

PENINSULA COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

3701 Voltaire St., Point Loma Library

APPROVED MINUTES

VOTED ON APRIL 21, 2016

March 17, 2016

Present: Amanda Behnke, Nicole Burgess, Patricia Clark, Bruce Coons, James Hare, Peter Nystrom, Julia Quinn, Jarvis Ross, Don Sevrens and Paul Webb.

Absent: Jay Shumaker, David Dick, Jon Linney

Election duty: (In briefly at times) Robert Goldyn, Mark Krencik. Also serving on poll duty: Associate City Planner Tony Kempton

Called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Parliamentary Items

1. **Approval of agenda.** Moved by Paul Webb, seconded by Patricia Clark. Motion carried 9-0. (Behnke, Burgess, Clark, Coons, Hare, Nystrom, Ross, Sevrens, Webb. (Others absent or on election duty.)
2. **Approval of February 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.** Motion by Paul Webb, second by Patricia Clark to substitute a version of the minutes as recommended David Dick. Dick was absent and did not speak.

Sevrens said the principal differences were that the treasurer's report was recast substantially from what was said at the meeting, changing being seriously in arrears on website payments to being current, and re-arranging or recasting figures. Also, Paul Webb's remarks on the first vice chair not carrying out election responsibilities were changed. Chair Julia Quinn said the changes reflect her notes.

Motion carried 7-1-1. Yes: Burgess, Clark, Coons, Hare, Nystrom, Ross, Webb. No: Sevrens. Abstain: Behnke (substitute minutes arrived too late to read).

3. **Secretary's Report** – Don Sevrens. He pointed out that in a recent 5-4-2 vote the two abstentions should have been considered non-votes according to Robert's Rules of Order and that properly the motion did carry.

To avoid the confusion that occurred during last year's election of officers, Sevrens refreshed members' memory of Robert's Rules of Order and bylaws:

- * It is not a matter of move and second. Instead, the presiding officer opens the floor to nominations. Anyone can offer a nomination and does not need to be recognized by the chair. There is no need to close nominations – the process continues until no more names are introduced.

- * If a nominee is absent, special rules prevail. The person nominating must affirm that the individual is willing and able to serve. If elected, the election is not official until the nominee is present and confirms ability and willingness to serve.

- * Someone can run for two offices. If elected to both, the individual must choose immediately which one to keep and which to relinquish.

- * Elections must be in April. The presiding officer cannot delay filling an office.

- * If there is more than one candidate for an office, the possible voting methods available to us include show of hands or signed paper ballots.

4. **Treasurer's Report** -- Patricia Clark. The treasurer's initial report of a current March bank balance was revised upward \$41 to XXX CHECK.

The treasurer also distributed income and expense material for calendar year 2015.

The annual material shows income for the year of \$964.18 and expenses of \$375.23. The beginning bank balance was \$20.86 and the ending balance was \$609.81. Checks were written to Internet Service Pros – through October --for \$400. Checks were written during 2015 to the chair totalling \$275.89. CHECK

Chair's Report – Julia Quinn. No report

Non-Agenda Public Comment (3 minutes each speaker)

Ed Harris: The former interim council member for District 2 appeared to say he had entered the mayor's race and why. He said city employee attrition continues at alarming rates, particularly for lifeguards and police. He said callers to 911 are often being put on hold for 5, 10 or 15 minutes.

Korla Equinta: She said drought conditions apparently had caused mulch to be substituted for grass at two mini-parks. She commented on the condition of walkways and stairs.

Jeff Powers: He outlined a citizen initiative to increase the Transient Occupancy Tax to 15.5%. In answer to a question, he said promoters support a campus-style, instead of contiguous expansion of the Convention Center.

Government Reports

1. **Council District II** – Adrian Sevilla, a new member of Lorie Zapf’s staff, substituted for Conrad Wear. He talked about a June ballot measure that would commit a majority of new revenue for infrastructure over 25 years. He announced that the City Council unanimously approved development impact fees for a new pocket park in Roseville.
2. **City Planning** – Tony Kempton. On election duty.

