

Bankers Hill Community Group Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 20, 2017

Vice President Nancy Moors called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. The following Steering Committee members were present: Susanna Carvalho, Bruce Dammann, Ann Garwood, Marion Hansen, Amie Hayes, John Lamb, Nancy Moors, John Percy, and Jeanne Rawlings. Approximately 36 people attended.

Treasurer's report

Ms. Rawlings reported that the group has \$3018.44 in the bank.

Public comments

- The City Council will discuss short-term vacation rentals December 12.
- Friends of Maple Canyon received a \$53K grant and will receive another \$200K early next year for erosion control and to install more and better storm drains.
- UCSD added a swimming pool to its site plan.

Government updates

Representatives for Susan Davis, Todd Gloria, and Chris Ward updated the group.

Program

Olive Street Park

Ms. Moors and Ms. Hayes presented the history of Olive Street Park that segued into the most recent city-supported design of this less-than-half-acre neighborhood park which includes an amphitheater. The amphitheater would be used for gatherings such as World AIDS Day and a memorial to the health crisis. It also includes an area with an overlook to Maple Canyon for people wanting to reflect on the 8,000 people who suffered throughout the AIDS crisis in SD. Ms. Garwood joined the sentiments of many attendees who expressed that a small neighborhood park tucked away in Bankers Hill does not give due respect for those who have been impacted by the disease.

An alternative design created by BHCG steering committee member and retired architect Jim Frost was presented to the audience. Mr. Frost's design took into account the city design and the comments of neighbors and interested people who attended an October 26 Uptown Planners committee meeting. This proposed alternative design moves a smaller tot-lot to the front of the

parcel, incorporates adult activity/exercise equipment, pathway, historical markers paying homage to the families who donated the parcel to the city for a neighborhood park, a bump out at the Third and Olive intersection, and an outlook over Maple Canyon.

Roy McMakin made a motion to support the concept of Mr. Frost's design and move it forward as the preferred design of the BHCG. The motion was seconded by Bruce Dammann and carried unanimously.

San Diego Senior Games

Kirsten Cummings, Executive Director of San Diego Senior Games, explained her group's mission to bring competitive sports to men and women age 50+.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marion Hansen, Secretary.