



North Park Planning Committee

Full Board Meeting Draft Minutes: Feb 18, 2025 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

- II. Call to order, roll call, and attendance report
 - A. 12 present
- III. Agenda modifications
- IV. Adoption of agenda
 - A. LaRose-Cocanig motion to adopt 11-0-0
- V. Adoption of previous months minutes
 - A. McClish-LaRose motion to adopt 11-0-0
- VI. Treasurer’s Report
 - A. Mieko absent, Lynn says normal charges as expected but no other incomes or outcomes we are aware of

VII. Non-agenda public comment, announcements, event notices

- A. Mark West - MidCityGO has launched. Check out the website to see how it works and use it. Runs M-F 9AM-5PM.
 - a. Enriquez Birrieria is having an anniversary celebration
 - b. [Community cleanup](#) hosted by NPMS and Walkabout March 1 10AM-noon at NP Mini Park
 - c. Women’s mixer for NP leaders March 9 10-11:30 at Bivoac. Angela Schaffer Payne will talk about T1 expansion at SAN airport.
- B. Walk audit on 30th st on Friday at 4PM starting from NP Community Park

- C. Maxx Stalheim. Retired senior planner for the city. Anti-gay history in NP. Silverlake removed the last of their anti-gay road signs a few months ago. Some signs were put up in the 90s to discourage gay cruising and Max would like them to be removed.
 - a. Lynn recommends an appearance at the transportation committee and will work with Logan about this.

VIII. Elected Official & Planner Reports

- A. Randy Reyes, Hon. Todd Gloria, Mayor of San Diego, randyreyes@sandiego.gov
 - 1. City COO's job has been absorbed into mayor's responsibilities as a cost cutting measure. Deputy chiefs will all report to the mayor from here on.
 - 2. Sustainability and mobility dept will transfer its responsibilities around to others. Dept of race and equity will go under human resources. Child and youth success will go under library dept. Cultural affairs will go under economic development.
 - 3. 16 management positions that were not yet hired have been eliminated.
 - 4. \$5.3 million will be saved due to these changes. More will need to be saved to cover the \$258M deficit.
 - 5. Catholic Charities is opening 210 homeless beds downtown for women and children at 733 Eighth Ave.
 - 6. City council approved an exploration of adding more beds on 2nd Ave and near Pacific Hwy.
- B. Akilah Weber Rep TBD
 - 1. Office setting up, Lynn expects to hear from them in March.
- C. Logan Braydis, Hon Stephen Whitburn, City Council Dist.3, (619) 236-6633 LBraydis@sandiego.gov
 - 1. Pershing/28th/Upas intersection - the Transportation dept began work on the intersection to improve visibility of the bike lane. Added 6 new signs, modified striping.
 - 2. Feb 20th active transportation committee, chaired by Whitburn, is meeting. Fiscal 2025 capital improvement projects - 2 in NP deserve some attention. El Cajon and Mississippi - new traffic signal being added. \$740k has been added to that project and it is expected to start soon and be completed in about a year.
 - 3. University Ave mobility plan is getting more funding. Completed installing all elements of original SOW. Some signals still aren't operational. Should be done within 6 months.

Measure B - trash fees coming for city trash pickup. Open houses to educate the public. [District 3 meeting is on March 24th 5:30-7PM at Casa del Prado in Balboa Park.](#)

Question from attendee about criteria for installing signalling at an intersection.

 - 1. Answer - there is a webform and then the city assess the history of the intersection for whether to install it.
- D. Sam Solis, Planning Department, soliss@sandiego.gov
 - 1. The Historical Resources Board and City of San Diego wish to recognize projects, activities and people with an outstanding commitment to historic preservation. If you would like to nominate a person, project or preservation activity, nominations will be accepted until Friday, February 28, 2025, and must be submitted using the online form submission. For the Nomination Categories and submission requirements, please see the Historic Preservation Planning [webpage](#) and the [Preservation Awards flier](#).
 - 2. The City Planning Department is beginning public outreach for the Child and Teen Friendly City initiative, which aims to develop the City's first-ever Child and Teen-Friendly Public Spaces Design Manual. It will provide a roadmap that encourages the development of engaging public spaces that support outdoor play, physical activity and social interaction. City staff is currently seeking feedback to gather insights about public spaces and how they serve the needs of children and teenagers in our community. The

survey can be found [here](#). For more information on the initiative please see the Child and Teen Friendly City [webpage](#).

