

# Midway-Pacific Highway Community Planning Group Minutes

Date: Wednesday, July 17, 2024

Location: 3663 Rosecrans St, Building B - San Diego, CA 92110

## REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order: 3:10pm. Quorum present.
2. Approval of Minutes: Minutes for June 2024 Regular Meeting were all circulated prior to meeting. Tod motioned to approve as drafted. Denise Seconded. Unanimous approval.
3. Public Comment: Mission Hills resident commented potential upcoming vote at City Council regarding a proposed homeless shelter at Kettner & Vine, which is located in the Midway Planning group area. Said the item was not on Monday's agenda as originally anticipated. Has concerns about the project and how it will affect the surrounding areas. Cathy noted her continued frustration with the Mayor's office ignoring our community in regards to large projects like Kettner & Vine. Rarely is our input solicited and usually ignored when given. Noted groups like Midway Rising are required to heavily engage the public while the city does what they want behind closed doors.
4. Government Office Reports
  - a. Mayor's Office, Randy Reyes, not present: submitted written report. City Council Unanimously Confirms Robert Logan II as City's Next Fire-Rescue Chief. Safe Parking Program at H Barracks Approved by California Coast Commission. May Gloria Celebrates 250 Miles of Slurry Seal Street Resurfacing City-wide. Searching for people to serve on city boards and commissions. Separate email noted Hope @ Vine shelter proposal would be presented to City Council on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and provided information on public participation.
  - b. Council District 2's Office, Margaret Doyle: not present.
  - c. Planning Department, Liz Saidkhanian Dispenza: not present.
  - d. Police Department, Officer David Surwilo: not present.
  - e. Housing Commission, Lisa Jones/Molly Weber:
  - f. Regional Airport Authority, Sophie Barnhorst: not present.
  - g. County Supervisor District 3 Office, Rebecca Smith: not present.
  - h. State Senator Toni Atkins Office, Cole Reed: not present.
  - i. Assemblymember Tasha Boerner, Robson Winter: submitted written report detailing 8 bills in the works they're working on. July 3<sup>rd</sup> is deadline for policy committees to meet on bills. August 16<sup>th</sup> is last day for fiscal committees to meet on bills. August 23<sup>rd</sup> is last day to amend bills and August 31<sup>st</sup> is last day for each house to pass bills.
  - j. Congressman Scott Peters Office, TBD: not present.
  - k. SANDAG, TBD: not present.
  - l. Naval Base Point Loma, Dina Ryan: not present.
  - m. MCRD, Jim Gruny: not present.
5. Information & Discussion Items: Midway Rising presented a short update and invited board members and guests to the next informational open house in Rancho Bernardo that was just rescheduled from August 8<sup>th</sup> to August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (The Heights Golf Club). They will also be at the Point Loma Rotary Club on Friday.
6. Action Items: There were no official action items on the agenda. However, it was brought to the board's attention just hours earlier that the homeless shelter project known as Kettner & Vine, which falls within the Midway Planning Group area, was agendaized to be discussed as an action item by the City Council on July 22. Given the time sensitivity, the board discussed modifying today's agenda in order to reconsider the previously tabled action item, which is allowable under the bylaws for San Diego City Community Planning groups. The tabled action item was the Mayor's request for support of the Kettner & Vine project from May's meeting. A motion was made by Denise and seconded by Tod to re-add the Mayor's request to today's agenda. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

The board discussed the most expediate response could be to authorize the Chair to draft and submit letter to be submitted on behalf of the board via public comment during the July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Said letter would express the board's position against the project outlining concerns regarding the lack of operational details, financial feasibility as detailed in the City's own Independent Budget Analyst Report Number 24-18, length of the lease, and lack of clarity about how the shelter fits into the City's overall strategy to address homelessness, including the impact of a recent Supreme Court decision.

A motion was made by Denise and seconded by Tod to authorize the Chair to draft and submit a letter of our Board's position against the Kettner & Vine homeless shelter as presented. Motion unanimously approved. Chair agreed to draft a letter and submit to the board, the Mayor's office, the District 2 rep, and to the City to be included as official public comment during upcoming city council meeting.

The board also discussed inviting city staff responsible for homeless issues to a future meeting to present on the City's overall strategy and approach to sheltering. The Chair said he would follow up on this.

7. Chair Report: --New Business: Reminder that August is a dark month for meetings; next meeting is Sept. 18.
8. Old Business: The Chair reminded board members that have not completed their required board training to go online and complete by the next board meeting.

Adjournment: 4:17pm.