

# Old Town San Diego Community Planning Group

Ann Dahlkamp, Chairperson  
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## MINUTES v.2

### Whaley House, this meeting came to order at 3:31pm

**Members Present:** Linda Acuna; Chuck Ambers; Chuck Curtis; Ann Dahlkamp; Vicki Durham; Fred Grand; Amie Hayes; Geoffrey Mogilner; Arvilla Rodgers; Richard Stegner; David Swarens; David Thornton; Robert Zink

**Members Absent:** Gloria Andrade; Patricia Fillet

**Visitors:** Paul Chase <[pgc@pgchase.com](mailto:pgc@pgchase.com)>; Ken Wright <[kawright@sandiego.gov](mailto:kawright@sandiego.gov)>; Wayne Jarrell <[waynejarrell@sandiego.gov](mailto:waynejarrell@sandiego.gov)>; Thurston Coe <[thurstoncoe@yahoo.com](mailto:thurstoncoe@yahoo.com)>; Vickie White <[vwhite@sandiego.gov](mailto:vwhite@sandiego.gov)>; Councilman Chris Ward

#### 1. Non-Agenda Public Comments:

##### 4th Grade Program

Chuck Ambers informed that the period of California history covered by the 4th Grade program covers the years from approximately 1822/27 to 1872. This limited timeframe does not encompass the full history of Old Town. Currently, the students' tour only includes locations in the State Park. A second tour is in development that will include areas outside the State Park, such as Whaley House, African Museum Casa del Rey Moro, and the Mormon Battalion.

Mr. Ambers invited those who would like to see the students' participation extend to Old Town areas outside of the State Park to attend meetings of the Old Town San Diego Foundation, held every third Thursday of the month, at 10:00am at the Mormon Battalion.

Chuck Curtis informed the group that the Sheriff's Museum does not charge the school groups for admission. (General admission for non-educational groups is \$5.00 for adults, no charge for children 12 years and under.)

##### Community Planning Groups

Ann Dahlkamp informed the group that she is currently attending the monthly meetings of the Chairs of the various City community planning groups put on by the City of San Diego. She reiterated that it is required of any new members to attend a Community Orientation Workshop (COW) that is also put on by the City.

##### Cell Phone Towers

Ann Dahlkamp inquired if there were any known cell phone towers proposed to be going up in Old Town. Other community planning groups have mentioned that their areas are seeing an increase of towers in their areas. Vickie White informed that on the City's website <[sandiego.gov](http://sandiego.gov)> under OpenDSD a search by address can be done to check if any cell phone towers have been approved.

Paul Chase distributed the first issue of the Presidio Heritage Trust Newsletter.

2. **Agenda Modifications:** None

3. **Meeting Minutes:**

David Swarens motioned and Geoffrey Mogilner seconded that the March meeting minutes, with corrections, be approved. 10 yes, 3 abstain, 2 absent.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

Today's meeting collected \$27.00 which brings the total-to-date to \$124.00.

5. **Action Items:**

The following people were voted as officers for the Office Year of 2017:

Fred Grand motioned Vickie Durham for the Treasurer position, Chuck Curtis seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: 13 yeses, 2 absent. Motion approved.

David Thornton motioned Linda Acuna for the Secretary position, David Swarens seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: 13 yeses, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Robert Zink motioned Chuck Ambers for the Vice Chair position, Richard Stegner seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: 13 yeses, 2 absent. Motion approved.

Fred Grand motioned Ann Dahlkamp for the Chair position, David Swarens seconded the motion. Votes were as follows: 13 yeses, 2 absent. Motion approved.

6. **Information items:**

#### **City Council Update**

Councilman Chris Ward spoke to the group to provide an overview on various issues of concern. Topics included homelessness issues, affordable housing, neighborhood infrastructure (including parks, golf course, Serra Museum). Following Councilman Ward's overview, general discussion followed. Subjects brought up during discussion included proposed changes on how community planning groups operate and if input from the groups would be considered and how the plans are coming along for parking and traffic flow in Balboa Park. Councilman Ward reaffirmed his support of planning groups and their input and that the Balboa Park projects are continuing under discussion. In late May meeting dates will be announced where the public will be invited to come and provide input.

Fred Grand thanked Councilman Ward and his staff for coming to the meeting and for their support in the planning group's efforts.

#### **Juan Street Update**

Wayne Jarrell, Project Manager, gave the following updates:

- The work currently being done are "punch list" items
- Any necessary road closures will try to be done at night to minimize impact
- ATT&T and SDG&E are repairing the street damage caused due to their respective equipment repairs
- No work will be done during the Fiesta Cinco de Mayo weekend

#### **By-Laws**

The proposed changes to the by-laws were discussed. Discussion centered around eligibility procedures. Vickie White offered to research how other planning groups address eligibility requirements and procedures for the group to consider. Discussion to continue at the May meeting.

7. **Committee Updates:** None at this time

8. **Announcements:** None

Meeting adjourned at 5:02pm.  
Officially submitted,  
Linda Acuna, Secretary