



**City of Santa Barbara
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL
Regular Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, July 9, 2014

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to Order 6:02pm

ROLL CALL

Aldana, Sebastian
Cavazos, Ed
Foxen, Sally
Fragosa, Abbey
Greene, Naomi
Haynes, Christy
Heaton, Brittany
Lafond, Susan
Limón, Javier
Peña, Theresa
Rution, Joe
Soto, Ana

Staff Present

NOS Senior Supervisor Mark Alvarado
Administrative Specialist Jessica Martinez

Liaisons Present

Olivia Uribe – Parks and Recreation Commission
Gregg Hart – City Council

Advisory Council Members Absent

None

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Subcommittee Minutes and Report removed - No Quorum

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

Neighborhood Advisory Council Members will be allowed one minute each to provide a brief report on their respective neighborhood.

Rution: No updates

Greene: Attended bus-rider's meeting – 4 new bus-shelters to be added with solar lighting

Soto: No updates

Pena: No updates

Haynes: Concerned with placement for House music for Solstice celebration – Adult themed activities right next to kids area

Cavazos: Improvements on Westside ongoing

Fragosa: an Italian restaurant to open on Haley St., Attended a day of Fun in the Sun – great program, Local business and volunteers are invited to have lunch with the kids, MCA having a party at the old post office to celebrate the Eastside Neighborhood winning neighborhood of the year for social revitalization

Foxen: Volunteered at the Food Distribution at Parque de Los Niños, Invites the council to attend and help out,

Lafond: Streets are in better condition on Westside

Limon: City cleaned up apartments on the Westside

Heaton: Went to the Solstice parade – it was a good event, did not seem to be any

Aldana: Attended Milpas Action Task Force meeting – will be meeting every two months instead of every month, not too many issues coming from Casa Esperanza, police enforcing homeless issues at Veracruz park and along side of freeways

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Hart: City is actively involved in going after homeless encampments, additional officer for State st with another officer or two security guards to be added, a lot of items that have been cut are coming back into the budget as options – officers, turf at Bohnett park etc, water rates will increase this month due to the drought.

Uribe: Nothing to report

Staff M. Alvarado

- Neighborhood Display in the library – Main Library will allow for the Neighborhood Advisory Council to post information on the display board
- Movies in the Park starts tonight at Bohnett Park
- Wanted to recognize City Council and Councilmember Gregg Hart for the effort to increase the funds for the youth employment program. 8 youth have been hired since the
- Another mural going up on Foodland on Micheltorena and San Andres
- Just sent an artist to El Paso, Tx to train with another artist there and will be working on a mural at Cleveland school

- Music program feeding from Monroe, Harding, and Mckinley school is coming to the Westside center in the fall
- Went to Neighborhood Improvement Task force to request a streamlined process for residents reporting concerns
- City Administrator will retire in September
- Recreation Program Manager will retire in September as well
- School District had three vacancies and have announced that they have filled those vacancies

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Lower Westside Meet and Greet Committee:

Committee consists of Lafond, Foxen, Limón
 Lower Westside Meet and Greet will be October 4th
 Hoping to get Shoreline Community Church
 Mayor has concerned attendance

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the Minutes – **For Action** (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the NAC waive the reading and approve the minutes of regular meeting June 11, 2014.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Rution and Cavazos respectively, to approve the minutes (with changes). Members Aldana, Cavazos, Foxen, Greene, Haynes, Heaton, Lafond, Limón, Peña, Rution, and Soto in favor. Member Fragosa abstained. Motion Carried.

2. Item Removed – Subcommittee did not meet

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation on the Eastside Transportation Management Plan Update– **For Information**

The Neighborhood Advisory Council received a status update regarding the Eastside Transportation Management Plan from Jessica Grant, Transportation Planner

2. Neighborhood Enhancement Projects – **For Discussion and Action**

The Neighborhood Advisory Council received a presentation on Neighborhood Enhancement Projects targeting Eastside, Lower Westside, Westside, West Downtown and Laguna neighborhoods proposed by staff. Mark M. Alvarado, Parks and Recreation Senior Supervisor

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Cavazos and Peña respectively, to approve funding for the Neighborhood Enhancement Projects of:

1. Milpas Community Association project in the amount of \$2500.00

2. Willbridge of Santa Barbara project in the amount of \$1220.00
3. Lower Westside Collaborative project in the amount of \$5000.00
4. Bungalow Haven Neighborhood Association project in the amount of \$1722.00
5. Lower Westside Neighborhood Community project in the amount of \$2500.00

All in favor. Motion Carried.

3. NAC Fall Retreat - **For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That the NAC decide on which date(s) to conduct a fall retreat, where the NAC will discuss issues and matters that relate to the growth of the N.A.C.'s advisory role to the City of Santa Barbara. Sebastian Aldana, Chair

It was moved Greene and Cavazos that That the N.A.C. have tentatively their retreat on September 8th and 10th from 6=8pm and an ad-hoc committee be formed to create the agenda for the retreat.

All in favor. Motion Carried.

4. Elect 2014-2015 Neighborhood Advisory Council Chair and Co-Chair – **For Discussion and Action**

Recommendation: That the NAC nominate and vote in the 2014-2015 Chair and Co-Chair. Mark M. Alvarado, Parks and Recreation Senior Supervisor

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Foxen and Limon respectively, to elect Member Aldana as chair and Member Fragosa as vice chair of the Neighborhood Advisory Council for the 2014-2015. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Next regular meeting: **Louise Lowry Davis Center**
Wednesday, August 13, 2014, 6:00 p.m.