



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Neighborhood Advisory Council
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, March 14, 2012
Louise Lowry Davis Center, 1232 De La Vina Street
6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chairperson Teresa Pena.

1. ROLL CALL

Members	Present	Absent
Aldana, Sebastian	Yes	
Byrne, Sharon	Yes	
Foxen, Sally	Yes	
Greene, Naomi	Yes	
Kingston, Sally	Yes	
Limon, Javier		Excused
Molina, Beatriz	Yes	
Pena, Theresa	Yes	
Soto, Ana	Yes	
Trujillo, Cesar	Yes	
Vassallo, Tony	Yes	
Walters, Holly		Excused

STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Hanna, Mark A. Alvarado, and Maria Arroyo,

LIAISONS: City Councilmembers, Cathy Murillo
Commissioners Beebe Longstreet and Nick Ferrera
Community Development, & Human Services
Committee Liaison Collins-Powell

GUESTS: Public Works, Traffic Engineer/ Derrick Bailey,
and Pat Kelly, Santa Barbara Police Department,
Sergeant Riley L. Harwood

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – It was moved and seconded by Advisory Board Members Molina and Byrne, respectively, to approve the minutes of February 8, 2012 with corrections. Corrections to the minutes included correction to Item 9a. Motion carried.

2. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS – There were no agenda adjustments.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Advisory Council Member Foxen handout to NAC members an information card on how be added to City Administrator’s newsletter.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT – Holly Onmels, Westside Association, newly formed organization. Introduce and inform the NAC about their meetings and their mission statement.
5. STAFF REPORTS – Mark A. Alvarado reported the following:
 - Mark A. Alvarado introduces himself as the new Neighborhood and Outreach Service Senior Supervisor.
 - CDBG/Human Services grants for Arts Alliance and Job Apprentice programs were approved and will be going to City Council on March 27. Sarah will be bringing information after it is approve. NAC one year anniversary a report will be prepared for the Parks & Recreation Commissioner. NAC will work on event planning Calendar for 2013.
 - Community Gardens – community gardens undergoing clean ups and maintenance. A youth apprentice has been hired to work with the division’s gardener. There are a few plots available in Rancheria and Yannoli Gardens. There will be a meeting with all the garden plot renters on Thursday, March 15th at the Westside Community Center.
 - Children’s Garden – after school program still progressing – students just completed a cleanup and are being shown planting and will be harvesting soon. The program runs each Friday between 4 – 5 p.m.
 - Food Distribution – working with County on educating neighbors on healthy eating choices. County is visiting food bank distributions and doing samplings of healthy foods and handing out recipes. One conducted at Westside Center and Davis Center.
 - Youth Council attended conference up north for Youth Advisory Members. Approximately 400 students registered for this leadership training. Youth Council made a presentation on how to conduct Youth Speak Outs and received really great evaluations for their presentation.
 - Youth Council received the Youth Impact Award from the County on February 29th and again last night at City Council meeting.
 - Staff is planning/coordinating the annual Easter Egg event in the Lower Westside area. Each year staff coordinates an event on the lower Westside for children that are not able to make it to the city’s larger event. Staff welcomes the Neighborhood Advisory’s support and participation, as

it was an annual event put on by the Lower Westside Advisory Committee. The event will be on Saturday, April 7th. Generally the event is from about 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. at the Parque de los Niños. Staff would like to request that the Outreach Committee assist in the event – the event is usually done on a donation only basis.

- There was a lengthy discussion on the Joint TCC/NAC meeting on March 22, 2012. Mark informed the NAC members that they will have separate meeting to make their recommendations.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Sergeant Riley L. Harwood, Santa Barbara Police Department, gave a presentation to the NAC of the different programs that offer to the community.

- Beat Coordinators
- S.O.R
- Citizen Police Academy
- Crimes Statistics 2011
- Catch a thief

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS –.

- a. Youth – Committee Chair Trujillo - There was no report from subcommittee.
- b. Health & Safety – Committee Chair Aldana reported that the committee had meeting regarding PTS.
- c. Outreach & Events – Committee Member Foxen - There was no report from subcommittee

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Milpas Pedestrian Safety – Derrick Bailey and Pat Kelly, Public Works, Traffic Engineer: Attend the NAC meeting to answer any questions the NAC members had from Milpas Pedestrian Safety Technical Analysis.

Rose Aldana gave a petition to the NAC for lights to be installed at Milpas Street.

- b. Cesar Chaves Unity Walk March 31st - It was moved and seconded by Advisory Board Member Greene and Foxen. Motion carried

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

11. NEXT MEETING – April 11, 2012

Respectively submitted by: