FINAL NIVA MEETING RECORD
Mar. 10, 2010

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With the March 7th groundbreaking, construction has commenced on the Crean Lutheran High School at Portola Parkway & Sand Canyon in the Portola Springs Village.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. PA-10 JAMBOREE MEDICAL/SCIENCE CENTER COMMITTEE [LaPorte] - As previously decided, a letter was sent Feb 12 to the City (both Com. Dev. Dir. Doug Williford and Police Chief David Maggard) regarding Kia Motors violation of agreement on no commercial sales at the site. CC copies went to Steve Weiss and Sgt. Anderson with whom LaPorte has been in communication on the matter. No response had been received from the City as of this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - ACTIVE ITEMS

1. EL TORO MCAS REUSE - NIVA received a Feb 17, 2010 letter from Mayor Sukhee Kang in response to NIVA’s Dec 31, 2009 letter on activities affecting traffic generation and start of Trabuco/SR-133 interchange design. Basically, the letter is non-responsive to NIVA specific concern and reiterates the same language as last March 5, 2009 letter. There is no commitment indicated of any City resolve to assure traffic to the park is not impacted on the local community nor any indication of any near-term commencement of any activity leading to the interchange. [City staff subsequently proposed a meeting with NIVA reps to discuss the issue. However, as NIVA’s letter was addressed specifically to the Council seeking the Council’s attention to this issue since staff was neglecting this matter, NIVA responded that Councilmember attendance was necessary. City staff simply took this as a rejection and withdrew the meeting invite!]

2. MUSICK JAIL EXPANSION - (Nothing reported.)

3. MASTER COMMUNITY PARK PLAN REVISION: RENOVATION OF NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER - [The public hearing of the Community Services Commission is anticipated to be held in May or June 2010.

4. HICKS CANYON COMMUNITY PARK COMMUNITY BUILDING - A proposed letter to the City on the delay of construction of the community center for this park was agreed to be drafted at the Jan. 2010 Meeting. However, realistically without a concerted effort of the entire NIVA association membership, and that of the Northpark HOA community, such a letter will fall on deaf ears at City Hall. Pragmatically, this issue can therefore be considered closed. Being no objection, the item was closed. [ITEM CLOSED]

5. “SMART” PEDESTRIAN CROSSING OF YALE & GRADE-SEPARATED CROSSING FOR VENTA SPUR TRAILS - The City’s preliminary response of Feb. 10, 2010, which was initiated following NIVA’s letter of Feb. 6, 2010, indicated that the City viewed the allegations of NIVA’s letter of Feb 6, 2010. However, the final letter of Mar. 3, 2010 from the City quickly dispelled any prior notions of sincerity in the investigation or interest on the part of the City Council or Mayor to NIVA’s expressed concerns. (Copies of both the Feb 6 and Mar. 3rd letter were distributed at the meeting) It is highly unlikely anything will come about due to NIVA’s action. Only with a concerted effort of NIVA actively supported by all member-associations will the City actually pay attention. This is unlikely especially with NIVA folding as of this meeting. Consequently, this issue can from a pragmatic standpoint be considered dead or closed. [City staff subsequently requested a meeting with NIVA reps to discuss the Jeffrey crossing of the Venta Spur Trail. However, in responding, it became obvious that the City was only willing to discuss the at-grade crossing. NIVA had proposed a meeting in the Feb. 6th letter to go over all issues on the crossing including the City study on the bridge. NIVA also wanted the meeting with 1 or 2 Councilmembers and not staff alone since staff had been given direction by the Council and only the Council could revise
the specifics of that direction. However, simply cancelled the meeting rather than seek any attendance of Coun-
cilmembers.]

6. NORTH IRVINE SENIOR CENTER - Per phone call of Mar 9 from Steve Haubert of the City’s Community Services Dept., the result of the City’s recent discussions with The Irvine Company on the “triggering” point have reached an agreement based on projected housing units permits for start of the design for this project in July of this year. Haubert reminded that the center will be an adult/senior combination center -- whatever that means since the City currently has no such facility nor has any elaboration on its features and programs ever been developed or provided which distinguish it from the normal community center or incorporate the unique features of the existing senior centers.

7. HARVARD RAILCROSSING QUIET ZONE - [Status and information on the program can be obtained by either calling 888-855-RAIL or by going to the website <octa.net/railroadcrossing>.

8. WIDENING OF JAMBOREE UNDERPASS OF I-5 FREEWAY - [Project to add another lane in each direction on Jamboree. City anticipates awarding of design contract for the project in August. 2012.]

9. CULVER DRIVE (SCOTTSDALE TO I-5 SB OFF-RAMP) PROJECT - [Remaining issue with the NB Culver bus stop location and/or design on south side of Scottsdale. ROW acquisition and construction expected to begin 2011.]

