

## West of Twin Peaks Central Council Minutes – September 26, 2005

### 13 Organizations Present:

Balboa Terrace, Mike Jones  
Forest Hill, Walt Farrell  
Greater West Portal, Bud Wilson  
Ingleside Terraces, Paul Conroy  
Lakeshore Acres, Barbara Chionsini  
Lakeside Property Owners, Hal Harper  
Merced Manor, Lynn Lynch  
Midtown Terrace, George Linn  
Pinelake Park, Don R. Dutil  
St. Francis Homes, Carolyn Squeri  
Twin Peaks Improvement Assn., Doris Linnenbach  
Westwood Highlands, Dave Bisho  
Westwood Park, Margaret Reed

3 Organizations Absent: Miraloma Park, Monterey Heights, Sherwood Forest

### Officers Present:

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

### Guests:

John Farrell, Forest Hill  
Avrum Shepard, Greater West Portal  
Marilyn Amini, Greater West Portal  
Emeric Kalman, Greater West Portal  
Steve Suacci, Greater West Portal  
Tim Colen, Greater West Portal  
Bert Hill, Greater West Portal  
Charlie Meyers, Lakeshore Acres  
Alene Meyers, Lakeshore Acres  
Dorothy Johansen, Parkside District Improvement Club  
Mas Kawaguchi, Parkside District Improvement Club  
Kristiana Wright, 2686 40<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Margaret Diedrich, St. Francis Woods  
Maggie Diffley, St. Francis Woods  
Andy Thanos, Save Brotherhood Way  
Maria Rivera, SF for LHH  
Derek Kerr, MD  
Kirsten Wallerstedt, Office of Assemblyman Leland Yee  
Christina Kerby, Office of Assemblyman Leland Yee  
Janet Reilly  
Alex Laskey, Janet Reilly for Assembly

## Featured Speakers: George Williams of SPUR, Mohammed Nuru, DPW Director of Operations, Philip Ting, San Francisco Assessor

Meeting came to order: 7:40 pm

Minutes: The June 27, 2005 minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report: Margaret Reed reported that there is \$2958.26 in the Treasury

Police Report: Lt. Belinda Kerr reported that Taraval Police Station is now fully staffed with 17 sergeants, 3 of whom are new. Two officers are dedicated to homeless problems, and two officers are dedicated to graffiti problems.

### Committee Reports:

WTPCC Website, Sloat Ave Beautification: No reports

Zoning: Bud Wilson requested a letter opposing a Conditional Use permit for 80 West Portal Ave to change from retail to professional. *Motion to send letter from WTPCC raised and passed.* He also requested a letter opposing a proposed 5 story house at 69 Garcia because it is out of scale with neighborhood. *Motion to send letter from WTPCC raised and passed*

Medical Marijuana Clubs: Bill Chionsini reported that 3 separate pieces of legislations from Supervisors Elsbernd, Mirkarimi, & Sandoval were heard by the Plg. Comm. Mirkarimi's legislation was forwarded to the BOS Finance Comm. with recommendation & provision for cap on number of clubs allowed, and the other two were forwarded, without comment. WTPCC is pushing for requirement for handicapped access because the clients for Medicinal Marijuana clubs are sick people.

Ocean Avenue: Paul Conroy reported that the Pentecostal Church wants to install a symbolic beacon on the El Rey Theatre. There are concerns in the neighborhood. The neighborhood would prefer to restore El Rey as a theatre or community performing arts center. Margaret Reed reported that the library will be breaking ground on January 7 and will open on 2008.

Lakeshore Plaza: Barbara Chionsini reported that an ONO BBQ moved into the Plaza even though the Plaza is over the limit for food sites. Odors from ONO BBQ are bothering the neighbors. ONO BBQ installed a public toilet and outdoor tables and chairs, and the site has become a hangout for youths. Mayor Newsom visited the site on 9/11/05, and is looking at remedies.

Laguna Honda Hospital: John Farrell asked help in a petition drive for the LHH legislation taking admission policy decisions away from LHH staff to avoid the problems of the past year when seniors were displaced by overflow patients from General Hospital. Also to send message that bond \$ should be used as originally intended. 14,000 signatures are required by 01/06.

Old Business: Re Brotherhood Way project of 182 residential units, Andy Thanos said that an appeal for an EIR before the BOS had the support of Supervisors Mirkarimi, Daly, & Sandoval. His group filed a lawsuit on 9/19/05 to require an EIR.

Featured Speakers: Philip Ting, Assessor, provided information on how to save money on property taxes. **Mohammed Nuru,** reported on work projects on median strips on Portola Drive, Sloat Blvd., & Juniperra Serra and on preparations for the PGA Golf Tournament. On Portola Drive from Clipper to O'Shaughnessy, DPW has removed asphalt and installed trees. **George Williams,** co-author of the Better Neighborhoods Plus (BN+) legislation, explained that the legislation's objective is to avoid "planning wars" resulting from the current system in which the Plg. Dept. works on a project by project basis. BN+ would implement overall planning in a designated area, arbitrarily set at 40 acres. Williams explained that neighborhood support would be necessary in a designated area. Guidelines & rules would be in place at the front end of development.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38