



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

**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL
Regular Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to Order 6:05pm

ROLL CALL

Aldana, Sebastian
Cavazos, Ed
Foxen, Sally
Fragosa, Abbey
Heaton, Brittany
Limón, Javier
Peña, Theresa
Soto, Ana

Staff Present

NOS Senior Supervisor Mark Alvarado
Administrative Specialist Jessica Martinez

Liaisons Present

Beebe Longstreet – Parks and Recreation Commission
Bendy White – City Council

Advisory Council Members Absent

Greene, Naomi
Haynes, Christy
Rution, Joe
Lafond, Susan

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

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

Limon: At City Council meeting yesterday, brought up Ortega bridge 14/30 lights out. Third year of reporting. Asked Council what is the issue, Council deferred to Paul Casey who will investigate the issue.
Trash cans on our block, new, city approved

Soto: Nothing to report

Peña: This weekend, graffiti on the store next door, evening of the San Marcos/Santa Barbara game, wondered why Police don't use cameras to catch these people

Rution: Neighbor wants to save a Robusto Palm that will be removed to add a bike rack.

Foxen: Still having a problem with street sweeping because trees are so overgrown that the sweeper cannot fit under the trees, however I have noticed that if they slow down enough, they fit under the trees. 600 W. Cota

Cavazos: Nothing to report

Heaton: It is getting darker earlier and is noticing a lot of bicyclists without lighting. They are a low investment for something important. BiCi Centro gives out free lights.

Fragosa:

- Neighbors reported that on Cota St. across from High school,
- Visited YMCA building
- Participated in Taste of Milpas, not as big a turnout as expected
- ICAN event at WNC, great event
- Also hearing from neighbors that young men are starting to drag race on Milpas st

Aldana:

- Milpas action task force meeting – Relationship with Casa Esperanza is good, new Exec Director
- Resident's only service, using a Santa Monica model
- Viewed new map of senate zone #2 – In case of a new homeless shelter, this is where it would be
- Went to Looking Good Santa Barbara – If anyone knows of a nonprofit that wants to make money

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COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

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Council member White:

- Infrastructure road show is in full swing, had meetings this morning. Wrapping up meetings pretty soon. Good feedback.
- Water – Coastal desalinization plant is in, if we don't get rain, April will be a big checkpoint for that plant
- Milpas Community Assn. presented a business proposal at city council
 - Well attended meeting
 - Some concern for more Spanish-language inclusion

M. Alvarado:

- Request for Service form –
 - Mark receives, will email correct user, will keep a file, and will report back to N.A.C.
- Report from Annie on retreat – would like to discuss next steps at December meeting
- Also for December is Capital improvement
- Update on Neighborhood Improvement projects
 - Milpas project was funded – well on their way
 - Willbridge – done with project, will submit report soon
 - Bungalow Haven – one more step before check is given
 - Fence on Westside – awaiting a permit
 - Parkway projects – still waiting for renderings
- Will try to bring in NOS staff Ricardo and Susan for quarterly reports on what NOS is doing
- As a result of retreat – Human services subcommittee to identify issues
- 4 residents applied for the vacant seats – City Council to decide in December
- Anti bullying event in October
- Children's health fair – 350 kids plus 80 volunteers
- Staff will be making recommendations on Special event Rentals at Neighborhood centers

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council waive the reading and approve the minutes of regular meeting October 8, 2014.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Rution and Peña respectively, to approve the minutes. Councilmembers Limón, Peña, Aldana, Fragosa, Heaton, Cavazos, Foxen, and Rution in favor. Councilmember Soto abstained. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Neighborhood Improvement Task Force Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2016-2021 and Community Development Block Grant Fund Grant Applications FY 2015-2016 – For Discussion and Action

Recommendations: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council:

- A. Hear a presentation on the draft Neighborhood Improvement Task Force (NITF) Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 2016-2021 and recommend the CIP to City Council for approval;
- B. Consider the NITF staff recommendations for FY 2015-2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Fund Grant Applications and prioritize the projects to apply for funding; and
- C. Consider the NITF staff recommendations for projects to design with General Fund monies for Fiscal Year 2015 for submission for CDBG funding the following year.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Heaton and Cavazos respectively, to recommend that the NITF CIP 2016-2021 Program move to City Council for approval. All in favor. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Heaton and Cavazos respectively, to recommend that NITF Staff move forward with CDBG grant applications for FY15/16 for Westside Access Ramps, Bohnett Park Fitness & Playground Equipment and Fencing, with Westside Access Ramps as the first priority. All in favor. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Cavazos and Heaton respectively, to recommend that NITF Staff to move forward with design on Euclid Sidewalk and design for improvements to Louise Lowry Davis Center & Westside Center and use any excess funds for feasibility studies and other applicable projects. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:28pm