

West of Twin Peaks Central Council Minutes – April 24, 2006

10 Organizations Present:

Forest Hill, Amy Quirk
Lakeshore Acres, Barbara Chionsini
Merced Manor, Lynn Lynch
Midtown Terrace, George Linn
Miraloma Park Improvement Club, Dan Lieberthson
Pinelake Park, Don Dutil
St Francis Woods, Carolyn Squeri
Twin Peaks Improvement Club, Doris Linnenbach
Westwood Highlands, Dave Bisho
Westwood Park, Margaret Reed

6 Organizations Absent: Balboa Terrace,
Greater West Portal, Ingleside Terrace, Lakeside Property
Owner's Assn, Monterey Heights Homes Assn,
Sherwood Forest

Officers Present:

Dave Bisho, President

Officers Present continued:

Barbara Chionsini, Vice President
Margaret Reed, Treasurer
Rae Doyle, Recording Secretary
Bill Chionsini, Parliamentarian

Guests:

Avrum Shepard, Greater West Portal
Emeric Kalman, Greater West Portal
Dorothy J. Johansen, Parkside
Mas Kawaguchi, Parkside
Charlie Meyers, Lakeshore Acres
Alene Meyers, Lakeshore Acres
Gary Naguora, Miraloma Park Club
Elaine Eklund, Twin Peaks Improvement Assn.
Captain Keith Sanford, Taraval Police Station
Sergeant Randy Young, Taraval Police Station
Tony Hall

Featured Speaker: Larry Springer from DPW, Amy Sinclair from PUC

Meeting came to order: 7:43 p.m.

Minutes: The March 27, 2006 minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report: Margaret Reed reported that there is \$2576.95 in the treasury. All but 2 organizations have paid.

Police Report: Captain Keith Sanford thanked WTPCC for letter supporting Sergeants J. Bragagalolo and S. Briggs who have been taken off of street assignments because of allegations of falsifying documents. He said SFPD is actively recruiting new officers and it will be a few years before it is staffed fully. Possible incentives for officers is discount housing. Also suggested that police go to schools to recruit. He warned that the police at Taraval Station may not be prepared to cope if too many MCD's are established in the district. He also said police do good things but often get bad press.

Committee Reports:

Zoning, WTPCC website, Sloat Ave, Lakeshore Plaza: No reports

Ocean Avenue: Dave Bisho reported that he representing Westwood Highlands, Greg Clinton of Westwood Park, Bob Switzer of Balboa Terrace, and Paul Conroy of Ingleside Terrace all met with Sean Elsbernd regarding getting MUNI to realign the MUNI turnaround so that there could be an entrance from Ocean Avenue onto the proposed City College Plaza and Performing Arts Center. The money is there to build the performing arts center on the reservoir site on Phelan.

Laguna Honda: Tony Hall contradicted reports by opponents of Prop D, and he discussed a 270 page report regarding LHH rating which is one of the lowest in California. He said that the allegation by Controller Ed Harrington that it would cost \$27,000,000 to implement Prop D was false because it included the cost of removal of patients with Alzheimers, Aids and Parkinsons, that it claims are violent. Hall said national studies show that only 3% of this type of patient is violent. What Prop D will remove are the patients whose primary diagnosis is psychotic, and that move will not cost \$27,000,000 according to Hall. The allegation that other City properties are affected by Prop D is false. Only the Laguna Honda site will be affected and Prop D specifies that it will always be used for medical purposes and be used for frail and elderly. What is behind opposition is to make LHH into a homeless shelter. LHH is not licensed to care for psychotic patients in LHH so the state is fining LHH \$1000 a day.

Medicinal Marijuana: Bill Chionsini reported that Supervisors Ross Mirkarimi and Fiona Ma have introduced amendments to the Medical Cannabis legislation of 12/30/05 that would expand the distribution of MCD's. The Planning Department has created a map that shows potential areas for MCD's in Lakeshore Plaza, Stonestown, West Portal Avenue, Taraval, and Noriega Streets. There are amendments that reduce the notification requirement from 300 to 150 feet from site of proposed MCD; redefine recreation facilities in which MCD's cannot locate within 1000 feet as those serving youths under 18 year olds, and grandfathering some MCD's. *Motion raised, seconded, and passed to write letter to Planning Commission opposing the amendments to the Medical Cannabis legislation.*

Featured Speakers: Amy Sinclair reported the progress on work on eight projects of the reservoir system throughout the City. PUC is coordinating with other departments in tearing up of streets. Larry Springer reported on pot holes and street cleaning. Call 28CLEAN to report any problem with street cleaning or potholes. Will respond the same day or the next day. DPW is cleaning graffiti on Ocean Ave. Call 911 to report graffiti artists.

Delegates Reports, New and Old Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 9:52 pm