

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP  
Meeting Minutes  
Alexandria Building, 10300 Campus Point Dr, 2nd Floor  
6:00 P.M. November 12<sup>th</sup> 2019

**Directors present, directors absent:**

**Chris Nielsen (CN) (Chair), Meagan Beale (MB) (Vice Chair), Dan McCurdy (DM), Andrew Wiese (AW), Nancy Groves (NG), Caryl Lees Witte (CW), Joann Selleck (JS), Isabelle Kay (IK), Ash Nasser (AN), Rebecca Robinson (RR), Roger Cavanaugh(RC), Jon Arenz (JA), Ryan Perry (RP), Amber Ter-Vrugt(ATV), Jason Moorhead (JM), Anu Delouri (AD), Kristie Miller (KM), Michael Leavenworth (ML), Kristin Camper (KC), John Bassler (JB), Petr Krysl (PK), Erin Baker (EB) Dan Monroe (DM)(City of SD Planning)**

Directors absent summary: Ryan Perry (RP), Amber Ter-Vrugt (ATV), Petr Krysl (PK), Joann Selleck (JS)

1. Call the Meeting to Order: Chris Nielsen, Chair 6:15 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence
3. Agenda: Call for additions/deletions: Adoption  
**Motion: To approve the Agenda moved by AW and seconded by JM.**  
**Vote: Yes: 13 No: 0 Abstain: 0, chair not voting, motion passed.**
4. Approval of Minutes for Sept, 10, 2019. Call for additions/deletions. Approval  
**Motion: Motion to approve as presented by NG and seconded by JM.**  
**Vote: Yes: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 1, chair not voting, motion passed.**
5. **Announcements** : Chair Report:
  - a. Last meeting was cancelled due to lack of agenda items
  - b. Phone app presentation scheduled for tonight re: data for bike paths was suspended by developer due to reorganizing  
CPC Report:
  - c. Push back on Cannabis Shops- distance between schools and shops
  - d. Housing update –
  - e. Councilmember Sherman’s Task Force on CPG operations.
  - f. Plan Update Meeting – Tues, 11/19
  - g. Erin Baker – New UCSD Student Rep, she is Urban Planning Major and will join the Plan Update Subcommittee
  - h. Odor – from the land fill – AB 423 Air Pollution Control District
  - i. IK – gas powered leaf blowers have more CO2 emissions.
  - j. RC – 5G – Todd Gloria should have a huge stmt today on 5G wireless. Should be transparent to the community – City needs to be aware of where technology is placed and what it looks like! Example: Smart lights that listen with cameras that take pictures, and undergrounding of power.
6. **PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Barbara Bry (BB): Justine Murray is on vacation and Evan Strawn was present but had no comment. He will pass on notes to BB.
- B. SANDAG – Update from John Dorow/ Dave Smith MCTC. Will buy 36 new trolley cars, Blue line Old Town to Westfield. 6 new stations. John went through photos of LJ Colony Dr, I5 Bridge crossing, VA Hospital, Pepper Canyon, Voigt, Genesee Ave (2 stops).
  - Comments – Bikes on the new trolley? How long from UTC to Downtown? Don't know!!! Issue: can't see to make a turn onto Genesee into the UTC parking structure!
- C. Membership – AD and JB commented that March will be elections. If interested you need to have attended at least one meeting in the year.
- D. Plan Update Subcommittee - Andy Wiese, Chair.
  - i. Next meeting Nov 19th, 6 – 9 pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. UC High in the library Genesee Ave.
  - ii. Oct – single item to talk about – Selection of land use focus areas. Narrowed areas by the City Planning Dept.
  - iii. Study changes in Land Use for future; target is summer for plan to be done. – 4 areas: La Jolla Village Drive at UTC, Town Center up by our meeting, South UC near large intersections, and community surrounding Nobel and I5.
- E. Planning Department – Dan Monroe
  - a. Working on Mobility / Public Facilities. Parks will come later. Next meeting will cover Urban Design, interactions with vehicles and pedestrians, along with Land Use scenarios.
  - b. UC Village Golf Course – no projects there. Conditional Use Permit – they announced they were closing due to a storm drain replacement. Permit states there shall be a golf course.  
 Comment by community member re: Nobel to Westfield by the tennis court entrance. What are we doing about trash/homeless/a rape a few years ago. Get It Done App should be used to report issues to City.
- F. MCAS Miramar – Kristin Camper
  - a. Visiting squadrons at Miramar lately – recurrent training day / night
  - b. F35 is coming Jan -> Feb 2020
  - c. AICU2 – report being released soon to help recommend not to build at certain locations.
- G. Assemblyman Todd Gloria – attended our meeting, thanked us for serving
  - Updates:
    1. Hep A – A 2019 bill requires the sharing of info with City and County.
    2. Air Pollution Control District – AB423 – Board was only 5 people – now have a diverse board and 1 City Rep.

3. Pure Water – delayed per law suit, \$4 million per month wasted, State passed legislation saying project should move forward.

F. UCSD - Bob Brown

UCSD produces \$16.5 billion is combined economic output to the state. Provides \$400 million low cost health care. Electric vehicle expanded charging stations included in new Design and Innovation Center which broke ground as well.