New/Old Business (Action may be taken by the Board)

None.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Ocean Beach Planning Board update** – Valerie Paz. Absent.
2. **Catalina Blvd. 12” Water and Catalina Sewer Main Project Update** – Paula Roberts, Humanability; Jason Danks, Orion Construction; Joe Myers, City of San Diego Project Manager, and Jess Arcillas, City of San Diego Project Engineer.

Catalina from the Navy Base to Hill Street and stretches of nearby side streets will experience water and sewer pipe replacement for about 18 months, starting in May.

The presenters said two lanes of Catalina will be shut for half the period, then the other half will be shut down following road resurfacing. Night work will be avoided and the divided frontage road along Catalina will not be used for traffic, under current plans. Details were not available as to whether there will be accommodations for rush hour or arrangements for carpooling or shuttle service.

Openings will be left at certain side streets for vehicles and pedestrians to cross Catalina.

Draft Midway-Pacific Highway Community Plan Update Mobility Report –Tanner French and Vickie White, City of San Diego. The presenters outlined a proposal, undergoing review, for a long-range network of urban trails with trees and a bicycle network in the Pacific Highway to downtown area. Some changes are planned in the Sports Arena Boulevard/Rosecrans Street area to improve traffic flow there in hopes of relieving traffic pressure on Pacific Highway/Barnett Avenue area. Biking and walking in the Pacific Highway corridor all the way to downtown is envisioned.

Nystrom: Would you please consider the concept of using what is called “Pete’s Bypass” to improve traffic flow? It would close the missing linkage in some directions between Interstates 5 and 8 by reversing the direction of traffic on one of two existing ramps at a cost probably

under \$1 million. By allowing more traffic to use the last mile of Interstate 8, traffic pressure would be relieved on the traffic arterials.

Voltaire Bridge Retrofit Project – Daniel Nutter, City of San Diego. The presenter was unable to show his power points because of equipment issues. He said planning is close to the 60% level with construction to begin around December 2017. The bridge will be put on a vehicle diet – going from four to two car lanes while accommodating bicyclists and pedestrians. Drains will be added to alleviate flooding.

Raised medians at the Wabaska intersection end will be eliminated. The railing will be strengthened but he did not have visuals to show.

In answer to a question, he said Wabaska/Voltaire will continue to have traffic signals of some sort, that three-way stop signs would be inadequate.

5. 3141 Garrison Street Update-- Elizabeth Carmichael. Postponed – applicant not present.

6. Alleged PCPB Brown Act Violations Complaint filed with City of San Diego by Don Sevrens -
- Discussion by PCPB and City of San Diego Planning Department (associate planner Tony Kempton).

Kempton said the City Attorney's Office had determined in its opinion that there were no Brown Act violations but indeed there had been financial violations of the PCPB bylaws involving the chair and the treasurer. He said the Planning Department, in consultation with the City Attorney's Office, agreed with that position. He said certain payments to the chair had not been authorized by the board in advance as required and that the treasurer was not aware of the rules. He said the City Attorney's Office had looked at every allegation, then referred the complaint to him. In response to a question, he said he understood there was insufficient information provided in the remaining submitted allegations to warrant a determination that Brown Act violations had occurred.

Kempton said the proposed remedy was for the board to retroactively approve what the chair had been paid, a figure put at \$341.66. He told audience member Geoffrey Page that communications between the City Attorney's Office and the Planning Department would not be made public.

Page and board member Jarvis Ross commented that they seemed to remember that an authorization for ongoing payments for the post office box and website expenses had been made by the board sometime in the past. Kempton said that ongoing payments for post office box and website over \$30 still need to be authorized in advance.

Action Items

1. Approve letter supporting Point Loma Summer Concert Series -- Martha Phillips. She said the 16th season will begin July 8 and end Aug. 5.

Sevrens: Quality of life can be measured in many ways. To me, one way is in summer concerts. Moved by Behnke, seconded by Burgess to approve letter of support. Motion carried 9-0. (Behnke, Burgess, Clark, Coons, Hare, Nystrom, Ross, Sevrens, Webb.)

2. La Casita CDP, Project No. 427666, 4245 Del Mar Ave., Zone RS-1-7. Coastal Development Permit (CDP) to construct 700 SF companion unit to a existing single-family residence on 7,000 SF parcel. Coastal (non-appealable) overlay zone. Applicant: Scott Glazebrook

Mark Krencik presented for an architect who was not available. He said the modest unit would accommodate a parent who was seriously ill.

