

UPTOWN COMMUNITY PARKING DISTRICT, INC.

Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 9, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Balboa Park Club

**Santa Fe Room, 2150 Pan American Road West
San Diego, CA 92103**

Board attendees: Ben Nicholls, John Semerau, Cecilia Moreno, Michael Brennan, Brian Shui, Tim Gahagan, Douglas Scott, Selina Stockley, Gerrie Trussell

Staff: Ben Verdugo

Others in attendance: Mary Joseph, Meredith Dibden-Brown

1. Establishment of Quorum, Call to Order, and Introductions

- T. Gahagan called the meeting to order at 5:05p.m. A quorum was established and the group introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Minutes

- **Motion:** “Motion to approve June minutes.” (G. Trussell/J. Semerau) D. Scott requested a change to the line”including sending notices to all of the UCPD meetings to no avail”. Change “to” to “including”. Motion passes unanimously 7-0, 2 abstentions (B. Shui, C. Moreno).

3. President’s Report

- Budget and Finance Committee meeting is Wednesday, July 11th and one of the agenda items is Community Parking Districts.
- Two letters were submitted by the Bankers Hill CDC and the President of the Uptown Planners citing lack of public disclosure regarding the budget. B. Nicholls stated that many people referenced on both letters were unaware and never endorsed it in the first place. D. Scott added that many people on Uptown Planners never received meeting notices from Leo Wilson regarding any of Bankers Hill or UCPD meetings, which were initially sent to Leo numerous times. T. Gahagan stated that he sent multiple e-mails to Beth Jaworski, Chair of Uptown Planners but has yet to get any response. Also, he will plan to attend the July 17th Uptown Planners meeting to speak on behalf of the UPCD stating our outreach efforts. The executive committee will be contacting the City on behalf of the UCPD regarding the continuance.

4. Treasurer’s Report

- B. Verdugo provided a report detailing completed reimbursements (April and May) and one reimbursement (June) ready to be packaged. An audit will not be required as we are far below the threshold of expenditures, as an accounting report will be sufficient. Also provided was time billed to each neighborhood.

5. Parking Advisory Board/ Operations Manager Update

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- B. Verdugo reported about a presentation by Streetline which offers real-time statistics of parking availability. This is achieved by puck sensors installed in the ground. M. Dibden Brown said that Streetline will also be presenting to the Downtown Parking Management Group. M. Dibden-Brown said that the Meter RFP process is underway and to let her know suggestions that we would like to include so she can forward it to the City.
- B. Verdugo also reported that the PAB is requesting that the City accounts exactly where they are spending their parking meter revenue (55%) and a letter is currently being drafted to request this for the following fiscal year, 2013-2014.
- Bike Corrals are on hold until the three-month period is over from the initial installation on 5th and University.
- Bike racks (blue staples) are available for free from the city and B. Verdugo will find out if they can be powder coated.
- Corodata boxes are in storage and ready to be reviewed.

6. Non-Agenda Public Comment

- C. Moreno asked about timely reimbursements from the City. M. Dibden-Brown said that reimbursement requests are paying net 30 based on the original date of the request.
- D. Scott asked if we would have adequate coverage at Wednesday's meeting there are four people going on behalf of the UCPD, Ben V, Ben, N, Tim and Char-Lou.

7. Hillcrest Business Seat interim appointments (Action)

- Two seats, held formerly by Jo Ann Bray and Nick Moede were available on an interim basis by and it was requested that Michael Brennan fill Jo Ann's seat and Dalour Younan fill Nick's seat. Since Nick Moede had yet to submit a resignation letter, only Michael Brennan would be considered to fill Jo Ann's seat.
- **Motion:** "To accept the nomination of Michael Brennan by the Hillcrest to fill the seat vacated by Jo Ann Bray." (B. Nicholls/J. Semerau) Motion passes unanimously.

8. UCPD Election (Action)

- G. Trussell stated that the committee wanted one election at one place and that the HBA was not in agreement. C. Moreno stated that the election should take place at one place, although T. Gahagan said that the bylaws state otherwise. The bylaws state that a sponsoring organization can steward their own election. B. Shui asked if it was possible that if everybody besides the HBA can go through one election since the bylaws allow the HBA to conduct their own elections.
- **Motion:** "The UCPD staff holds the August election in a central location with the only exception being the HBA which will conduct its own election as a sponsoring organization." (D. Scott/B. Shui) Motion passes unanimously

9. Committee Updates

a) **Hillcrest Report**

i) **Charging Station at Normal Street Median (Action)**

- Ecotality will be installing charging stations in the City's public rights of way.

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- **Motion**, “Install the charging station when available.” (J. Semerau, M. Brennan) Motion passes unanimously
- J. Semerau suggested that UCPD put a sponsoring label on the station once installed, “Brought to you by UCPD”

b) Bankers Hill Report

i) Support for Stop Signs and Crosswalks on 1st Avenue (Action)

- D. Scott asked for support regarding forwarding stop sign suggestions to the City on both 1st Avenue and Juniper and 1st Avenue and Spruce, which would help calm traffic and provide pedestrian safety at both intersections. Currently there is a petition drive in support of 1st and Spruce and D. Scott has noticed multiple times where pedestrian safety is an issue at 1st and Juniper.
- **Motion**, “That the Uptown Community Parking District supports the Bankers Hill stop sign suggestions at 1st and Juniper and 1st and Spruce. Also that the Bankers Hill group notice residents in the immediate areas” (J. Semerau, B. Shui)
- T. Gahagan asked if more outreach has been conducted to other neighborhoods that use 1st Street, like Hillcrest or Downtown and if that could be a concern for the board. D. Scott said no outreach has been attempted to the other neighborhoods.
- T. Gahagan asked how this falls under spending UCPD funds. D. Scott said that it was only showing support for these two stop signs so no funds would be utilized.
- Motion passes unanimously

ii) Outreach to Bankers Hill groups

- D. Scott mentioned how he, A. Garwood and N. Moors have been continuously outreaching to Bankers Hill/Park West/Five Points CDC, including sending notices regarding all of the UCPD meetings to no avail.

c) Mission Hills Report

- Walk the Wash is a movement to redo part of Washington to include pedestrian upgrades, bicycle upgrades, etc. and more information will be coming as it becomes available.

d) 5 Points Report

- No Report

Adjournment – 6:10 p.m.

Next Meeting Date, Time and Location:

Uptown Community Parking District next meeting is August 13, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. at Casa Del Prado, Patio B, 1650 El Prado, Balboa Park - San Diego 92101

Transcribed and drafted by Ben Verdugo