



Downtown Community Planning Council San Diego

*Planning a Vibrant Downtown for All*

## Downtown Community Planning Council (DCPC) Meeting Agenda

October 16, 2024, 5:30 PM

City Hall 12th Floor Committee Room

202 C Street, San Diego, CA, 92101

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*Public comment will be limited to 1-minute per person if there are many speakers present. Maximum of 8 non-agenda public comment speakers at this time; additional speakers can speak at the end.*

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B. Community Planners Committee - Bob Link

**IX. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**

*Items pulled from the Consent Agenda (Item II) will be discussed at this time.*

**X. Remainder Non-Agenda Public Comments**

*The remaining non-agenda public commenters (Item III) will speak at this time.*

**XI. Adjournment**

*Next meeting on November 20th, 2024, 5:30 PM, at City Hall's 12th Floor Committee Room.*

## September 2024 Minutes Approval

*Bob Link, Secretary*

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**PROPOSED ACTION:** Approve the meeting minutes for the September 18, 2024, meeting of the Downtown Community Planning Council.

The draft meeting minutes are on pages 4 - 11 of this agenda packet.

**DRAFT Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
September 18, 2024, 5:30 PM  
12th Floor Committee Room, City Hall,  
202 C Street, San Diego, CA, 92101**

- I. **Call to Order 5:38 pm**
  - A. In attendance (14): Rodriguez (Chair), Bargmann (V. Chair), Link (Scty), Barr, Eddy, Gu, Helmer, Hewitt, E. Schwarz, J.P. Schwarz, So, Tan, Werve, Winslow.  
Absent: George
  
- II. **Consent Agenda: Motion Rodriguez, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bargmann.** Approved Unanimously
  - A. July Minutes Approval
    1. Brief discussion re Margaritaville Live Entertainment minutes missing noise study, incomplete application, impact on residents vs favorable opinion by many of live events downtown, and minutes failure to record votes against motion to disapprove and abstentions. Weakness in minutes was noted. Discussion did not request removal of Agenda item A. from Consent agenda.
  - B. August Minutes Approval
  - C. Appointment to Operations and Budget (CPG) Committee
  - D. Public Notice for SEPT 18<sup>th</sup> Construction at Broadway and Pacific Highway
  
- III. **Non-Agenda Public Comment**
  - A. Pat spoke to prompt Larry Turner mayoral candidacy
  - B. An unidentified commenter spoke on a recent Grand Jury report
  
- IV. **Community Reports (Representatives from Elected Officials and Agencies)**
  - A. **Representatives from Elected Officials and Agencies**
    - A. Randy Reyes (Mayors)
      1. Randy Reyes, Community Representative, (*Council Districts 2 and 3*)  
[RandyReyes@sandiego.gov](mailto:RandyReyes@sandiego.gov)
      2. Acknowledged new Fire Chief
      3. Welcomed Homelessness Shelter input
      4. Draft Arts and Culture Plan input is welcome online  
<https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/2024-08/cultural-plan-draft.pdf>
    - B. Emily Bonner (Councilmember Stephen Whitburn)
      1. Brief overview offering Infor Cards and Resource Lists. DCPC Board Interest from Helmer, JP Schwarz, Link..
    - C. Robson Winter (Asm. Tasha Boerner)
      1. Rep Boerner supported CA Bills Governor is expected to sign include
        - a) AB2449 re Brown Act participation location amendments (signed)
        - b) AB2756 Post Partum Care pilot therapy program

- c) AB2440 Parks and Rec funding
- d) Infant Health Program
- 2. Highlighted Hispanic Celebration program honoring DCPC Chair Manny Rodriguez
- 3. Member (JP Schwarz) – support and requested assistance enforcing CALTRANS Encampment procedures including reporting and updates. Concern expressed with homeless transition corridors
- D. Clayton Fowler (Downtown Partnership)
  - 1. Highlighting upcoming 9/27/2024 0900 walkabout on 14<sup>th</sup> St with opportunity to interact with Clean and Safe
  - 2. RE Clean and Safe – noted that 4800 service tickets received focused on Maintenance (1500), Safety (2000+), 91% resolved within one hour others directed for attention / response
  - 3. Unsheltered count decreased 3% (150) from prior month. Since JUL 2024 outreach has accommodated 93 individuals, service provided to 255.
  - 4. Highlighted 10/6/2024 0930 community meeting
- E. No other reps at meeting

**V. Discretionary Approvals**

- A. Sprouts Conditional Use Permit (Presenter Terri)
- B. Highlighted as Horton Plaza 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 26,000 retail SF
- C. CUP requested to sell beer and wine in less than 1% of retail area
- D. Hours consistent with the Downtown area and at all times the store is open.
- E. Intent is single sales (growlers) and packaged in both 4 pack and 6 pack
- F. Public input:
  - 1. Gary Smith, DRG – recommended consistency with other similar market hours and items/packaging
  - 2. Packaging to be enforced by SDPD and Code Enforcement
- G. Board Discussion focused on Public Convenience and necessity
  - 1. Presenter responded that intent is to collaborate with City Council
  - 2. Discussion re linking Sprouts approval to City resolution of Faultline Park failure corrections – item was withdrawn with respect to unrelated nature of the items and desire to not delay action
  - 3. Motion to approve by Helmer and 2<sup>nd</sup> Eddy – Unanimous approval

