



PACIFIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

VIRTUAL GENERAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Board Members Present: Marcella Bothwell, Karl Rand, Denise Friedman, Susan Crowers, Ellen Citrano, Greg Daunoras, Michael Herndon, Brianna Jackson, Cathie Jolley, Charlie Nieto, Jane Nobbs, Tony Schlegel, Kim Short, Ron Walker, Brian White

Board Members Absent: Brian Curry

CALL TO ORDER: 6:32

PRESIDENT'S REPORT As a member of the Medical Reserve Corps for San Diego County, Marcella has been giving vaccines out in the county, and strongly encourages everyone to get their vaccine. Marcella brought up the potential name change for the PBTC to the Pacific Beach Community Association, and she read a statement explaining some of the reasons this was under consideration. The Membership and Communications Committee Chairs have been tasked with listening to feedback from the Pacific Beach community.

Non-Agenda Public Comments: Jennifer Ianni, Managing Editor, Pacific Magazine is writing an article about the South American Palm Weevil decimating the Canary Island date palms in our area. If you see affected trees (browning fronds on the crown of the tree), take a picture and report it on the GET IT DONE app so that the City can remove the trees to help prevent the spread. Contact: Jennifer@pacificsandiego.com

From Brian Curry: PB Interfaith Coalition presents Music, Chant, and Poetry for the Soul. Thurs, Feb 28th at 6:30 via Zoom.

EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT

Fire Station 21 – Captain Richard Marcello – not present

SDPD Northern Division – Officer Brandon Broaddus – Officer Broaddus reported they are closely monitoring the public protests in the community. There are two police investigative service officers working on parking enforcement for illegal oversized vehicle parking. Recently they were issued a radar car to work on speeding locations- please let him know if there is an area that needs attention. The Community Assisted Party Program (CAPP) identifies locations that have multiple noise complaints. Once identified as a CAPP property, police institute a zero-tolerance posture resulting in arrests, citations and/or fines to owner and occupants. Contact info: bbroaddus@pd.sandiego.gov desk phone: 858-552-1631

San Diego Lifeguards – Sgt. Charles Knight – not present

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Discover PB – Sunny Lee – not present

Shoreline Community Services – Caryn Blanton

There are approximately 300-400 unhoused people in the Central Beach Area (OB, MB, PB, and LJ Shores). Solution: monthly coordinated outreach of eight organizations. Results for January: 226 Engaged, 219 given resources, 5 received help for Substance Use, 39 provided shelter, and 12 placed in permanent housing, 45 community members have become volunteers with SCS. The Convention Center shelter program ends March 31st. A property abatement program (to remove abandoned personal property on streets/encampments) is not an option due to litigation. Caryn's contact: 858-900-7024

GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

52nd District - Congressman Scott Peters – Cesar Solis reported the latest from the Congressman Peters in Washington, D.C. The Ocean Pollution Reduction Act (specific to San Diego) was reintroduced before the house. He also reintroduced the STANDUP Act which provides suicide training and awareness. He also reintroduced the Health Statistics Act to help with data collection and accessibility for a better real-time response to public health crises. Contact: cesar.solis@mail.house.gov website: www.scottpeters.house.gov

39th District - State Senate President Pro Tem Toni Atkins – Miller Saltzman reported on a series of 11 State Bills announced to help those impacted by COVID. All information available at Senator Atkins website: www.Sd39.senate.ca.gov

78th District - Assembly Member Chris Ward – Christopher Gris is PB's current representative for the office. Go to www.myturn.ca.gov to find out about eligibility and sign-ups related to COVID-19 vaccines. Assembly Member Ward has sponsored AB311 related to ghost gun kits slipping through the registration process. AB11 will require the state of CA to establish climate change & mitigation. Contact for Christopher: Christopher.gris@asm.ca.gov 619-645-3090. Website for Assembly Member Ward: <https://a78.asmdc.org>

4th District - Supervisor Nathan Fletcher - Aaron Burgess – not present

Mayor Todd Gloria – Kohta Zaiser reported the City has secured emergency rental assistance funds for residential tenants; small business loans are now available. For more information on any COVID related issues and relief, go to www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus. Meet your Mayor Town Hall via Zoom. Saturday, Feb 20th at 10:00am.

Town Hall RSVP link: <https://sandiego.seamlessdocs.com/f/mayorcd2townhall>
Contact: ZaiserK@sandiego.gov

2nd District - Councilmember Dr. Jennifer Campbell – Monique Tello reported that the Short-Term Vacation Rental (STVR) issue will be heard Tuesday, 2/23 at the City Council meeting. The Council President and the Mayor held a COVID-19 Vaccination Town Hall which is available on the City’s You Tube channel. Rose Creek has been cleaned up following numerous reports on the GET IT DONE app. The city is aware of the street light outage in north PB. Monique said although they are understaffed and there is a backlog, they will be working on it. Contact: MoniqueT@sandiego.gov

PB Planning Group – Karl Rand, Chair

Karl reported that “Fathoms” sea life murals painted by Debbie Avoux were chosen for the Jefferson Pacific Apartments off the I-5. The proposal for the STVRs to be heard by the City will not include Cap by district, and will not introduce any meaningful platform accountability for violations. The San Diego Planning Commission recommendations that were adopted were increasing the Tier 3 cap from .75 to 1%. City engineers and Assembly Member Ward will be at the next March 10th meeting.

FEATURED PRESENTATIONS



Library Master Plan – Patrick Stewart, Chief Executive Officer and Misty Jones, SD Public Library Director.

They are in the process of updating the Library’s 2002 master plan for the City of San Diego, for both building, technology, and services. They are eager for community input, so please take the survey at www.supportmylibrary.org/master-plan. The survey is open through April 17th. There was a question about the homeless issue at the PB Library- Misty responded that lighting has been improved, and a curfew is under review from the City.



Slow Streets Presentation – Regina Sinsky-Crosby reported on the “Try Slow” campaign: a free, grassroots neighborhood project creating a culture of slow. Slower streets are safer streets, yet traffic calming measures, such as roundabouts, have been backlogged by the City for decades. Expanding slow streets beyond Diamond is another solution. We need to do something ourselves to create a culture of slow. “Try Slow” signage is now available. If you want your street to be considered for a slow street, you may use this request template:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eBp4WF_gdbMRfTsvUa7VVTcTQlv3Kza9l1G58DHpJY/edit .

Public Comment from Eve Anderson, Pug Sanford volunteer award recipient: Eve is creating a list of all the different community volunteer efforts- anything that would usually be the city’s responsibility. Please send information (include an estimation of hours) to Eve at eandersonpb@gmail.com . She will report more on this idea at our next PBTC General Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:39

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Susan Crower