E. Jenny Hall SD Police Community Relations Officer, jmason@pd.sandiego.gov

1. Detectives did a shoplifting detail on the Target on 3029 30th from 10AM-2PM. Arrested 7. 5 adults. 2 took alcohol, others took electronics and other items.

2. Still working on parking garage issues.

3. Happy Times liquor had a theft and a fight in the alley. Appears to have involved the juveniles who are causing issues at the parking structure.

IX. Consent Items

A. Approval of Election Committee Budget: No more than \$259.00

1. Election Buddy: \$99.00
2. Flyer printing: \$90.00
3. In-person voting supplies: \$20.00
4. Ballot printing: \$50.00
5. Total: \$259.00

a) Cocanig-Schueler motion to approve 12-0-0

X. Action/Informational Items

A. [Tree San Diego](#) project manager Sophia Hernandez, who will be providing a presentation. **Questions will be allowed with one minute question/answers for discussion per person.**

1. Informational items next month regarding this work.

B. Candidates for the NPPC Board Election speeches. Each candidate will have two minutes to describe their history and interests for running for the open Board positions. **No discussion.**

1. 8 seats are open

- a) Malachi Bielecki
- b) Jane Clough
- c) Cody Cocanig
- d) Chelsea Coleman
- e) Bruce Cunningham
- f) Christopher Dye
- g) Patrick Garbani
- h) Krishna Hammond
- i) Neil Heacox
- j) Holden Leslie-Bole
- k) Johanna Mall
- l) Edgar Ramirez Manriquez
- m) Doug Schueler
- n) Jacob Salinas
- o) Mieko Sunbury
- p) Glenn Todd

2. Next subcommittee meeting is March 3, open to anyone who's not a candidate

3. [Deadline to register to vote online](#) is Tuesday March 4th at 6PM or Thursday March 6th for in-person

4. Voting online is March 11th at 8AM - March 18th at 8AM

5. 2 days of in-person voting at NP library March 15th and 18th

6. Requirements for voters can be [found here](#)

7. [Voter guide is here](#).

XI. Subcommittee Reports

A. CPC Report: Chair Lynn Elliott

1. Mobility master plan presentation focused on Hillcrest and University City

2. Thoughts brought up about building more ADUs until there can be more emergency fire safety. We may need to form a Fire Safety Council to help get info out about safety and preparation.
- B. Urban Design & Project Review: Chair Mark Spitzer
1. City has studied changing NP ADU rules to match the state minimums. They're currently set above the minimum.
 2. CA Native Plant Society presented about Bird Park where they've fenced off areas to help plants establish. They have put in many hours and dollars to beautify Bird Park. They will present in March or April.
- C. Public Facilities & Transportation: Chair Doug Schueler
1. They held informational briefs on:
 - a) El Cajon mobility issues between Florida and Texas. No crosswalks currently. There will be a stop light on Mississippi.
 - b) Presentation from Build Solid. They activate public spaces through placemaking. They have been in communication with the city about the NP community park to improve it.
 - c) Mid-city Community Parking District presented about the history of parking districts. The districts serve as an entry point for city planners to change parking. Starts with individuals/petitions trying to get a consensus with the neighborhood. This then goes to the district to help package the people's wishes to the city. Planning groups can advocate for these recommendations if they would like to.

XII. Liaison Reports

- A. North Park Library: Zar Shain, Head Librarian (619) 533-3972 SDhain@sandiego.gov
1. Art of decluttering event
 2. STEM activities for kids
 3. Preschool and adult crafts
 4. [See calendar for other events](#)
- B. Adams Avenue Business Association: Roger McClish
1. BikeSD presented about bike lanes on Adams.
 2. New parking meters and street light repairs will be coming along Adams.
 3. Board meets 1st Tuesday of the month at 8AM.
- C. El Cajon Boulevard Business Improvement Association: Lynn Elliott
1. Had an awards ceremony in Jan. They have a meeting Thursday at 9AM.
- D. University Heights Community Association
1. Dealing with traffic safety issues. Louisiana and Madison crosswalk was brought up.
 2. Park Boulevard Main Street planning summer concerts.

XIII. New Business

- A. Tree and Bird Park presentations next month.

XIV. Adjournment: LaRose-McClish motion to adjourn 7:40PM

- A. Next meeting: March 18, 6:30PM