



## **DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF August 21, 2019**

**Call to Order:** Acting Chair Blair @ 5:31 pm.

**1. Roll Call:** Link noted that 13 of 24 members were present, constituting a quorum.

**Members Present @ Call to Order (15):** Ball, Barbano, Blair, Colin, DiFrancesca, Dion, Gattey, Link, Meloncelli, Orabone, Swearingen, Takara, Wery

**Late Arrival:** Baker, Egan, Pensabene

**Members Absent (10):** Clark, Hunt, Lachman, Lawson, Priver, Rosenbaum, Theisen, Wilson-Ramon

**Early Departure:** none

**Noted:** Nauta (resigned by absence), Perry (Resigned) Current vacancies: EV Biz, LI Biz, Gaslamp Res.

### **2. Approval of Jul 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** No corrections noted. *In favor (13), opposed (0), Abstain (0), Recuse (0)*

### **3. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items –**

- Gary Smith
  - Horton Plaza Park meeting postponed to 9.21.19
  - No EIR required on Federal Building(s)
  - Front Street potentially closed 18 months – 2 years South of Broadway for construction associated with courthouse.

### **4. Elected Representative Comments:**

- (Brittany Bailey) - District 3 Councilmember Chris Ward –
  - Update to inclusionary Housing Policy – 10% on site, Area Median Income (AMI) threshold reduced to 50%, Exception fees increased \$12 to \$22 psf, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading in Council Chambers in September.
  - Sidewalk Policy including streamlined cost/permit structure being reconsidered fall 2020.
  - QA:
    - (DiFrancesca) – received clarification of E Street Project status
    - (Egan) – re sidewalk (scooter) damage – Brittany confirmed it is property owner responsibility. There may be PBID/Dity responsibility if sidewalk installed to connect critical resources. City has \$2B maintenance backlog – sidewalks \$100M not a priority. Vendor is responsible for MLK damage during Comic Con (fee). Brittany invited email with specifics to be forwarded to events.
    - (Pensabene) – If tree damages sidewalk with will repair. Liability for injuries is city and property owner responsibility.

### **5. Chairperson's Report:**

- **Chair (Blair):**
  - Highlighted City Council review of LIME scooter permits including its 9.19.19 meeting.
  - Parking corals for scooters/bikes in second round review DCPC member input/recommendations recommended. Graphic is available on city website

## 6. Information

- Brad Richter provided following updates (details available):
  - 1060 C Street
  - 13<sup>th</sup> & F
  - 1122 A (CA Theater)
  - Columbia & A
  - 9<sup>th</sup> & Island review
  - Pacific Heights (11<sup>th</sup> between A & B) – sent to design/review. Coming back as all market rate with Inclusionary Fee in lieu of separate affordable/market approach reviewed by DCPC
  - 777 Beech – approved by hearing officer – likely to be appealed.
  - Anticipated SEP projects – Cedar & 2<sup>nd</sup>, Park & Broadway. OCT – last review by Civic SD – in transition to city, exact process not determined.
  - It is likely that current board room will remain available to DCPC until March – June 2020 timeframe.
  - QA
    - 13<sup>th</sup> and Broadway PSH Grant received.
    - Re EV Green & Childrens Park – nearing final building permits. City terminated process. Going to city to manage bid in Oct/Nov timeframe. Delayed start early 2020 at earliest.
    - 14<sup>th</sup> Street Promenade – City Storm Water and Transportation review delay
    - Normal Heights project moving forward – no estimate contract completion
    - Public Workshop anticipated OCT timeframe re Bikeway and E street master plan
- **(Public Request)** None

## Action Items

7. **Consent Item 7** – T Mobile CUP – unanimously approved.

8. **Elections** – no candidates for vacant positions (EV South Biz, LI Biz, Gaslamp Resident) – Gary to advertise at DRG.

## Miscellaneous

### 9. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports

- **Social Issues (Ball):**
  - UN report of poor conditions in San Diego noted. September Social Issues committee meeting anticipated.
  - Egan expressed concerns with groups bring sleeping bags etc to Children's Park. Video posted to SD Get it done site. Ball to address.
- **Public spaces (Gathey)**
  - Highlighted mobility plan / scooters.
  - (Swearingen) asked for job description of Ranger – reply - in process

- (Swearingen) expressed concern with scooters blocking sidewalks. Council report due SEP 2019.

- **None additional**

**10. Potential Agenda Items and Member Comments –**

- (Blair) – encourages members to identify items of interest for potential DCPC agenda/speakers

**18. Urgent non-agenda item:**

- (Orabone) – encourages DCPC letter to Downtown Partnership / Chris Ward re EV Green, Childrens Park status and delays. Egan offered input. No objections from DCPC

**Meeting Adjourned 6:16pm. Next meeting Wednesday September 18th, 2019**