**VI. Faultline Park Update (Wendelien Anderson, Parks & Rec Area Manager)**

- A. Referenced Get IT Done app for concerns and comments
- B. Confirmed maintenance including Electric Outlets covered, Playground condition funding and workload are driven in part by numbers of visitors and dogs, pics have been taken to document existing poor condition (cleanup promised by 10.30.234)

- C. Expressed appreciation to Izola Bakery for community help as “Amazing”
- D. Shared concern that there is lack of consequences impacting City ability to enforce Pinnacle compliance toward ‘beautiful green grass and playground’.
- E. Drugs and paraphernalia is an acknowledged problem without obvious solution
- F. No full time Ranger Downtown.
- G. Public Comment
  - 1. Gary Smith, DRG – There have been recurring requests for Ranger, turned down four years ago
  - 2. In Park presence by Clean & Safe recommended after hours
  - 3. Prioritize Ranger in City Budget Request by Parks & Rec
- H. Board input and (WA) responses –
  - 1. Investigate why no teeth in city agreement with Pinnacle.
  - 2. Invoice Pinnacle City staffing costs
  - 3. (WA) Collaboration amongst City Departments
  - 4. (WA) Formalize transparent process / letter with Pinnacle
  - 5. (WA) Provide transparent list of all City Departments required to approve Park actions
  - 6. Grade Pinnacle / Incentivize to perform
  - 7. (WA) Open Communications is highly valuable, While Pinnacle budget is respected, Pinnacle is using the Park to Sell condos
  - 8. Concern with enforceability of leash laws, after hours attention needed
  - 9. (WA) Agrees some type of presence is required
  - 10. Request to prioritize playground. Drugs, theft, criminality is newly ongoing, frustrations understood but leads to bigger problems. City not enforcing rules, use resources, be prepared for new parks to come on line. Use of cameras and (Pinnacle) front desk awareness and response
  - 11. Consider availability of Parks & Rec Grant
  - 12. (WA) SD Humane Society do cite people for droppings and highlighting Park of the Month based on reports
  - 13. Board member concern that Humane Society was not fielding and answering calls
  - 14. Chair summarized concerns as to how Clean & Safe can assist, maintain area streets, collaboration re new equipment, cameras to assist in challenge evaluation and responses
  - 15. (WA) In agreement re cameras but respecting surveillance controversies
  - 16. Board conclusions: Prioritization, enforcement, transparency in city responsibilities, review of distributed written agreement, collaboration of shared rules and enforcement responsibilities.
  - 17. Bargmann requested that Faultline Park action be formalized on OCT agenda. Chair concurred.

18. (WA) Concluding concerns: response re obligations, timeliness, city maintenance partnerships, EVA role, transparent chain of command for maintenance prioritization and approvals.

**VII. Fiscal Year (FY26) Budget Requests**

- A. CIP Operations and Capital Improvement budget (2025)
  1. Previously approved priorities included in the agenda
  2. Additional priorities discussed included Additional Park Ranger, Arts & Culture priorities, safe camping, crime reduction, harm reduction
  3. JP specifically recommended CA Proposition 36 issues
  4. Other board input – add, endorse Park & Rec priorities, collaborate with action agencies re Park and Rec, collaborate with other communities for downtown priorities, address issues of problems compounding issues, increasing harm reduction expenses, balance needle exchange priority with need, introduce Ranger shifts, manage metrics.
  5. Motion by Helmer to put forth CIPs as FY26 priorities as the primary request with an additional request for two park rangers. Second by JP Schwarz. Unanimous approval.

**VIII. Subcommittee Reports**

- A. Public Spaces - Gary Hewitt
  1. Balboa Park Committee report - Chris Eddy – board responses
    - a) Updated status of Pershing Bikeway, Starlight Bowl
    - b) Promoted events – Park Dedication, Heart Walk (11/21)
    - c) World Design Pavilion opening.
    - d) Haunted Trail 9/27 – 11/2
    - e) Highlighted Balboa Park Committee presentation status

## Public Comments Submitted for September 18th, 2024

**Tim Weir**

to comments ▾

Wed, Sep 18, 4:13 PM



Hello DCPC-

This is a non-agenda item public comment. I moved to Downtown San Diego in May 2023 and one thing I immediately noticed upon arriving is an excess amount of loud cars, motorcycles and trucks with what sound likes illegally modified mufflers and exhaust systems. I find this to be a detriment to the quality of life in the downtown to the point that I have considered relocating. It would be great if the DCPC and the City of SD would help to prioritize better enforcement of existing laws prohibiting excessive noise from modified cars, trucks and motorcycles.

