



# Pacific Beach Planning Group

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**Pacific Beach Taylor Library**  
**4275 Cass Street, San Diego, CA 92109**  
**Wednesday, October 28, 2015: 6:30-8:35 pm**  
**Minutes**

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**Item 1 - 6:30 Call to Order, Quorum**

In attendance: Amy Gordon, Baylor Triplett, Brian Curry, Elizabeth Knowles, Eve Anderson, Harry Couch, Henish Pulickal, James Krokee, Jim Morrison, Joe Wilding, Marcia Nordstrom, Pat Dobson, Paula Ferraco, Scott Chipman, Tony Franco, William Ramirez.

**Item 2 Current Agenda - Modifications and Approval**

Add these 2 items between 5 & 6: Balboa TOD and SANDAG. Approved 10-0-0.

**Item 3 September 23, 2015 Minutes - Modifications and Approval**

1st to approve - Scott. 2nd - Jim Krokee. Approved 8-0-2.

**Item 4 – 6:40 Chair’s Report**

Presenter: Brian J. Curry

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 1st. STVR: continuing with current proposal. Meeting is on December 2. DECO Bikes: may not be able to relocate the beach locations.

**Item 5 – 6:50 Non-Agenda Public Comments** (Note: 2 minutes maximum per speaker)

Issues *not* on Agenda and within the jurisdiction of Pacific Beach Planning Group.

- Tony Franco: Member of Discover PB’s design & improvement committee. It meets the 2nd Tuesday at noon at the Discover PB office. Open to the public - would appreciate input. Light up the trees to attract more business in PB? Parking meters in PB to raise money for PB?
- Elizabeth Knowles: Crown Point Junior Music Academy is having a “trunk or treat” on Friday, October 30. The CP Rock Club will be performing classic rock on November 7 @ 11 a.m.
- Richard Parkllan: Money has more influence in elections than neighborhoods. Clean Elections are a must.
- Eve Anderson: 1997 was the start of plans for specific trees on specific streets - see PB Community Plan. The traffic is worse in PB. We need to push for better bus service, etc.
- Paula Roberts: Construction is scheduled for Sewer Group Job 743 on Yost. Check out Humanability City Sewer Group Job 743 at [paula@humanability.biz](mailto:paula@humanability.biz).
- Linda Mulligan: From PB Drive to Roosevelt there are blind curves. 50% of drivers are going over 25 m.p.h. After a traffic study the city agreed to put in a larger stop sign. A stop sign is needed at Fortuna.
- Scott Chipman: Pot shop at 1737 has gone from 1/4 to 1/2 to a full page ad. Code compliance complaint filed - no action.
- Don Gross: project completed at the Visitor’s Information Center. Mission Beach bike & pedestrian path - 5 to 6 weeks for this extensive project. An asphalt sidewalk has been replaced with cement near Rocky’s.
- Micaela Porte: There is a lot of traffic at the NW corner of Jewel & Garnet since the new shopping center with Trader Joe’s has opened. A red/no parking strip needs to be painted so cars can turn left or right.

**Item 6 Balboa TOD and SANDAG**

- SANDAG: an 11 mile extension of a brand new trolley line will terminate at the shopping mall. All environmental work has been completed. The final design will be available Spring 2016.

The project work will start Summer of 2016. The work is underway for the utility relocation. To do next: negotiate a contract with the contractor using a full funding grant. This is a \$1.7 billion project with matching federal funds. There will be 220 parking spaces/platform/screen walls. 5 bus bays will accommodate buses. A pedestrian bridge will be built. Construction will be from the south to the north. There will be 3 or 4 starting points. Double track bridges over the San Diego River and at Balboa Avenue (2 brand new bridges). (Look at the regional transportation plan at the upcoming workshop.)

- Scott: emphasize grade separation from West to East for bikes and pedestrians.
- Paula: Along Rose Creek - enhance the river walk. Rose Creek Bike Path - separate but parallel to Santa Fe. Acreage for parking.
- Joe: maintain the 30 ft. height limit.
- Henish: advocates driverless cars. Take note and study this cheap solution.

