

**PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 20, 2018
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 12TH FLOOR
CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
202 C STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

Chairperson Stephen Haase called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Chairperson Stephen Haase adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

Chairperson Stephen Haase – present
Vice-Chairperson Sue Peerson – present
Commissioner James Whalen – present
Commissioner Douglas Austin – present
Commissioner William Hofman – present
Commissioner Granowitz – present
Dennis Otsuji – present

Staff

Shannon Thomas, City Attorney – present
Laura Black, Planning Department – present
PJ FitzGerald, Development Services Department – present
Louis Schultz, Development Services Department – present
Carmina Trajano, Recorder – present

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

REQUESTS FOR ITEMS TO BE CONTINUED AND/OR WITHDRAWN

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Accepted as presented.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Laura Black, Deputy Director of Planning Department reported that on Monday, the Midway Pacific Highway Community Plan Update was unanimously approved by the Council. She thanked Commissioners Granowitz and Whalen for attending in support of the Plan. Yesterday, Old Town Community Plan Update was unanimously approved by the Smart Growth Land Use Committee and they are looking to bring this item to City Council in October. The University Community Plan Update will have a kick-off Open House event next Wednesday, September 26th from 3-7 p.m. at the Nobel Recreation Center located at 8810 Judicial Drive.

COMMISSION COMMENT

Commissioner Whalen commented that he wants to circle back from last week's workshop and they have a lot of very positive feedback, particularly from City staff and County staff. He stated that it was the first time that the Regional Water Quality Control Board said that it was legal to do storm water treatment in-stream drainages, so that may have been the turning point. He thanked everyone for their role and it was a wonderful experience.

Commissioner Haase reminded the Commission about the State Planning Conference for the American Planning Association in San Diego from October 7-10 at the Sheraton in Harbor Island. On Sunday, October 7th is the Commission and Boards Day; he mentioned that he is the State appointee for that particular position and they have three workshops along with the Planning Commissioners

breakfast. He encouraged the Commission to check the APA website, if they are interested and to look at the one-day registration. He's not sure if the City has that in their budget. but he certainly would to see as many folks as possible.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM-1: **DISCOVERY CENTER - PROJECT NO. 369379**

City Council District: 7

Plan Area: City General Plan/North City Future
Urbanizing Area - Subarea II

Staff: Martha Blake

Speaker slips in favor of the project submitted by Rob Hutsel, Kotaro Nakamura, Rick Espana, Michael Nieto, Dusty Ucker, Tim Gabrielson, Dawna Marshall, Brendan Hastie, Alan Grant, Tom Sudberry, Carly Padilla, Dr. Mike McQuary, Cary Lowe, Gregory G Johnson, W. Lee McElravy, Bill Dahnke, Shelley Baca, Jim Peugh, Jack Simes, Richard Barrett, Shirley Kimmich, William Kimmich, Lauren DuBois, Barbara Palan, Tom Younghusband, Naomi Grant, Mary Grant, Pat Grant, Al Sorensen, Rebecca Reid, Phil Pryde, Nadine Kalmansa, Tiffany Swiderski, Joel Kalmansa, Summer Santos, Steffani Clark-Jijon, Laurel Kelly, Jim Dawe, DeVerna Rogers, Elizabeth Levathal and Allyson Welborn.

No speaker slips in opposition to the project were submitted.

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WHALEN APPROVING THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 369379/SCH NO. 2018071012 AND ADOPT THE MITIGATION, MONITORING, AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP); AND APPROVE SITE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 11291277 AND TO INCLUDE AMENDMENTS ON CONDITION 42 C AND THE MEMORANDUM DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 WITH THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT NO. PC-18-056 ON ATTACHMENT 6, P.6 AND ATTACHMENT 7, P. 9, CONDITION 44. Seconded by Commissioner Hofman. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0 with Commissioners Haase, Hofman, Austin, Granowitz, Peerson, Otsuji and Whalen voting yea.