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La Jolla Community Planning Association

Regular Meetings: 1st Thursday of the Month

Thursday, 4 December 2008, 6:00 pm
La Jolla Recreation Center, 615 Prospect Street

FINAL MINUTES

President: Joe LaCava VP: Glen Rasmussen Secretary: Darcy Ashley

Present: Darcy Ashley, John Berol, Tom Brady, Robert Collins, Mike Costello, Jim Fitzgerald, Orrin Gabsch, Joe LaCava, David Little, Tim Lucas, Paul Metcalf, Michael Morton, Lance Peto, Glen Rasmussen, Ray Weiss

Absent: Tony Crisafi, Alice Perricone

1. Welcome and Call To Order: Joe LaCava, President called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.
2. Adopt the Agenda

Approved motion: to adopt the agenda. (Fitzgerald / Collins 11-0-0)

In favor: Ashley, Berol, Brady, Costello, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Metcalf, Peto, Rasmussen, Weiss

Out of the room: Lucas

3. Meeting Minutes Review and Approval: 6 November 2008

Approved motion: to approve the Nov. 6th minutes. (Collins / Fitzgerald 12-0-1)

In favor: Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Fitzgerald, Little, Metcalf, Morton, Peto, Rasmussen, Weiss

Abstain: Gabsch

Out of the room: Lucas

4. President's Report – Joe LaCava

A. Community Planners Committee (<http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpc/>)

B. CPA Bylaws

1. City Council approves deviations except 2 that violated Brown Act
2. Reconvene Bylaw Committee, Lance Peto chair. Target Member ratification Feb 5.

La Jolla CPA Bylaw Ad Hoc Committee will meet in January 2009

Lance Peto (Chair), Cindy Thorsen, Darcy Ashley, John Beaver, Mary Coakley, Nancy Manno, Orrin Gabsch, Ray Weiss, Tim Lucas, Mike Costello

C. Indemnification Ordinance – Approved by City Council

D. PDO Updates – La Jolla PDO, La Jolla Shores PDO

1. LJSPDO - City Attorney's Office retracts April 2007 memo re base zoning
2. LJSPDO - PRC proposes amendment to define "minor in scope" (see PRC minutes). Jan action item.
3. LJSPDO - City reportedly proposes to define "minor in scope" as <10% increase in floor area.
4. LJPDO - Original amendments deferred to the "next administration"; proposal to prohibit exceeding story limit story through Variance or Deviation. Jan action item.

E. Children's Pool Interim Lifeguard Tower – See attached letter sent 13 Nov 2008- no response from the City of San Diego.

- F.** Cell Towers Ad Hoc Committee – See attached letter sent 1 Dec 2008
 - 1. T-Mobile Soledad project appealed by CPA has been withdrawn by T-Mobile
 - G.** Mills Act Ordinance (City Council Nov 23, continued to Dec 2)
 - H.** CPA Regular Meeting Jan 1 to be held Jan 8 – A special thank you to the Town Council
 - I.** Special Election – Members Only, voting from 3 to 7 pm, Room 2. Voting in the Special Election was duly closed at 7pm by the Chair. After tabulation of the ballots by the Election Committee, the Chair announced the top vote getter as Dan Courtney.
 - J.** Torrey Pines Corridor Study Approved by City Council
5. Officer's Reports
- A.** Treasurer: Jim Fitzgerald
 - Previous ending balance: \$711.03
 - Expenses: \$99.52
 - Collected at the November meeting: \$229.00
 - Ending balance: \$840.51
 - B.** Secretary: Darcy Ashley- please direct any information for Trustees to the Chair for distribution.
6. Agency Reports – Information Only
- A.** UCSD - Planner: Anu Delouri, adelouri@ucsd.edu, <http://commplan.ucsd.edu/>- present. Report on LJCPA website.
 - B.** City Of San Diego – City Planning & Community Investment Department
 - La Jolla Rep: Lesley Henegar, 619.235.5208, lhenegar@sandiego.gov- Not present- no report.
 - C.** Council District 2 – Councilperson Kevin Faulconer
 - Rep: Thyme Curtis, 619.236.6622, tcurtis@sandiego.gov Not present- no report.
 - D.** Council District 1 – Council President Scott Peters
 - Rep: Keely Sweeney, 619.236.6972, ksweeney@sandiego.gov Not present- no report.
 - E.** Council District 1 – Councilperson Elect - Sherri Lightner
 - Inauguration will be held Monday @ 10 am @ Golden Hall
 - Office located on 10th floor
 - Chief of staff to be hired
 - Alex Varon will be the La Jolla Representative for the CD1 office: avaron@sandiego.gov
 - Setting agenda for first 100 days in office
7. Non-Agenda Public Comment
- Comments on items not on the agenda and within CPA jurisdiction, two (2) minutes or less.
- A.** Mary Coakley
 - Enough money raised for play ground equipment at Kellogg Park and will be submitting plans to the city next week.
 - Dolphin statues removed from playground and to be replaced with bronze statue of "J.J.", a 14 ft. whale
 - B.** Robert McCue -Concerned with the status of the Torrey Pines Corridor Project
8. CONSENT AGENDA
- Consent Agenda allows the Trustees to ratify actions of our joint committees and boards in a single vote with no presentation or debate. The public may comment on consent items. Anyone may request that a consent item be pulled for full discussion.
- Items pulled from the Consent Agenda are trailed to the next CPA meeting.
- PDO – Planned District Ordinance Committee, Chair Tiffany Sherer, 2nd Mon, 4pm
 - CDP – Coastal Development Permit Committee, Chair Tony Crisafi, 2nd & 3rd Tues
 - PRC – La Jolla Shores Permit Review Committee, Chair Tony Espinoza, 4th Tues, 4pm
 - T&T – Traffic & Transportation Board, Chair Mark Broido, 4th Thurs, 4pm

