

Roll call:

Attendance: Monica delacruz, david swardens, beau benko, susan bugbee, Joe Conegelio, Diego Lynch, Elizabeth Mayer, Barbara mitana, Richard Santini, Francisco Vallejo

Absent: Paul Lesemann Celestin Faustino, Raleigh Burke.

6:40 came to order

Suggest that: David Swarons the specific request to say 'what does temporary mean' to the mayor's office about the 20th & B safe sleeping sight. No vote on this matter.

Diego asked to record the actual specific voting outcomes on the things that we voted on.

Minutes for last week not approved.

Paola Agui, Representing Nora Vagas. Here to give a community report.

- Budget is coming up for the county, opportunity to comment, tomorrow 6/29 is the final day.
- Grant for suicide prevention.
- HSCA accepted the mental health services act
- accepted Community service and development act.
- Sweet water is getting acres of additional land.
- Part of CSAC, part of executive team, part of homelessness solutions team.
- office has 15 teens coming to their office to learn about the running of county
- small business stimulus grant, our district still has a million \$ in the tank to help out small businesses, only eligible for people which are in our district.
- Shine bright with pride. 6:30 pm 6/27
- She wants business cards and connections.

Malik Thorton.here with updates from the mayor.

- Unsafe camping ordinance passed, and is up for final approval shortly.

Noted that some of the people in the room had attended the site visit to the 20th and B safe sleeping sight.

- Community clean up tour is happening.
- Bulk Item Pick Up is happening again.
- He is giving away c

David Swarons: Asked where the clean up is going to happen? Golden hill. Where was the one in april?

Malik did not know.

Chirstopher Gris – Of Chris Ward's office.

3 bills made it to state assembly:

1. AB599 – School Substance Abuse - teachers to take a public health approach to drug paraphernalia
2. AB361 – Cycling cameras – to crack down on people parking in bike lanes.

3. AB8799 – Homeless Accountability Act – more info, more oversight, more enforcement of homeless.

Part of some LGBTQ+ coalition

Small business support network.

AB868 Multi family unit supporting bill

NON AGENDA Public comment

Kyle Stevenes, Viewpoint Development (accompanied by 4 other people)

– 2985 C st – new development, multi-family mixed use coming in, he was here the request approval.

– Monica suggested the development subcommittee meeting, unsure if it was or not ok to have ... a development subcommittee meeting on the internment

– David Swarons said that the ZOOM/NO zoom question was complicated.

Kyle wanted to be added to the agenda for Monday July, the 24th – next meeting

Question for Christopher Gris from community member 1.

David Swarons: said that Chris Ward used to have public comment meetings, where everyone can get in, said that Chris Ward claimed that tents @ the Alpha Project were pitched as temporary by Chris Ward, and that they proved not to be

Community member 1 said that he didn't receive sufficient notice about the tour of the site @ 20th & B st.

Christopher Gris, supposed that Chris Ward would say that decisions made after he left the city (his previous position) were beyond his power.

David Swarons – mentions the city's training session for new community planning group members.

Question for Malik from Joe Coneglio – I am curious about enforcement on the homeless encampments which are now in place. I am concerned that they are going to choke off our neighborhoods——

expressed concern that homeless encampments under overpasses would be sites for homeless dwelling, expressed that homeless encampments block sidewalks

Malik responded that tents around the sheltering site would not be allowed.

Joe – the alpha project on imperial ave, saying that there are a lot of encampments in the area around that. Mentioned his son walking to school under bridges. Noted that the entrances into and out of Golden Hill are usually under a bridge, implying that 'choking off' would happen preventing pedestrian walking

Malik – responded that he doesn't think that it would be an issue, citing the number of people which can be accommodated in the B st site, and the number that can go into the O-Lot site. 'we can talk a little bit more about the enforcement piece. The goal is not to move them, the goal is to get services to where they are.'

Joe - I would like to talk to you further about it.

Monica - Chair we now have a new community planner attached to our area: Grant Ruroede

Community member 1: will there be a map of where homeless are not allowed to sleep.

Community member 2: mentioned that VOSD.

Moving out non-agenda public comment

Elizabeth Mayer, mentioned that the intersection of 26th & florida st. is a 'hot mess'.

Malik said 'there is going to be transportation provided to the person who is referred to the safe sleeping site. There is going to be transportation going out of the Bst & 20th site

Community member 3 Said that there would be a fixed time for this encampment.

Time frame of about 6 months, and then there will be an evaluation by the homeless & strategies department (under the mayor's office) of the site's efficacy.

David Swarons – there doesn't seem to be a specific definition for temporary. Supposed that their will be legal action, concerning the non-specific aspect of the time frame for the project. Then praised Chris Ward for giving a specific time frame – 'clients being transported' was also part of the commitment for the alpha site, but David asserts that there were people wandering in and out of the site.

