



Pacific Beach Planning Group

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Pacific Beach Taylor Library

4275 Cass Street, San Diego, CA 92109

Wednesday, February 25, 2015: 6:35-9:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Item 1 - 6:35 **Call to Order, Quorum**

Attendees: Brian Curry, Eve Anderson, Michael Beltran, Scott Chipman, Deborah Conca, Pat Dobson, Larry Emlaw, Paul Falcone, Don Gross, James Krokee, Imelda McClendon, Chris Olson, Henish Pulickal, Karen Sumek, Baylor Triplett, Joe Wilding

Item 2 - **Current Agenda - Modifications and Approval** - no modifications

Motion to approve the minutes: 1st: Eve & 2nd: Joe passed 13-0-0

Item 3 - **January 28, 2015 - Modifications and Approval**

Modifications: Special Events V.P. is Ryan Dickert

Scott Chipman - motion to approve as amended, Jim Krokee 2nd - passed 13-0-0

Item 4 - **Chair's Report**

CPC (Community Planners Committee) meeting (Brian sat next to Nancy Bergato); there is a whole new program for updating community plans - a 3 year comprehensive update rather than 10 year process. Ten to process. Clairemont is scheduled to be rolled in. PB not on list. However, they are submitting grants for PB. Keep the pressure on the city. Next month we may have our council member, Lori Zapf, here. Vacation rentals meeting here on March 3 at 6 p.m. - generating a lot of interest. Quick update from Jim Krokee: look at the Vacation Rentals minutes. During the meeting there will be no time for off the cuff comments. Jim has worked 1,000 hours on this overall - there is a lot of information. A few changes have been posted on webpage - PBPlanning.org. Please, please do come. Scott: action item? Brian: Not a subcommittee meeting on March 3, it is a **special meeting of PBPG**. We need enough there for a quorum. It's a big deal.

Item 5 - **Non-Agenda Public Comments** (Note: 2 minutes per speaker) - 4 to speak

- Eve: in Tucson, on 4th Ave. (a shopping district kind of like Garnet Ave.) - lot of students, very clean, nice shops, co-ops, but they also have tattoos there. I'm talking about the lower part of Garnet, not Turquoise or Cass St. There is a lot of gum there, also. We need to take care of our gum problem.

- Bill Adams: newly forming, nonprofit public advocacy project - pro bono public defenders; observed many violations in the past - one of the things this group could help with: activist community - could be advisory to the legal clinic: name is Public Interest Advocacy Clinic.
- Sara Burns from Discover PB: updates - Business Awards are March 26 at the Catamaran; vote for your favorite businesses on PBDdiscover.org; Anne Condon is the new manager for Discover PB.
- Jim Morrison: topic - the development east of Freeway 5, along the new trolley line. Greg Bledsoe, on Channel 39, indicated there is a formal community group that is getting the word out; there is a proposal for 4,700 condominiums to be built between Friars Road and Clairemont Drive.

Item 6 - **Election Subcommittee Update (Informational Item)**

Presenter: Imelda McClendon

Bios are on the website. One minute candidate statements.

Census tract #77 -

- Jennifer Nowak - on the board formerly. Especially interested in traffic problems.
- Harry Couch - raised in PB & Monterey Park. Retired. Now back. Wants to see PB stay family-oriented with plenty of open space.
- Elizabeth Knowles - lives on Haines St. Has a daughter at the Crown Point Jr. Music Academy; teacher/lawyer/adjunct prof. at Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Census tract #78

- Jim Morrison - bicycle safety important, streetcar needed, street closings. Livability.

Census tract #7901

- Joe Wilding - PB teacher, graduated from Crown Point Elementary School; during long walks on the beach shares feelings with others; "duct tape" planning; Huntington Beach lines of traffic flow because they are synchronized, not like PB

Census tract #7903

- Brian Curry - with the PBPG for 4 years; lived in beach area since '79; current chair; chooses to live in PB after living in other beach towns; special interest: forward planning (not just red curbs, etc.)

Census tract #7904

- Paul Falcone - on planning board for 8 years. Firm believer that 1 person can make a difference. Vice Chair. Chairman of Traffic/parking subcommittee. Fixing homeless shelters. Not building more infrastructure, but still developing. Gateways need to be rezoned & a focus.
- Paula - traffic strategies, forward planning; strategic projects with actions.

Census tract #8001

- Jim Krokee - on planning group in 2007. Architect - concerned about community character & livability; problems with mini dorms; now chair for vacation rentals subcommittee; 30 day minimum for residential areas (# of people, parking, signs with rules, noise enforcement) - need solutions

Census tract #8002

- Dean - born on Diamond St.; checking this out for the future, not running now
- Deborah Conka - raised 5 children in local schools, Mr. Frostie owner in PB for over 30 years, wants to continue to be part of PB, current chair of events committee

- Mike Beltran - chair of traffic, streets & parking subcommittee; wants to continue
- Reminder to get packets & info. completed - Commercial has 4 spots open/residential 3 spots; voting is on March 25 from 4:45-6:30 p.m.
- Kathy Coombs not running

Number of people running in Census Tracts that have openings:

#77 - 5 people running

#78 - 2

#7901 - 1

#7903 - 1

#7904 - 3

#8001 - 2

#8002 - 2?

