



## AIA San Diego URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE

### Minutes from Monthly Meeting @ AIA Office—January 7, 2014

1. Call to order: 7:55 am
2. In Attendance: Phil Bona (PB), Molly Enos (ME), Daniel Stewart (DS), Jay Shumaker (JS), Robert Daniel (RD), Frank Wolden (FW), , Jack Carpenter (JC), AIAS Representative Siah Afasiabi (SA)
3. Absent: Chris Knell (CK), David Beck (DB), David McCullough (DM), Michael Stepner (MS)
4. Guests: Bastiaan Bouma
5. Minutes from November Mtg were reviewed & approved. No minutes were taken at the Dec. Event.
  - a. FW. Made motion
  - b. JC. Second
6. JC described the Entry Gate Competition held at Balboa Park. It was a highly successful event and demonstrates how valuable the Museum of Art venue can be to AIA and the UDC.
7. DS mentioned that the SDAT hosted by AIASD COTE was very successful and engage hundreds of community members in Pacific Beach and Mission Bay. Phil offered that Danielle Buttacavoli with BNIM was very involved with the SDAT and would like to make a presentation to the UDC.
8. JC and DS discussed the Morena Transit Stop. It is being touted as having significant TOD potential. They wondered if this was a part of the SDAT Eco District effort
9. PB and JC stated that the Environment + Design Council has a new TOD Task Force, and Community Planning Group Subcommittee. These subcommittees should be affiliated with and supported by the UDC. Perhaps a Charrette could take place focused on this TOD and coordinated with Bill Fulton and Tait Galloway that combines the efforts with the SDAT Group and the E+D Council.
10. DS and Bas discussed Design Month to take place in October. Bas is soliciting the UT to be a Media partnering with the Chapter. There are several possible UDC events that could take place during the month.
  - a. Partnering with NSAD, ULI, & Musuem of Contemporary Art, the UDC could produce several Lectures & Events during Design Month.
11. JS reintroduced the idea of a Spring Symposium on Planning issues in SD to discuss through 2016. PB suggested that a panel discussion on Urban Design Excellence with a national expert and a local expert paired together (like PB organized for CCDC in 2008, but more targeted to a world without redevelopment.
12. FW had a meeting with the City Traffic Engineering head and learned that the city wants to evolve to promote the way we should think about streets from a walkable, activated pedestrian-scaled streetscape. Perhaps we should invite City Traffic Engineering to a UDC meeting to discuss.
  - a. FW stated that the One Paseo development suffers from not having appropriate street presence.
  - b. Perhaps a workshop on walkable streets bringing Traffic and urban designers together to debate the issues.



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13. ME asked about Bill Fulton's incubator group. DS stated that it was in play but the UDC role was still being formulated.
  - a. Howard Blackson stepped down from Civic San Diego and he and Teddy Cruz will be instrumental in developing the Incubator group.
14. DSD Linkage Fees / Stormwater management & Fees Need to better frame the issues around Affordable housing; NAIOP trying to appeal the Council decision by referendum.
15. FW suggested that we prepare a better mousetrap; conceive of a better approach to funding Affordable Housing in San Diego without redevelopment and Tax increment usage
16. FW mentioned that Charger Stadium is currently being discussed by some leaders; and he may have some involvement in the process. He will keep the UDC informed.
17. DS mentioned that the Technical Advisory Committee and Code Committee will be debating policy development. What is the UDC role?
  - a. There is an article in the Reader about public concern about these committees as they are perceived as being too heavy on experts and not enough on public involvement.
18. It was agreed that Chris Knell should coordinate with E+DC Community Planning Group subcommittee as liaison with the UDC.
  - a. It is like the marriage counseling metaphor: I want to solve all the problems and he/she just wants to be listened to.
19. Some ideas that were discussed and activities that people volunteered for:
  - a. City Design Studio Advisory
  - b. Dan will talk to City and get Gateway competition boards displayed in City Hall.
  - c. Balboa Park Alcazar Garden Tent Sustainability symposium in October.
  - d. Try to get monthly audience with Bill Fulton
  - e. Robert D will assist on Stormwater ;
  - f. Sign ordinance DB/PB Molly E - help to manage Symposium.
  - g. Frank W - Charger Stadium/ Jack Carpenter/David Beck.
  - h. Siah - City design studio
  - i. Jay S - Community Planning

End of Meeting Notes.



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### 2014 UDC Committees and Issues by Chair Dan Stewart

#### **A. Lectures and Events Committee**

Topic, speakers, partners, and fundraising requirements to be determined. Team will develop agenda for presentation to UDC.

#### October Architecture & Design Month

Coordinate with AIASD Executive Director and support AIA initiative. Symposium or Lecture Series – target mid-October (halfway between O&O and Design Awards). Potential collaboration with NSAD and/or SD Museum of Art.

- Lead: Jack C. Team: Bas, Mike S., Siah A., Molly E., Frank W.,

#### Potential Other Workshop & Lecture Topics

- TOD / Mixed Use Workshop. Potential collaboration with ULI and/or E+DC
- Lead: Phil B.
- SDMART Lecture Series: Work with Sandra Benito to develop agenda
- Lead: Molly E.

#### **B. Development Services Advisory Committees**

##### Affordable Housing

Work with associated professional groups (e.g. NAIOP, ULI) to propose alternative solution to linkage fees. Potential workshop opportunity with TOD.

- Lead: Dan S. Team: John Z., Phil B., Doug Austin

##### Water / Stormwater

David M. to develop agenda. Potential collaboration with E+DC.

- Lead: David M. Team: Robert D.

##### City Design Studio

Advise the Planning Director on appropriate form/organization of Design Studio.

- Lead: Mike S. Team: Dan S., Co-committee with E+DC.

#### **C. Community Planning Group Outreach Committee**

Develop outreach program to recruit AIA members for community planning groups. Early focus should be on communities with current or pending community plan updates.

- Lead Chris K. Team: Jack C. and Jay S.



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#### **D. Transit Oriented Development Committee**

Phil B to develop agenda - potential workshop topic.

- Lead: Phil B. Team: Jack C., Co-committee with E+DC.

#### **E. Chargers Stadium Committee**

Track stadium progress, downtown or other location. Take position on location?

- Lead: David B. Team: Jack C., Frank W.
- Frank has potential conflict of interest. DS to review conflict of interest policy w/ AIA Board

#### **F. F) Other Issues**

##### Balboa Park

Follow-up on Balboa Park Gateway Competition, advise on Plaza de Panama (temporary and permanent conditions) in collaboration with E+DC.

- Lead: Dan S. Team: Jack C., Mike S.

##### Midway / Old Town Community Plan Update

##### Barrio Logan Community Plan Update

##### Downtown Signage

Tracking and follow through of 2013 efforts.

Lead: Robert D

##### Street Design Guidelines

Upcoming issue



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### **Monthly Meeting Topics**

#### February

- 1) Affordable Housing Initiative
  - Lead: Dan S.
- 2) Community Planning Group Outreach Strategy
  - Lead: Chris K.

#### March

- 1) Guest Speaker: Sherm Harmer, Urban Housing Partners
  - Lead: Dan S.
- 2) Lecture & Events Update
  - Lead: Jack C.

#### April

- 1) Chargers Stadium
  - Lead: David B.

#### May

- 1) Water / Stormwater Regulations
  - Lead David M.

#### June

- 1) Mixed Use / Transit Oriented Design (Potential Workshop?)
  - Lead: Phil.

#### July & Beyond

TBD

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 AM.

Notes respectfully submitted by Dan Stewart, AIA – Chairman