

**Kensington-Talmadge Planning Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Mar 12, 2008**

**Note: These March 12, 2008 Minutes were not able to be approved and adopted by the KTPC Board at its April 9, 2008 meeting. Due to the board elections held at this March meeting and the immediate seating of these seven new board members at the April meeting, as well as the absence of two board members from the March meeting, a quorum of board members that attended the March 12, 2008 meeting did not exist to approve these minutes. These minutes were submitted by the outgoing Board Secretary, Erich Blasé, and are attested to by the new Board Chair, Tom Hebrank.**

- 1) The meeting was called to order by acting Chair Fred Lindahl at 6:55 p.m. Action on the following Parliamentary Items was taken:
  - a) No introductions were made.
  - b) The Agenda was approved with no modifications.
  - c) The minutes from February were approved pending correction of two misspellings, and clarification of by-laws deficiencies by David Moty.
  - d) The Treasurer's Report for February, 2008 was accepted. Because February donations weren't deposited until Mar 12, and there were no expenses, it is the same as January's. There is \$556.36 in the KTPC account and \$112.90 in the Police Storefront Account, for a total of \$669.26. \$56 (Feb donations) were deposited Mar 12.
  
- 2) Non-Agenda Public Comment.
  - a) Jim King from the San Diego River Conservancy introduced himself. He's been retained to work for SD River Park, and concerned organizations from Julian to Ocean Beach. He can be reached at 619.929.7245.
  - b) John Garrison asked when minutes from Feb meeting be posted. Secretary answered: when they are approved.
  - c) Jeri Dilno reported on the Balboa Park Committee and their activities. More info at <http://balboapark.org>
  - d) Fred Lindahl mentioned there would be a Rapid Transit open discussion on Mar 25 at the Metro Career Center, at 6:30 pm, 3910 University Ave.
  - e) Daniele Laman asked if there was any change in status on the Terrace Park on the north side of Adams, by the I-15. It is supposed to switch from CalTrans to City of SD ownership...apparently hasn't happened yet.
  
- 3) Communications were received from representatives of our elected officials:
  - a) Nicholaus Norvell ([nicholaus.norvell@mail.house.gov](mailto:nicholaus.norvell@mail.house.gov)) from the office of Congresswoman Susan Davis (office ph. 619.280.5353) reported that
    - i) The federal government wants to move emergency supplies from SD to LA. Susan opposes this, particularly after experience with wildfires recently.
    - ii) The economic stimulus package passed. Up to \$600 (singles) or \$1200 (couples) to come to eligible households. Timing still not

hammered out, but post Apr. 15.

- iii) Congresswoman will be doing 2 "Neighborhood Days":
  - (1) Mar 25, 6:00, Normal Hts. Community Center, and
  - (2) Mar 27, 4:30, Rolando Library.

The congresswoman's website is:

<http://www.house.gov/susandavis/index.shtml>

- b) Councilwoman Toni Atkin's representative, April Chesebro ((phone) 619.236.6633, (email) [achesebro@sandiego.gov](mailto:achesebro@sandiego.gov)), reported that
  - i) Toni's newsletter is online. (<http://sandiego.gov/cd3> )
  - ii) City's Land Use and Housing Committee discussed demolition permits, with regards to historic structures.
  - iii) Toni will be at the Earth Day Fair and the Adams Ave Roots Festivals.
- c) Marlon Pangilinan (ph. 619.235.5293, email [mpangilinan@sandiego.gov](mailto:mpangilinan@sandiego.gov)) thanked Jonathan Tibbitts for coordinating the election taking place that night (Item 4a).

#### 4) Action Items

##### a) **Nominations Subcommittee - Ken-Tal Annual Board Elections – Tibbitts to present** (7:00 - 60 min presentation).

