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University City Community Association Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2019

Present: Barry Bernstein, President; Mack Langston, Vice President; Don Hotz, Treasurer; Deanna Ratnikova, Secretary; Barbara Gellman, Neighborhood Watch/Beautification; Hallie Burch, Membership; Diane Ahern, Publicity and Promotions; Merle Langston, Beautification

Absent (excused): Barbara Henshaw, Special Events

Community Guests: Officer Melanie Bognuda, San Diego Police Department; Chevelle Tate, Senator Toni Atkins' representative; Miller Saltzman, Senator Toni Atkins' representative; Justine Murray, Barbara Bry's representative; Matthew Gordon, Assemblymember Todd Gloria's representative; Erin Magee, Representative Scott Peters' representative; Dr. Robert Brown, UCSD; Corrine Busta, County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar's representative; Chris Nielsen, UCPG and CPUS; Ruth DeSantis, UCCF

Call to Order: President Barry Bernstein called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM, led all in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Approval of minutes: A motion to approve the July 2019 minutes as amended was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Barbara Gellman, and unanimously approved.

Approval of agenda: A motion to approve the September 2019 agenda with the amendment to allow Dr. Robert Brown to speak earlier was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Don Hotz, and unanimously approved.

Community Guest and Legislative Representative Reports:

San Diego Police: Melanie Bognuda presented a new Mental Evaluation 911 Checklist When Calling for Help, a resource card developed by the SD District Attorney, "What to Know Before Calling 911" cards, which are available in both English and Spanish. She also addressed vehicle theft and break-in issues. Officer Bognuda indicated the investigation into the graffiti at the Park Condos was still active. There was a question about enforcing speed limits in residential areas.

UCSD Update: Robert Brown noted that classes resume Thursday, September 26, and we can expect an increase in traffic at that time. He also noted the increase in construction and new buildings being erected on campus.

San Diego Fire/Rescue: No representatives present

Chevelle Tate and Miller Saltzman with Senator Toni Atkins: Chevelle announced that she is switching roles within the Senator's office, and she will be replaced by Miller Saltzman. She is running the Senator's internship program, so anyone interested in conducting an internship should contact her. Miller introduced himself and outlined his policy areas of focus. He also announced that the deadline is approaching for residents to get a real ID:

<https://realid.dmv.ca.gov>

Justine Murray with City Councilmember Barbara Bry: Justine introduced herself and announced Councilmember Bry's moratorium in August on electric scooters. The next Brews with

Bry will be in Del Mar Heights at Bushfire Kitchen on September 19, 5:30pm (RSVP to lfleming@sandiego.gov); this is open to everyone in the community. Justine also discussed the graffiti issue along the Mid Coast Trolley trail, which was promptly cleaned up.

Matthew Gordon with Assemblymember Todd Gloria's office: Matthew provided some legislative updates including AB262 (Hepatitis A response), AB423 (County Air Pollution District bill), AB893 (Gunshow ban at the Del Mar Fairgrounds), and AB1588 (CA Jobs for Veterans). There was a request for more details about the County Air Pollution District and a question about immunizations in schools (SB276). Barry addressed the Pure Water update involving Senator Atkins and Assemblymember Gloria.

Erin Magee with Congressman Scott Peters: Congressman Peters is back in DC after the August recess. Erin provided updates on two bills (The Super Pollutants Act and Ending the Diagnostic Odyssey Act). More information on government funding will be available after September 30, and there will likely be a Town Hall scheduled in the fall (information forthcoming). Erin also announced the Congressional App Challenge (deadline November 1) and Service Academy nominations (deadline October 25). More information is on his website at <https://scottpeters.house.gov/>

Corrine Busta with County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar: Corrine announced Supervisor Gaspar's effort with improving facilities for breastfeeding mothers and the veteran's program at the Vista jail. Supervisor Gaspar will be at the next Live Well forum, and there will soon be a coffee event in Solana Beach. Corrine also addressed the ongoing concerns with SANDAG's transportation "vision". Lastly, she pointed out that UCCA's grand application/record keeping was highly regarded and appreciated.

