

LINDA VISTA PLANNING GROUP

Monday, February 26, 2024

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Meeting Location for In-Person:

American Legion Post 731

7245 Linda Vista Rd, San Diego, CA 92111

Or Via Zoom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Felicity Senoski (Chair), Christopher Beesley (Vice Chair), Ashley Martinez (Secretary), Carol Baker, Jennifer Carroll, Margarita Castro, Lynn Dorris, Becky Hunt, Victor Ochoa, Marcos de Oliveira Camargo, Terri Tebbetts, Christine Weinstein

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Kim Heinle

- GENERAL MEETING MINUTES -

Call to Order: 6:03 pm by Senoski (Chair)

Pledge of Allegiance: Officer David Surwilo

Roll Call of Planning Group Members: Martinez (Secretary)

Approval of January 22, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tebbetts to approve January 22, 2024, general meeting minutes. Second by Ochoa. Minutes were approved by members present without objection.

Reports by Government Representatives:

- **Police Department:** Officer David Surwilo (present).
 - Officer Surwilo reminded folks to avoid flooded areas for their safety. If your property is impacted by flooding, sandbags are available at your local fire station.
- **Congress & State Legislature** (Senate/Assembly):
 - Congresswoman Sara Jacobs – Willow Lance, representative (absent).
 - Senator Toni Atkins: Samantha Brown, representative (absent).
 - Assemblymember Chris Ward: Teannae Owens, representative (present).
 - The State is facing a multi-billion budget deficit. However, the governor's January budget proposal does not propose cuts to homeless programs.
 - Assemblymember Ward is sponsoring several bills, including AB 1333, AB 1858, and AB 1999.
 - The Assemblymember's office will host a Senior Scam Stopper 2024 webinar on March 4, 2024. The webinar will feature experts from the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation, the Department of Real Estate, and the Contractor's State License Board to discuss common scams.
 - The Assemblymember's office will host a virtual Cash for College workshop on February 28, 2024. The workshop will cover several student aid programs to help pay for college.

- **County & City:**
 - **Mayor:** Korral Taylor, representative (present).
 - The City has implemented a fee waiver for building and demolition permits for those impacted by the January floods.
 - The City has moved forward with a new police chief search and anticipates announcing the results within the next few weeks.
 - **City Attorney:** Not present.
 - **City Council:** Councilmember Raul Campillo – Miles Noel, representative (present).
 - The City will host a bulk trash event on March 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or until the trash cans run out of space.
 - The City recently completed a slurry seal project at 1001 W Morena.
 - Beesley requested an update on Measure B, which voters approved in November 2022, allowing the City to charge residents for trash collection.
 - **Planning Dept:** Senior Planner, Megan Covarrubias (present).
 - The City is pursuing a Land Development Code update that contains 94 items: 67 Citywide amendments and 27 Downtown amendments. Public workshops and a presentation at the Community Planners Committee will be held over the next month. The City anticipates a review by the City’s Land Use Housing Planning Committee and then the City Council in June.
 - Senoski asked for a status update on recognition documents. The City anticipates an update in Spring.
- **SANDAG:** Not present.
- **University of San Diego:** Representative (present). USD will provide an update during the Zoning and Land Use Subcommittee discussion on the proposed Master Plan Update.

Public Non-Agenda Comments (2 minutes per person)

- Larry Webb discussed mayoral candidate Larry Turner.
- Courtney Aguilar expressed concern about the impact of ADUs on neighborhood street parking. Aguilar also shared that there are regular clean-ups at the Linda Vista Community Park and encouraged community members to join.
- Janet Kaye shared three updates. First, the Linda Vista Multicultural Fair will be held on April 27. Second, the Linda Vista Town Council’s graffiti abatement team has been very busy removing graffiti throughout the neighborhood and has a backlog. Third, Kaye responded to an earlier public comment about street parking and ADUs.
- Becky Rapp expressed concern with the City of San Diego’s Cannabis Social Equity and Economic Development (“SEED”) Program. Rapp referred to a KPBS article that

covered a silent protest outside the Mayor's State of the City address in response to the proposed SEED program.

Chair's Report: Senoski. Chair Senoski reminded the public and LVPG board that elections will be held at the March meeting and requested members of the public who wish to join apply before the February meeting is adjourned.

Secretary's Report: Martinez. No new updates.

Appointment of Additional Board Members

With elections, no new board members were solicited via appointment.

Informational Items

- 1. Francis Parker: Update on construction and expansion (Head of Operations/CFO Mike Rinehart; OCMI Senior Construction Manager Enrique Rodriguez; Community Relations Allison Kaufman).** School representatives from Francis Parker provided an update on campus construction and addressed concerns related to neighborhood parking issues and traffic delays during pick-up and drop-off times. Construction on the new athletic complex is expected to be completed in September 2024. Due to construction, on-site parking is limited, and the school anticipates that a portion of the impacted parking space will reopen at the end of Spring, hopefully resolving recent complaints about parking from the community.

For parking concerns involving students and staff, the community should call campus security, who will immediately work with school officials to remedy the issue.

