

Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group



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Regular Meeting Minutes – Final approved 2014 Dec. Meeting.

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PARLIAMENTARY ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

[Secretary’s note: KTPG minutes are not an exact transcript of the meeting. They are meant to capture votes taken as well as a general sense of what discussion occurred on various items.]

A regular meeting of the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group (KTPG) was called to order by KTPG chair David Moty on November 13th, 2013 at 6:30pm in the Franklin Elementary Auditorium (4481 Copeland Ave., San Diego, CA, 92116). The minutes were recorded by KTPG Secretary John M. Garrison.

Members present at the start of the meeting: Frank Doft, Sean Harrison, Sherry Hopwood, Ken Horsley, Daniel Laman, Fred Lindahl, Richard Lesser, David Moty, Ann Pease, Keith Roudebush, Don Taylor, Kelly Waggoner, Bob Coffin, Guy Hanford

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

Also present: E. Clancy of BikeShare San Diego, Rosa Lopaz and Chris Zirkle from City of San Diego’s Park & Recreation Department, and several members

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

David Moty asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING(S)

Deferred.

COMMUNITY FORUM / NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None recorded.

NON-SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

ACTION ITEM: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE 2014 KENSINGTON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



Presentation by S. Risso requesting a letter of support for the 2014 Kensington Memorial Day Parade. David Moty proposed a letter (See Addendum A) which was approved unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEM: BIKESHARE SAN DIEGO

E. Clancy led a presentation by BikeShare San Diego on the proposed bike sharing program in San Diego with special attention on the Mid-City area. Residents learned about the meaning of the Chevron symbols being painted on some city streets.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE 2014 KENSINGTON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Presentation by Rosa Lopez and Chris Zirkle, City of San Diego's Park & Recreation Department, on the proposed lighting MADs for Kensington followed by discussion.

Action Item: Approve/Disapprove reaffirmation of the planning group's previous support for street lighting MADs in Kensington Heights, Kensington Manor, Kensington Park North, Talmadge Park North and Talmadge Park South with the yearly assessments and timelines outlined by the City's Assessment Engineer.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

TRANSPORTATION

ACTION ITEM: STRIPE APPROXIMATELY CURB ON N.E. CORNER OF THE HILLDALE & MARLBOROUGH INTERSECTION RUNNING EAST ALONG HILLDALE

The board approved, by a 14-0 vote, the letter attached in Addendum B.

INFORMATION ITEM: REPORT ON SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE DISCUSSIONS REGARDING KENSINGTON PARKING ISSUES IN THE AREA SURROUNDING ADAMS AVENUE

This was a report on possible cross-walks.

UNDERGROUNDING

INFORMATION ITEM: RECENT ACTIVITIES ON UNDERGROUNDING

The request to form an advisory task force to address the undergrounding of utilities was on the agenda again for the LU&H committee meeting October 23rd. This request is the culmination of the work of various planning groups and the CPC to require the utilities (SDG&E, Cox, AT&T, etc.) to place transformers underground when undergrounding transmission lines and poles. Residents of older neighborhoods of character would also like the utilities to trench to the rear of the property and underground the entire run of conduit instead of running it along the side of the house, in full view. The work done in Talmadge is a prime example of how not to do undergrounding; the utilities used a lighter hand in Mission Hills, with better results. The ultimate method would be to follow the example in the Kensington Heights Unit #3 subdivision, north of Middlesex Drive, where all utility equipment, transformers and communications pads included, is located underground and has been for decades.



There have been recent legal cases that have overturned the City Attorney's opinion that the City could not direct the utilities to place the equipment underground without permission from the CPUC. Heart of Kensington has retained a lawyer to write a brief on the new case law and submitted that to the City.

If anyone wishes to contact the committee regarding the formation of the task force. Lori Zapf is the Chair of the LU&H committee.

For further reading:

The legal opinion http://docs.sandiego.gov/councilcomm_agendas_attach/2013/LUH_131023_7a.pdf

The report from Todd Gloria and Marti Emerald's offices requesting the task force be formed:

http://docs.sandiego.gov/councilcomm_agendas_attach/2013/LUH_131023_7.pdf

You can send your emails to the members of the LU&H committee, and committee consultant Kelly Batten:

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Councilmember Myrtle Cole: myrtlecole@sandiego.gov

CIP

David Moty gave a brief report.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee chair John M. Garrison being absent, Vice-Chair Frank Doft gave a brief report on website updates.

ADJOURNMENT

David Moty adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm



ADENDUM A

November 13, 2013

Special Events
Civic Center Plaza
1200 Third Avenue, Suite 1326
San Diego, CA 92101

RE: KSAC Memorial Day Parade, May 26, 2014

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Kensington Social and Athletic Club Memorial Day parade is a well established Kensington neighborhood event which has been held annually since 1982. The parade runs from 9 am to 1 pm and will require closing the 4700 through 5300 blocks of Marlborough Avenue from Adams Avenue to Palisades Drive. Additionally, it will require closing one lane of traffic on the 4100 block and 5000 through 5300 blocks of Canterbury Drive. These closures have occurred every year for decades and are well known to the community at large.

The Kensington Talmadge Planning Group fully supports the granting of a special events permit for the May 26, 2013 parade, and does not believe the community will be unduly inconvenienced by this annual event.

Sincerely,

David K. Moty
Chair, Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group

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ADENDUM B

December 2, 2013

Jon Hannasch
Traffic Engineering – Operations
City of San Diego
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RE: Hilldale & Marlborough Avenues Red Curbing

Dear Mr. Hannasch:

At the November 13th meeting of the Kensington – Talmadge Planning Group, the planning group voted 14-0 to support the application of red curbing to the north east corner of the intersection of Marlborough and Hilldale Avenues, extending for 10 feet to the east from the return. We believe the elimination of parking in this location will improve the line of sight and improve safety for motorists on Hilldale attempting to drive through or make a left turn at this intersection.

If there is any ambiguity in the specific location described, please contact Mr. Sean Harrison at (619) 922-0400 or via email at seanktpg@gmail.com for more details.

Sincerely,

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