NIVA MEETING RECORD UNABRIDGED

Sept. 9, 2009

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. PA-10 JAMBOREE MEDICAL/SCIENCE CENTER COMMITTEE [LaPorte] LaPorte reported that on a recent past weekend, KIA was selling cars at its design center with people carrying ad signs on the corners at Walnut. Marketing of cars at the site is in direct conflict with prior agreements with both the City and residents of the adjacent community. [Subsequent to the meeting, the City (Steve Weiss) was contacted regarding this apparent "violation of trust" to determine if any sort of permit was issued by the City for sales. He committed to investigate to see if the City issued some sort of permit or whether the City was usurped by some other government agency and would report back his findings to NIVA.]
- 2. PA-40 R & D DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE [_____] NIVA has been awaiting at least a response -- out of courtesy at least -- from either the Aug 5, 2008 letter sent to City Manager Sean Joyce objecting to the insufficient time to review the Staff Report, the lack of inclusion of NIVA's comments in the Report, and misaddressing of the Response to Comments causing it to arrive after the Hearing. By now it is apparent that the City Manager has no intention of doing such. It was agreed, therefore, at the meeting drop the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. EL TORO MCAS REUSE A revised Development Agreement was struck when on Aug. 11, the City Council approved [3/2, Shea and Choi dissenting] the transfer of 131 additional acres along with \$58 Million for park infrastructure and maintenance to the City from Lennar in exchange for reduction in obligations to the City including the 45-hole golf course and leaving 173 acres as farmland. The new deal supposedly opens <u>public</u> lands to "limited development" including a police station, hotels, restaurants, retail space and educational institutions on the previously envisioned as solely a 1500-acre park. Simultaneously, the Council approved a corresponding General Plan Amendment and Zone Change. At the same meeting, the Council approved [4/1, Shea dissenting] 1,269 additional housing units for Lennar to build.
- 2. MUSICK JAIL EXPANSION The Orange County Grand Jury issued a report in June that urges the County to clear the way for the expansion of the Musick Jail. In contrast to previous sheriff, Sheriff Hutchens is in favor of moving ahead. At the same time, she is in talks with Immigration and Customs Enforcement to house as many as 700 of tha agency's detainees in vacant County beds as a revenue-generating move. It is merely a shell game as to where they are placed in County facilities. It is only the matter of availability of funding in the meanwhile that is currently holding up the expansion. However, the report also encouraged the County to work with the local communities to resolve any outstanding issues and objections.
- 3. NORTH IRVINE LIBRARY [No capital funding indicated in 5-year horizon of the 2009 Strategic Business Plan for any library facilities.] Inquired of Wally Kreutzen [8/28] as to whether this meant no effort to start in the next 5 years or simply that funding is not from the City. His Sept 8 e-mail stated that (A) the Council is waiting for the County Board of Supervisors to take action on the OCPL Library Advisory Board [LAB] consultant study; (B) a draft of the study document has been shared with the LAB subcommittee and they will be meeting on it again in Oct.; (C) the LAB subcommittee had a number of questions of the consultant and want more data. Kreutzen had no idea of when the report will go to the full LAB or be made public. Councilmember Christina Shea is a member of both the LAB and LAB Subcommittee.
- 4. HICKS CANYON COMMUNITY PARK COMMUNITY BUILDING Inquired of Assist. City Mgr. Wally Kreutzen [8/28] as to why the delay in start, his response was that the key consideration was that a new center would require new personnel and that the City was not willing to take on new staffing at this time. He also mentioned that last year's projection was based on an assumed receipt of SDC Development funds in a near time frame but which are now expected to be delayed due to the housing market.

- 5. NEED FOR REVISION OF CITY'S MASTER STREETSCAPE PLAN NIVA was expecting to receive a draft of the Master Streetscape Plan prior to the public hearings tentatively scheduled for Sept. 2009. In response to an e-mail sent to Sherman Jones of the City inquiring as to the status on the draft, when might the draft be completed and a copy provided to NIVA, and when might public hearings are now tentatively expected to commence, a e-mail was received on Sept. 2 from David Law of the City informing NIVA that the task had been reassigned to him but has been put on a hiatus for possibly as much as a year.
- 6. NORTH IRVINE SENIOR CENTER NIVA was informed by Debra Mears of the City's Community Servicces that the trigger point for start on the center to be located at the corner of Trabuco and Jeffrey is approaching. She said that the project is Irvine Company [TIC] driven, i.e., it is dependent on TIC's development schedule. The total residential development (building permits issued) in the Northern Sphere is now only about 100 dwelling units shy of the trigger point. TIC is to provide the total cost of design and construction of the facility. Final approval of the design will of course be by approval of the City's Community Services Commission.

Asst. City Mgr. Kreutzen added that the development in Stonegate and Woodbury East are the primary drivers at present and confirmed that TIC will have to start design soon. City staff will be meeting with TIC shortly to talk about the trigger timing. It is estimated that it will take approximately 2 1/2 years for design, construction drawings, permits, bidding and construction to be completed. If started now, it would mean no sooner than Year 2013.