Each candidate must have 25 signatures from the applicable census tract to be eligible.

Item 7 - **Government Office Report: (Informational item)**

Presenter: Liezl Mangonon (Rep. for City Councilman Zapf)

120 people attended the PB Town Council meeting to hear Zapf's background & priorities.

- Vacation Rentals - hottest topic. Will use March 3rd's list of recommendations on April 22, 2015 at 9 a.m. when City Hall meets about this.
- Zapf's office hours are already filled - Henish on list for 1:1 meeting with Lori Zapf.
- POE agreement - the mayor and police department have met to develop an agreement. We have 7 new police officers at the Northern Division (for enforcement).
- De Anza: Mission Bay Park Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at Santa Clara. (Where to hear about updates.)

Questions:

Scott: \$300,000 request to fund Mission Bay Gateway. What can we do to get the ball rolling - this funding is key. Suggestion to send letters to the council members & mayor to get support for this funding. missionbaygateway.org

Michael: contacted Caltrans regarding cleaning up the entrances & exits to PB; City needs to do their part and fix the curbs & sidewalks that are chewed up; overgrown entry to PB is a problem.

Brian: It helps us if the council members reach out to us. It gives us more "horsepower."

Chris: PB Pathways is a project that the community has been working on for over a year. We approved phase 1 plan, signage, quotations for the signage and pavement markers, etc. This is a priority for us and the city. We are listed in the Climate Action Plan as being leaders. It is taking the city a long time for implementation. There is no indication of finishing before the end of the year, so the \$25,000 allocation to PB Pathways might be lost. We need someone to facilitate this. The Mayor has plans to resurface 100 miles of our streets - so it may be difficult to do other things like the \$25,000 project. We do NOT want this 25K going back into the general fund.

Paul: infrastructure requests. Be sure the mayor's office is apprised of this. Traffic & streets - give pushback. (Brian - engineering has the list. It is in the queue.)

Don: No update on the wall. Will contact the Mayor's office. Street sweeping (Liezl - limited on machines + there is a staffing issue): It is absurd that people still get tickets when machines are down. Riviera Drive has had multiple break-ins of cars.

Liezl, continued: There are 49 new police cadets, PB gets 7 for enforcement. We are \$1.6 billion short on our infrastructure needs.

8. San Diego Unified School District (Informational item)

Dr. McCrary: 227 schools in the district. \$1.2 billion a year budget. Your involvement is needed - \$1 million a day is spent on San Diego schools. New forward planning to make schools the center of learning - Vision 2020.

Lee Dulgeroff's presentation:

Barnard Elementary at Bayview Terrace (specialized) - modernize as Asian language academy; joint occupancy - popular program; SDUSD is renovating or revitalizing campuses all over the district

Crown Point Music Academy (specialized) - modernize - LED marquee; added new portable classroom for Suzuki strings

PB Elementary - joint use field - partnered with the City of San Diego - adds to park space for city; new LED marquee

PB Middle School - schools updated to integrate with 21st century technology (student devices, interactive white boards) + campuswide wifi for all - wireless connectivity; modernization plan; facilitate pick up & drop off; partner with YMCA - swimming pool; new, beautiful synthetic turf field; gymnasium facility - 1st phase will do parking & sports fields - to be completed by summer of 2016; goal is to have more parking spaces than currently exist

Kate Sessions (1950's); new pick-up & drop off (dangerous situation + a lot of neighbor input) - accelerated to front of Prop. S funds; 9.78 acres; 5 portables; 25 classrooms; added relocatable classroom - 490 students - popular campus, part of IB Programme

Mission Bay High School: (1953); 1100 students; 35.85 acres; 22 permanent buildings; 26 portables; college career tech. ed - run own student store with "Starbucks-type" atmosphere (remodeled student store); April 16 is dedication of new stadium/field; redid ball fields - gender equity for baseball & softball fields; new restrooms; press box; announcer's booth; all weather track including long jump pit, pole vault, shot put, & discus area; synthetic turf like the professionals use; new dugouts

Whole site modernization - start dates from Oct. 2017 to 2020; Field Act - higher standards for schools; for project information: <https://fpcprojects.sandi.net> - can go to project page for each school under "Mission Bay Cluster"

Brian: concerns regarding lighting & noise impact: hot topic - Hoover had "football lights" , (Friday night light tradition) - equity for all 16 high schools to have Stadium Lights in San Diego; at MBHS - under CA law, have to allow outside groups to use the facilities; soccer teams & adult leagues use the fields; 9 ft. tall lights direct lighting straight down to the field; **coastal act** says can use lights only 3 nights a week; concern about migratory birds; field use agreement specific to MBHS - will be open to neighbors; Coastal Act has many limitations

School Board feels schools should be open to the community for everyone to use - space everyone should enjoy. Board policy to have site specific plans for each school.

MB Cluster - over 3200+ students; precipitous decline in population; # of resident students is smaller.