One suggestion is the use so-called "noise cameras" that record and automatically ticket any drivers whose vehicle exceeds a certain decibel threshold. These have been used in other downtowns with much success. A link to a 2023 article from the SD Union Tribune about this technology is included with my comments. Thank you for your kind attention to this issue.

<https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/health/story/2023-03-14/lost-sleep-jangled-nerves-panicked-pets-the-rising-onslaught-of-noise-harms-mind-and-body>

Timothy Walter

**'diana thompson' via Public Comment**

to comments ▾

Tue, Sep 17, 10:32 AM



Dear Downtown Planning Council and City of SD,

I am writing to respectfully request your support in allocating funding for enhanced safety measures and improved maintenance at Faultline Park. I have lived in Park Blvd East since 2008. The promise this East Village community space originally held was incredible. Over the years it became a disappointment and a place to avoid. In the past few years the EV community members have gathered strength and a voice for improvement. Fault Line Park is high up on our list.

Our collective vision for Faultline Park is one of a clean, safe, and welcoming environment where we can host events like summer movie nights, lay out blankets on well-maintained grass, and enjoy picnics with loved ones and neighbors. This park has so much potential, but the ongoing issues with drugs, crime, and general decay have unfortunately made it an unsafe space for families and community members.

In order to realize this vision, I am requesting a budget for regular park ranger presence and professional maintenance services, similar to the standard seen in other parks across the city. Faultline Park deserves the same level of care and attention, and I believe that with the right resources, it can become a true gem for our community.

Thank you for your time and continued commitment to making our community a better place for all.

Diana Thompson



**'Franco Vargas Gonzalez' via Public Comment**

Tue, Sep 17, 10:58 AM ☆ ↶ ⋮

to comments ▾

Dear Downtown Planning Council and City of SD,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to respectfully request your support in allocating funding for enhanced safety measures and improved maintenance at Faultline Park. This beautiful community space has incredible potential to be a vibrant and safe hub for our residents, but it is currently falling short of that vision.

There is so much potential for this to be a great community resource but currently it is a park that has been left to the will of those who abuse it. Both Izola and Sovereign are left to deal with patio areas that are impacted by the terrible condition of something that should honestly be a big selling point for them.

The community as a whole needs the resources and with a larger park on the horizon down the street, what can one expect of the way that will turn into the same situation at faultline.

In order to realize this vision, I am requesting a budget for regular park ranger presence and professional maintenance services, similar to the standard seen in other parks across the city. Faultline Park deserves the same level of care and attention, and I believe that with the right resources, it can become a true gem for our community.

I know there has been around 100 requests through the getitdone app, so there is public record of issues.

**'Rob Beachley' via Public Comment**

Tue, Sep 17, 8:23AM ☆ ↶ ⋮

to comments, Rob ▾

Dear Downtown Planning Counsel,

I am writing to request your support in allocating funding for enhanced safety measures and improved maintenance at Faultline Park. Our beautiful community space has incredible potential to be a vibrant and safe hub for our residents, but it is currently falling very short of the City of San Diego's vision.

We urgently need around the clock security here to keep this park safe. It is overrun at night with drug addicts and homeless persons. The children's playground is always trashed and often used needles are laying around. This is unacceptable to be treating our children this way with an unsafe environment. There is no where else for them to play in the East Village neighborhood that is always open. Gallagher Square has limited hours based on events at Petco Park.

The grass area is tough to lay out on for picnics because it is always overflowing with trash and dog poop. And the field grass is not kept up. I visited the park yesterday evening and noticed three lamp posts that were missing! They were stripped down to their base and had wires hanging out. This does not seem to be very safe nor maintained very well. I also noticed on the outside of the park dirt instead of the artificial grass. You will see a patch of artificial grass for about 10 feet and then patches off dirt where the artificial turf used to be. This looks horrible!

Additionally, the dog run is not safe for dogs's paws, it's not enclosed, and is always littered with dog feces. There are no gates to secure the dog park! How can you build a dog park with no gates? It just has an entrances on the East and West that are just wide open! And the dogs run around on stones? At least have dirt or artificial turf. This is not safe for their paws and is a breeding ground for disease because you cannot clean the stones efficiently. Every other dog park in our City is enclosed and does not have stones for the dogs to run on.

Contracting to a professional maintenance service will resolve this since Pinnacle is failing on their contractual responsibilities to the City of San Diego. This park has so much potential, but the ongoing issues with drugs, crime, and general decay have unfortunately made it an unsafe space for families and community members. In order to realize this vision, I am requesting a budget for regular park ranger presence and professional maintenance services, similar to the standard seen in Waterfront Park and the Children's Park. Faultline Park deserves the same level of care and attention as other parks receive within our City.

Thank you for your time and continued commitment to making our community a better place for all San Diegans.

Rob Beachley

**Ashleigh Murray**

to comments ▾

Tue, Sep 17, 10:08AM ☆ ↶ ⋮

Dear Downtown Planning Council and City of SD,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to respectfully request your support in allocating funding for enhanced safety measures and improved maintenance at Faultline Park.