In the meanwhile, Shiela Driscoll, Superintendent with the City, has had nothing to report in months to the Senior Citizens Council monthly meetings on the subject of North Irvine Facilities Status Update!!

- 7. FUTURE NORTH IRVINE POLICE SUBSTATION [Completion of building design expected in Jan. 2010.] The City acquired the site for the station from Lennar in the agreement approved by the City Council on Aug. 11, 2009.
- WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY IN LOWER PETERS CANYON COMMUNITY PARK With the settlement of the litigation involving city-imposed wireless telecommunications regulations, T-Mobile USA reapplied for a Conditional Use Permit [CUP] for installing such a system at Lower Peters Canyon Community Park located at Culver and Bryan. The proposed facility consists of a tower which is simply a replacement of an existing 60-foot high, 12-inch diameter light standard with one that is 70 feet high, 18 inches in diameter with affixed antenna along with installation of a below- ground equipment enclosure. NIVA had already gone on record of accepting the proposal when it was originally proposed back in 2007 and simply re-affirmed that position. The Planning Commission approved the installation at its July hearing with 2 conditions: (1) The selected tower for the antenna shall not be higher than the tower being replaced, and (2) T-Mobile shall provide a bond guaranteeing removal in the event the service is truncated.
- 9. CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE GROVES As it is apparent that The Groves Board has no intention to respond, out of courtesy or whatever, to NIVA's March 3rd letter, it was agreed to close this item. **[ITEM CLOSED]**
- 10. CITY OF IRVINE 2009 STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN Items of Interest:
 - (1) Northwood Com. Park community center. See report in No. 3 in Attachment 2. Inquired of Assist City Mgr. Wally Kreutzen as to the origination of the proposed addition and what is to happen to exist ing programs at the center during construction. He investigated and responded in email of Aug. 31 [Attachment 3].
- 11. CULVER DRIVE (SCOTTSDALE TO I-5 SB OFFRAMP) PROJECT City Public Works held a community meeting on the project on Aug. 26 at City Hall to present details of the project. City Proj. Mgr. Lisa Thai and City consultant Pat Summervale presented the project details and received questions. The major improvements consist of adding the 4th NB lane on Culver and reducing the cross-gutter dip on Scottsdale on the west side of Culver. The project is expected to go to City Council for approval in Oct. with construction tentatively planned for start in Aug. 2011. (Unfortunately, this means the construction will not be simultaneously with the Walnut to Scottsdale widening of Culver for which construction is expected to start next Spring.) Construction is expected to take from 4 to 6 months during which time the east side sidewalk will be closed to pedestrians (a note to Irvine High School students). Four concerns were expressed by attendees: (1) Objection to the lack of modification of the cross gutter dip on the east side similar to that proposed on the west side especially since more traffic utilizes

the center entrance and backs up the Culver SB traffic; (2) No investigation into the left-turn pocket adequacy on the Culver SB into the Heritage Plaza center at Scottsdale; (3) Need for pedestrian countdown signals with the expanded width of Culver; and (4) Objection to any use of fire hydrant at corner of Matisse Ave. and Scottsdale by construction water resource. The bus stop on the west side of Culver at Scottsdale is to remain in use throughout the construction.

- 12. CHURCH OF IRVINE, PARKING A Conditional Use Permit was being sought with public hearing earlier today before the City's Zone Administrator for shared parking to operate a church within one of the 2-story office buildings in the Jeffrey Office Park at 620 Roosevelt. Religious services will be primarily on weeknights after 7 PM. and on weekends. City lead is Bill Rodriguez [949-724-6359 or
brodriguez@ci.irvine.ca.us>. An e-mail was sent on Sept. 1 to Rodriguez for additional details on the CUP.
- 13. NIVA FINANCES The August 24, 2009 CalNational Bank statement indicates a balance of \$2,379.40. McFadden reported that he had originally sent out invoices to 19 associations. From those, he has received dues payments from 13. Two boards [Orchard Glen & Vista Filare) have instructed their property managers to forward payment but payments as yet not received. No response whatsoever has been received even following followup attempts from Racquet Club and Northwood II. A response has been received from Northwood Horizon that its board has decided not to renew its membership. The economic situation has put a financial strain on all associations. Because of the responses received, or lack thereof, from Racquet Club and Northwood Horizon, it was agreed to truncate transmittal of monthly meeting notices and copies of meeting records to these two associations.
- 14. NEW PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL IN PA-9 NIVA was notified by phone that the City has received preliminary notice and is in discussions regarding the installation of a private 1200-student high school campus propose for Planning Area 9. The specific site is on 15 acres located Portola Pkwy between Sand Canyon and the SR-133 Tollway. The school would consist of a total of approx. 200,000 sq. ft. of buildings. It would be a Korean Lutheran affiliated school. The campus would included a lighted football field. City planner is Hernandez Santos [949-724-6441].

<u>NEXT MEETING</u> - Because all officers are unavailable, it was decided that the Oct. 14 meeting. The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, Nov.11. Notices will be sent out in advance indicating where the meeting will be held.