- i) Jonathan thanked the greeters who manned the tables to get ballots out to eligible voters (Susan Christison, Louise Guarnotta, Shirley Kelley, and Carolyn Zawacki). He also thanked departing members Allan Frostrom, John Hileman, and Erich Blase.
- ii) Jonathan also mentioned updated voting requirements, recommended by the City Attorney's office: people could vote if they had attended at least one meeting in previous 12, and turned in a membership application form by Mar 12, 2008.
- iii) Marlon Pangilinan was asked about "slates" of candidates. He replied that although by-laws discourage them, rules against them can only be applied to Board members.
- iv) Roger Utt nominated Michelle McGuire to run for the Board. This was seconded by Daniele Laman.
- v) Ryan Perry, who was on the ballot, didn't attend the meeting, and sent no communication detailing why he had to be absent, or that he still wished to run, and was removed from consideration. Votes for Mr. Perry would not be counted.
- vi) The final list of candidates was (an asterisk denotes board members up for re-election, 2 asterisks denotes board members requiring 2/3 vote):

- (1) Robert Coffin
- (2) Jeri Dilno
- (3) John Garrison
- (4) Gail Greer
- (5) \*Guy Hanford
- (6) Sherry Hopwood
- (7) Tom Hoyt
- (8) \*\*Daniele Laman
- (9) \*\*Fred Lindahl
- (10) Shauna Pribyl

- (11) Elayne Summers
- (12) \*Roger Utt
- (13) Michelle McGuire
- vii) Candidates gave a short speech.
- viii) After votes were counted, Coffin, Dilno, Garrison, Greer, Hopwood, Pribyl, and Summers were elected to the Board. Congratulations to new Board members, and many thanks to outgoing Board members!

**b) Bylaws Subcommittee – Proposed Amendments to Bylaws**

**Moty/Davis to present:** (8:00 – 10 minute presentation – 10 minute discussion) 3 amendments to the by-laws were proposed (see item 7d in the Feb minutes for background on this item, and letter from Marianne Greene Deputy City Attorney, Appendix A):

**i) Article VII, Section 2 (Page 14, paragraph 6)**

INSERT: The Chairperson is an ex-officio member of all subcommittees "except the Election Subcommittee. As an ex-officio member, the Chairperson retains the same rights as all other subcommittee members including voting rights. Whether present or not, the Chairperson together with the number of elected members seated on a subcommittee shall total no more than two less than a quorum of the total currently elected Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group members. Refer to Article VI, Section 2 (b) Kensington-Talmadge Planning Group Bylaws, herein."

**ii) Article VIII, Section 1 (d) (Page 19, paragraph 4)**

INSERT: "Such items require at least 72 hours public notice for a scheduled or revised agenda, however, only 24 hours public notice is required for a special meeting agenda."

DELETE: "The chair is authorized to give a preliminary non-binding review to appropriate City representatives, prior to a noticed planning group action, if the planning issue is time sensitive, for example, a demolition issue."

INSERT: "The Chairperson is encouraged to call special meetings if the planning issue is time sensitive."

**iii) Article VIII, Section 1 (e) (vii) (Page 23, paragraph 6)**

INSERT: "Under the plurality method, vacancies are filled by candidates receiving the greatest number of votes in descending order."

DELETE: "When a termed out candidate requires a two-thirds vote for re-election, the two-thirds vote shall be calculated from the total votes received by the candidate with the greatest number of votes."

Discussion of these amendments mainly centered around the 2/3 vote amendment (iii):

1. If each person gets 7 votes, and 100 people vote, that means a termed member would require 466 votes to be returned – clearly impossible. Do they mean ballots?
2. Also, Administrative guidelines state "Only after open seats are filled with new members may candidates with service beyond eight or nine years, who received a two-thirds vote, be considered for remaining open seats..." This states "new

members”, does it mean “eligible members”? Also, does this mean a non-termed out person with a single vote is seated before a termed-out member who is voted for on 100% of ballots? Appears anti-democratic.

A motion was made by Jonathan Tibbitts to return suggested amendments to the Bylaws Subcommittee to seek clarification from the City Attorney’s Office. It was seconded by Allan Frostrom.

