

KENSINGTON TALMADGE PLANNING GROUP
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 10, 2010

A regular meeting of Kensington Talmadge Planning Group (KTPG) was called to order by Chair Tom Hebrank on March 10, 2010 at 6:38pm in the Kensington Community Church located at 4773 Marlborough Ave., San Diego, CA 92116.

Members present: Tom Adam, Shauna Pribyl, Tom Hoyt, David Moty, Fred Lindahl, Gail Greer, Guy Hanford, Daniele Laman, Frank Doft, Sherry Hopwood, Kevin Kelly, John Garrison, Bob Coffin and Tom Hebrank.

Members absent: None.

Also present: Dion Akers, R. Hanna from Don Kelly Construction, and numerous members of the public.

MODIFICATIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by S. Pribyl, seconded by F. Doft and unanimously approved to accept the agenda as proposed.

MINUTES

A motion was made by F. Doft, seconded by F. Lindahl, and unanimously accepted to approve the February 2010 minutes with modifications.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer S. Hopwood presented the Treasurer report for February 2010. As of February 1, 2010 there was \$350.99 in the KTPG bank account. February deposits consisted of \$25.00 in general donations. There were no disbursements in the month of February. The bank balance as of February 28, 2010 was \$375.99

NON-SUBCOMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

I. KENSINGTON STREET SURFACING – R. Hanna of Don Kelly Construction (DKC) presents an update on the water & sewer project to the community. A discussion ensues and the following comments are made: DKC will be done with Highline soon;

DKC is on schedule and anticipates completing the project in August; the temporary lines are potable; the permanent potable lines will be cleaned before they are attached; a request was made to put cones over the bolts in the road because flat tires are being reported; the pipes are manufactured in the U.S.; the community should go to www.ktpg.org for project updates; the plan for the fixing the roads includes patches; and, ADA ramps must be installed.

CANDIDATE COMMENTS

On behalf of the Elections Subcommittee, D. Moty explains the schedule of events for the elections.

D. Moty called for nominations from the floor and after having received none, D. Moty closed the floor for nominations.

All candidates were invited to step up to the podium and provide a brief introductory statement about themselves and why they are running. Candidates approached the podium in reverse alphabetical order beginning with P. Hubbell, S. Hopwood, S. Harrison, G. Hanford, G. Greer, J. Garrison, and B. Coffin.

VOTING

Eligible voting members cast their votes and the Elections Subcommittee along with the help of volunteers, leave the room to count the votes. D. Moty leaves the board room to aid in counting of the votes.

COMMUNITY FORUM/NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

T. Hebrank introduced a new section of the agenda whereby, the community may bring up any topic that they wish to discuss.

I. On behalf of Councilmember Todd Gloria, D. Akers begins the discussion by handing out the March 2010 newsletter. D. Akers made the following presentation on behalf of the Councilmember's office:

- a.* Pointed out the article on Veterans' jobs in the newsletter.
- b.* Norma Drive Cell Tower was withdrawn.
- c.* Several questions were raised about the gas and electric undergrounding process. D. Akers explains that the entire city is scheduled for gas and electric undergrounding. It is a very slow process. The dates for Kensington range from 2012 to 2032. The timeline has been relatively followed.

- i.* R. Riebli – Utility box placement has been a concern. Have you been able to follow-up on how that will work? D. Akers has not been able to follow-up but he will and he will report back to the group.
- ii.* B. Coffin – Do we know why the city is moving around to different communities? D. Akers thinks it may have to do with circuits but he isn't positive.
- II.* S. Harrison – Various publications have been dropped off at his home several times the same day. In several instances the same periodical was dropped off numerous times on the same day. He has called the Uptown News and was disregarded.
- III.* O. Padilla – Will the police department continue monitoring Balboa Park? He asks because SDPD sold the horses, which they used to monitor the park.
- IV.* S. Kelly – What phone number do we call to report graffiti? Graffiti should be phoned into two numbers: 619/531-2000 and 619/525-7500. Also O. Padilla requests that neighbors allow him to take pictures of the graffiti before it is erased. The pictures are given to Officer Thompson, the officer assigned to Kensington Talmadge, to help catch the assailant. The pictures are used for evidence.
- V.* G. Hanford – Recommends that if a member of the community notes graffiti on a utility box that he/she call SDGE and they will take care of it. Businesses who have been tagged with graffiti will receive a notice from the city to remove the graffiti within 10-days.
- VI.* D. Laman – How do we get a park at Pearson Ford site? D. Akers recommends starting with the PAC. What is the update on Kensington sign? D. Akers states that the KTCA is making good progress. They've received a few requests to return money. Sign is scheduled to be up in the fall. Status of the Fairmont Avenue fence that is falling? D. Akers states that city crews went out there and they determined that they would not be making improvements because it is well outside the property line. He wasn't satisfied with the response and has inquired about how best to proceed. He is told that the email stating the city is liable for erosion of the individually owned property is in reference to the Aldine Drive project.
- VII.* B. Coffin – Requests that D. Akers send feedback on the Fairmont Driver erosion to him so he can get back to his subcommittee.
- VIII.* B. Coffin – Reported a growing homeless camp in the Aldine Drive canyon.
- IX.* O. Padilla – Passed out the latest crime statistics and stated he expects to see an increase in crime as the weather gets better. Requested volunteers for a citizens' patrol in Kensington. Also reported an uptick in crime during the day. He is seeing petty crimes like folks having their cell phones taken.
- X.* J. Garrison – In regard to gas and electric undergrounding he has read that aesthetics is the main motivator. Is the community getting upgraded wiring, fiber optics, etc.? D. Akers doesn't know the answer but he will ask and report back to the community.

