- A. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. Board: Sally Smull, Chair; Rob Campbell, Vice-Chair; Khalada Salaam-Ahi, Leslie Dudley, Michael Westmoreland, Marry Young, Sheila Minick, Dorothy James, Andrea Hetheru. (Brian with Groundwork helped administer the Zoom meeting. Veritas Language Services, Spanish Translation, participated to provide translation as needed. A quorum was present. There were seven participants via Zoom.
- B. Housekeeping: There was a reminder to be courteous. Those wishing to speak were asked to complete and submit speaker slips. Participants were asked to silence phones.
- C. Adoption of Agenda. Sally Smull requested that Item H CIP Priorities List be pulled from the agenda as the organization needs to evaluate priorities. It was M/S/C (Marry Young, Andrea Heatheru) to accept agenda as amended.
- D. May 2023 Minutes: It was M/S/C (Marry Young, Sheila Minick) to accept the minutes as submitted. Andrea Heatheru abstained as she was not yet a member. The June 2023 Minutes: were deferred.
- E. Non-Agenda Topic. Kenny Keys reported that he had to have his home fumigated and it was burglarized while the home was tented. He indicated that the Captain of SE Division of SDPD reported that this is rampant. Kenny highly recommend people stay near their home during fumigation if possible. He stated that homeless people and others str targeting homes with tarps, including three homes on Old Memory Lane.
- F. Chair's Report: Sally reported that the CVCPG still needs a recording secretary and parliamentarian.
- G. Action Item: Korral Taylor, representative from Mayor Todd Gloria's Office, presented on the mayor's proposal to address the unsheltered, including a proposal for the Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library parking lot to host 120 spaces for the Homeless Safe Parking Site. The representative shared that there are three types of shelter strategies: shelters, safe parking, and safe sleeping. There are no shelters or safe sleeping sites in D-4. The Safe Parking program reportedly has had more than one third of clients move into more stable housing Libraries are being proposed as librarians have already observed and interacted with individuals and families sleeping in their vehicle after hours. Criteria for Safe Parking includes proximity to existing safe parking sites, the number of parking spaces available, and having individuals currently living in their vehicles. Dreams for Change, while not city-sponsored, operates 1.3 miles away. Malcolm X Library has 120 total parking spaces. People are already staying in the lot. If Malcolm X is selected, a town hall will be scheduled after a service provider has been selected. Marry Young requested clarification regarding the involvement of the Office of Race and Equity in selecting sites. Sheila Minick observed that the line of demarcation appears to have moved from north of Highway 8 to north of Highway 52. She also mentioned that while purporting to address housing for unsheltered college students, none of the proposed sites appear to be near the major colleges, e.g., UCSD, SDSU, Point Loma Nazarene, USD, and cited articles in the San Diego Union-Tribune from a year ago addressing the lack of student housing near UCSD. Rob Campbell stated that concentrated poverty does not help lift people out of poverty and that banks, schools, jobs, and infrastructure should be dispersed. He requested information regarding the criteria for selecting service providers. When concentrating people in poverty, there will be more reports from Get it Done addressing related issues. He mentioned the possibility of looking into locating Safe

Parking in areas of the city that don't have reports. Michael Westmoreland asked who information is reported to and if the individual can come to the meetings. He also asked if Korral Taylor's voice is big enough to share concerns from CVCPG board. Leslie Dudley expressed concern about the Probation Center, Safe Parking, and proximity to many schools in the community. She mentioned that the Valencia Business Park has been empty for many years and there is only one entrance and exit, which would increase security for a Safe Parking lot. She also suggested a location near the Skyline SDPD location. Khalada Salaam-Alaji shared that she has attended mini-workshop through the County, which is also looking for solutions. There is a need for more social workers, psychologists, etc. to meet mental health needs. Temporary shelters are not helping, and we need permanent housing and services for the homeless. It's not just about housing. Andrea Heatheru expressed concern about which office or a department that came up with the proposal. It was Homeless Strategies and Solutions. She asked if in any of the documentation there is anything that discusses why NOT to put Safe Parking at the library and suggested the algorithm might need to be changed. Concerned residents were asked to send emails to council members and the Mayor's office. Korral Taylor will provide the e-mail for the HSSD Director to CVCPG members as there is no e-mail link on the website. Korral later reported Sara Jarmin is Director of Homeless Solutions and Strategies and she can be reached at: sjarmin@sandiego.gov. Korral requested she be cc'd (taylork@sandiego.gov) and that individuals also contact City Council representatives.