**Michael Prinz** is a senior planner on the City staff. There are specific plans for transit-oriented plans. The goal is to work with PB and Clairemont over the next 2 years concerning conditions of use, environmental factors, mobility factors, land use, zoning, improvement of sidewalks and paths. Approval of plan in 2017, hopefully. This is a grant funded effort. PB mobility study: options are available. Everything will be vetted by the community before decisions are made - CAL Trans, SANDAG, Audubon, MB (environmental impact), etc. There will be an introductory meeting at the Subcommittee (Henish is the primary contact). A similar effort regarding infrastructure & financial plans will be held for Morena Boulevard. The Plan will be completed before the trolley is operational, maintaining a 30 ft. height limit (Prop. D) in PB.

#### Item 7 – 7:35 **Government Offices Report**

Presenter: Liezl Mangoonan

- Urging attendance at the Jan./Feb. meeting on Vacation Rentals.
- DECO Bikes: still looking at alternative locations - hope to know at the end of next week.
- Jim Krokee: 2 houses knocked down on Opal Street with dust everywhere! (Referred to website of SD city.)
- Elizabeth: Ingraham and La Playa's roads are super rough. Also Mission Bay Drive through Grand and Garnet.

#### Item 8 – 7:35 **PB Commercial District Round Table Discussion (Possible Action Item)** Moderator: Brian J. Curry

Open discussion on forward planning, implementation, and improving the PB business/commercial corridors.

Brian Curry: De Anza Cove is finally closing. The Commercial district is lagging behind. We need to change land use requirements re the commercial zone. There are *specific* goals in the PB Plan (see page 3). Brian envisions ground level retail with housing above. Break away from the municipal code? Pedestrian mall down Garnet?

Sara Berns (Beautiful PB): We have a giant problem. Our focus: Garnet, traffic, parking, transportation. There is a disconnect between the beach and business districts. East Mission Bay Drive, Rose Creek, a pedestrian mall going west better block projects - all need focus. How about using from Mission Blvd., along Garnet to Bayard as a model with a pedestrian mall, decorative street lighting (some temporary, some permanent). We need funding & an architect to create a plan & sketch design (roll out in the Spring?) There is a maintenance component to be considered. The parking & traffic subcommittee should be focused on a parking plan. Roll out recommendations in 3 months? Results of survey? Don't count on 1 penny from the city. Little Italy has an assessment district & paid parking. Tax revenue from businesses goes to the general fund. There are 3 revenue streams: property tax, parking revenues, business assessments, + fund raising (?). Both North Park and Little Italy are nice areas - they have a maintenance assessment.

Tony Franco: my office is at the corner of Garnet & Fanuel. We need a plan. We need a new PB sign, trees, parking meters. Bird Rock hired an outside consultant.

Scott Chipman: We have a hodge podge of decay. Laguna Beach is appealing. The new YMCA at the Middle School is positive. Public transit is needed.

Brian Curry: encourage involvement in BID, the Parking Subcommittee, etc. We want CHANGE!

Motion to extend the meeting 15 minutes. Jim Morrison 1st, Joe 2nd. Vote 13 - 2 (Amy & Jim Krokee against).

Item 9 - 8:15 **Other Subcommittees and Reports (Time Permitting)**

Development: Chris Olson

Traffic & Parking: Michael Beltran

Code Compliance: Henish Pulickal: 29 issues are getting solved.

By-Laws: Eve Anderson

North PB Lifeguard Station: Scott Chipman - final meeting is Dec. 1 here.

Mission Gateway: Scott Chipman - MB Park Committee - need a special meeting.

Nov. 4 ad hoc committee meeting - 3 years. (Glacial progress).

Elections: Debbie Conca / Jim Krokee

Special Events: Debbie Conca

Communications Subcommittee: Baylor Triplett

Item 10 – 8:35. **Adjournment**

**Next PBPG**

**General Meeting:** Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2015 6:30-8:30 pm