

NIVA MEETING RECORD

July 11, 2007

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PA-10 JAMBOREE MEDICAL/SCIENCE CENTER COMMITTEE (LaPorte) – A July 2 meeting at KIA Motors America attended by the building's architects (SOM) and Stacy Tran of the City of Irvine, N. LaPorte, C. Elliott and Harvard Square resident, A. Gless approved Kia's request to add the color black to the color palette for the Phase 2 facility. They viewed a "mock up" of mesh screening the mechanical equipment. There were concerns expressed by those present that the coverage was not complete, but made a big improvement. Landscaped areas were toured and discussion ensued about the need to screen vehicles from the 5 Freeway and Peters Canyon Bike/Pedestrian Trail.
2. The offending signage on the Ability First apartments at Harvard and Walnut was removed the day after the June NIVA meeting, so follow up calls to the City on permits for the signage were not required.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MUSICK JAIL EXPANSION – Those in attendance expressed concern over the increasing threat of the jail expansion. It was suggested that the jail and premises would be viewed by the Orange Balloon recently launched at the Great Park!
2. NORTHWOOD MEMORIAL MONUMENT (Zelinko) – Wonderful front page exposure regarding the proposed monument appeared recently in the Orange County Register. The article included a request for donations. The Community Services Commission hearing is scheduled for September 5, 2007 at 6:30 PM in the Irvine City Council Chambers
3. NORTH IRVINE SENIOR CENTER – Brian Ravenscroft, Shayne Troyer from the Groves and George McFadden attended the Community Services Department of the City of Irvine sponsored bus tour of Senior Centers. This was the third Workshop. Participants were given notebooks with lists of specific questions for them to respond to on each facility visited.

They toured San Juan Capistrano Community Center, Carlsbad Senior Center, Encinitas Community and Senior Center, Rancho Cucamonga Senior Center and Community Center and Cerritos Senior Center.

The Rancho Cucamonga location was described as "spectacular" and had the Senior Center separate from the Community Center but attached by a corridor. The Cerritos Senior Center was also a very nice facility.

4. REFURBISHMENT OF NORTHWOOD SHOPPING CENTER – It was reported at the meeting that Von's is remaining at the Northwood Shopping Center location! (A July 26 article in the Irvine World News reported that the Vons is expected to close in September.)

NEXT MEETING – Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8, at The Groves.