



DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2020

Call to Order: Chair Michael Rosenbaum @ 5:36 pm.

1. **Roll Call:** Noted that 18 of 24 current members were present, constituting a quorum.
 - **Members Present @ Call to Order:** Ahmed, Blair, Clark, DiFrancesca, Egan, Gattey, Hunt, Link, Meloncelli, Orabone, Priver, Ramos, Rosenbaum, Segal, Swearingen, Takara, Wery, Wilson-Ramon
 - **Late Arrival:**
 - **Members Absent:** Baker, Ball, Barbano, Collin, Pensabene, Theisen
 - **Early Departure:** Clark
 - **Noted:** Current vacancies: Gaslamp/Horton Res (Nauta), Core Biz (Vacated by Lawson due to absences), LI Resident (vacated by Dion due to absences)
2. **Approval of DEC 2019, JAN 2020 Meeting Minutes**
 - DEC 2019 Minutes and attendance record are incomplete. Minutes to be re-reviewed by members prior to and at MAR 2020 meeting.JAN 2020 Minutes were approved by unanimous 22-2 with two abstentions: Blair, Gattey.
2. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items –**
 - None
3. **Elected Representative Comments**
 - Brittany Bailey (BNBailey@sandiego.gov) On behalf of City Councilmember Chris Ward
 - Reviewed Status of Promenade (Albertson's block first), Parks (EV Green, Chlidrens), Harbor Dr. Café
 - Advised Mayor 1st budget draft to be available in April for Public Comment. It is currently \$83M short. Could result in staffing cuts.

No reports:

- Randy Wilde (Randy.Wilde@asm.ca.gov) On behalf of State Rep Todd Gloria.
- Chevelle Tate (Chevelle.Tate@sen.ca.gov) on behalf of State Senator Toni Atkins.

5. Chairperson's Report.

- APR 2020 Meeting is last in CIVIC Board Room
 - May 2020 will be in new meeting place. Michael to discuss with Budget, Operations, Finance and Communications Committees
 - Jennifer Hunt offered to email recommendations if not available for meetings.
 - Cindy expressed preference for adequate meeting space for 27 board members and public, e.g. SANDAG
- Email Distribution was Civic "Accomodation" – DCPC will need to take responsibility
 - Board meetings are scheduled for the year – recommends members get them on calendars to be available for attendance.

- Asked board members to look at minutes as posted on web site in advance of meetings
- Communications Committee to look at email distribution solutions
- Requests that Items for Discussion be provided to available to board in advance (web site) in accordance with Brown Act and with respect to efficient use of time.
- All must remain up to date on eCOW. Confirmed by members.
 - Brad agreed to provide traditional training during April meeting for new and all interested.

6. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports:

- Elections Subcommittee
 - 14 Seats up for election. Nominations Closed. Candidates forum at tonight meeting.
- No other subcommittees reported.

Information Items

7. Project Updates (Richter)

- Children's Park. APR-JUN out to bid. Open 2021
- EV Green Phase I open Summer 2022
- Park Blvd Connect to Harbor – open Spring 2022
- 2020 Land Development Code Update
 - Look at city website, Planning, Code Update
 - Comment deadline 3/1/2020
- DIF Funds Report has gone to committee. Status unknown
- PreDesign Review – possibly March: 4th & J Hotel; 14th & Market Residential
- 14th Street Promenade first section start March 2020 Complete DEC 2020
- ASM Lorena Gonzalez legislation – Density Bonuses for micro projects, aimint to take State wide
- Pinnacle Project press conference held 2/17/20
- Board member questions to Brad (and reply):
 - Rosenbaum – Requested clarification on Ad Hoc re Community Plan. Reply: Communities take forward from there.
 - Rosenbaum – Are PreDesign Development Plans (to DCPC) Discretionary. Reply: Travis, Brian, Nicole, James coming up to speed. Plan to come from Nicole.
 - Brad clarification to Rosenbaum – Developers can reach out to PreDesign. DCPC Chair to reach out to Brad. Response will be list of design issues.
 - Ahmed – When/how will Tailgate Park rezoning come forward. Reply: Actually submittals will be confidential then become public as the issues are weighed.
 - Hunt re Noise Complaint. Roseanbaum to Hunt – Issues should be researched to come forward to full DCPC

8. Candidate Forum

- Takara – no nominees for EVN OO – will need to be write in candidate, record retained by election committee
- Rosenbaum to Gattley – Clarification of voting rights for Business – one vote per business in the district the Busines is eligible to vote.
- Rosenbaum to Blair – eg Berkshire Hathawary gets on vote.
- Rosenbaum to Wilson-Ramon – Voter Rights and important to be consistent and available to voters

- Orobone to Hunt – Any Body can vote for all candidates in respective district, e.g. Business can vote for Biz and Resident and Community Wide.

9. Waterfront Park Updates Nina Pisano, Parks and Rec.

- Current Year is 6th Anniversary as Park
- Board of Supv Direction, Research, Activities
- Public Meetings re Waterfront Park cornder of Hawthorne and Pacific Highway
 - 1/29/20
 - Mid March 2020 – Concept Plans
 - May 2020 – Final Plans
- All encourage to compete Surveymonkey.com/r/waterfrontparks seeking preferences for the underutilized corner of the park – examples include small scale baseball, Basketball, volleyball, soccer, pickle ball, horseshow, table tennis, dog park.

Consent Items – None

Action Items

10. Action Item – Letter of Support to Amend Municipal Code re parking spaces for bikes per built unit – Jennifer Hunt, Bicycle Coalition.

- Advocate for Bicycle Coaliton
- Code Update for bicycle parking
- Consistent with 2035 Climate Action Plan
- SB375 SANDAG Sustainable Community Strategy failure requires alternative strategy
- Survey results are 43% said would ride more frequently if more bike park and store available
- Recommendation - DCPC support Code Update as One Bicycle spot per unit

- Plblic Speaker – Gary Smith – We met current code that will meet 2035 requirement. Changes would come at High Cost, Displacement and lack of Commercial Volunteer

- Board Questions to Hunt:
 - Wilson-Ramon – how did you get to one to one? Reply – Proactive
 - How did #'s compare to other cities. Reply - successful elsewhere, exact numbers unknown.
 - Wery – Current Code is one per five (5) bedrooms
 - Ahmed – Coalition is non profit with vacancy – suggest teach how to ride bikes in urban setting
 - Is this a public versus political request – reply: no, advocate for members
 - Request number of injuries on web site
 - Egan – Hunt confirms this applies to new developments but would like universal appeal
 - Confirmed intent to park within the project
 - Lack of parking in open area
 - Segal – what is definition of bike parking?
 - Representing Accurate #'s?
 - Could research more.
- Motion (Wilson-Ramon)
 - Defer any decision and study this issue. Objective is verifiable metrics, success at

cities completed, surveys of businesses downtown.

- Bob Link offer friendly amendment to add general support for bike parking. (accepted)
- 2nd – Swearingen. Hasan spoke in favor of deferral as issue not ready, Blair in favor due to move to specific numbers
- Motion Approved 12-3 (Ahmed, Orabone, Plover) with one abstaining (Hunt). Absent at time of vote: Clark, Meloncelli.
- Rosenbaum – recommended that Policy Committee be created regarding Community Plan/Code

MISCELLANEOUS

11. Potential Agenda Items and Member Comments - none

12. Urgent Non-Agenda Items – none noted.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30pm. Next meeting Wednesday 18 MAR 2020