Moved by Sevrens, seconded by Ross. Motion carried 10-0. (Krencik-- who was temporarily in room, Sevrens, Clark, Behnke, Burgess, Webb, Nystrom, Hare, Ross, Coons)

Krencik returns to election duty.

3. PCPB Minutes Procedures -- Presentation by Bruce Coons. He said to post draft minutes on the website is irresponsible and increases the board's liability.

Sevrens: The motion is moot as we are not posting currently. We are failing to provide information in a timely manner to city staff and most planning boards do post (disputed by Coons).

Moved by Coons, seconded by Ross that "The PCPB will post no minutes until they are approved by the board, unless otherwise instructed by the board."

Motion carried 6-2-1. Yes: Behnke, Clark, Coons, Hare, Ross, Webb. No: Burgess, Sevrens. Abstain: Nystrom (doesn't care one way or the other).

4. Authorization for Reimbursement of PCPB Expenses Submitted to City of San Diego – Patricia Clark

It was moved by Paul Webb, seconded by Bruce Coons to approve Invoice No. 101PE (\$375.23) and Invoice No. 102PE (\$341.66) for payment.

The motion carried 8-1. Yes: Behnke, Burgess, Clark, Coons, Hare, Nystrom, Ross, Webb. No: Sevrens. Absent: Dick, Shumaker, Linney; on election duty: Krencik, Goldyn.

5. Notice of Availability of Draft EIR for City of San Diego Pure Water Program, Project No. 438188, SCH No. 2014111068 – Approve comments on Draft EIR to City of San Diego.

Presentation by Julia Quinn and Paul Webb. This involves expansion of Miramar waste water facility, construction of a new waste water facility in the Peninsula community off Harbor Drive and diversion of some other waste water to the South Bay. Quinn said she had concerns about the draft EIR but feels the City has not provided enough information. Moved by Webb, seconded by Clark, to direct chair to send letter of comment on notice of availability of Draft EIR for City of San Diego Pure Water Program Project No. 4381881, SCH No. 2014111608. Motion carried 8-0-1. Yes: Behnke, Burgess, Clark, Coons, Hare, Nystrom, Ross, Webb. No: 0. Abstain: Sevrens (10-page document arrived too close to meeting to assimilate)

Subcommittees

Airport—Webb. Subcommittee portion of website is about to be revamped.

Form Base/Long Range Planning – Behnke/Hare Subcommittee to eliminate “Form-based” from its name. Behnke did not run for re-election but will continue to work with the subcommittee.

Liberty Station –Clark. No opening date yet for Farmer’s Market at north end. Fireside restaurant (close to the putting green) is open. Holiday ice skating was very successful with proceeds going to Rady’s Children’s Hospital

Burgess: The applicant never really negotiated with us about the short list of issues on the new Liberty Station signage. We should never again give tentative approval.

Traffic – Nystrom The city reviewed prevailing traffic speeds on Santa Barbara, a connector, between Catalina and Point Loma Avenue and raised the allowable speed limit.

Midway – Ross Hot-button issues currently include the homeless situation as reported by police and solicitation of donations by people on roadway medians.

Park and Recreation – Sevrens, substituting for Linney: The City Council unanimously appropriated development impact fees for Portuguese Community Park at the upper end of Avenida de Portugal. We have received perhaps 200 emails, likes and shares comments.

Election: Results were reported about 9:50 by Tony Kempton. Some 394 ballots were cast. The top five vote-getters were elected. Five persons received write-in votes.

Brad Herrin	243
Laura Miller	212
Joe Holasek	165

Patricia Clark 148

Jerry Lohla 148

Samantha Stockton 126

Nicole Burgess 114

Jarvis Ross 111

Geoff Page 93

Don Costello 87

Geoffrey Plagemann 40

Sam Laub 25

James Davisson 14

Michael Haeggquist 11

John Chatin 2

Stephen Crow 1

Bill Klees 1

Marcie Rothman 1

Mario Plum 1

Adjourned at 9:55 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, 2016.

Submitted by Secretary Don Sevens.

