



# Torrey Pines Community Planning Board

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## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2008 at 7:00 PM

### MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Michael Belch, Barbara Cerny, Faye Detsky-Weil, Cliff Hanna, Greg Heinzinger, Janie Killermann, Carole Larson, Morton Printz, Philip Raphael, Dennis Ridz, Diana Scheffler, Patrick Stewart, Pat Whitt.

**ABSENT:** Michael Foster

**CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS** - Chair Morton Printz called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Seeing Officer Gaylon Sells from the San Diego Police Department, Northwest Division in the audience, the Chair invited him to make his presentation. Officer Sells announced an April 17, 2008 "Information Forum" on gangs, graffiti, and car burglaries, etc., and a May 22, 2008 program on the "Internet and Crimes against Children". He answered several questions on the Neighborhood Watch Program and safety measures within a community, encouraging people to call the Police Department to report unlicensed solicitors.

*Action item:* The various telephone numbers will be posted on the TPCPB web-site.

Board members introduced themselves.

**A. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT** - Joyce Pickersgill of 2223 La Amatista Road, Del Mar spoke as a representative of many in the audience. She described a home nearby, at 2171 La Amatista, that is surrounded by 80 to 100 foot high, allegedly untrimmed Torrey Pines. Neighbors are concerned about fire danger and have approached the home owners individually, and offered to help pay for removal of the trees and re-landscaping. Their efforts have not been successful, and they came to this Board meeting to seek guidance. Suggestions by Board members included contacting the City of San Diego Fire Department and Risk Management Department.

*Action item:* Chair Morton Printz will work with Janie Killermann and Diana Scheffler, both of the Project Review Committee, and with Cliff Hanna, Vice Chair, to research the issue of the potential fire danger of Torrey Pines; they will communicate findings to Ms. Pickersgill.

The Chair expressed his satisfaction that community groups turn to the TPCPB for assistance in such matters.

**B GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR** - Chair Printz gave the following account of the CPC (Community Planners Committee). Traditionally, responsibility for regional planning and transportation has been in the hands of SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments). Recently, CPC voted unanimously, with enthusiastic support from Planning Department staff, to place this responsibility with all elected officials, not just those sitting on SANDAG. As a result, it now states in the General Plan that the City of San Diego has rights and obligations in infrastructure planning. Following on this development, the Chairs of the various planning groups on CPC supported a motion by Morton Printz that would empower the Mayor and City Council to mandate the

construction of noise walls where appropriate. A subcommittee of the CPC will be appointed to develop a report and make a set of formal motions to forward to the Mayor and City Council.

**C. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA** - The agenda was approved as presented.

**D REVIEW AND MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF March 13, 2008** - Some minor corrections in wording were suggested for the 4-2-08 draft of the minutes.

*Motion:* Diana Scheffler moved and Greg Heinzinger seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion passed (11, 0, 1, Michael Belch abstaining because he was not present at the March 13 meeting; Faye Detsky-Weil had not yet arrived).

**E REPORT BY TREASURER** – Carole Larson reported that the treasury remains constant at \$59.

**F PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE** – Janie Killermann announced the next Project Review Committee meeting to be Thursday, April 10, at 5:30, with the location to be confirmed shortly. On the agenda would be the Wallace Residence on Long Boat Way, followed by the Overgard Residence on Minorca Drive.

## **G INFORMATION UPDATES**

**City Planning and Community Investment Department** - Lesley Henegar was not present. The City is unable to send staff to every meeting.

*Action item:* Morton Printz will contact Ms Henegar to see if she would be able to respond to some of our concerns in writing.

**City Council District 1, Council President Scott Peters Office** – Chanelle Hawken was ill. Carole Larson read an e-mail from her, reporting on progress on Carmel Valley Road (undergrounding has begun), graffiti on Del Mar Heights Road sidewalk reported to the City, and the V-Calming sign on Del Mar Heights Road (installation expected within 3 months).

**Mayor Sanders’ Office** – Stephen Lew was not present

**County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price’s Office** – Aaron Byzak was not present

**State Senator Kehoe’s 39<sup>th</sup> Senate District Office** – Andrew Kennerly was not present

**Assemblyman Garrick’s 74<sup>th</sup> Assembly District Office** – No representative was present

**Congress member Brian Bilbray’s District Office** – Marc Schaefer was not present

**ITEM #1 CALTRANS STRUCTURE ON CARMEL VALLEY ROAD** - Cliff Hanna reported that the installation of the Construction Field Office relates to the widening of I-5 from Mira Mesa Boulevard to Oceanside. It is a Construction Field Office, planned to be located here after the completion of the overpass, and after the loss of the lease at its former location. There followed discussion as to whether or not the TPCPB could expect to have had formal notification of Caltrans plans for the structure.