A. SAN DIEGO NATIONAL BANK

PDO ACTION: Proposed mural is considered sign and therefore must comply with sign ordinance, resubmit with a smaller mural, 5-1-0.

7877 Ivanhoe Ave - Proposes logotype mural to be added to façade of building.

B. 7844 HERSCHEL AVE COMMERCIAL BUILDING

PDO ACTION: Proposed use conforms to PDO for use, building modifications would need to return to PDO for review, 7-0-0.

Withdrawn by Chair since it was only an information vote and not in response to a development application.

C. SEA CLIFF COTTAGE RESIDENCE

CDP ACTION: Findings can be made for CDP, 6-0-0.

7985 Prospect Place - New CDP due to expiration of previous CDP and Substantial Conformance Review. Applicant requesting confirmation of previous CPA approval; no modification of previously approved plan.

Approved motion to accept the recommendation of the PDO & CDP committees that the findings can be made for San Diego National Bank (A.) and Sea Cliff Cottage (C.) and forward this information to the City of San Diego. (Ashley/ Collins 12-0-1)

In favor: Ashley, Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Metcalf, Morton, Rasmussen, Weiss

Abstained: Little

Out of Room: Lucas

D. PIERCE RESIDENCE

CDP ACTION: Findings can be made for CDP, 4-0-0.

7206 Rue de Roark – CDP to demolish existing and construct a 5,667-sf single story residence over basement plus a separate guest house on a 13,100-sf lot

Approved Motion: To accept the recommendation of the CDP committee that the findings can be made and forward that recommendation to the City of San Diego. (Ashley/ Fitzgerald 10-0-0-1)

In favor: Ashley, Brady, Collins, Costello, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Metcalf, Rasmussen, Weiss

Out of Room: Berol, Lucas

Recused: Morton

REPORTS FROM OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Information only unless otherwise noted

E. COMPACT (Community Planners Advisory Committee on Transportation)

CPA Delegate: Vacant, 4th Wed, 6:30pm, 202 C Street 12th floor

F. LA JOLLA COMMUNITY PARKING DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

CPA Delegate: Orrin Gabsch, 3rd Wed, 4pm, La Jolla Recreation Center

9. THE CHILDREN'S SCHOOL

Reconsideration of the CPA's action at its October 1, 2008 meeting.

MND:

http://docs.sandiego.gov/citybulletin_publicnotices/CEQA/PN1300%2523151283%2520Draft%2520MND.pdf

2225 Torrey Pines Lane – SDP and CDP for additional classroom space. Student enrollment capped at 262. Pave decomposed granite parking lots. New parking lot off Torrey Pines Lane. Total new construction: 15182 sf; net total buildings: 39113 sf on a 260,924 sf lot.

