

North Park Planning Committee

Public Facilities and Transportation Subcommittee

Agenda: Oct 8, 2024 - 6:00pm

In Person Location North Park Christian Fellowship 2901 N Park Way

Teleconference https://bit.ly/publicfacilitiesreg

I. Consent Agenda Items (6:00-6:05 p.m.)

Attendance:

Board members: Doug Schueler, Roger McClish, Lynn Elliott, Bob LaRose, Cody Cocanig, Jason Vance

Members of community, on Zoom: 3

a. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Attendance Report

Call to order: 6:02

b. Modifications & Adoption of the Oct 8, 2024 Agenda

33rd and Upas informational item added as emergency addition to agenda (Vance/Elliott/6-0-0).

October 8 agenda adopted as amended (McClish/LaRose/6-0-0).

c. Adoption of the Aug 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt passes (Elliott/Cocanig/5-0-1).

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment (6:05-6:15 p.m.)

Limited to Items not on Agenda; non-debatable. Two-minute maximum, Chair can award more time.

Lynn Elliott: Reminder about film event on October 11th at North Park Mini Park.

Doug Schueler: Doug ran into Tree San Diego at Hillcrest Farmers market, thought it might be beneficial to allow them to make an announcement at the main meeting so that those who may want to reach out to them are able. Roger mentioned that their free tree program may not apply to our area.

- III. Action and Informational Items (6:15-6:45 p.m.)
 - a. Informational item 1: Contiguous bus lanes Park Blvd to Ray Street

Bus lanes are inconsistent going east on University, leading to people ignoring them entirely. The University Avenue Mobility Project is technically not yet finished, unknown if it includes further work on the bus lanes. Discussion: Have we heard from Whitburn's office, if we should reach out to Logan to clarify if changes are still to be made. Should recommend to Logan that we prefer the bus lanes be continuous, Result: we should understand exactly what the plan is and

discuss first before making a request. We will reach out to Logan asking what the final plan is, and what the rationale is if the lanes are not continuous.

b. Informational item 2: Powerpoint presentation of upcoming sewer projects in North Park

Committee reviewed materials, discussed information in advance of a
presentation from the city next week, with the goal of preparing questions ahead
of time. This is a separate project from the one in Switzer canyon presented a few
months ago.

Questions/concerns for presentation:

- Ask if any of the alleys being worked on are currently unpaved, so that the city could also address this issue at the same time.
- Highlighted a provision allowing residents to opt-out of some aspects of the project, that this should be made clear to the community.
- Ask about whether the pipe's capacity is prepared for future population increases in the area.
- Ask what is expected of residents/homeowners, monetarily and in terms of access to their property.

Noted there will inevitably be some impacts during construction, that the board should be prepared to facilitate communications concerning the projects.

c. Informational item 3: Issues with 32nd Street between Upas and Redwood

There are currently discussions being had about ways to have more room for travel lanes on 32nd, like removing parking, having angled parking on one side, or making streets one-way. Discussion: Business owners on that street need to be involved, as they have interests/concerns about parking. Group discussed the kind of work redesigns may entail and concerns residents may have. Stephen Whitburn (Councilperson) will be contacting traffic engineering to arrange a meeting.

d. Informational item 4: Major crash last week at 33rd and Upas, emergency traffic calming requested by Altadena neighborhood group

Discussion of the crash, showed pictures to the committee. Because 33rd narrows at Upas (heading south), this is a place prone to crashes. Discussion: Cars go too fast, don't stop at intersections going south on 33rd. Group discussed the potential use of diverters that would prevent through traffic on 33rd, so that drivers don't use it to avoid the main streets. Solutions could also include speed bumps or increased height of the center of the roundabout. Terrence Morrisey of the neighborhood group is working on different potential ideas and is in contact with Whitburn. Planning Committee members will await more info and aim to attend the meeting with the traffic department.

IV. Unfinished, New Business & Future Agenda Items: (6:45-6:55 p.m.)

Several members attended the AARP Walkability event, and the idea of putting in pop-up roundabouts at certain intersections to see how they controlled traffic came up. AARP materials to be brought to next month's subcommittee meeting.

V. Adjournment (7:00 pm)

Motion to adjourn passes (McClish/LaRose/6-0-0) at 7:01.

Future PFT Subcommittee Meeting Date: Nov 12, 2024

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