



**CHOLLAS VALLEY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Avenue, Community Room, San Diego, CA 92114**  
**Wednesday, January 16, 2019 6:30pm – 8:00pm**

Seat (Term 2017-2019)	Member	Present	Seat (Term 2018-2020)	Member	Present
1. Alta Visa	Marry Young	N	9. Broadway Heights	Booker Sanders	Y
2. Encanto	Steven Ward	N	10. Chollas View	Kwame Oates	Y
3. O'Farrell	Kenneth Malbrough	Y	11. Emerald Hills	Christie Hill	N
4. Valencia Park	Monte Jones	Y	12. Lincoln Park	Leslie Dudley	Y
5. At-Large	Karina Velazquez	Y	13. At-Large	Khalada Salaam-Alaji	Y
6. At-Large ('18-'19)	Evan Toma	N	14. At-Large	Shawn Glisson	N
7. At-Large	N/A	N/A	15. At-Large	Sandi Hazlewood	Y
8. At-Large	N/A	N/A	16. At-Large	N/A	N/A
City Dept.	Name	Present	Office	Name	Present
Planning	Elizabeth Dickson	N	Mayor's Office	Darnisha Hunter	N
Civic SD	Sherry Brooks	Y	Council District 4	Karen Montufar	Y
JCNI	Bennett Peji	Y	Assembly 79 <sup>th</sup>	LaShae Collins	N
SDPD	Akaan Thomas	N	Senate 39 <sup>th</sup>	Chevelle Newell-Tate	N
			Congress 51 <sup>st</sup>	Stephanie Allen	N
<b>Number of Visitors: 12</b>			<b>Sign-in Sheet on File: Yes</b>		

**1. Call to Order & Introductions**

Chairman Ken Malbrough called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.  
A quorum was present (7 out of 13 members).

**2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**Motion made by Monte Jones to approve the agenda with Mayor Kevin Faulconer's name corrected. Seconded by Sandi Hazlewood. Vote: 6-0-1. Motion Carried. Ken Malbrough abstained.**

**3. Review and Approval of Minutes**

**Motion made by Booker Sanders to approve the December 2018 minutes. Seconded by Monte Jones. Vote: 5-0-2. Motion Carried. Karina Velazquez and Ken Malbrough abstained.**

**4. Communications from the Public:**

- a. Kathleen McCloud stated a staff person from County Supervisor's office should come to report to this board.
- b. Elisia Devedio stated her family lives on Castana & 47th and that open space should be transformed into a park but the parcel needs to be dedicated. Elisia stated this group through the CIP process should support it.
- c. Kristin Herst stated she is the Vice-Chair of the Eastern Area Planning Committee and would like the board to consider prioritizing a park on Castana into the CIP list for program development funds so the City could take over maintenance.



## 5. Chair's Report:

- a. Receipt of Complaint of Alleged CVCPG Bylaw Violations (Information only)
  - i. Ken Malbrough stated he received a complaint regarding a violation of bylaws because of a certain one board position and is working with the planning department to have a suggested action by February meeting.
- b. CVCPG Election Sub-Committee Investigation (Information only)
  - i. Ken Malbrough stated the election sub-committee has had a few issues; he wanted the process to run nice and clean. He stated most issues have since subsided and they will have something prepared for the February meeting.
- c. Board Member Resignation
  - i. Ken Malbrough stated Steve Ward, Vice Chair has resigned. Steve did miss 3 meetings in a row which makes the board required to let a person go. Steve served 7 years and wrote a letter that was read out loud during the meeting.

## 6. Staff Reports:

- a. **Mayor's Office:** Darnisha Hunter not present.
- b. **Council District 4:** Karen Montufar thanked everyone for their patience during the transition. Karen stated the website will be updated by Jan 23rd and the first monthly newsletter will be released that same day. Karen stated Councilwoman Montgomery will chair the public safety committee, vice chair the Economic Development & Intergovment relations committees, will be a member of the budget & government efficiency committee. Karen stated the Councilwoman will host community hours at the Tubman Chavez center.
- c. **Assembly District 79:** LaShae Collins not present.
- d. **Senate District 39:** Chevelle Newell-Tate not present.
- e. **County District 4:** Erin Wilson stated she is a staffer for Supervisor Nathan Fletcher and they just started on the 7th so still in transition but she wanted to introduce herself.
- f. **51st Congressional District:** Stephanie Allen not present.
- g. **City Planning:** Elizabeth Dickson not present.
- h. **Civic San Diego:** Sherry Brooks present but no report.
- i. **Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation:** Bennett Jacobs has lost their VP of Real Estate but will have an update next month. Bennett stated they are renovating the 2nd floor to create a co-work with the City as an accelerator for diverse or financially disadvantaged founders.
- j. **San Diego Police Department:** Officer Akaan Thomas not present.

