



North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting

Minutes: October 15, 2024 6:30PM

Meeting Location: North Park Christian Fellowship 2901 N Park Way San Diego CA 92104

In attendance:

Board Member	Present (online)	Absent (excused)
Cody Cocanig	X	
Jay Robinson Duff	X	
Lynn Elliott	X	
Patrick Garbani	X	
Neil Heacox	X	
Bob LaRose	X	
Barton Lynch	X	
Roger McClish	X	
Heidi Orcino	X	
Liz Saba	X	
Doug Schueler	X	
Glenn Todd	X	
Mark Spitzer	X	
Mieko Sunbury	X	
Jason Vance	X	

I. Parliamentary Items

- A. Call to order, roll call, and attendance report
 - 1. Called to order at 6:32PM
 - 2. 15 present
- B. Agenda modifications
 - 1. Change Emily from Mayoral rep to Randy
- C. Adoption of agenda
 - 1. McClish-Schueler 14-0-0 adopted
- D. Adoption of previous months minutes
 - 1. CPC chair report - change about rec center, that was in August, change to about rec council
 - 2. McClish-Cocanig 14-0-0 adopted as modified
- E. Treasurer's Report
 - 1. \$1,010 in the account. Google and Zoom are the expenses.

II. Non-agenda public comment, announcements, event notices (6:40-6:55)

- A. Andrew Ferbert - wife Heather Ferbert is running for SD City Attorney. Explained what the post does. Heather Ferbert is a practicing attorney. Check her positions at HeatherFerber.com
- B. Liz Saba - there are 8-10 kids ages 12-15 stealing beer from Target then throwing bottles down from the parking garage rooftop. Police have not solved this.
 - a. Lynn says Officer Jenny is on it.

III. Elected Official & Planner Reports (6:55-7:15 pm) (2 minutes each)

- A. Randy Reyes, Hon. Todd Gloria, Mayor of San Diego, randyreyes@sanidiego.gov
 - 1. Administration has passed \$1B in grant awards that have funded a variety of city projects.
 - 2. H Barracks + safe parking for homelessness, hundreds of new shelter beds serving different populations.
 - 3. City has fixed 1650 mi of streets in less than 4 years and made street repair a top funding priority.
 - 4. Overhauling the city preservation ordinance to require utilities to restore things to as they were before.
 - 5. Smart streetlights, fentanyl action, banned ghost guns, new police and fire chief, 24 park improvement projects approved
- B. Gonzalo Rocha-Vasquez. Toni Atkins, State Senate Dist. 39, (619) 688-6700
Gonzola.Rocha-Vasquez@sen.ca.gov
 - 1. Office will continue operations through the end of November. The next senator will then take over after the election.
- C. Logan Braydis, Hon. Stephen Whitburn, City Council Dist. 3, (619) 236-6633
LBraydis@sanidiego.gov
 - 1. A few weeks ago the city expanded safe sleeping sites by over 200 tents. O lot will have 182 additional spaces and 20th and B will have 53 new spaces. Operated by Dreams for Change.
 - 2. Whitburn introduced an ordinance regulating pedicabs. They have inspired complaints of amplified noise and fare overcharging, which would be banned under the ordinance. Operators would also have to sign a code of conduct.
 - a) Question about state-granted rights for e-bike pedicabs. The ordinance will cover all pedicabs.
 - 3. University Ave mobility project - end of this Fall this project will be completed. What's remaining: signal lights along University which will be repaired in Oct or Nov.
 - a) Question about Eastbound bus lanes - they are not consistently marked along the whole stretch on the East side.
 - 4. Safe streets resolution - ever since this was put forward the office has been getting more traffic calming requests.
 - a) Question about vision zero resolution - under this resolution safety will have to be the top priority. Both residents and NPPC need to be involved in getting these traffic calming features.
 - 5. Commonwealth and Juniper - the office is advocating for an always stop and a crosswalk there. People are petitioning and writing in, but the spot scored 16/20 necessary points.
 - 6. Nov 14th meeting requested by Terrance, a traffic safety advocate, to meet with businesses at 32nd and Thorn st. The meeting will discuss issues with the narrow streets and see what can be done to improve the area. Unclear if this is a

public meeting, but people who have interests in the area could be involved. This is focused on this particular intersection.

a) Question about parking in the area.

- D. Jeffrey Ryan, Planning Department, (619) 235-5221 JTRyan@sandiego.gov
 - 1. Jeff Ryan is going to be leaving the dept. Lynn will find out who will replace him for us.
- E. Zar Shain Head Librarian, NP Library (619) 533-3972 SDhain@sandiego.gov
 - 1. Check the calendar for upcoming events. Different storytimes, employment workshops, etc.
- F. Lynn Elliott, Chair CPC Report
 - 1. Short term vacation rental ordinance was discussed at the meeting. They want the city to discuss how the rentals are rented out.
 - 2. Land in Chollas valley had some challenges made.
 - 3. Working on sensitive lands update request.

