

**Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
December 6th, 2022**

The Neighborhood Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 9am.

Committee Members:

Elizabeth Holloman

Dan Jensen

Brian Lochrie

Sandy Quinn

Alexis Reekie

Aaron Schulze, *for Susan Galvan*

Laura Thomas

Captain Aaron Towner

Absent:

Michelle Duman

Paul Guzman

Mayor Mark Murphy

Tim Virus

Administration and Staff

Alisa Driscoll, *Chair*

James Gerrard, *Recording Secretary*

Collette Creppell

Chief Rick Gonzalez

Jerry Price

Call to Order

Alisa Driscoll called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. All members introduced themselves

City of Orange Updates

Aaron Schulze provided an update on city events. The Tree Lighting on December 3rd was a lot of fun and a great success. The City Council meeting on December 13th will be the last one for 2023. A reception will be held following the meeting to thank the outgoing council members.

On Thursday, December 15th the City will swear in the new city council members at City Hall in the council chambers.

OPD Disturbance Calls

Captain Towner provided an update from OPD. Sergeant Costa has been doing a great job working with the liaison team and reporting on Chapman-related disturbance calls. Typically, OPD receives 20-70 disturbance calls per week, depending on the time of year. Chapman-related calls make up an average of 10-20% of these party/disturbance calls. This is better than years past and Captain Towner thinks this has to do with the Liaison Team doing a great job, more communication this year, and meeting with athletics teams at the beginning of the year.

OPD and Chapman Public Safety also conducted active shooter trainings, tabletop exercises, and will be looking to complete a drill on this scenario in May.

Undie Run is December 14 and plans are already in place. OPD will have a total of 28 officers on hand for the event, including five sergeants and one lieutenant. The Plaza fountain will be fenced off with no trespassing signs, and police cars and officers will be closing the roads to prevent runners from leaving Glassell and going into the neighborhoods. There will be two additional patrol cars on duty for the night to respond to any parties that happen after the run.

Ms. Driscoll added that Chapman provides financial support for the additional patrol cars and logistics assistance to OPD to cover the costs for the Undie Run.

Dean Price commented that Chapman is having their final planning meeting for Undie Run this afternoon. Chapman will have Student Affairs and Public Safety staff on hand to support OPD and the students.

Brian Lochrie asked about how OPD plans to contain the students to Glassell Street.

Captain Towner replied that the patrol cars and officers on hand create environmental barricades that keep the students on Glassell.

Dean Price added that the OPD patrols along the route before and after the event have been very helpful to keep the student's behavior in line during the run.

Captain Towner added that the number of laps have decreased over the years, and he is optimistic that this will continue, and the event will remain controlled.

This will be Captain Towner's last NAC meeting. He will be rotating with Captain Adam Jevic, who will be OPD's representative in meetings next year.

Chapman University Updates

Student Affairs

Dean Price reported that Chapman had a larger incoming freshman class this year due to more students accepting admissions offers for a variety of reasons, one of which is students returning to school after the pandemic. This has resulted in a larger student body on the Orange campus.

Additionally, in the last meeting it was mentioned that Chapman was pursuing options for additional housing. Chapman has purchased another apartment community, similar to Chapman Grand. This new project will be called Chapman Court and features a wide variety of amenities. There will need to be some renovations on this new property before we can house students there, but the estimated date for student occupancy is Fall of 2024. This new housing is estimated to house 800-850 students. While we were considering adding Panther Village II, purchasing this new property allows us to house students about a year earlier than constructing new housing.

Sandy Quinn asked how this will affect Panther Village II.

Dean Price responded that the funding Chapman had for housing was used on Chapman Court, so constructing Panther Village II will not be happening in the near future.

Mr. Quinn asked that if housing is a revenue generator, why wait on building Panther Village II?

Collette Creppell responded that the funds for housing were borrowed while interest rates were low, and the University chose Chapman Court over Panther Village II at this time. Economically, Chapman cannot borrow more funding to begin construction on a second project until the University begins absorbing revenue on Chapman Court.