Baker asked if the school would maintain the new landscaping along Linda Vista Road. School representatives said yes, they will maintain the new landscaping.

Beesley asked if the line of cars in the morning and afternoon was because of construction. School representatives said that was partially the case—some vehicles were construction vehicles, and some were students picked up and dropped off.

Hunt asked if students take public transportation. School representatives said that is an option, but it is unknown how frequently students take it.

Ochoa asked about the school's current enrollment. School representatives said it is approximately 1,325 students across two campuses. The school said it is not intentionally seeking to grow its student population.

A member of the public asked if there would be public access to the new swimming pool during non-school hours. School representatives were unsure if this was possible.

- 2. Pure Water: Morena Blvd. and Sherman Street construction update (Outreach Specialist Alec Phillip).** The City is preparing extensive street closures at Morena

Blvd and Sherman Street beginning February 29 through March 25. The City anticipates three full closures scheduled for weekends and partial closures during weekdays. Detours will seek to accommodate local businesses and residents.

Representatives from the City said all businesses in the area had been contacted and that ongoing outreach, including coming to the LVPG, was a part of the outreach plan. The City committed to extensive ongoing outreach to minimize disruptions caused by the construction.

Action Items

- 1. Honorary Street Name Dedication for Howard Wayne: Council Policy No. 200-10 recognizes individuals by naming sections of public streets in their honor. This honor is reserved for individuals who have performed an exemplary act or achievement of lasting interest to their community, which reflects positively on the City as a whole. (Felicity Senoski).** Chair Senoski handed the gavel to Vice-Chair Beesley to present Councilmember Raul Campillo's proposal to sponsor an honorary street name for Howard Wayne at the City Council. Senoski shared letters of support for the honorary street name from over a dozen business, civic, and community leaders. Members of LVPG and the public made public comments in support.

Action: Motion by Hunt to support a recommendation to Councilmember Raul Campillo to sponsor an honorary street name for Howard Wayne at City Council. Second by Baker. Motion carried by a roll-call vote of members present with an 11-0 result. Chair did not vote. Chair Senoski will transmit a list of potential streets identified by the Board to the Councilmember's office for review.

- 2. Inclusive Public Engagement Guide Worksheet: Final draft presented to LVPG (Felicity Senoski).** Chair Senoski, who led the Ad Hoc Committee that developed the final draft of the Worksheet, provided an overview of the responses for each section of the document. Beesley and Martinez, who also participated in the Ad Hoc Committee, provided an overview of the process used to develop each response. Carroll requested an amendment to the final draft to reinforce the importance of assigning a dedicated planner to LVPG.

Action: Motion by Ochoa to approve as amended. Second by Castro. Motion carried by a roll-call vote of members present with an 11-0 result. Chair did not vote.

Committee Reports & Updates

- Landscape Maintenance Assessment District – Ochoa.
 - Ben Perry, the City staff person assigned to the MAD, is leaving.
 - The City has completed a lot of work on Genesee.
- Morena Corridor Specific Plan (Ad Hoc) – Senoski. Nothing new to report.
- Riverwalk Development (Ad Hoc) – Senoski. Nothing new to report.

4. Traffic & Transportation – Dorris. Nothing new to report.
5. Zoning and Land Use – Martinez. Nothing new to report.
6. Ad Hoc Affordable Housing Task Force – Heinle. No meeting in February. The next AHTF meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2024, at 6:00 pm at Bayside.
7. Community Improvements – Carroll. Nothing new to report.
8. Representative Committees
 - a. Community Planners Committee – Senoski. No new report.
 - b. Linda Vista Collaborative – Heinle. Nothing new to report.
 - c. Mission Bay Park – Tebbetts. The next Mission Bay Park Committee meeting is on March 5, 2024.
 - d. Tecolote Canyon Advisory Committee – Niki Ahrens.
 - The Committee is monitoring the Tecolote Canyon Trunk Sewer Improvement Project, and the City continues to collect bids from contractors for the project.
 - The Friends of Tecolote Canyon will hold the annual Free Family Event on Saturday, June 1, 2024, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Tecolote Canyon Nature Center. Learn more about the canyon and the work of maintaining the trails.
 - Use the Get It Done application to make a report for non-emergency issues in the Canyon.
 - e. Linda Vista Recreation Advisory Council – Castro. Nothing new to report.
 - f. Linda Vista Town Council – Hunt. Kim Hanson from Bayside Community Center presented on the Linda Vista Community Garden. The Town Council will hear from Demi Brown of Empower Charter School in March.
 - g. Skate World Ad Hoc—Hunt. Hunt shared that Skate World offers a sensory-friendly skate on the first Sunday of every month. Sensory-friendly stake sessions have no flashing effects, lower music volume, no charge for non-skating adults, companions are allowed on the skate floor, and the lights are turned on.

Items for the March 25, 2024, meeting:

- Please send agenda items for March to Chair Senoski.

Adjournment: Chair Senoski adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm

Respectfully submitted by:
Ashley T. Martinez, Secretary
Linda Vista Planning Group