Whenever I go for a walk, I try to find a green space and connect with nature. Every time I get excited to go to Faultline Park, I'm sorely disappointed and sometimes afraid when I get there. Faultline Park has so much potential but also needs help and security.

I've personally been chased out of the park by a shirtless individual with a machete in the middle of the day. I saw the same individual chase a mother with her young child out of the playground area of the park and chase an individual walking their dog out of the park. While this was a singular individual/day, it is indicative of a larger problem and need at the park. Occurrences like this are not rare at the park, but they should be. Parks should be a safe, clean space for individuals living downtown and those visiting to take a moment to connect with nature and get outside and move their bodies. Unfortunately Faultline Park does not fit this bill at present. However, I believe that with funding for maintenance and security, Faultline Park could shine and be a jewel in East Village.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration of this request. Thank you for your time and commitment to our community.

Sincerely,

Ashleigh Murray

**Deanna Ratnikova**

to comments ▾

Mon, Sep 16, 5:47 PM ☆ ↶ ⋮

I heard that the Planning Group was considering financial support towards the upkeep of Faultline Park. I'm writing in support of this as the park is and has been unsafe and unsanitary since I moved to East Village two years ago. I have an elementary school aged child, and it's been a huge disappointment to not be able to use the playground at Faultline on numerous occasions due to issues such as nearby drug use, off leash dogs, feces around equipment, and homeless encampments, to name a few. The property in charge of maintaining the area is failing to uphold their contract with the City, so it is time for another stakeholder to step in.

Deanna Ratnikova

Sent from my iPhone

**'Kelli H' via Public Comment**

to comments ▾

Mon, Sep 16, 4:42 PM ☆ ↶ ⋮

Hello,

Public Comment:

Please as a committee make a motion to request the City to take action on Pinnacle Building for not complying with their agreement to make the Fault Line Park a first-class park in East Village San Diego.

Best,

Kelli Hagan

East Village Resident

'cindy Cook' via Public Comment

Sat, Sep 14, 9:16 AM ☆ ↶ ⋮

to comments ▾

Dear Downtown Planning Council and City of SD,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to respectfully request your support in allocating funding for enhanced safety measures and improved maintenance at Faultline Park. This beautiful community space has incredible potential to be a vibrant and safe hub for our residents, but it is currently falling short of that vision.

I have recently requested the Get it Done requests that have been made for Faultline Park for the last 3 years from public records to help paint a picture of the issues we see on a daily basis, but unfortunately I have not received a response. My hope was to have that information ready for the meeting on 9/18/24. I have personally made around a total of 400 requests with probably 100 of those for issues at Faultline Park. So there is no shortage of documentation of the issues we face at Faultline.

Just last week, I witnessed a deeply concerning incident where an intoxicated individual was doing graffiti and inappropriate, pornographic materials were scattered throughout the park. This was in the middle of the day at 10:30 a.m., under a bright and sunny sky. Such incidents contribute to a growing sense of unease among those who wish to use the park as a place to gather, relax, and enjoy the outdoors.

My vision for Faultline Park is one of a clean, safe, and welcoming environment where we can host events like summer movie nights, lay out blankets on well-maintained grass, and enjoy picnics with loved ones and neighbors. This park has so much potential, but the ongoing issues with drugs, crime, and general decay have unfortunately made it an unsafe space for families and community members.

In order to realize this vision, I am requesting a budget for regular park ranger presence and professional maintenance services, similar to the standard seen in other parks across the city. Faultline Park deserves the same level of care and attention, and I believe that with the right resources, it can become a true gem for our community.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration of this request.

Thank you for your time and continued commitment to making our community a better place for all.

Warm regards,  
Cindy Cook

## Letter to the City RE: Get-It-Done Missing Fault Line Park

*Manny Rodriguez, Executive Chair*

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**PROPOSED ACTION:** Authorize the Chair to send a letter to the Mayor and relevant City Departments requesting that Fault Line Park be included in the Get-It-Done (GID) system's park-specific data tagging.

The City of San Diego's Get-It-Done app allows the public to report issues, with reports made on a park containing a tag to that park for easy tracking. However, Fault Line Park is not currently included in this feature, which prevents the public from adequately filtering or identifying reports specific to that park. This omission limits transparency and the community's ability to assess how many reports have been filed concerning Fault Line Park.

The proposed letter would ask that GID be updated to include Fault Line Park in its park data tagging system, ensuring reports made on Fault Line Park can be accurately tracked and reviewed by the public.

## Public Notice of East Village North Vacancy

*Manny Rodriguez, Executive Chair*

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** Michael Joseph Villarina previously held the seat for an East Village North Business representing Architects Local. Michael notified the Chair that he would be moving out of Downtown and expressed that they can not participate anymore.

East Village North Businesses interested in filling this vacancy or learning more about it can contact [chair@downtownplanningsd.org](mailto:chair@downtownplanningsd.org) for further information.

The other current vacancies are the Marina Business seat, the East Village South Business seat, and the Columbia Business seat.

## Discussion on Interests & Priorities for 2026

*Manny Rodriguez, Executive Chair*

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** This item is an opportunity to discuss what are priorities and interests that the Downtown Community Planning Council can engage with in 2026. The suggestions given during this item will inform who the Chair chooses to invite to present at the Council and what action items are agendaized in future meetings.

As an example, if the Council is interested in the status of upcoming parks and public spaces in Downtown, the Chair may request that the City's Urban Innovation Division Department present to the Council an update on parks and public spaces.

As another example, if there is a specific infrastructure project happening in Downtown that is of great interest to the community, the Chair may request that the City Department leading the project provide an update to the Council on the project.

For an example of a priority, if the encampments on Caltrans Right-of-Way are a priority for the Council, the Chair may agendaize in a future meeting letters or other actions directed to Caltrans and our elected state representatives.

All suggestions are welcome at this time. The public is also encouraged to share their thoughts at the meeting or email via [comments@downtownplanningsd.org](mailto:comments@downtownplanningsd.org)

## Subcommittees & Appointments

*Manny Rodriguez, Executive Chair*

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**PROPOSED ACTION:** This item is an opportunity to modify the memberships of Subcommittees (i.e., add or remove members) and to appoint members to new assignments (e.g., “Infrastructure Liaison”).

Bob Link, the Chair of the Elections Subcommittee, would also like to invite members to join the Subcommittee and assist with the elections process. The elections are held in March and require volunteers from the Council and the community to be successful.

## Action on Fault Line Park

*Brendan Bargmann, Vice Chair*

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**PROPOSED ACTION:** To be determined at the meeting.

The Downtown Community Planning Council has received a large amount of public comments in recent months regarding Fault Line Park. Active residents in the East Village by and large have concerns with Pinnacle's management of the park and the City's perceived leniency. Several members of the Council have expressed interest in taking formal action.

The Council voted in September 2024 to include in their FY26 budget request the addition of two Park Rangers exclusively for Downtown to help remedy the issue. The Council during this item may choose to take further actions proposed in the meeting.



## Downtown Parking Management Group Report

*Manny Rodriguez, Executive Chair*

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEM:** The Chair will provide an update on the Downtown Parking Management Group (DPMG), which is the official ‘Advisory Group’ to the [Downtown Community Parking District](#).

The DPMG at its August 2024 meeting assigned Manny Rodriguez the role of Secretary to assist in implementing the recommendations put forth by the Downtown Community Planning Council to improve the administration and transparency of the Downtown Community Parking District. There was no DPMG meeting in September 2024.

The new DPMG Secretary has improved the minutes taken for the DPMG and physically posts the DPMG agendas (on behalf of the DPMG Chairs), which fulfills two of the recommendations made by the Council.

The new DPMG Secretary has also been delegated the responsibility of preparing the agendas for the DPMG Co-Chairs. This has resulted in agendas that are far more informative to members of the public. The Co-Chairs still have the authority to adjust the agendas and they approve them prior to their public release.

The following pages contain the agenda packet for the DPMG’s October 10, 2024 meeting for reference. An update of that meeting will be provided at the Council’s October 16, 2024 meeting.

Meeting Agenda of the

# Downtown Parking Management Group

Downtown Community Parking District (DCPD) Advisory Group  
 Thursday, October 10, 2024, 11:30 AM  
 Civic Center Plaza 4th Floor Conference Room  
 1200 3rd Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101



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<i>Items pulled from the Consent Agenda (Item II) will be discussed at this time.</i>	
<b>XI. Member Comments &amp; Announcements</b>	
<b>XII. Adjournment</b>	
<i>Next meeting on November 14th, 2024, 11:30 AM, at Civic Center Plaza's 4th Floor Conference Room.</i>	

# Appointment of Downtown San Diego Partnership Successor

*Josh Callery-Coyne, Downtown San Diego Partnership Vice President of Policy & Civic Engagement*

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**Proposed Action:** Appoint Nathan Bishop as the successor to Josh Callery-Coyne as the Downtown San Diego Partnership's representative on the Downtown Parking Management Group.

Per Article 3, Section 1 of the Downtown Parking Management Group bylaws, the group has an appointee from the Downtown San Diego Partnership (Clean & Safe) since it manages the Property & Business Improvement District in Downtown (an Assessment District). Per Section 4, members serve until a successor is appointed.

# Approval of August 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes

*Manny Rodriguez, Secretary*

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**Proposed Action:** Approve the August 8, 2024 meeting minutes of the Downtown Parking Management Group.

The minutes are on pages 3 - 5 of this agenda packet.

*To modify the minutes prior to approval, they should be pulled from the consent agenda.*

## DRAFT Meeting Minutes of the Downtown Parking Management Group

Downtown Community Parking District (DCPD)  
Thursday, August 8, 2024, 11:30 AM  
Civic Center Plaza 4th Floor Conference Room  
1200 3rd Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

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### I. **Call to Order & Roll Call - 11:36 AM**

- A. Board Members Present: Gary Smith (Co-Chair), Nancy Wilson-Ramon, Michael Trimble, Joel Hermosillo, Dominic Li Mandri, Manny Rodriguez, Chris Gomez.
  - 1. Absent: Paul Robinson (Chair), Josh Coyne, Christian Mua.
- B. City Staff Present: Ahmad Erikat, Rodrigo Carrasco, Genoveva Romero-Marquez

### II. **Non-Agenda Public Comment**

- A. No members of the public were present.