XI. B. Coffin – Gave a cell tower task force update. The industry is very well represented in the committee by lobbyists. Please continue to give feedback to him so he can report back to the task force.

XII. G. Hanford – Mentioned the positive enhancements made by the business community including new trashcans and bike racks.

XIII. B. Coffin – What’s going on with the acoustical study for Aldine?

NON-SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

I. None.

SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

I. Neighborhood Facilities & Historical Resources Subcommittee (NFHRS) – The NFHRS did not meet in February; thus, no presentation was made.

II. Project Review Subcommittee (PRS) – On behalf of the PRS, the subcommittee Chair, T. Adam, made the following presentation:

a. Action Items – None.

b. Information Items –

- i.** Norma Drive Cell Tower – The project has been withdrawn by the applicant.
- ii.** Fairmont Ave. Slope – Not a project that the city has issued; thus, TSS will be taking it up since it’s a safety issue.

III. Transportation and Safety Subcommittee (TSS) – The TSS did not meet in February; thus, no presentation was made.

IV. KMAD Ad Hoc Subcommittee (KMAD) – On behalf of the KMAD, chair T. Hebrank made the following presentation:

a. Action Items – None.

b. Information Items –

- i.** A residential and commercial zone have been created.
- ii.** At the start of April KTPG meeting there will be a large well-advertised public meeting to layout the alternatives. For example, if the assessment is \$x.xx, then this is what you’ll get in y number of years.
- iii.** Anticipates wrapping up all decisions in April and bringing a vote to KTPG in May.

V. Membership & Communication Subcommittee (MCS) – On behalf of the MCS, chair J. Garrison made the following presentation:

a. Action Items –

- i. PRS Minutes –** A motion was made by the subcommittee that the PRS be required to take minutes at its meetings. A discussion ensues and the following

comments, concerns were raised: the burden of taking minutes discourages community participation; PRS is the one required committee so meetings should be noted; the 2-week turnaround to provide draft minutes is too short. A call for the vote is made and the motion fails by count of 4-9-0 with G. Greer, F. Doft, J. Garrison, and Tom A. voting in favor of the motion.

K. Kelly steps out the of the room and D. Moty reenters the room.

ii. **Non-PRS Minutes** – A motion was made by the MCS that subcommittees are encouraged to take minutes but they are not required and if they make a motion then the wording must be reported. At a minimum each subcommittee should report the text of the action items and include it in the agenda. D. Laman offers a friendly amendment stating that the motion is subject to an “okay” from the city. J. Garrison accepts the friendly amendment on behalf of the MCS. A call for the vote is made and the motion passes by a vote of 9-4-0 with T. Hebrank, F. Lindahl, D. Moty, and T. Hoyt voting against the motion.

b. **Information Items:** None.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS

After tallying the votes, the Elections Subcommittee announced the results: Pam Hubbell, Sherry Hopwood, Sean Harrison, Guy Hanford, Gail Greer, John Garrison, and Bob Coffin. Congratulations were awarded to the new and returning KTPG board members.

A round of applause and thanks was given to Darlene Love, Wayne Murphy, Jan Bart, Vic Camp, and Kevin Kelly for their help with a well-run election process. The elections subcommittee will email begin seeking those interested in an officer position.

KTPG LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

I. **Talmadge Maintenance Assessment District (TMAD)** – F. Lindahl did not present a report on the recent TMAD meeting.

II. **Community Planners Committee (CPC)** – D. Moty reported that the CPC will have a special meeting on March 30th to discuss administrative guidelines. The recent CPC meeting included a lengthy discussion about recommendations for the medical marijuana taskforce. The great majority of recommendations from the planning groups were that the opening of shops be appealable to the city council. Process 4 would go directly to the planning commission (pass or fail) and that decision would be appealable to city council. The city attorney said that completion of the CEQUA review is not mandatory prior to CPG opining on a project. That said, it is city policy that the

applicant have the CEQUA drafted prior to CPG review. Projects can be tentatively approved by a CPG pending the receipt of final documents.

III. City Heights Redevelopment PAC (CHRPAC) – F. Lindahl reported that at the recent CHRPAC Leslie Diamand reported 1,009 vacant properties in February 2009 only 22 in February 2010. The CHRPAC has drafted a proposed budget for fiscal year 2011 of \$11.38 million in income and expenses. This is a 22 percent decrease from 2010.

IV. Kensington 100 – No presentation was made.

ADJOURNMENT

- I. Agenda for an upcoming KTPG meeting –**
- a. Public session for KMAD prior to starting the next meeting.
 - b. Officer elections and committee assignments.
 - c. No subcommittee meetings will be held in March.
 - d. Finalization of the community garden letter.

I. A motion is made by T. Hebrank, seconded by S. Pribyl and unanimously approved to adjourn the KTPG meeting at 8:31pm. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the Kensington Community Church.

Submitted by, Shauna Pribyl, on April 14, 2010.

I, _____, am the Secretary of the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group and I hereby certify that that these minutes were approved by the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group on _____, 2010.

_____, Secretary

Date