Scott: communication needs to be better between school district & the city; Beryl St. drop off zone cost over \$1 million; no back exit from MBHS - traffic a big problem.

Presentation finished at 8:10 p.m.

9. Traffic & Parking Subcommittee (Action Item)

Presenters: Michael Beltran & Henish Pulickal

• #1 - Stop Sign & Crosswalks at Bayard & Turquoise (Motion to Approve)

Michael: stop sign on Bayard going north; so need one on Turquoise as well to slow down traffic; problem with Turquoise speed from an engineering standpoint - last resort - lighted crosswalk a better idea

5-0-0 passed at subcommittee

Henish: traffic calming, etc.; comprehensive needs to consider;

Don - voted no because likes way traffic flows now

***Michael - motion to approve the all way stop sign (get wording from Michael); 2nd by Eve
Ask the city to look at it - results of study this week; table for next week? Jim motioned, Baylor 2nd

A "motion tabled" takes precedent.

Vote to table : 13 -1-1

Michael - businesses want the all way stop sign

• #2 - Stop Sign & Crosswalks at Pacific Beach Drive & Kendall (Motion to Approve)

Suggestion: extend curb & crosswalks for traffic calming + green gardens; residents want it because of speed of cars; not aligned for left turn from Kendall onto PB Drive; Ambrose has a wonderful plan

Scott: table vote to look at Ambrose's plan; will come back to this; MICHAEL TO EMAIL ME MOTIONS' WORDING

Henish: motion to extend mtg. to 9 p.m. 14 -1-0; Jim seconded

• #3 - Realignment & Bike Path at Pacific Beach Drive East & Olney (Motion to approve)

Scott: in 2011 we had a plan, budget, no \$, but here is what it would be; request withdrawn (because "it has been so long) - so we should re-request what we did in 2011?; Don: keep the pressure on so it can be done in April

Scott: motioned to re-request original motion of 2011 & ask for blacktop on north side; Eve 2nd 15-0-0

• #4 paint curved portion of curbs red @ Quincy where intersects Thomas; place for homeless people & shopping carts to be dumped - no access (Motion to approve)

Henish: top spot for homeless; no residents in area - paint outside & inside of curbs red cars can't park there and so people can't hide there; Paul: do we know the length of the curb - it is the curved portion; Jim - proliferation of red curbs in PB

Henish - motion to paint the curbs red so no one can park there; Deborah - 2nd 13-2-0 "No's" reason: loss of parking

• #5 Henish motioned: Add missing sidewalk at Fortuna and Crown Point Drive (Motion to approve); handicap cuts are being added for sidewalk that is there; requesting about 100 feet for sidewalk to be put in where none exists; 2nd by Don; vote: 14-0-0

• #6. Complete sidewalks at Academy south of Beryl as planned by the city (Motion to approve) item on p. 14; Henish: motion; 2nd by Paul; the city asked the school to get our approval (1 person was against this on a petition) vote - 14-0-0

Item #10. Development Subcommittee (Action Items)

Presenter: Chris Olson - met at new location (Crown Pt. Jr. Music Academy) - improved attendance; changing the agenda - all pending projects in the pipeline will be listed; at each

meeting we will take a portion of the self-assessment tool and work on the eco-district principles for evaluation; this stack of plans are all pending to be reviewed - city requires applicant to turn in 5 to 8 copies; our city doesn't allow electronic submittal - reduce costs, scanning, mailing, record storage

- 1. Electronic Plan Submittal / Communications (motion - see attached subcommittee minutes)
 - our city doesn't allow electronic submittal, but electronic submittal would reduce the cost of making paper copies & then scanning electronically, then storing
 - proposal: request conversion to electronic plans - Motion by Chris: applicants required to bring 1 whole set of hard copies to meeting, the goal is to convert to electronic presentations; 2nd by Baylor; 15-0-0
- 2. De Anza Cove Ad Hoc Subcommittee (Motion to approve) - no vote needed
How can we legally distribute the information (full set of plans) to see before meetings - Brian to take to CPC; copyright laws - should be available on city & our website - Brian will ask again; Brian: public should be able to see this information

De Anza project: we can facilitate the community outreach aspect of this - PB Community Collaborators decided the community should come together & make a grass roots committee to support the city process; subcommittee voted 3-0-0 (motion was for PBPG to form an ad hoc committee to lead this effort in the community); Robin Schafer is coming to next meeting - table for now to hear what she has to say

Brian: I'd like to meet with the Community Collaborators; De Anza is not in our planning area - it is in Mission Bay's; we can't just ignore the Mission Bay's Parks Committee; need to push ahead to be in front of the city to work on this. Work in tandem with the city. Let's table this. Paula - reach out to Mission Bay & have them at our next meeting.

11. Other Subcommittees and Reports (Time Permitting)

Code Enforcement: Henish Pulickal

Communications Subcommittee: Baylor Triplett

Special Events: Eve Anderson

Brian: we need as many people as possible at the Vacation Rentals Meeting on March 3rd.

12. Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm.

(Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2015, 6-9 p.m. (Special Meeting - Vacation Rentals)

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 6:30-8:30 pm (General Meeting)