10. CLOSING DOWN OF NIVA ACTIONS - Reports were presented by Melvold and McFadden on status of files elimination and account closing, respectively. Several loose ends still need to be concluded before final closing. Notification was given that any member-association desiring to continue efforts alone on any issue and would possible use the NIVA file on the subject should contact Melvold as soon as possible as the file will most likely be discarded anytime soon. Final refund of unused NIVA funds to member-associations of record on March 2010 will have to await final billings and payments on any expected billings.

OLD BUSINESS - INACTIVE ITEMS

1. NORTH IRVINE LIBRARY - [ON HOLD due to suspension of the City’s Library Services Committee.]

2. OPEN SPACE COMPENSATION FOR LOSS TO ETC - [The Irvine Company appeared to double dip --- TIC received tens of millions for sale to Corridor Agency for ROW for ETC through northern hills for which TIC also received development credit as if transferred to City for preserved land in conjunction with development agreements.]. [ON HOLD]

3. COMPLETION OF PETERS CANYON WASH AND WALNUT TRAIL “GAPS” - [Last reported in June 10, 2009 Meeting Record. Awaiting outcome of Irvine police and OCFA collaboration on trail signs.]

4. RENTAL-TO-OWNERSHIP DWELLING RATIO - The overall City ratio has been increasing significantly in favor of rental with each new development as the City/TIC are utilizing rentals to meet “affordable housing” goals.

5. BUILDING FACILITIES MASTER PLAN - [A proposed plan which identifies new public facilities and their locations along with modifications/renovations to existing public facilities within the City. A copy for public review was promised during community meetings held for public input but, if completed, never made available to the public This document, once approved, was to be used as the guide for future planning and expenditures.]

6. STORM DRAIN INSPECTIONS - [Last activity reported @ 3/8/06 meeting. Mike Loving is City contact.]

7. ORCHARD HILLS VILLAGE [PA-1] LAND-USE PLANNING - [ON HOLD awaiting further development by The Irvine Company.]

8. FUTURE NORTHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL - [Sited on the southeast corner of Trabuco and Jeffrey. Most recent report in Record of Meeting of Dec 10, 2008.]
9. BOWERMAN LANDFILL EXPANSION - [Awaiting any indication from the City that a portion of reasonable amount of the future County payments to the City is being proposed for application to an identified North Irvine project as suggested by NIVA in discussions with City administrators as far back as Summer of 2006.]

10. NEED FOR REVISION OF CITY’S MASTER STREETSCAPE PLAN - [Informed effort reassigned to David Law in 9/09 and that it has been put on hold until at least summer 2010.]

11. NORTH IRVINE TRANSPORTATION MITIGATION PROGRAM - [This is a program which is a listing of specific roadway improvements that should be implemented as a result of and in parallel with development with funding in different percentages by The Irvine Company, Lennar, the Great Park, and the City. Unfortunately, the City is repeatedly using the existence of this program as an excuse for delayed action.]

12. AFFORDABLE HOUSING - 

13. JEFFREY OPEN-SPACE SPINE - [Continued development of the JOST from Walnut north above Portola Parkway including missing segments and the bridges over the I-5, Trabuco, Roosevelt, Irvine Blvd. and Portola.]

14. NORTHWOOD MILITARY MEMORIAL MONUMENT - [Holding open until completion of construction and dedication expected in Sept. 2010.]

15. MANAGEMENT OF OPEN-SPACE MOU - [Overall operational policy, rules, and regulations for governing and operating the open space in the hills to the north when opened for public use.]

16. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY FOR HARVARD COM. PARK - This facility was never built nor has any re-application for same been obtained by the City as of this meeting. Item was therefore closed. [ITEM CLOSED]

17. CITY EUCALYPTUS WINDROW TREE PROGRAM - [Last activity reported @ 3/12/08 meeting. NIVA was awaiting further development of proposed program from City Maintenance Supv. Keith Byers.]

18. FUTURE NORTH IRVINE POLICE SUBSTATION - [Completion of building design expected in Jan.2010.]

19. GATEWAY CITY ENTRY MONUMENTS PROJECT - [ON HOLD. Awaiting further action by the City.]

20. SOUND WALL ON I-5 FREEWAY - [Awaiting further action on the part of the City or Caltrans.]

21. BRYAN AVENUE TREE REPLACEMENT IN SETBACK - It was agreed at the meeting that this item should be closed due to lack of activity. However, Zelinko plans to carry on with this issue on his own and will contact the City. [ITEM CLOSED]

NEXT MEETING - No further General Membership meetings to be scheduled.