



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES, MAY 7, 2009

A. PUBLIC MEETING CALL TO ORDER

1. The Board of Directors of the Uptown Partnership, Inc. held its monthly meeting on May 7, 2009 at 525 Spruce Street, Room 202, San Diego, CA, for the purpose of transacting all proper business of the corporation.
2. Board members present: John Eisenhart, Ron Baranov, Jim Frost, Bob Grinchuck, Cindy Lehman, and Warren Simon.
3. Staff present: Carol Schultz, Jessica Freeman, and John Hargreaves.
4. Others present: Meredith Dibden-Brown, Tim Gahagan, Ann Garwood, Ron Lacey, John Lomac, Ben Nicholls, Bob Martynec, Nancy Moors, and John Taylor.
5. President Cindy Lehman called the meeting to order at 4:37 PM.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Tim Gahagan, Hillcrest Town Council – Requested that the Board of Directors for Uptown Partnership reconsider their support for the Mayor’s Parking Meter Utilization Plan.

C. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Bob Grinchuk offered the **motion** to accept the consent agenda as presented. Ron Baranov seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1. John Eisenhart offered the **motion** to accept the agenda with the addition of an urgent non-agenda item regarding the clarification of the Uptown Partnership’s mission and goals. Bob Grinchuck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

E. UPDATES

1. **HONORABLE MAYOR JERRY SANDERS’ REPRESENTATIVE RON LACEY** – Ron Lacey updated Board members regarding San Diego’s water situation, the City’s ability to provide project bonding, and the Mayor’s hopes for the passage of a balance budget.
2. **COUNCIL DISTRICTS TWO AND THREE** – Representatives from both Council districts were unable to attend.
3. **CITY CPD PROGRAM** - Meredith Dibden-Brown reviewed the timeline for Community Parking District budget submission and hearings, indicating that the CPD can expect to go before City Council at the end of June.

F. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

1. **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** - Financials for January, February and March 2009 were distributed to the Board of Directors and others present at the meeting. Financial statements are deferred for the next meeting to allow the Treasurer sufficient time for review.
2. **EXECUTIVE UPDATE** - Carol Schultz presented the extensive agenda items in lieu of an Executive Director update; major projects have included the promotion of the Mayor’s Parking Meter Utilization Plan by soliciting and receiving feedback from the community and Council Members, as well as working to improve board meeting procedures.
3. **BROWN ACT** - Carol Schultz provided a brief refresher on the requirements of the Brown Act. Board President Cindy Lehman requested that anyone present who wishes to receive the meeting agenda via email please submit their e-mail address to staff.

4. **MEETING PROCEDURES**

Ron Baranov offered the **motion** to adopt a written policy governing public comment on non-agenda items and debate on agenda items at Board meetings on a 6-month trial basis and at the end of 6-months to accept permanently or amend as needed. Bob Grinchuck seconded the motion. **4-0-1.**

G. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **JOINT HILLCREST PROJECT COMMITTEE PROPOSAL**

Bob Grinchuk offered the **motion** to adopt a proposal for establishing a joint standing committee between the Hillcrest Business Improvement Association and Uptown Partnership to oversee projects in Hillcrest funded by meter revenues. Ron Baranov seconded the motion. **3-1-1.**

2. **FEEDBACK FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

This item was referred to the Operations and Finance committee. This committee is scheduled to meet on June 17, 2009.

3. **APPROVAL PROCEDURES FOR ON-STREET PARKING MODIFICATIONS**

Item will return to the June 2009 Board of Directors agenda for specific action. No motion was made on this item.

4. **CONSULTANT SELECTION**

Warren Simon made the **motion** to engage a consultant to assist the Partnership with developing and implementing a strategic communications plan. No second. **Action failed.**

5. **CITY PARKING METER PLAN**

John Eisenhart made the **motion** to affirm the Partnership’s position of support for the Mayor’s Parking Meter Utilization Proposal. Jim Frost seconded the motion. **5-0-1.**

6. **PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK FUNDING**

John Eisenhart made the motion to continue this item to the June meeting for more information. Warren Simon seconded the motion. **3-2-1.**

H. **URGENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2009

Transcribed and drafted by Jessica Freeman

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Date

Warren Simon, Secretary