



UPTOWN PLANNERS

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 3/01/16

Call to order by James Mellos at 6:00 voting process begins

In attendance: Jim Mellos, Gary Bonner, Beth Jaworski, Roy Dahl, Ken Tablang, Chris Ward, Mat Wahlstrom, Tom Fox, Bob Daniel, Matt Winter, Jay Newington, Michael Brennan, Ernie Bonn, Tom Mullaney (Ward, Daniel, Hook, Jaworski, Bonn administered the election)

I. Board Meeting: Parliamentary Items/Reports: (6:35 p.m.)

A. Introductions

B. Adoption of the Agenda and Rules of Order Winter / Bonner motion to move information item #5 2016 Rock 'n' Roll San Diego Marathon to Action Item #5.

Motion passes 8/0/2 Chair abstains

Wahlstrom / Winter motion to move potential action items #1, 2, 3 to the consent agenda. Motion passes 9/0/1

Dahl/Winter motion to approve the agenda with the above changes. Motion passes 9/0/1 Chair abstains

C. Approval of Minutes (Michael Brennan) Winter / Bonner motion to approve February 2, 2016 minutes. Motion passes 8/0/2 Wahlstrom and chair abstain

D. Treasurer's Report (Roy Dahl)

Expenditures of \$48.48 on a recorder device and \$10 to reserve room. \$92.17 remains in the account. We had an illegal withdrawl that caused fines and fees, those have been restored.

E. Website Report (Mat Wahlstrom) The website is up to date with notices compliant with the Brown Act

F. Chair/CPC Report (J. Demetrios Mellos III)

G. Public notice of board position opening – Kyle Heiskala submitted his resignation on 2/11/2016, which was accepted by the Chair, effective immediately. This position shall be filled by the board at an upcoming regular board meeting, within the next 120 days, to fill out the remainder of Kyle's term. Any person interested in submitting their name for consideration for this board position should notify the Chair ASAP.

II. Public Communication: Non-Agenda Public Comment; Speakers are encouraged, but not required, to fill out a public comment form, and provide them to the Secretary at the beginning of the meeting.

III. Representatives of Elected Officials:

IV. Adoption of Consent Agenda: Moved by Winter second by Mullaney approved 10/0/1 Chair abstains (Hook included in vote)

V. Potential Action Items – LETTERS OF SUPPORT:

1. San Diego Pride (Moved to consent agenda) - Presentation by Stephen Whitburn, Executive Director. 1. Dates of Parade and Festival; 2. Economic Impact; 3. Partnership with Hillcrest Town Council. The San Diego Pride Parade and Festival will take place on July 15-17. A study from 2013 showed that San Diego Pride attracts 19,500 visitors from outside of San Diego County. It is estimated that Pride weekend brings in \$11 million. The Parade alone is responsible for one of the busiest days of the years for many Uptown businesses bringing in over 100,000 people. Our partnership with the Hillcrest Town Council allows for the cleanup of Parade route since we want to be good neighbors and mitigate the environmental impact on the community.

2. REQUEST LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE 6TH ANNUAL FINISH CHELSEA'S RUN (Moved to consent agenda) – Presentation by Leisha Battles/In Motion, Inc. We would like to respectfully request a letter similar to those written in years past indicating the committee's support of the 6th annual Finish Chelsea's Run 5K scheduled to take place on Saturday, March 5. The event honors Chelsea King and is a fundraiser for Chelsea's Light Foundation, an organization started by her parents to protect children and provide youth scholarships. <http://chelseaslight.org/aboutus/visionmissioncore-values/finish-chelseas-run/>

3. REQUEST LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE 20TH KOMEN SAN DIEGO RACE FOR THE CURE (Moved to consent agenda) – Presentation by Leisha Battles/In Motion, Inc. We would like to respectfully request a letter similar to those written in years past indicating the committee's support of the 20th annual Komen San Diego Race for the Cure scheduled to take place on Sunday, November 6. With \$1 million invested here this year alone, Komen San Diego continues to be the County's largest provider of free breast cancer treatments, services and support. Because of generous community support, Komen San Diego is funding services daily until we find a cure for breast cancer. <http://komensandiego.org/race/>

4. Hillcrest Business Association Presentation and Request for Letter of Support for the Expansion of the Hillcrest MAD – Ben Nicholls introduced the work of the HBA on the proposed expansion of the Hillcrest Maintenance Assessment District. The presentation included the proposed expansion of the district, the work done to gain the support of

property owners, and the next steps. Staff will request a letter of the support from the Planners.

Board Discussion:

Wahlstrom confirmed that the required survey of potential members made no mention of the MAD expansion's intent to pay for maintenance of SANDAG (regional) public infrastructure, which should be borne by all taxpayers equally. He also criticized the inclusion of residential property owners in a MAD expansion intended to pay for this public maintenance and for business improvements as violating the '1 to 1' rule established by the courts for those assessed to those benefited.