Aye: Blase, Davis, Frostrom, Hileman, Kisner, Lindahl, Moty, Tibbitts, Utt

Nay: Hebrank, Laman,

Abstain: None

Absent: Billmeyer, Hanford (had left meeting), Pfeifer, Sharpe (involved with vote-counting)

The motion carried.

5) Information Items.

- a) Up date on the ad-hoc Subcommittee on the Public Facility Financing Plan – Discussion of the draft Mid-City Public Facilities Financing Plan for Fiscal Year 2008 (8:20 - 10 minute presentation – 10 minute discussion). The ad hoc Subcommittee (Shirley Kelly, Daniele Laman, Fred Lindahl, and Roger Utt) met on Feb 27, and considered bike paths, the library, the Aldine wall, mini- and community parks, and joint use facilities (schools). A prioritized list has not been made, and they will meet again Mar 26 to try and finalize the list.

Daniele asked: when the official boundary between 2 communities is in the canyon, where, exactly, is it? Priscilla Berge responded that the boundary is at the property line, so the property is in one community, but the canyon (i.e., that part owned by the property owner and that part owned by the City) may be in 2 different community groups.

6) Chair’s report. There was none.

7) The following Subcommittee Chairs gave reports:

- a) Project Review. (R Utt) Meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at the Kensington Community Church at 6:30 pm. There will be a parking deficient condo conversion on Winona Ave discussed at the Mar sub-committee meeting. .
- b) Transportation and Safety. (J Hileman) Meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at the Kensington Community Church at 6:30 pm. No report.
- c) Public Facilities. (D Laman) Mary Faye Elementary has already been hit by graffiti taggers.
- d) By-laws, Membership and Communications (Carl Davis). See item 4b.
- e) Liaison Committees.
- i) TMAD (Lindahl). Met last month – main topic was lighting. Bids have been received for between 125-205 candlestick lights out of a budget of \$670,000.
- ii) Community Planners Committee (Hebrank) meets the fourth (4th) Tuesday of each month 6:30pm at 9192 Topaz Way San Diego 92123.

No report.

- iii) City Hts Redevelopment PAC (Lindahl).
    - (1) The City is looking into the purchase of 4 parcels along I-15. They are at El Cajon Blvd and Terrace, El Cajon and 40<sup>th</sup> St, University Ave and 40<sup>th</sup> St, and University and 41<sup>st</sup> St.
    - (2) Price Charities is considering putting in a farmer's market at Rosa Parks Elementary
    - (3) Pilot Villages. For the project that is west of I-15, north of El Cajon Blvd, there is a shortfall of ~\$20 million. Project not likely to move forward, and may also stop the Pilot Villages project on the opposite side of I-15.
  - f) Utilities Undergrounding Project – Talmadge Project 3FF - Public information officer for the undergrounding is Carol Drummond her number is 619/533-3872 email [cdrummond@sandiego.gov](mailto:cdrummond@sandiego.gov) and project web site is <http://www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding/index.shtml>. No more public meetings, all handled thru email. Job 705 – this sewer and water project should begin in mid 2007 and end in spring 2008.
  - g) The Nominating Committee will meet Mar 26 to assemble candidates for officer positions.
- 8) The agenda for the next meeting (Mar 12, 2008) may include the following:
- a) Action. Bylaws (item 4b).
  - b) Action. Project review of 4571 Winona condo conversion (item 7a).
  - c) Action. Election of officers (item 7f).
  - d) Action: Seating of new board.
  - e) Information: Stop sign at 47<sup>th</sup> and Adams.
  - f) Action: Request for volunteers to man attendance tables.
  - g) Action: Public Facilities Financing Plan.
- 9) The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.
- 10) Members in Attendance –Blase, Davis, Frostrom, Hanford, Hebrank, Hileman, Kisner, Laman, Lindahl, Moty, Sharpe, Tibbitts, Utt  
Members absent: Billmeyer, Pfeifer  
Attendance was 164  
There were \$93 in donations

Erich Blase, Secretary