### III. **Approval of June 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

- A. Deliberated on who was designated the Chair for the Ad Hoc Committee/Task Force on Parking Garages
- B. Item deferred due to Paul being absent.

### IV. **City of San Diego Sustainability & Mobility (SuMo) Updates**

- A. AB 413 Update
  - 1. Informational item.
  - 2. Approximately 500 meters (single and multi-meter spaces) will be affected by AB 413 in the DCPD.
    - a) SuMo is only responsible for the spaces with parking meters. The Transportation Department is responsible for spaces without meters.
  - 3. Members express concern on people being ticketed for parking on spaces prohibited by AB 413 but not yet painted red or marked in some way.
    - a) City states there would be a lengthy grace period
    - b) City Communications Dep is responsible for educating the public.
  - 4. 41 motorcycle parking spaces were added to spaces between red curbs and a parking space that are not wide enough to accommodate a full car.
    - a) Chris asks about installing bike corrals instead. SuMo replies that someone would have to be responsible for their maintenance and liability, and the City does not want to be responsible for it. Assessment Districts are able to take that responsibility.
  - 5. Gary asked DPMG members to review the [Comprehensive] Downtown Parking Plan to identify what restriping can be done while the City is repainting curbs.
  - 6. Discussion on inventory of parking meters.
- B. Curb Parking & Conversion Requests

1. 425 Market Street item dropped. Streateries are being removed (on Cali Creamin and Prince Street Pizza) and it will return the commercial loading space that existed there previously.
2. Michael mentions Gaslamp Walk on Aug 29th, 10am, at 5th & Market.
3. No actions taken.

**V. New DCPD Corporation Update**

- A. Informational item.
- B. Corporation details to be hashed out in the Ad Hoc Committee/Task Force.
  1. Chris expresses intent to call a meeting.
- C. Manny requests having Councilmembers bless the new corporation's bylaws.
  1. Board members say it's not necessary, but they will run it by District 3 either way.
- D. DPMG members will underwrite the cost of incorporation. Initial estimate given of \$2,000.

**VI. MTS (Temp/Perm) Bus Layover Zones AdHoc Appointment**

- A. Gary calls for the creation of a Committee. Joel volunteers to be Chair and Gary joins as a member.
  1. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ second by \_\_\_\_\_, unanimous approval.
- B. MTS claims that the board approved the layover zones, but the board disagrees.
- C. Dominic suggests we have a member from District 3 participate in the Committee since the Councilmember is the Chair of MTS. Board agrees.

**VII. United Web Presence**

- A. Informational item.
- B. Michael shows the board a website he has created about how to get to the Gaslamp. Excellent presentation of mobility options to Downtown, with a priority given to non-car modes of transportation.
- C. States that it can be expanded for the whole of Downtown, recommends that we work together to make it a holistic tool that benefits all.
- D. Michael shows an advertisement with good production quality to the board.
- E. Board members clap.
- F. The website received unanimous praise from the board.

**VIII. Broadway to 4th Avenue Right Turn**

- A. Decision was made by the City, it is not wide enough for the changes requested.
- B. Michael will communicate the decision to stakeholders.
- C. No action taken.

**IX. Parking Permit Request from 15th St. Residents**

- A. Gary gives a history lesson on parking permit programs.
- B. East Village residents requesting passes do not realize it will not exempt them from paying the meters.

- C. Discussion about how allowing more parking permit programs has greater negative implications for all of Downtown. Dominic cites an example in Berkley.
- D. Discussion on City Council policies that remove parking requirements.
- E. No Action taken.

**X. Downtown Community Planning Council Letter (DCPC) on Improving the Administration of the Downtown Community Parking District**

- A. Informational item.
- B. Manny: "If this was a Community Planning Group or some other advisory board, we [DCPC] would not be making these suggestions, but this is a body that does guide millions of dollars in public spending."
- C. Manny reads the recommendations in the attached letter.
- D. Manny: "DCPC believes this body should be easier for the public to interact with."
- E. Board agrees that several of these recommendations can be included.
- F. Nancy suggests the creation of a distribution list in which can share agendas, notices, events, and more.
- G. Manny volunteers to be Secretary to help implement some of these recommendations.

**XI. Election on new Secretary**

- A. Manny: "I will walk my talk". Volunteers to be the new Secretary.
- B. Board agrees. Manny Motions. Second by Chris. Unanimous approval.

**XII. Schedule Meeting of Parking Garage Ad Hoc**

- A. Deferred due to Paul being absent.

**XIII. Old Business**

- A. None.

**XIV. Member Comments & Updates**

- A. None.