Request for Funding:

Katie Dunahoo with EdUCate presented a \$1000 request to support Oktoberfest, which would include a booth. The event will be held October 12, 1-6pm, at Standley Park. A motion to approve the request was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Merle Langston, and unanimously approved.

Julie Dennis with Curie Elementary PTA presented a \$565 (which represents \$1/student) request to support Red Ribbon Week. The event takes place October 21-25 and is a week to promote healthy living and "say no to drugs" activities. A motion to approve the request was made by Don Hotz, seconded by Hallie Burch, and unanimously approved.

UCCF Announcement: Ruth DeSantis announced that there will be a second movie in the park at Marcy Park this Saturday at 7:30pm featuring "The Greatest Showman". She also announced another CPR certification class that will be held at the Standley Recreation Center. You can register either through Nextdoor or directly through Ruth. Ruth shared a story about how her certification was empowering to help others. She also noted that the Pure Water EIR lawsuit is in settlement talks and will be discussed in closed session with City Council in September.

Jemma Samala on Emergency Preparation: Jemma noted that if the community chooses to establish a Fire Safety Council they would need to identify the location served and what types of events to host.

UCPG and Plan Update: Chris Nielsen reported that they voted to host a booth at Oktoberfest as membership outreach. The City is beginning its housing element update and will be hosting two scoping meetings to kick off the effort. The storm water action item was partly in preparation for the Farmers Insurance Open in 2021. Reps from Costa Verde presented an updated plan, and it will not currently make any changes to the McDonalds, Chevron and car wash. The final agenda item was a continuation of the coastal rail trail along Gilman Dr from Rose Canyon/Rose Creek.

The next UC Plan Update meeting is the third Tuesday of the month and will be held at UC High from here out.

Tom Cartier on University City Parks Council: Tom provided a brief history of the separation of recreation councils from recreation advisory groups. The group meets the fourth Thursday of every month at the Standley Recreation Center at 6pm.

Pam Stevens with the University Community Branch Library: Pam announced the children and adult One Book One San Diego books. On September 24, National Voter Registration Day, there will be volunteers available at the library to assist residents with registration or re-registration. She also announced the next book sale, banned books week, and that the library will be closed on Friday, October 11.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Don Hotz distributed the report electronically with the board. The current net balance is \$7,029.81. A motion to approve the report was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Mack Langston, and unanimously approved.

Membership: Hallie Burch reported that we have 768 members, 416 memberships, and \$32,435 in membership dollars for the 2018/2019 membership drive. The new membership drive for 2019/2020 will begin in September.

Banners and Miramar: Diane Ahern reported that MTS would like to rent 26 banner spaces in September at \$10 each with a \$22 install fee for a total credit to UCCA's banner program of \$836. The purpose is to promote their free ride day.

Diane also noted the increased air traffic due to the Miramar Air Show. She also addressed the land use restrictions due to Miramar that will be discussed at the next UC Plan Update committee meeting.

Neighborhood Watch: Barbara Gellman announced new street captains, extra street lighting requests (if you have wooden poles, you can contact streetlighting@sdge.com), a free fall prevention workshop at Scripps Memorial Hospital, and the Stop the Bleed movement.

Art in the Park: Deanna Ratnikova announced the Art in the Park event at Doyle Park on Sunday, September 15, 4-6pm. It is free and open to the public.

Beautification: Merle Langston announced a proposed median clean-up plan in partnership with Our Mother of Confidence Church, Chabad of UC, UC Marketplace, Carl's Jr, and La Jolla Property Management to clean up the medians on Governor, Genesee and Regents. Board members asked about the schedule; Merle will provide an update when it's available. It was also noted that although the City has a plan, no one wants to wait for the City to act – however, UCCA is not agreeing to work on this in perpetuity.

Newsletter Routes: Don Hotz welcomed volunteers to take on a few open routes for newsletter delivery. The next newsletter committee meeting is Thursday, September 12.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Hallie Burch, seconded by Barbara Gellman, and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Next Board Meeting Date: The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, 2019. Note that this is the third Wednesday of the month.

*Recorded and submitted by Deanna Ratnikova, Recording Secretary
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