- G. Cell Towers – Roger Cavanaugh – 5G Report will be attached. Every part of our lives will be touched. -Wireless stimulates micro-organisms - produce super bugs. Space X to add 30 5G satellites to add to current 12 which total 42.

7. Public Comment: Non-Agenda Items (3-minute limit)

- a. Mike Conroy – Golf Course – 55 acres zoned Senior Facility, rezoned – apartment 80% multi family. Nov 1<sup>st</sup> closed, breached conditional use permit.
- b. Janay Kruger – 1,000 Trees. Planting currently totals 295 trees in South UC and La Jolla Colony
- c. Comments to Barbara Bry - Electric Scooter – Density along transit corridors - Vacation Rentals
- d. Lou Rodilico – Candidate
- e. Joe LaCava - Candidate
- f. Barry Bernstein – UC News – UCCA publication – Barbara Bry will be there tomorrow 11/13/19. UCCA Elections are also upcoming.

8. Information Item – Project 600213 Miramar Landfill Height Increase, Presenting Lisa Wood – City of San Diego Environmental Services.

They manage 3 things: Recycle, Land Fill and Trash Pick up. They use the Get it Done App. Land fill will reach height limit in 2024, need to extend closure to 2028! Phase II – Raise the height from 485 ft to 510 ft. Landlord – Miramar – says 510 ft is the limit and it is submitted to the City.

Comment from a community member about the smell – 3 mo. bad then better, then 3 mo. bad smell again. Q: Why are we not going to Sycamore Canyon now? A: More costs, longer drive, no cost pick up / will cost more.

9. Action Item: Project 650416 -Community Plan Amendment Initiation for The Plaza, Irvine Co. – Roger DeWames presenting.

A plan amendment initiation needs to meet the following:

1. Appears to fit with general / community plan
  2. Benefits the community
  3. Public facilities are available to serve the proposed increase in density.
- Growing development from 35,000 to 155,000 sq ft with 7 story building and 5 story parking structure. 15% increase in size, utilize the 1 acre undeveloped plot adjacent to keep the open space balance. 2020 – 21 permit and build in 2022-23. IK and NG – commented that parking can be underground and it seems too much.

KM – where are you getting extra trips? AW – find trips and reduce cars. Irvine Co.: wants to work on commuting.

**Motion: to recommend approval of the plan amendment initiation with suggestions, moved MB and seconded by JA.**

**Vote: Yes:14 No:0 Abstain:0 Recuse:1 (DM), chair not voting. Motion passed**

**Suggestions:** Consider purchasing trips, Maximize pedestrian mobility and walking ability through the entire site (cutting edge), Explore minimizing parking, Explore other transportation modes, and Maximize sustainability.

10. Action Item: Install stop sign at John J. Hopkins & General Atomics Court - presented by Kathryn Spencer .

On Torrey Pines Mesa near Scripps Research and Alexandria Building – Speeds are up to 60 mph, no posted signs, vision is bad because there is a rise and people have to cross into lanes to see. Scary! Traffic study is finished, engineer said No, doesn't qualify as 4 way stop. Asking for support to write another letter to Barbara Bry to help with this engineer. Fix the unsafe stretch of road with a 4 way stop to protect pedestrians.

**Motion: To recommend approval moved by AW and seconded by ML.**

**Vote: Yes 15 No: 0 Abstain: 0 chair not voting. Motion passed.**

***Text of the letter to Councilmember Bry's office given at the end of the minutes.***

11. Action Item: North Torrey Pines Banner District, presented by Melanie Cohn, BIOCOM and Jason Morehead, ARE. This project was requested by Bridger. Banners to promote SD Life Sciences. Not advertisements but 2 companies working together, BIOCOM and Alexandria, will lead on design. Used banners in South UC as an example.

**Motion: To approve, moved by IK and seconded by NG.**

**Vote: Yes: 14 No: 0 Abstain: 0 chair not voting. Motion passed.**

12. Information Item: US 2020 Census, Isabel M. Lemus Goyre presenting. US Census – every 10 years – California is going to lose 1 US House Representative Member. Census invitation coming in March 2020.

13. Adjournment at 9:16 pm. Next meeting is January 14, 2020.

**No Meeting in December 2019! Happy New Year!!**

Letter to Councilmember Bry regarding the four way stop sign at John Jay Hopkins Drive and General Atomics Ct.:

Dear Councilmember Bry,

The UCPG on November 12, 2019, approved the following resolution concerning a four way stop sign at John Jay Hopkins Dr. and General Atomics Ct. by a vote of 15 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, with no recusals:

Per Council policy 200-08, Section C.2 (Alternative Process), the University Community Planning Group supports overriding the traffic department with a City Council Resolution for the installation of a four way stop sign at the intersection of John Jay Hopkins Drive and General Atomics Ct. A 4-way stop sign and crosswalk are needed to protect pedestrians crossing this high-speed intersection in the course of their work related activities.

We suggest that the installation could be in two phases to maximize safety during the transition from its uncontrolled state to a four way stop:

- Phase 1: Post a speed limit and a speed monitor along John Jay Hopkins Drive, to acclimate drivers to slower traveling speeds.
- Phase 2: Install the four way stop sign and pedestrian crosswalk.

Thanks you,

Chris Nielsen  
UCPG Chair