7:20pm Kwame Oates arrived.

## 7. Action Items:

- a. Letter to Mayor Faulconer regarding the Tubman Chavez Community Center negotiations with the County of San Diego Presenters: Leticia Flynn and Kathleen McCloud
  - i. Ken stated he will abstain because he supported the program early on. Ken suggested Khalada and Leslie abstain because of their role in the welfare group. Khalada and Leslie chose not to abstain. Sandi disclosed she works for the County but her department is not working on it.
  - ii. Leticia Flynn stated the community plan calls for industrial and retail and they don't want the City to give away the land because it needs to be part of economic development. Kathleen McCloud stated the County's behavior towards this



community has been atrocious because they worked on live well center for over 3 years before talking to the community. Kathleen stated it is out of scale for community, she hears more things constantly being added and every time the proposed center keeps growing. Kathleen stated no other community has a mega concentration of services.

- iii. Khalada stated she found out about the center in March but it has been in the making for the last three years; it is very abusive and don't want huge welfare office because it is racist and classist.
- iv. Booker stated there are 8 different neighborhoods and he asked the presenters if they have gone to other neighborhoods to ask what the community wants. He stated he participates in Paradise Hills, Skyline Hills, and Broadway Heights groups but no one has come to ask for their community input.
- v. Monte asked if this was an issue about the live well center or Tubman Chavez center? He asked if Presenter has anyone done research about daily usage of Tubman Chavez center? Presenters stated they haven't talked to the Neighborhood House Association. Monte asked if Presenters have asked new councilmember about her position? Presenters stated not yet.
- vi. Karina stated she worked at Tubman Chavez and it is severely underutilized. Karina stated she was at live well center in Escondido earlier and center atmosphere was calm.
- vii. Sandi stated she feels uncomfortable because we don't have enough information and this topic needs address by both sides. Sandi stated she wants to know where people getting services live, whether inside or outside this community. She stated this issue is more about why community or CPG were not notified.
- viii. Kwame stated he supports spirit what the Presenters are trying to do and is against the center. He stated he was involved with Jacobs Center when 4 businesses wanted that parcel but were all turned down by Jacobs. Kwame stated he is seeing Diamond become the go-to for welfare but doesn't know if letter addresses overall concerns enough.
- ix. Leslie stated the new center will charge space for the community and tearing down the Tubman Chavez center is like tearing down history. Leslie stated she is against the probation center, that will bringing all those people here across from the only library the kids have. Leslie is concerned center will be distributing drugs. Leslie stated she objects that the live well center that will not have a facility for veterans.

**Motion made by Leslie Dudley to support letter. Second by Kwame Oates. Vote: 3-4-1. Motion Denied. Ken Malbrough abstained.**

*7:38pm Leslie Dudley left.*

*7:42 Khalada Salaam left.*

**Subcommittee Report:** Kwame Oates

- a. Kwame stated in November an election sub-committee was set up and they made changes



to election notice since Karen's at-large seat became open for one year.

- b. Kwame stated the application is different from the last version, unnecessary information was taken out, and parts of by-laws quoted taken out because it was misleading.
- c. Sandi Hazlewood stated Ken and Leslie's emails should be replaced by the general email. In the general membership application, "except Aug & Jan" should be removed. Kwame stated it should read 'March 2019' not 2018 and '2021' not 2020.

**Motion made by Sandi Hazlewood to approve new application with the above changes. Second by Karina Velazquez. Vote: 5-0-1. Motion Carried. Ken Malbrough abstained.**

8. **Informational Items:** None

9. **Continuing Business:** None.

10. **Adjournment**

**Motion made by Monte Jones to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Second by Sandi Hazlewood. Vote: 5-0-1. Motion Carried. Ken Malbrough abstained.**

Written by: Karina Velazquez, Board Recording Secretary