In public comments, Francine Maxwell indicated that SDPD was not consulted, and the Captain of SE Division was not aware of the proposal. She suggested an alternate location, 2797 Camino Chollas. She further indicated that residents need to be smart and more strategic. She visited the sites to get the facts and suggested others do the same. Deacon Perry Owens shared that he believes we must love our neighbors, but we need to have homeless services in the right place. Vicky Estrella shared that it seems like part and parcel to separate the haves and have nots and keep the have nots out of certain areas. There are people in positions who are aware and facilitating the continuation of inequity, with a concentration of poverty and violence. Last month she asked Lucero Maganda whether or not sex offenders would be allowed to be in the Safe Parking areas and is awaiting a response. Marcy is a newcomer to the community who came from La Jolla. She believes this area is treated like the red-headed stepchild. There is a law pending that homeless shelters can't be near schools, of which there are several. Juan asked if other locations are being considered. Korral Taylor indicated no, but that suggestions are welcome. She reported multiple requests for Safe Parking at ECC. She stated that the Del Mar Fairgrounds will have affordable housing, but that is still in process and not in the city. Elida Chavez, Oak Park, addressed concerns regarding a suggestion for a site at the Gloria's Mesa area at Chollas Lake. There are a lot of fires that have almost burned houses in our community, and a couple of people have been found deceased. She stated that there are people at Chollas Lake at night.).

It was M/S/C (Sheila Minick, Andrea Heatheru) that the CVCPG submit a letter of disapproval for a Safe Parking site at Malcolm X Library and that suggested alternatives be proposed. The letter

- should be directed to Mayor Gloria, Council Members, the Office of Homelessness Solutions and Strategies, and the office of Race and Equity). The motion passed unanimously.
- H. Action Item: Vote on CIP Infrastructure Priorities List for CVCPG. This action item will be deferred pending discussion. The Planning Department would like individuals to submit items via survey (individually and as a Board). The deadline for next fiscal year is 8/15/23, but ideas can be submitted year-round. Marry reported that she, Sally, and Sheila participated in the CPC meeting. There are new requirements, and CVCPG will need to submit an application by the end of the year to indicate that we want to be the planning group for the community. The city wanted some invasive information that people would be unlikely to share and be assured of safe-keeping. We are seeking clarification on the diversity requirement, and by-laws will have to be written to ensure that it meets the requirements set forth in Council Policy 624.
- I. Vice-Chair's Report: Vote to rescind action taken 5/1/21 (Encanto Gateway): Rob Campbell indicated that the main intent is to state our position moving forward. This organization has already received a loan, etc. A subcommittee will start meeting in August to establish standards moving forward. Marry Young recused herself from discussion or voting on this issue. It was M (Sheila Minick) to proceed with directing the letter with an amendment in the last sentence of Paragraph 7 to change the word "inadequate" to "extended. Andrea Heatheru proposed a friendly amendment, which was accepted, to revise the last part of the paragraph to ". . . including urgent and emergent health care facilities and transportation, among others." It was M/S/C (Sheila Minick, Andrea Heatheru). Marry Young abstained.

## J. Staff Reports

- 1. San Diego Police Department: Officer Chris Jones (jonescl@pd.sandiego.gov) (Off)
- 2. City of San Diego Planning Department: Selena Sanchez Bailon (<u>ssanchezbail@sandiego.gov</u>). The Planning Group webpage is now available and includes information regarding Council Policy 624 roles and responsibilities. Current and new members were required to participate in the 6/12/23 training. Individuals can take the online training. It is annual training. If you take the online training, provide a copy of the certificate of completion to the provided address.
- 3. City of San Diego Council District 4: Eric Henson (<a href="https://example.com/hensone@sandiego.gov">hensone@sandiego.gov</a>). Distributed the July Monthly Newsletter. In regarding to concern expressed earlier regarding Valencia Business Park, there is development coming. D-4 staff have been reaching out to PATH regarding encampments, homelessness, etc. Aiesha Daniels has a team in our community. There is a resource event at Willie Henderson Park coming up. Legislative Events include: Council tomorrow at 10 and 2, Wednesday is the Public Safety Committee. Next Thursday is the MTS Board of Directors. SANDAG has a regional plan, attendees were referred to the newsletter. Streetlight repair is backlogged. Youth Commission raised the age limit from 22 to 25. Commission on Police Practices will be meeting soon. Contact Tiffany Harrison regarding a housing survey re: preserving housing, tax credit housing, etc.
- 4. City of San Diego Mayor's Office: Lucero Maganda (<a href="maganda@sandiego.gov">lmaganda@sandiego.gov</a>). Korral Taylor presented earlier in the meeting.
- 5. County Supervisor District 4: Jamaela Johnson (<a href="mailto:jamaela.johnson@sdcounty.ca.gov">jamaela.johnson@sdcounty.ca.gov</a>). Jamaela stated the Board approved 8.1 billion budget for county. Participants can visit the County website and Google the budget. The budget reflects much community and mental health

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service support. She reminded everyone of the Special election 8/15. Sample ballots were mailed out.

- 6. Assembly Member Weber's Office (D79): Moana Alo (619-465-7903, moana.alo@asm.ca.gov): No report.
- 7. Senator Atkins' Office (D39): Toni Duran/Gonzalo Rocha Vazquez (<a href="toni.duran@sen.ca.gov">toni.duran@sen.ca.gov</a>, Gonzalo.rocha-vazuez@sen.ca.gov): No report.
- 8. Congressman Vargas' Office (D51): Louis Ward III: No report
- K. Info Item: Circulate San Diego: Deferred to August.
- L. Info Item: Neighbors for a Better San Diego/SB10: Newell Booth. He briefed the CVCPG in 2021 and addressed concerns about allowing development changes to within one-half mile and one mile of transit stops. On 8/3, revised housing proposals will be before Planning Commission, followed by the Land Use and Housing Committee in September. Newell reported there are 190 ADUs in CVCPG area; on 9/14/21 there were 60 ADUs. There will be a rally regarding the housing proposals and against adoption of SB10 on 7/29 in Fashion Valley (along Friars Road). If the city adopts SB 10, the changes can't be undone. It supersedes all other zoning. Interested individuals can visit NFABSD.org and sign up for e-mail updates and yard signs. The group would like to invite someone from CVCPG to work with and reach out to other groups in the community. Newell Booth, <a href="newellbooth@gmail.com">newellbooth@gmail.com</a> 619-318-5682. Vicky Estrella stated she is opposed to SB10. Our council member has been voting for developers and it is important that we provide feedback. Next Planning Commission meeting is on 7/20.
- M. Presentation for Proposed Radio Towers Housing Development Update and Discussion. Due to the late time of night, the Internet was shut off so DR Horton could not present. Sally provided the phone number for Dan Boyd: 951-739-5444. Kenny Keys addressed the traffic situation in Emerald Hills. It was shared that 60<sup>th</sup> Street will be widened, with sidewalks and trees added. DR Horton has not purchased the land.
- N. Unfinished Business: Barry Pollard will come back next month to present on transportation planning and efforts to initiate formal regional planning for transportation.
- O. Meeting adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. (M/S/C Rob Campbell, Sheila Minick)

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Minick