Presentation in Support of the project- Jim Kelly

- Presented plans for an addition at The Children's school

- Staff parking at rear

- Torrey Pines Lane parking / student loading / unloading zone

- Eucalyptus trees to be removed and replaced with 39 new trees

- Reduce trash pick up from 3 to 2 times weekly
- Will cover cost to patch and seal Calle Juela

Members of the public in support: Jim Heaton – Parent of TCS student, Chair of the La Jolla Shores Association, Jan Stearns, Tom Albright, Julie Lee, Jeff Schnider – all TCS parents, Max Scott – CS student

Presentation in Opposition:

Dan Courtney – Neighbor on Calle Juela

- Concerned with Eucalyptus tree removal
- Torrey Pines Lane should remain a public street, no loading / unloading zone
- Street to be improved to city standard so city will continue with maintenance, not just patching and sealing
- Trash pick up to be relocated to Torrey Pines Lane
- Handed out a list of 13 demands for the project

Todd Cardiff – Attorney representing Dan Courtney

- Requests list of demands be incorporated into the site development permit

Approved Motion: To approve The Children's School project with the following conditions:

1. No construction vehicles on Calle Juela.
2. Patch & resurface Calle Juela.
3. Route all deliveries to enter The Children's School through the front.
4. All items outlined in agreement letter from The Children's School and the neighbors will be completed. See Attachment "A"
5. Enrollment to be capped at 262 students.

(Metcalf / Costello 10-0-1)

In favor: Berol, Brady, Costello, Collins, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Metcalf, Morton, Rasmussen, Weiss

Abstained: Little

Recused: Lucas

10. CHILDREN'S POOL ROPE BARRIER

CPA: Jan-08: Findings can not be made, 7-2-1.

CDP to erect temporary rope barrier during seal pupping season 12/15/08 to 5/30/09. Discussion will be limited to changes, if any, that would support reconsideration of the CPA's previous denial.

Presentation – Daniel Daneri, City of San Diego Project manager

- Presented plans for the addition of 4 poles, 1/2" nylon rope, and a sign at the children's pool
- Courts had ordered against the rope

Trustee Comments:

Mike Costello-Read section of the Marine Mammals Act and used it to argue against having a rope barrier. Comments from several trustees arguing both for and against the application

Approved motion: To reaffirm the LJCPA's previous motion that the findings for a CDP cannot be made. (Gabsch / Collins 8-3-1)

In favor: Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Gabsch, Metcalf, Morton, Rasmussen

Opposed: Fitzgerald, Little, Weiss

Abstain: Lucas

11. SIERRA MAR

PRC ACTION: Denied 3-0-0 based on bulk, scale and impact on neighbors.

Pulled by the Public

7755 Sierra Mar – Remodel of 5,006 sf home and addition of 8,714 sf on 37,790 sf lot.

Presentation in opposition by Drex Patterson (Neighbor)

- Presented photo simulations of public views blocked

- Has had numerous requests to meet with the architect, but has only had two meetings, only one meeting was of substance.

- Concerned with bulk and scale

Presentation in support by representative of the applicant Claude Anthony Marengo and Robin Monroe (Land use Attorney)

- Responded to comments

- Building design is restricted by historical designation of site and partial building

- Square footage of residence is within F.A.R.

Members of the public in opposition: Drex Patterson, Susan Patterson, Ron Davidson, Robert Field, Alberto Kiappa, Judy Swain, Daisy Fitzgerald, Mike Vargas, Barbara Levy, Mark Jorgenson – all neighbors or their representatives.

Approved Motion: To accept the recommendation of the Permit Review Committee to deny the approval of this project, the findings cannot be made, due to its bulk & scale and the impact of the project on the neighborhood character.

(Collins / Weiss 10-0-0)

In favor: Berol, Brady, Collins, Costello, Fitzgerald, Gabsch, Little, Lucas, Rasmussen, Weiss

Recused: Morton

12. T-MOBILE POTTERY CANYON

PRC ACTION: Approved 3-1-0 with conditions (extend public sidewalk, new landscape/ groundcover, 2-foot screen wall)

La Jolla Scenic Right of Way, east side between Caminito Bello and Via Posado – 3 antennas attached to 30-foot street light, underground vault, above ground vents and utility boxes.

Presentation:

Doug Manson – T-Mobile representative

- Presented revised plan with photo simulation

Public Comment:

Mary Coakley – T-Mobile has revised design to combine all elements of project

Phil Merten – City is changing environmental review procedures

Trustee Comments:

- Fees T-Mobile pays for the installation

- Is a light necessary for antenna

- Reduce the diameter of pole, remove wall

- Notify neighbors of installation

- Install sidewalk

- Remove name pottery canyon

Item continued to next meeting. Applicant agreed to fund mail out to the 300-foot radius property owners to seek their input on (a) whether there is a need for a new street light in that location, and (b) whether there should be a concrete sidewalk in that area or preserve the decomposed granite walkway

13. ADJOURNMENT

To next regular meeting: Thursday, 8 January 2009 (note special date)