**XV. Announcements**

- A. Next Meeting: September 12, 2024 at 11:30am Civic Center Plaza 1200 3rd Ave., 4th Flr. Conference Room, San Diego, CA 92101

**XVI. Adjournment - 12:54 PM**

# Approval of June 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes

*Gary Smith, Former Secretary*

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**Proposed Action:** Approve the June 13, 2024 meeting minutes of the Downtown Parking Management Group.

The minutes are on pages 7 - 8 of this agenda packet.

*To modify the minutes prior to approval, they should be pulled from the consent agenda.*



**Downtown Parking Management Group (DPMG)  
Community Parking District (CPD) One  
Thursday, June 13, 2024 from 11:30am to 1:00pm  
Civic Center Plaza (1200 3rd Ave., 4th Flr. Conference Room, San Diego, CA 92101)**

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order / Paul Robinson, Chair & Gary Smith, Co-Chair **11:30 AM**
  
2. Non-Agenda: Public Comment (3-Minutes Max Per Person) Resident in building without parking requested Parking Permit program for their area(s).
  
3. Approval of Minutes from May 9, 2024 Meeting / Gary **Approved**
  
4. City of San Diego Sustainability & Mobility Items:
  - a. CPD Updates / Ahmad Erikat
    - i. FRED update  
*Charges as of July 1, \$2.50 per ride, but max of \$5.00 per request.  
Update app. 1 year contract with extensions approved.*
    - ii. FY24 Encumbered funds  
*Agreement to reassign stands.*
    - iii. FY 25 Budgets Ensure Invoices match Budget
  - b. Curb & Parking Conversion Requests / Claudia Brizuela
    - i. Transactional Data FY24 Q3  
*To be provided in future.*
    - ii. Third Ave. (Beech – Ash Sts.) installation of metered parking.  
**Approved to rearrange and install meters.**
    - iii. 15th St. / Broadway Makers Quarter Project stripping and meter installation.  
*Noted*
    - iv. 7th Ave. / Market Request to reconfigure Commercial Loading zone.  
**Approved to move to end of block.**
  
5. Create a Parking Garages Task Force/AdHoc Comm / Manny Rodriguez  
**Approved to create AdHoc committee. Members Paul Robinson, Manny Rodriguez, Chris Gomez, Gary Smith**
  
6. AB413 & AB43 / Gary  
*Impacts on rights of way, costs. Studies to change Speed Limits*
  
7. Old Business. Agendize item J for August by public request.  
It is the practice of the DPMG to formally request that any items under Old Business be pulled from the agenda and placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action.
  - a. DPMG as advisory body to CPD1AB.

- b. Cost/Pricing Issues
  - c. Shift of Parking Hours in the Marina District
  - d. Metered Parking During Special Events, Letter sent to City
  - e. Extend Meter Hours into Evening and Include Sunday Meters Hospitality Zone Report, and Sunday meter Request in prep.
  - f. FY23 Meter Utilization Summary. Staff will compile and present a summary by neighborhood at future meeting.
  - g. 5th and cross streets proposed changes. Validate 4/6 Bway to K
  - h. MTS bus Layover zones. Create AdHoc to investigate
  - i. Pedicab Zones.
  - j. Deferred Business
    - i. Permit Program
    - ii. Parking Permit Pilot Program for Cortez Hill
8. Member Comments & Updates. **None**
9. Urgent Non-Agenda Items. **None**
10. Announcements
11. Next Meeting:  
July 11, 2024 at 11:30am Civic Center Plaza 1200 3rd Ave., 4th Flr. Conference Room,  
San Diego, CA 92101
12. Adjournment **12:53PM**

# Chairperson's Report

*Paul Robinson, Chairperson*

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**Informational Item:** Per Article 6, Section 6, of the Downtown Parking Management Group bylaws, the regular board meeting agendas shall have a Chairperson's report.

A report may be included in this Agenda Packet or given verbally by the Chairperson.

## Deferred Business & Future Meeting Items

*Downtown Parking Management Group*

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**Informational Item:** Per Article 6, Section 6, of the Downtown Parking Management Group bylaws, the regular board meetings agendas shall have “Old/Deferred business” and “Proposed agenda items for future meetings”.

Any member of the Downtown Parking Management Group may request that any of the following discussion topics be pulled from the agenda for discussion in the meeting or in a future meeting:

- a. DPMG as Advisory Body to CPD1AB
- b. Cost/Pricing Issues
- c. Shift of Parking Hours in the Marina District
- d. Metered Parking During Special Events
- e. Extend Meter Hours into Evening and Include Sunday Meters
- f. FY23 Meter Utilization Summary. Staff will compile and present a summary by neighborhood at a future meeting.
- g. 5th and Cross Streets Proposed Changes
- h. MTS Bus Layover Zones
- i. Parking Permit Pilot Program for Cortez Hill
- j. MTS Bus Layover Zones AdHoc Committee
- k. Parking Meter Inventory in City Storage
- l. Pending Curb Conversion Work Orders

# Sustainability & Mobility (SuMo) Updates

Ahmad Erikat, Sustainability & Mobility Interim Parking Districts Program Manager

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**Informational Item:** SuMo will provide updates on the following topics:

