december-nights>
- IV. **Elected Official & Planner Reports:** Reports are limited to 2 Min Max (6:55- 7:05 p.m.)
 1. **Maria Bojorquez-Gomez, Hon. Susan Davis, US Congress Dist. 53,** 619-208-5353, maria.bojorquez-gomez@mail.house.gov .
 2. **Makana Rowan, Hon. Nathan Fletcher, SD Board of Supervisors Dist. 3,** (619) 531-4936, makana.rowan@sdcounty.ca.gov .
 3. **Mathew Gordon, Hon. Todd Gloria, State Assembly Dist. 78,** 619-645-3090, Mathew.Gordon@asm.ca.gov .
 4. **Diana Lara, Hon. Toni Atkins, State Senate Dist. 39,** 619-645-3133, Diana.Lara@sen.ca.gov.
 5. **Brett Weise, Hon. Chris Ward, City Council Dist. 3,** 619-236-6633 BWeise@sandiego.gov.
 6. **Bernie Turgeon, Planning Department,** 619-533-6575, BTurgeon@sandiego.gov.
- V. **Information Item:** (7:05- 8:30 p.m.)
 1. **University Avenue Mobility Plan Update**

A number of improvements to University Avenue corridor have been planned in the University Avenue Mobility Plan (UAMP). The UAMP project proposes multi-modal improvements along University

Avenue, between Florida Street and Boundary Street, within the City of San Diego's (City) community of North Park. The project will incorporate: 1) Roadway Improvements: Traffic signals, raised medians, turn pockets, and re-striping; 2) Transit Improvements: Transit-only lanes, transit stop consolidation; and 3) Pedestrian Improvements: Enhanced pedestrian crossings, curb extensions/pop outs. This information item will update the board and the public of the coming changes.

Presenter: Chun Yu Chan, Project Manager, City of San Diego - ChanC@sandiego.gov

2. Kate Sessions Commitment Tree Initiative

The newly-organized Kate Sessions' Commitment focuses on planting 100 trees in various communities each year in the 2020s and has launched a website, www.katesessionstrees.org. The City of San Diego has increased its tree planting budget from \$100,000 in FY20 to \$400,000 in FY21, to plant street trees in 15-gallon containers on right-of-way property. These are known as "free" trees, and the request begins with a "watering agreement" from residents and businesses. More info and request form at <https://www.sandiego.gov/blog/free-tree-sd>.

Presenter: Anne S. Fege, Ph.D., Chair, Community Forest Advisory Board, City of San Diego, <mailto:afege@sdrufc.com>, 858-472-1293

VI. NPPC Reports (8:45 - 8:55 p.m.)

1. **Chair's Report**
2. **Social Media.** Sarah McAlear/Randy Wilde
3. **NPPC Website Update.** Sarah McAlear/Randy Wilde.
4. **Subcommittee Reports:** : (Limited to Items Not on the Agenda & 5 Min. Max. each)
 - a. Urban Design/Project Review (UDPR): Melissa Stayner Chair, Jennifer Spencer Vice Chair –Next meeting January 4, via Zoom. (not meeting in December)
 - b. Public Facilities & Transportation (PF&T): Steve Doster Chair, Arash Kahvazadeh Vice Chair – Please note meetings have been moved from 2nd Wednesday to 2nd Tuesday moving forward. Will resume January 12, via Zoom. (not meeting in December)
5. **Liaisons Reports:** Limited to 1 Min. Max per Report
 - a. Balboa Park Committee. Vicki Granowitz.
 - b. Maintenance Assessment District. Matt Stucky.
 - c. North Park Main Street. Steve Billings.
 - d. Adams Avenue Business Association. Arash Kazavahdeh.
 - e. El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Assoc. Randy Wilde.
 - f. North Park Community Association. Peter Hill.
 - g. University Heights Community Association. Randy Wilde.
 - h. CPC. Matt Stuckey

VII. Future NPPC Meeting Dates & Agenda Items: Next meeting is Tuesday, January 19, 2021

VIII. Adjournment (9:00 p.m.)

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 - Urban Design/ Project Review Subcommittee Chair: Peter Hill 619-846-2689 or urbandesign@northparkplanning.org
 - Public Facilities & Transportation Subcommittee Chair: Arash Kazavahdeh or publicfacilities@northparkplanning.org
 - Adams Avenue Business Association: www.adamsAvebusiness.com/

- North Park Main Street: northparkmainSt.com/
- “The Boulevard” El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association: www.theboulevard.org
- North Park Maintenance Assessment District: <http://npmad.org>
- North Park Community Association. For information about North Park Activities or to have an event posted: www.northparksd.org
- University Heights Community Association (UHCA): www.uhsd.org