*Action item:* Morton Printz will draft a letter to Caltrans to establish communications. He may circulate the draft to Board members for comments.

**ITEM # 2 CREATION OF A WORKING GROUP TO EXPLORE DEVELOPMENT OF A MASTER PLAN FOR SORRENTO VALLEY.** Chair Morton Printz presented his concept of forming a working group to draft a master plan for the area, to be proactive, rather than having to respond later to a plan proposed by the main property-owners in the area. The Chair of the Torrey Hills Community Planning Group is interested in working jointly with TPCPB. Several Board members voiced a strong opinion that such a working group operate with the assistance of a planning professional, that demographics need to be studied, and that transit should be a major element. Diana Scheffler volunteered to be a part of a TPCPB working group.

**ITEM # 3 REQUEST FOR BOARD POSITION AGAINST ANY FLYOVER CONNECTOR** - Anna Cotton of 13133 Caminito Point Del Mar was present to represent the Point Del Mar Homeowners Association. At the March meeting, she had asked for Board support in their opposition to any flyover connector on the West side of I-5.

*Motion:* Barbara Cerny moved, and Faye Detsky-Weil seconded, that the Board oppose any flyover on the west side of I-5. The motion passed, (11, 2, 0 with Greg Heinzinger and Diana Scheffler voting no on the basis that the wording was too broad in specifying “no flyover”).

**ITEM #4a GUIDELINES FOR WEB SPONSORSHIPS** – Discussion focused on the guidelines from the City Attorney’s Office indicating that only voluntary contributions could be accepted. Opinions expressed were that it was not likely that the Board would be inundated by offers making selection procedures important, that the establishment of a non-profit foundation would enable the charging of fees, that using the word “sponsor” implies a voluntary donation, and that the Guidelines Committee (Mickey Belch, Dennis Ridz, and Carole Larson) could pursue the issue with the City Attorney’s Office, and should make a concerted effort to see how other planning groups deal with the issue.

*Motion:* Cliff Hanna moved and Philip Raphael seconded that the TPCPB accept the voluntary contribution offered by Debbie Carpenter and recognize her sponsorship on the Board’s website. The motion passed (12, 0, 1, Pat Whitt abstaining).

**ITEM #4b SEARCH FOR FIRM TO UNDERTAKE PRO BONO REDESIGN OF WEB SITE.**

*Action item:* Carole Larson will approach design firms for pro bono work to upgrade the web-site.

**ITEM #5 “COMMUNITY OUTREACH COORDINATOR” AND 2<sup>ND</sup> SECRETARY.**

*Action item:* Barbara Cerny and Faye Detsky-Weill will co-chair an I-5 subcommittee relating to the connectors, a committee first suggested by member of the public, David Henderson, at the March 13 meeting. (Secretary’s note: the “Outreach Subcommittee on Connectors” of the agenda item was to include this responsibility.)

There was little support for creating a second secretary position.

**ITEM #6 OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE BOARD** - Pat Stewart expressed his concern that the Board leaves important issues hanging while spending time on minor matters beyond its mandate to advise the City on land use issues. The point was noted, and Faye Detsky-Weill reminded the Board that it is important to set goals for the year and to monitor progress.

**ITEM # 7 NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2008 – 2009. (20 min)**

*Motion:* First, Greg Heinzinger moved that the meeting time be extended to 10:00 pm. The motion passed unanimously (13, 0, 0).

All current officers agreed to stand for re-election.

*Motion:* Cliff Hanna moved and Janie Killermann seconded that nominations be closed. The motion passed unanimously (13, 0, 0).

A vote was taken for the slate of current officers. The slate was approved unanimously.

**ITEM # 8 INFORMATION REPORTS**

**Torrey Pines Extension Trail, Earth Day Events, and Carmel Valley Road Enhancement Project status of undergrounding of phone lines** - Cliff Hanna suggested members contact him if they would like further information.

**Railroads & Mass Transit** – Morton Printz – no report

**Website** – Carole Larson – no report

**Operational Procedures, Goals and Scope of Project Review Committee** – Diana Scheffler – no report

**COMPACT** –Morton Printz – no report

**Parks & Recreation** –Faye Detsky-Weil, Cliff Hanna – no report

**Noise and Urban Environment** – Philip Raphael announced that the Committee would likely meet the week of April 6th.

**Transportation Committee** – Cliff Hanna – no report

**Telecommunications in an Urban Setting** – Greg Heinzinger – no report

**Pedestrian & School Safety** – Faye Detsky-Weil (Tom Slipper, Public Member) – no report

**County Service Agency 17 Representative** – Barbara Cerny (Tom Slipper, Public Member) – no report

**ITEM #9 NON-AGENDA ITEMS CONSTITUTING NEW OR FUTURE BUSINESS** - None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion:* Janie Killermann moved and Diana Scheffler seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously (13, 0, 0).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.