- FRED Service Quarterly
  - *An evaluation of the service being provided by Circuit's Fun Rides Everywhere Downtown (FRED) shuttle.*
- FY25 FRED Revenue Share
  - *The City of San Diego committed to the DCPD to share the revenue of FRED with the DPCD. The DCPD allocated \$600,000 to the FRED service for FY25.*
- FY25 Garage Bond Maturity
  - *The status on the maturity on the Downtown parking garage bonds, for which the DCPD has set aside \$1,200,000 to cover.*
- AB 413 Update
  - *AB 413 is a state law that will improve pedestrian safety by "daylighting" intersections, which is the disallowing of parking near intersections so that pedestrians are better visible to drivers and vice versa. This however, will affect hundreds of parking spaces in Downtown. Many will have to be removed or altered in some way. SuMo has taken this opportunity to also add in more motorcycle parking spaces.*
  - *SuMo is responsible for overseeing how parking spaces with meters comply with this law, the Transportation Department is responsible for other parking spaces.*
  - *The following link provides a map of affected parking meters:*  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/bpcfhp1gmud05o5l527z/AB413-Impact-Summary-on-Parking-Meters-Downtown.pdf?rlkey=5zvo6vgswetw3ayyp15olauz4&st=bv4d2grn&dl=0>
- Status of Purchase Orders and Disbursements
  - *The City owes hundreds of thousands of dollars for expenses dating back to May.*

## Island between 14th and 15th: Request for two 30-minute spaces

*Dominic Li Mandri, East Village Association District Manager*

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**Proposed Action:** There are 11 existing 2-HR angled parking spaces and 2 existing 3-min angled parking spaces on the South side of Island Avenue between 14th and 15th Streets. Convert 2 of these 3- min spaces on the western end be dedicated from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. to 30-minute time limit non-paid parking.

IZOLA Bakery has identified that those 3-minute parking spaces provide minimal utility to the community. Per their observations, they have not seen any passenger loading activity in these spaces. Given this, they request that these two spaces be converted to 30-minute parking spots to better serve the local business area.

A detailed PDF Site Plan can be found in the following link:

[https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/h140cy9ej75o9w3u2ccpd/AEfiCiWIM6cbbOSomhoHNkQ/Meetings/FY25/October%202024/SuMo%20Folder?preview=240927\\_SITE+PLAN\\_PARKING\\_PROPOSAL.pdf&rlkey=7xqv0pzea3kirtulpbmvI9tgg&subfolder\\_nav\\_tracking=1&st=i4u95j4t&dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/h140cy9ej75o9w3u2ccpd/AEfiCiWIM6cbbOSomhoHNkQ/Meetings/FY25/October%202024/SuMo%20Folder?preview=240927_SITE+PLAN_PARKING_PROPOSAL.pdf&rlkey=7xqv0pzea3kirtulpbmvI9tgg&subfolder_nav_tracking=1&st=i4u95j4t&dl=0)

## 425 Market Street: Convert curb on south side from red to yellow

*Michael Trimble, Gaslamp Quarter Executive Director*

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**Proposed Action:** Convert the curb on the south side of 425 Market Street from red to yellow.

## W. Grape & W. Hawthorn Surface Street Conversions

*Chris Gomez, Little Italy Association District Manager*

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**Proposed Action:** Recommend and/or provide a statement on the conversions occurring on W. Grape and W. Hawthorn Streets.

The San Diego County Airport Authority (AA) is removing both parking lanes on W Grape Street through Little Italy. One will be replaced by an additional general purpose travel lane and the other with a Class IV bike lane. This was opposed by the Downtown Community Planning Council and the Little Italy Association.

The City of San Diego is replacing a parking lane on W. Hawthorne Street with a Class IV bike lane through Little Italy. The City of San Diego is also installing pop-outs/bulb-outs on these intersections to significantly improve the pedestrian experience. The AA has been requested by Downtown stakeholders and the City of San Diego to at least add pop-outs into their project for W. Grape Street, but the AA refused.



# Schedule Meeting of Parking Garages Committee

*Chris Gomez, Little Italy Association District Manager*

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**Proposed Action:** Schedule a meeting of the Parking Garages Ad Hoc Committee and make any adjustments to the committee's membership as needed.

This committee was created in June 2024 and has not yet met. The committee's scope included crafting a plan for the parking garages issue, analyzing the streateries and their impact on revenue, and reviewing proposals for a new DCPD corporation.

## New DCPD Corporation Update

*Chris Gomez, Little Italy Association District Manager*

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**Informational Item:** An update on the efforts to create a non-profit corporation to be appointed the official Advisory Board for the Community Parking District as outlined in Council Policy 100-18.

# Agenda Preparation Consistent With the Bylaws

*Chris Gomez, Little Italy Association District Manager*

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**Informational Action:** Discuss the process in which agendas are created and ensure it complies with the Downtown Parking Management Group bylaws.

The bylaws can be viewed using the link below:

<https://ctycms.com/ca-little-italy/docs/dpmg-bylaws-mar2024-adopted-final.pdf>