

PACIFIC BEACH PLANNING GROUP
EARL AND BIRDIE TAYLOR LIBRARY
JUNE 27, 2012 MEETING MINUTES

6:33 p.m. meeting called to order, quorum established. **Attendees:** Brian Curry, Eve Anderson, Greg Daunoras, Paul Falcone, Tricia Fox, Imelda McClendon, Jennifer Nowak, Chris Olson, Curtis Patterson, Billy Ramirez, David Russell, John Shannon, John Skober, Damon Westwood, Brenda Hollis (arrived 6:40 p.m.), Baylor Triplett (arrived 6:52 p.m.) and Jim Morrison (arrived 7:08 p.m.). **Absent:** Scott Chipman, Larry Emlaw and Tanya Ho.

Agenda & Minutes: During discussion of the evening's agenda, John Skober motioned to approve the evening's agenda, Curtis Patterson seconded, motion **passed 13-0-0**. Tricia Fox motioned to approve the May 2012 meeting minutes with a minor correction, John Skober seconded, motion **passed 13-0-0**.

Non-Agenda Public Comment: The following individuals made public comments of 2 minutes or less:

Don Gross spoke about disabled persons access to Crown Pint Drive and Pacific Beach Drive

Eve Anderson questioned if signs posted by businesses that state parking is for customers only; is this free of charge.

Sara Berns provided an update of what's happening at Discover PB.

Chris Olson noted the empty feeling of the community room due to the lack of Artwork on the walls. Mark-Elliot Lugo recently retired as the San Diego library system visual arts curator, a program he created over 12 years ago for this library. On another issue, Mr. Olson stated his disappointment to see a letter directed personally at one of our board members and their home in response to a PBPG action. Last year we experienced a lawyer threaten each individual member with a lawsuit. That caused at least two of our members to quit. In previous years there have been various threats to individual members in order to intimidate them and sometimes it has worked. My only suggestion is that we must carefully consider every action we take on the PBPG and feel sure that we are making the best decisions. Then we should not allow ourselves to be intimidated just like we do not tolerate bullies in our schools. Finally, Mr. Olson raised the important issues of a trolley station coming to our community at Balboa Avenue and the related problems for traffic, pedestrians and bicyclists.

Government Office Reports:

City Council District 2 – Not Present

Informational Item:

Diana Scheffler provided a brief presentation on the Sustainable Design Assistance Team (SDAT) vision for Pacific and Mission Beaches which focuses on community design issues to increase sustainability.

Action Item:

Eric Bolby showed a PowerPoint Presentation on the proposed dedication of 23.05 city owned acres in Pacific Beach to San Diego Canyonlands for open-space preservation and recreational opportunities. After a public vetting process, which is initiated by residents, the City Council can approve certain parcels for dedication. Greg Daunoras motioned the PB Planning Group to write a letter of support for the 23.05 acres in Pacific Beach to be dedicated to San Diego Canyonlands, Chris Olson seconded, motion **passed 16-0-0**.

Informational Item:

Alan Adler provided an update to the new drive-in theater located in the rear parking lot of PB Middle School, the parking lot entrance is at Felspar and Haines. Mr. Adler indicated that SDUSD approved this venture. For further information see: www.fullmoondrivein.com

Residential/ Mixed Use/ Commercial Subcommittee Projects:

Committee Chair Curtis Patterson announced that this committee meets every 2nd Thursday of each month at 12:00 Noon here in the community room of the PB Library.

Curtis Patterson provided an update to the Carport Municipal Code Section 113.0234(a) (6), **informational only**.

PB Lifeguard Tower:

Overview - Since the project inception in 2003, demand for lifeguard response in the North Pacific Beach area has shifted to the north. To serve this demand, the new permanent lifeguard station needs to be located north of, but close to, the location of the existing temporary lifeguard facility. The temporary facility is located just north of the foot of Chalcedony, **informational Only**

Subcommittee Reports:

Traffic and Parking/ OVO: Committee Chair Paul Falcone briefed the entire Board on three (3) action items that the subcommittee previously approved which are as follows:

A request for 2 stop signs and 1 yield sign at the corner of Crystal Drive and Dixie Drive, Paul Falcone motioned to approve this request, Jim Morrison seconded, motion **passed 12-3-1**. Those opposed to the motion indicated the corner does not qualify for the new stop signs.

A request for a stop sign at the corner of Olney Street and Pacific Beach Drive, Paul Falcone motioned to approve this request, Jim Morrison seconded, motion **passed 16-0-0**.

A request for a lighted pedestrian crosswalk at the corner of Everts Street and Garnet Avenue, Paul Falcone motioned to approve this request, Jim Morrison seconded, motion **passed 15-0-1**.

Neighborhood Code Compliance: Committee Chair John Skober announced the next committee meeting will be held on July 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fish Shop Restaurant on Garnet Avenue. John also mentioned his committee is examining the nature of what a code compliance issue is and what is not

Jim Morrison then motioned to extend the Planning Group meeting by 20 minutes, Curtis Patterson seconded, motion **passed 15-1-0**.

Electronic Media: John Shannon and John Skober are working on the PBPG website and social media sites.

Elections and Vacancies: Damon Westwood reported that the Board reviewed our current by-laws regarding voting requirements for the March elections.

Bylaws Review and Revision: no report

Community Planning Committee: no report

Other Reports to PBPG:

Pacific Beach Parks: Chris Olson

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Chris Olson presented the Pacific Beach Parks Concept Study prepared by the PB Parks expert team for the PBPG. This is a summary of all of the work to date from public meetings and research. Chris and PB Parks Expert Team presented the concept to the Mission Beach Precise Planning Group on June 19th and they voted to provide a letter of support. In July, we will meet with a member of the coastal commission to discuss the project. The formation of a Community Benefit District that will support this project for the long term is being worked on and Chris is a volunteer member of an advisory group for this effort.

Chris Olson motioned to request from Councilman Kevin Faulconer a Feasibility Study, or any other activity appropriate to facilitate the PB Parks Project. Provide Kevin Faulconer and any other potential supporter with the Concept Study prepared for the PBPG by the PB Parks Expert Team. The PBPG will continue to support and advise the PB Parks Concept and the PB Parks Expert Team will continue to be closely involved in the process, Greg Daunoras seconded, motion **passed 16-0-0**.

Mission Bay Gateway: Scott Chipman not present, therefore no report

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