Board Motion

Motion by Dahl Uptown Planners shall provide a letter of support for the Hillcrest MAD expansion. Second by Winter

Vote: 8/1/1 Wahlstrom against, chair abstains

(For: Winter, Newington, Mullaney, Fox, Bonner, Tablang, Dahl, Brennan)

5. 2016 Rock 'n' Roll San Diego Marathon Community Relations Information – Presentation by Natalia Mendez, Caroline Barr and Lee Collenberg (TBD) about: 1) 2016 dates for the Rock 'n' Roll SD event; 2) review of any changes to this year's race routes; 3) potential impacts/ road closures around the community; 4) overview of community relations program; 5) overview of access plans for the affected community.

Board Motion

Motion by: Winter second by Bonner Uptown Planners shall write a letter of support for the Rock 'n' Roll Marathon

7/1/2 For: Winter, Mullaney, Fox, Bonner, Tablang, Dahl, Brennan, Against: Newington abstain: Chair and Wahlstrom

VI. Potential Action Items – NON-MAP WAIVERS:

1. UPTOWN COMMUNITY PARKING DISTRICT – Presentation by Ben Verdugo, Uptown Community Parking District, about: 1) Proposal to revisit installation of all-ways stop on Robinson and Eighth for safety purposes; 2) Additionally proposal will also recommend removal of red zones on Robinson to install five parking spaces.

Motion by Wahlstrom to support the installation of the all-ways stop at Robinson and Eighth. Second by Winter motion passes 9/0/1 All in favor, chair abstains.

VII. Information Item:

1. City of San Diego Sewer Group Job 743 – Presentation by Paula Roberts, Humanability, outreach subcontractor for the project. Sewer Group Job 743 is a citywide project containing small clusters of pipeline segments that will be relined or replaced throughout the City. There are several segments in the Uptown area, including work that

involves trenching on Pringle Street, Sutter Street, Eagle Street, and Goldfinch Place. Ms. Roberts will provide a progress report and up-to-date estimated construction schedule.

2. City of San Diego, Public Works Department. Presenters: Meryl Jimenez (Project Manager) and Nicole Salem (Project Engineer). Project name: Sewer and Water Group Job 701. - The City of San Diego has an upcoming capital improvement project in this community to replace and repair ageing sewer and water infrastructure. The total sewer replacement will consist of approximately 9,699 LF (1.84 miles) of new sewer main, approximately 313 LF (0.06 miles) of sewer main rehabilitation, and approximately 1,956 LF (0.37 miles) of new water main. Work will also include erosion control, storm drain inlet protection, traffic control, roadway resurfacing, installation of new curb ramps to facilitate access for persons with disabilities, installation of new manholes, replacement of sewer laterals and water services, and restoration of disturbed areas to their original condition.

3. Normal Street Greenway project – Presenter – Benjamin Nicholls. The Hillcrest Business Association and local planners will be organizing a 4 day event dedicated to placemaking. The goal of our 4-day Greenway event is to transform our built environments from ones that are dominantly auto-centric to a place that offers people the opportunity to safely and pleasantly live outside of their home, office and car. With the use of paint, planters and a rotating event schedule our community will be invited to take back the street. Normal St. between University Ave. and Harvey Milk Street will be closed down to car traffic and the street will be transformed into a temporary public plaza. This event will also launch the Greenway GoFundMe crowd funding campaign.

4. ParkArts : SAN DIEGO LGBT CULTURE & PERFORMING ARTS CENTER IN UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS - presentation by John Brown, Executive Director, San Diego Human Dignity Foundation, about: 1) the ParkArts Collaborative; 2) Highlights of the initiative and the efforts to create the LGBT Cultural and Performing Arts Center at 4545 Park Blvd.; 3) Overview of key mission and vision; 4) and what residents of the Uptown Communities can expect of the LGBT Cultural and Performing Arts Center in the future.

Meeting temporarily adjourned at 8:45 until election results are announced

At 9:00 election results were announced by Chair James Mellos.

The following 7 candidates were elected:

Roy Dahl (305 votes), **William Ellig** (268 votes), **Timothy Gahagan** (241 votes), **Amie Hayes** (248 votes), **Soheil Nakhshab** (250 votes), **Maya Rosas** (247 votes), and **Cindy Thorsen** (257 votes).

Non-Elected Candidates:

Joshua Clark (234 votes), Robert Efrid (35 votes), Thomas Fox (35 votes), Stuart McGraw (229 votes), Eddie Reynoso (227 votes), Elizabeth Robinson (234 votes), Judi Tentor (228 votes), Leo Wilson (240 votes), Matt Winter (235 votes)

Motion to adjourn by Mullaney, second by Brennan, meeting adjourned at 9:05