Joe Coneglio – are we working with the county or the state? What is to stop El Cajon from just busing people into the site.

Malik – We are working with the county and state to receive funding, and provide services

Joe – what about busing people into san diego from other cities, el cajon, spring valley, and another that the note taker didn't get.

Malik responded, note taker didn't get it.

Diego Asked about the mayor's comments about the mayor of coronado, bragging about transferring homeless people to san diego, and the mayor's claim during the vote on the safe sleeping ordinance.

Diego asked what he meant by that.

Malik said that he did not know.

Kathy Vandenheuvel – -Requested trash can for base of the trail @ where it comes out at the 26th street. And mentioned that she had a list of questions.

Elizabeth Mayer commented on the lack of safety on that trail.

Kathy – mentioned that the 6 month time period prior to there would be opportunities for public comment.

Monica made a list of requests mentioned by the audience.

Elizabeth – Request for vehicles to return people to the site to the site.

Richard Saniti, said that Sacramento is already doing what we are doing. Saying that based on media reports those sites in sacramento were not stringent (or totally non-implementing) enforcement provisions.

Malik – mayor is 'strong' on this (I think this was a double entendre meant to indicate the mayor's strength metaphorically and refer to the 'strong mayor' system in san diego), SDPD is a mayoral police department which will do what the mayor says.

Diego asked about the public comment period during the 6 month period prior to final commitment.

Malik said that they (mayor's office) are going to make a trip to the GHPG.

David Swarons – said that chris ward had offered to do a 'well publicized' meeting concerning the alpha site.

Malik asserted that they would 'work with' the planning committee to do something well publicized.

Monica expressed concern that it would be counter productive to establish a meeting on something after the thing was already passed.

David Swarons disagreed, saying that it is important to 'plan' meaning to hold a 'well publicized public meeting'.

Community member 1, citing the number of meetings which have been held concerning trivial things, voiced support for public meeting.

Kathy – I agree with comments about how she is disappointed that there is a 6 month time limit.

Elizabeth Mayer brought motion, seconded by Beau Benko, Motion: To add an agenda item September: To work with the mayor and council's office to establish a well publicized public meeting concerning the site on 20th & B st. during October?

Voting:

Unanimous in favor.

David Swarons: said something the note taker missed.

Onto agenda item #2

Monica solicited the council to track the process of applying to be a CPC.

Beau Benko accepted.

Kathy V. offered to help Beau.

Final item.

Monica entered it as tershia's item for discussion.

Tershia d'elgin starts talking. Asks if people can hear her. Makes a joke about standing up too fast and not enough blood for her brain. Asks if we can send a letter, regarding Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). Claims that during covid there were a lot of rule changes. One specifically regarding Environmentally Sensitive lands (ESL) and Capital Improvement Projects. Tershia said that she didn't like that the city can do these without going into CPGs. Tershia claimed that they were showing disregard for natural lands. Distributed flyers. Told story of city CIP investment in stormwater resulting in Arundo Donax growth in the base of the 32nd st canyon – resulting in substantial community work/ expenditure needed to redress this damage. Tershia said that this could be avoided if they went through planning committees for CIPs impacting Environmentally Sensitive Lands.

Richard Saniti sitting to my left asks tershia if that (in the distributed writing) is a photo of her in the base of the canyon.

Tersh elaborates on how maple canyon's similar experience with arundo donax growth.

Monica asked what Tershia was asking?

Tersh said that she wants them to send a letter which she wrote.

Beau Benko – asked if there is a process on the city site?

Tershia said that the letter asks for 3 things:

Please notice us on projects related to capital improvement

Please don't give us 10 days, give us 60.

Please reverse the change to municipal code.

David Swarons, seconded by susan bugbee: Motion: Send this circulated draft to the city.

Beau Benko – No

Diego Lynch – Abstain

All other council members – Yes.

Motion Passed.

Elizabeth Mayer. Asked a question. Note taker missed it.

Beau Benko – sited that he was voting no. explaining that he didn't have enough information to vote, not knowing the CPI process sufficiently to make a determination.

Kathy Requesting motions: to put all the projects from 2021 – for CPI projects on the agenda.

Incomplete CPI projects which she sites:

Intersection mentioned by Elizabth earlier.

Golf course drive. To finish building it.

Upgrades to the bus stops on C st.

Upgrade starbucks intersection

F St Linear Park

Monica makes motion, seconded by Joe Congelio: Add agenda item to solicit changes or improvements to the capital improvement projects during the July meeting.

Unanimous vote in favor.

Kathy says that someone needs to input all the cip things into some city portal.

Elizabeth Mayer – how much time is this going take.

Kathy – 1.5 hours tops to input all the CIP projects.

Elizabeth Volunteers to input the cpi

Kathy – City did commit to someone coming to the balboa park CPG, and requesting a representative from the GoldenHill CPG – Adhoc vs just doing it 'here', this meeting.

Adjourned! 8:30