IV. Consent Items

- A. Approve the renewal and amendment of the Neighborhood Use Permit, NUP, for Bluefoot Bar and Lounge PRJ 1103517
 - 1. Urban design subcommittee met and approved the renewal of the permit after some discussion.
 - 2. There were some concerns about noise and parking on certain days with residents in the area.
 - 3. Lynch-Garbani 13-1-1 approved
 - a) Mark Spitzer abstention for financial conflicts

V. Action/Informational Items

- A. Presentation of upcoming sewer rehabilitation projects, Project Manager: Pedro Melo-Rodriguez, PMeloRodriqu@sandiego.gov
 - 1. Project to do trenchless rehab of 1.46 mi of sewer mains based on age and conditions of the existing system. They were built in the 1980s. There will be 3 areas with excavation where things are broken or not aligned right.
 - 2. Along Arizona st there are some alleys that will be a part of this. Portion between Meade and ElCajon between Oregon and Idaho that will be part of this.
 - 3. New pipes should last 50 years
 - 4. Residents will be asked to reduce high water use activities during the work. People will be notified with door hangers and notices on cars in the area. Notices go out 5 days before. Will try to avoid towing.
 - 5. 7AM-5PM work. Should begin Spring/Summer 2025 and end Winter 2026.
 - 6. The work is taking into account the growth in the area. No costs to homeowners.
 - 7. There will be a website where progress and timeline on the project can be monitored. Pedro will provide the link once it is live.
- B. Election Process and Chair selection
 - 1. Election coming up in March. 8 committee members will need to decide if they want to run again. Please let Lynn know.
 - 2. McClish will be election chair. If you're running, you can't help with the election.
 - a) Phase 1 of the election is getting viable candidates. Phase 2 is to encourage the community to vote. Bylaws are prescriptive about how the election is run.
- C. Community involvement webpage
 - 1. Schedule an ad-hoc communications subcommittee
 - 2. Ask community for input for the new webpage
 - a) Title ideas or what belongs on the page would be appreciated from the community.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Urban Design & Project Review: Chair Mark Spitzer

1. Discussed Bluefoot, as seen above.
 2. Desirability and possibility of creating a map of NP that shows new development projects and when permits are applied for. Committee will try to pursue that.
 3. Problems with Zoom.
 4. Want a city planner to let us know the current regulations in this area.
- B. Public Facilities & Transportation: Chair Doug Schueler
1. Bus lanes on University as seen above.
 2. Sewer project discussion as seen above.
 3. Narrowed traffic lanes between 32nd and Redwood. With parking on both sides there is not room for cars to pass safely. Similar on 33rd st. As community grows, we need to consider these issues of safety for all road users. The meeting in Nov will hopefully address these concerns and start towards solutions. Reach out to subcommittee with thoughts/concerns before the next meeting on Nov 12. That meeting will be here at 6:00.
 4. New state law to help safety at pedestrian crossings. This will be implemented next year, so it's hard to judge the effects of this now.

VII. Liaison Reports

- A. MAD - Patrick Garbani
1. Meeting canceled.
 2. NPMS community cleanup 11/10. NP book fair 10/26. Shop local on 11/30.
- B. BPC - Howard Blackson
1. Grape st park was renamed for officers killed there in 1981.
 2. This month's meeting is tomorrow.
- C. AABA - Roger McClish
1. Street fest happened last month.
 2. Halloween Haunt is on 10/26 on Adams Ave. Costume contest. Trick or treat. 12-5PM. There is a list of businesses that are participating.
- D. El Cajon Blvd - Lynn Elliott
1. Special events done for now. Check the website for upcoming things.
 2. 10/11 Little Saigon Stroll
 3. Friday Nov 3 for Dia de los Muertos
 4. Boulevard sign event 11/10
 5. There will be a roundabout between Fairmont and Highlands on El Cajon.
- E. UHCA - Liz Saba
1. October 3rd meeting. Many (about 80) community members showed up. There was a controversial election due to financial issues and accusations of malfeasance.
 2. There's a crime watch report with a traffic study and traffic calming study north of Park Ave.
 3. Partnered with Bike SD to have a bike lane cleanup of 3 bike lanes.
 4. Want to get a new library.
 5. Oct 14 bystander intervention training.
 6. Oct 19 fall festival.
 7. Vermont bridge light repair begins in November.

VIII. New Business

- A. Question about donating to this church as a thank you for hosting us. Unclear if we can donate that due to this being city money.

IX. Adjournment: Garbani motion 7:39PM

- A. Next meeting: November 19, 6:30PM