

Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group



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PARLIAMENTARY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

A regular meeting of the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group (KTPG) was called to order by KTPG chair David Moty on October 12, 2011 at 6:30pm in the Franklin Elementary Auditorium (4481 Copeland Ave., San Diego, CA, 92116). The minutes were recorded by Fred Lindahl.

Members present at the start of the meeting: Bob Coffin Frank Doft, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, Gail Greer, Guy Hanford, Kevin Kelly, Sean Harrison, Sherry Hopwood, Pam Hubbell, David Moty, Ann Pease, Keith Roudebush Elvia Sandoval

Members absent at the start of the meeting: John M. Garrison

Also present: Daniel Hazard (Senior Community Representative for Susan A. Davis, Member of Congress, 53rd District, California), Dion Akers (from the office of City Council Member Todd Gloria) and approximately 45 members of the public

MODIFICATIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA (ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA)

A motion to approve the agenda with the following changes:

- 1) Expenditure: To the Post Master for the Planning Group’s PO Box in the amount of \$96.00 (the annual fee)
- 2) Expenditure: Pam Hubbell for meeting sandwich boards in the amount of \$100.00

Motion was made by David Moty and seconded by Sherry Hopwood. The motion was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING(S)



David Moty asked if anyone had any objections to approval of the July 2011 minutes. A motion to approve the minutes with no changes was made by David Moty and seconded by Kevin Kelly. The motion was approved unanimously.

David Moty asked if anyone had any objections to approval of the September 2011 minutes. A motion to approve the minutes with no changes was made by David Moty and seconded by Kevin Kelly. The motion was approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT – REPORT FROM PRIOR MONTH

Starting Balance: September 1, 2011 - \$505.13

Income

0

Expenditures:

0

Ending Balance: \$505.13

COMMUNITY FORUM / NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Notes:

Gail Hong – Price Charities – the Price lot (north of El Cajon Blvd east of the YMCA site and west of the CVS) has a dirt pile on it which is not related to any project for the site. It is due to some work that the City is doing in the street.

Dixie Blake – Spoke regarding the proposed SDUSD school closure list. One of the schools on the list is Franklin Elementary. She asked the community for support to keep Franklin open. Franklin has been in the Kensington neighborhood for 82 years. SDUSD Board meeting will be on November 1, 2011.

NON-SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

Notes.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION



None

TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY

ACTION ITEM: APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF THE PLACEMENT OF A SPEED BUMP ON THE 4400 BLOCK OF HIGHLAND AVENUE

Notes. Presenter: Ron Anderson (To see the speed hump presentation please go to: <http://www.ktpg.org/projects/highlandspeedbump/index.html>).

Ron reported that he had submitted the required number of signatures from the property owners surrounding the speed hump and that the Shift Commander of the San Diego Fire and Rescue approved the placement of one (1) speed hump between El Cajon Blvd and Monroe on the 4400 block of Highland Ave.

A motion to approve the placement of one (1) speed hump on the 4400 block of Highland Ave was made by Sean Harrison and seconded by Bob Coffin. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board asked Mr. Anderson if he would return once the speed hump had been installed and also indicated the support for additional speed humps if so requested and approved by the Shift Commander of the San Diego Fire and Rescue team.

PROJECT REVIEW

Information item:

INFORMATION ITEM: CELL PHONE TOWERS ON LILA DRIVE/TERRACE COURT

Notes: For the Lila Drive project, Ann Pease reported that the City is recommending replacing the existing "Pine" cell tower with a "Palm" cell tower. It is also recommending that the second tower be removed from the design as well.

Ann Pease reported that the Terrace Court cell tower project is on hold at this time.

INFORMATION ITEM: ALDINE SLOPE PLANT PALETTE

Notes: Ann Pease reported that there have been some minor changes to the plant selection other than that the project appears to be on schedule.

Secretary's note: More info is at <http://www.ktpg.org/projects/Aldine-slope/Aldine1.htm>



INFORMATION ITEM: COPLEY YMCA AT PEARSON FORD SITE

Notes: Representing the YMCA: Dean Smith, Stan Vogelsang and Mykel Dedmon and various YMCA Board and Staff members. This project is expected to be submitted to the City the first week of December 2011 under the expedited process due to its "Silver Leed Certified" status. The desire of the YMCA is that the project would go before the Planning Commission sometime in the summer of 2012.

The project entrance and egress (43rd Street and Fairmont Ave) has been modified since the last presentation before the Board (Meade will no longer be used due to existing street median).

The project is expected to cover 5300 square feet and have between 275-280 onsite parking spaces.

There has been a capital campaign to raise the needed money for this project and to date the YMCA has raised 5.5 million.

Sherry Hopwood requested that this project utilize solar, grey water, be designated as a "Cold Zone," and provide Arthritic swim classes.

Secretary's note: More info is at <http://www.ktpg.org/projects/price/index.htm>

UNDERGROUNDING

INFORMATION ITEM: UNDERGROUNDING

PRESENTATION FROM MARIO REYES, UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT MANAGER

Notes.

Mario Reyes, Utilities Undergrounding Project Manager. Mario Reyes reported that the Utility companies are not in favor of subsurface placement due to the high cost of maintenance caused by water damage. According to the utility companies the placement of each transformer needs to cover about 14 homes and each property owner would be contacted by the utility company regarding placement of the boxes.

The City of Oakland tried to create regulations regarding the undergrounding process but failed.

City of San Diego Land Use and Housing Committee is reviewing actions by the City of Oakland for possible amendments that would benefit communities like Kensington and Talmadge. The Utility Companies have written the City Attorney's Office to express their understanding that these concepts for regulating the undergrounding process are outside the scope of the City's authority. The City Attorney's Office is reviewing the letter.

Secretary's note: More info is at <http://www.ktpg.org/projects/undergrounding/index.htm>



OVERVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICY PROPOSED BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE UNDERGROUNDING OF UTILITIES

Notes:

UPDATE ON STATUS OF BLOCK 3HH IN TALMADGE

Notes: Before undergrounding can continue on this leg of the 3HH Project (behind Hoover High School) there are five (5) homes that must give their consent to place utility boxes on their property (this is due to the lack of public right of way for the placement of the utility boxes)

DISCUSSION ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR 3CC, 3CC1, AND 3CC2 IN KENSINGTON

Notes: The City is recommending meeting with Andy Fields of the Parks and Rec Dept to form a Maintenance Assessment District for these areas.

KTPG LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

Notes.

TMAD: Fred Lindahl: TMAD is continuing to work on master plan to enhancement safety and walkability of the neighborhood. The annual TMAD election will be held October 25, 2011.

CHPAC: Fred Lindahl: The PAC is dark until the Feb 2012 while the League of Cities and Sacramento battle over Redevelopment monies.

CPC: David Moty reported on a proposal for expanding urban agriculture within the City of San Diego. In particular he asked for board comment on how many chickens should be allowed on residential property. Comments varied from zero to half a dozen.

AGENDA FOR THE NEXT KTPG MEETING

Notes. Approval of a letter to the City Code Compliance Officer regarding 4496 Euclid Ave. KMAD up-date.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Daniele Laman and seconded by Keith Roudebush. The motion was approved unanimously. David Moty adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.