

Midway-Pacific Highway Community Planning Group Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Location: Bay City Brewing 3760 Hancock St, San Diego CA 92110

1. Call to Order: 3:10 PM
2. Introductions

Members Present: Judy Holiday, Jason Vieira, Dave Siegler, Amy Stark, Dike Anyiwo, Jerry Rivero
3. Approval of Minutes: No Minutes were presented for approval.
4. Public Comment: None
5. City Government Office Reports
 - a. Josh Coyne, Council District 2:
 - Council recently approved CCE (Community Choice Energy), current off recess, followed up on Station 20, trying to help fund improvements, early in process, tracking port plan, Jen will be at the Point Loma Assembly 9/26/19 at 6pm.
 - b. Miller Saltzman, State Senator Toni Atkins:
 - Miller is new contact taking over for Chevelle, legislator is out of session and will be back on 1/6/20, recently passed bills include SB330 which aims to accelerate housing construction timelines, AB1482 which is rent control and other restrictions in landlords, SB276 which has to do with Doctors who issue more than 5 immunizations per year, AB5 which restricts independent contractors, SB206 or fair pay to play act which allows college students to profit from their likeness, and SB1 which protects CA from federal government from rolling back State environmental regulations.
 - Audience question: what's going on with legalized sports betting that passed last year? No specific feedback given.
 - c. Cesar Solis, Congressman Scott Peters:
 - Congressman introduced "super pollutants act", also voted to pass 3 anti-drilling bills for oil to restrict new leases, focused on military readiness act.
 - Board asked about recent legislation for more housing near transit, also asked about Mexico sewage issue- response was commitments from EPA head, also introduced "Border Pollution Solution" act which would increase capital and budget for improvements along border.
 - d. Muska Laiq, Navy Base Point Loma:
 - signing new agreement with SANDAG tomorrow- goal is commitment by Navy at a higher level. Serves as a framework for an agreement. Will have more info and details soon- still being finalized.
6. Information Items
 - a. Anaheim Arena Management on update regarding City's RFP for operation of the Sports Arena site-
 - Craig Benedetto of California Strategies & Advocacy, LLC: AAM responded to City staff, recently notified they were selected to move to next step and discuss operation agreement. Nothing to do with redevelopment of site but as that is a separate issue. Next step is to come to agreement with public review. Plans to keep up with current entertainment offerings. Agreement would be effective 6/1/20.
 - Matt Savant with the Gull's ownership: Gulls are on their 5th year in San Diego but operator has been around as different teams. AHL is one step below NHL. Gulls were #1 in attendance last 4 years, also #1 in merchandise sales.
 - Board questions: do they plan to keep Kobey's swamp meet? Craig- yes. Do they have any ideas to engage community? Matt- yes similar to their Anaheim Ducks operations- school programs, beach clean ups. Would they consider hosting our CPG meetings? Craig- they'd be open to it and plan to keep our CPG in the loop as the process unfolds. Is there a timeline on the public hearings? Craig- there will be 2 public hearings but not sure when. Craig also agreed to keep in touch with board and visit as needed.
 - Audience questions: who pays the most to the City? Matt- 4 major sources- Gulls generate the most revenue. Will the parking lot be resurfaced? Craig- not likely if property may be redeveloped soon.
7. Action Items
 - a. Save Famosa Canyon Committee-
 - Cameron Haulic and Ryan Berger presented their views on why they oppose a proposed development in the area.

They said while the plan states 78 workforce housing units, that number is not a restriction and it could end up being up to 300 units on 5 acres. Famosa is important wetland, monarch butterflies can be found there as well as other important wildlife. Their main issue is traffic study used the wrong tables with no requirement to mitigate extra traffic. They had a formal powerpoint presentation however the person who had it was stuck in traffic and couldn't make our meeting- not requesting vote as all facts haven't been presented.

-Ryan added they are not against affordable housing, just want to keep open areas for residents to enjoy. Its not a park and they don't want that. Wants to keep as environmental asset. Goal is transfer land to Parks and Recreation division of city for protection/maintenance.

-Further background was quoted that a developer bought 3 acres 40 years ago- remaining 2 acres was with Parks and Rec. Somehow the city transferred those 2 acres to developer along the lines.

-Board decided to table any vote or further discussion until future meeting and requested their powerpoint prior to.

8. Old Business

-CPC Report: Dike is now part of 3 person task force to review grand jury report on CPGs released last year.

-Website- still no update yet

-Judy recommended Midway residents go to san.org/airport-noise/flight-tracking to complain about airport noise, also said you can get a clicker device that will automatically report incidents directly.

9. New Business

-None.

10. Adjournment: 4:00pm