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Regular Meeting Minutes August 8, 2018

I. PARLIAMENTARY ITEMS

- The August 8, 2018 general meeting of the Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group was called to order by chairman Don Taylor at 6:30 PM.
- Board members present – Bill Adair, Sean Harrison, Ken Horsley, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, David Moty, George Palermo, Marilyn Sanderson, Elvia Sandoval, Deborah Sharpe, Don Taylor, Ralph Teyssier and Kelly Waggoner.
- Board members not present: Ron Anderson, Darlene Love
- Three (3) audience members signed in.
- Approval of Agenda: This evening’s agenda was unanimously approved.
- Approval of Minutes: With no changes noted for either the June 13th or July 11th minutes, Don Taylor requested Board approval for both. Marilyn Sanderson moved to approve. Seconded by George Palermo. The vote to approve was unanimous.
- There was no Treasurer’s report, due to Darlene Love’s absence.

II. COMMUNITY FORUM & NON-AGENDA COMMENT

- **Matt Yagyagan, representing District 9 Councilmember Georgette Gomez:**
 - Matt updated the Board on Proposition B, which changed the City's employee retirement system as well as the pending proposition covering expansion of the San Diego Convention Center and homeless assistance, with funding through a proposed hotel tax. The proposition(s) failed to gather the necessary signatures to qualify for the November 2018 ballot.
 - Council member Gomez will be meeting with SANDAG, along with Mayor Faulconer's senior staff, to discuss storm water issues in the Talmadge neighborhood, as well as proposed Bikeway plans. Recommendations from KTPG will also be addressed by Ms. Gomez. This is a closed meeting and no area representation has been requested.
 - Matt will be transitioning to covering the City Heights neighborhood at the end of August. A new person will be hired as a District 9 representative to cover Kensington/Talmadge. The Board thanked Matt for the excellent assistance he has provided to KTPG and wished him well in his new endeavor.

- **Toni Duran, representing Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins**
 - The August 2018 edition of the Toni Times was distributed. It can also be viewed on Senator Atkin's website at <http://sd39.senate.ca.gov/>.
 - Ms. Duran commented on the funding for the expansion of cancer treatment resulting from the new state budget (which took effect July 1, 2018) making it unnecessary for SB-945 to move forward.
 - Noting the success in July for the fourth year of **Socks for Stand Down** (providing clothing for homeless veterans), Ms. Duran thanked the Kensington/Talmadge communities for their part in contributing to the 6,339 new pairs of socks and 669 new undergarments which were collected.
 - Don Taylor requested that Senator Atkin's office check for available public grant funding which covers lead abatement. Board member Fred Lindahl specified his interest in lead abatement covering historic structures.

- Community Plan Liaison David Moty related information about MTS from a recent MTS newsletter. Four of the top ten MTS bus routes in the San Diego system are within the Kensington/Talmadge areas.

III. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

- **Transportation** - Chair: Sean Harrison
 - Traffic diverter plans were discussed
- **CIP & Planning**- Chair: David Moty
 - Ideas were discussed for dealing with future parking problems which may arise from upcoming regulations that would allow new housing to be constructed with little or no parking.
 - David spoke with Ricardo Flores of LISC while leaving a meeting with Councilmember Gomez. Earlier this year, Ricardo Flores met with the CIP & Planning Committee to discuss a focused plan amendment to promote redevelopment in the Little Saigon District. It would ease permitting requirements, include additional low-income housing and might include a parking structure. In Committee, concerns focused on the promotion of development before the Aldine infrastructure and other infrastructure issues have been resolved, as well as concentration of low-income housing in a particular area which is specifically contrary to the General Plan.
- **Project Review** - Chair: Ken Horsley
 - No Meeting
- **Communications** - Chair: David Moty
 - No Meeting
- **Kensington MADs** - Chair: Don Taylor
 - Don Taylor moved to approve the MAD report of July 25, 2018. Seconded by David Moty. **The vote to approve was unanimous.**
 - Kensington Heights MAD
 - ◇ Circuit #2 is scheduled/budgeted for design work this year. It could take up to three years to fully fund the entire CIP.
 - ◇ The city is considering replacing the existing Empire Lights to allow installation of luminaires with LED node technology.
 - Talmadge Park North MAD
 - ◇ Painting some of the existing posts was discussed. Review of the CIP funds for this TPN MAD indicate this is not currently possible. Lead abatement issues make the project more expensive.
 - ◇ Don Taylor will be checking with the city regarding timing of the circuit upgrade for TPN.

SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS (continued)

- **Utility Undergrounding** – Chair: Sean Harrison
 - Subcommittee volunteers are canvassing for suggestions to locate utility boxes, which could be in or out of the public right of way. The next step will be outreach to the neighborhood.

IV. KTPG LIAISON REPORTS

- **CPC** - David Moty
 - **JUNE**
 - ◇ City Attorney Mara Elliott was at CPC to discuss Sidewalk Policy.
 - ◇ Tree Canopy & Climate Action Plan – The goal is to raise the tree canopy from the current 13% to 35%. The Kensington/Talmadge area has a high canopy of 27%.
 - ◇ Additional members for the Parking Advisory Board had been sought but there were no candidates.
 - **JULY**
 - ◇ The Planning Department is conducting a parking study which will justify reducing parking requirements for new construction in Transit Priority areas. During the CPC meeting, David Moty suggested a revamp of the Parking Permit program.
- **Historic Resources** – Bill Adair
 - 4387-9 Fairmount Avenue 92116 Old retail Not historic
 - 4209 Madison Avenue 92116 1926 - Res Meets criterion C for type & style
 - 4950 Canterbury Drive 92116 1926 – Res No contributing historic elements
 - 4347 Alder Drive 92116 1942 – Res No contributing historic elements
 - 5224 Canterbury Drive 92116 1946 – Res No contributing historic elements
 - 4664 49th street 92115 1959 – Res No contributing historic elements
- **Talmadge MAD** – Fred Lindahl
 - Designs from planning groups received for 49th Street & Adams Avenue.
 - Plans for traffic calming submitted. Estimated cost for all three areas is \$1.3M
 - ◇ Euclid Avenue/Miracle Drive/Adams Avenue
 - ◇ 49th Street/ Lucille Drive
 - ◇ Madison Avenue/51st Street/Contour Drive
 - Streets moratoriums would effectively delay these until 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM