

North Park – Maintenance Assessment District Community Advisory Committee Minutes April 11, 2011

The regular meeting of the North Park (NP) Maintenance Assessment District (MAD) Community Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in at the North Park Adult Activity Center, 2719 Howard Avenue, in San Diego, CA, by Rob Steppke, Chair.

1. Roll Call

Present:

Steve Hon, North Park Historical Society (NPHS)
Rob Steppke, North Park PAC
Amy Colony, North Park Main Street
Lucky Morrison – North Park Planning Committee representative
Kitty Callen, Altadena Neighborhood Association (arrived 6:06 pm)
David Cohen, North Park Community Association (NPCA)
Dennis Byrne, Burlingame Homeowners Association
Carl Moczydlowsky, Resident Homeowner (arrived 6:16 pm)

Absent:

Gary Weber, El Cajon Blvd Business Improvement Association
Karen Gross, San Diego County Apartment Association

City Staff:

Anthony Bernal, City Council District 3
Beethoven Burks, Parks and Recreation

Guests:

Steve Russell, Consultant to North Park Main Street
Robin Taylor, Burlingame resident

2. Approval of minutes – March 14, 2011 meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes as provided made by Dennis Bryne, the motion was seconded by Amy Colony, approved with unanimously (Steve, Rob, David & Lucky) Dennis and Amy abstaining and Carl and Kitty not yet present.

3. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per speaker) & Council District 3

Report: Robin Taylor from the Burlingame neighborhood gave an update on a plan to plant trees along the Switzer Canyon embankment that crosses 30th street. Robin and others have met with City staff regarding the project. This was informational only; they plan to return to the MAD with a specific proposal in the future.

Anthony Bernal gave an update on activities within the City and passed out the current District 3 newsletter and the next neighborhood meeting that Councilman Gloria will have on the next Saturday at the Lestat's Coffee shop on Park Blvd.

4. Election of Officers for the next year – Action Item.

The proposed slate of officers for the next year (Rob Steppke, Chair; Carl Moczydlowsky, Vice-Chair, and Steve Hon, Secretary) was submitted. David Cohen moved that the slate be adopted, Kitty Callen seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. Report on Operational and maintenance issues.

- A. Discussion regarding improperly installed tree grates.** As a follow up to the discussion last month of the improperly installed tree grates that damaged or killed several street trees, Beethoven noted that the trees have been replaced.
- B. Other items.** Beethoven mentioned that a Jacaranda tree in the median on El Cajon Boulevard was damaged by a passing high profile vehicle seriously enough that it was destroyed and will have to be replaced. No identification of the vehicle that caused the damage has been made yet.

6. Update/discussion for reballoting for North Park Business Improvement District Overlay Zone also known as the Clean and Safe Overlay zone.

Steve Russell and Amy Colony gave an update on the project and provided an update map and summary of proposed services in the overlay zone. The Assessment Engineers report is in the process of being completed. Additional outreach to residential and business owners will be conducted prior to the balloting process.

7. North Park Main Street report on Bike Corrals and additional bike racks – Action Item.

Amy Colony explained that North Park Main Street has \$40,000 in City Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds awarded for additional bike racks and bike corrals in the North Park area. The funds need to be spent by the end of December 2011. Amy explained what Bike Corrals are and presented examples from other cities where they have been used. There are no Bike Corrals currently within San Diego. The cost of a bike corral is approximately \$2,500 apiece and Main Street was thinking about using the CDBG funds to install at least two in North Park if they can identify appropriate locations and the owner of the affected business is in agreement. While Streets Division will install and replace damaged corrals, they do not do maintenance which is why the concept is being brought before the MAD. All of the currently proposed locations are located within areas where the MAD already provides additional street cleaning services. After much discussion, Beethoven estimated the additional cost of maintenance would be minimal. After additional discussion on how to proceed with a motion to support maintenance for Bike Corrals; Carl Moczydlowsky made a motion The North Park MAD agree to provide maintenance for up to eight (8) bike corrals and authorize the MAD to enter into a maintenance agreement with Streets Division. David Cohen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Discussion of Story Boards update.** Beethoven reported that the contractor who repaired the tiles on University Avenue has submitted a quote of \$6,000 to repaint and reseal the story boards in the sidewalk along University Avenue. As part of the price quote, the contractor would reseal the storyboards again next year. After some discussion of the quality of work done by the contractor on the tile replacement the item was deferred to a future meeting.

- 9. Trashcans.** There was some discussion of potential additional sites for more trashcans such as 29th Street and North Park Way and Granada and University Avenue. No action was taken.

- 10. New Business.** There was no new business. At a future meeting, the proposed Switzer Canyon tree planning project will be discussed.

- 11. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Next meeting: May 9, 2011