Mr. Lochrie asked if it would be possible to get a map of where the Chapman housing units are and how many beds are in each facility. It would be helpful to have a visual representation of this.

Dean Price responded that yes, we can make that happen. He also noted that with the exception of The K, it would show that all new Chapman housing developed over the past several years is located outside of Old Towne.

Mr. Lochrie asked, will there be shuttle from Chapman Court?

Dean Price confirmed that Chapman Court is already on the shuttle route, so we will be adding an additional stop.

Mr. Quinn inquired about how many students will reside in Chapman housing once Chapman Court comes online.

Dean Price responded that 50-54% of undergraduate students will reside in Chapman housing.

Mr. Lochrie asked that with freshman and sophomores being a larger part of the student body, and being required to live in campus housing, shouldn't there be more than 50% in Chapman housing?

Dean Price responded, yes, but the University also has transfers and additional variables impacting students, such as students having waivers to live at home with family.

Public Safety

Chief Gonzalez provided an update for Chapman Public Safety. He noted that Captain Towner provided a good overview of the plan for Undie Run and the active shooter drills. The issue they had in the past with students leaving Glassell came in part from the Paseo, creating a shorter route.

Students report they are happy to have OPD, Public Safety, and Student Affairs out there ensuring things goes smoothly and safely.

Alexis Reekie added that SGA (Student Government Association) encourages students not to participate in the event. SGA will be adding to its bylaws that members of their executive council will not be allowed to participate in unsanctioned events, such as Undie Run.

Campus Planning

Ms. Creppell provided updates on continuing and upcoming Chapman projects.

The Sandy Simon Center for Dance is finishing up construction this month. This is a spectacular structure that has been historically restored and renovated into an amazing dance facility. Students will begin using this space in January. A tour of the space will be scheduled for the next Neighborhood Advisory Committee meeting.

The Hilbert Museum renovation will begin in January and will encapsulate the former Partridge Dance Center. The new Hilbert Museum will create a new courtyard and be an amazing gateway from the train station to the campus and Old Towne. Anticipated completion is December 2023, barring any supply delays.

The Killefer School project is currently in design stages with this stage expecting to be completed by March 2023. There are community meetings scheduled with early design plans with OTPA and OBHS for input. The renovation will keep the historic attributes of the Killefer School, while simultaneously modernizing the building.

The Killefer School will serve as the new home to the Institute for Quantum Studies, the Advanced Physics Laboratory, and the Optics Lab. The project will total approximately 16,000 sq.ft., with 11,000 sq.ft. being the Killefer school historic building itself, and 6,000 sq.ft. from the removal of the temporary classroom structures and the building of a new two-story structure. Anticipated completion is August 2024, barring any supply issues.

Mr. Quinn asked if the Killefer project donor funded.

Ms. Creppell responded that no, this project is university funded.

Mr. Quinn thanked the University for ensuring Killefer keeps its historic standards.

Ms. Creppell noted that the University is committed to ensuring all work on the historic Killefer School will be in accordance with the Secretary of Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

Mr. Lochrie asked if the new two-story building will match the original Killefer building.

Ms. Creppell responded that the new building will not replicate the architecture of the historic Killefer School building but will be deferential to the historic school in the use of sympathetic, yet distinct materials and tones.

Mr. Lochrie asked if Chapman is doing anything to pay tribute to the unique history of Killefer School.

Ms. Creppell responded that yes, there will be a tribute to the history of the building that the public can view. However, since it is a research building, it cannot have open access all the time, so a schedule of some kind will need to be created.

Mr. Lochrie asked the University to please consider putting something additional on the outside of the building for people to view who may not be able to schedule a time to see it.

Ms. Creppell said that this feedback will be taken into consideration.

Specific Plan Amendment 7

Ms. Driscoll provided an update on Specific Plan Amendment 7. The University is currently working on the traffic study. Additionally, the first four chapters of the EIR will be submitted for city review shortly. Other chapters will be submitted as they are completed. This City requested this to streamline the feedback process.

Mr. Quinn asked if there is a timeline for completion.

Ms. Driscoll responded that the plan is to have the full EIR available for public comment in the spring.

What We're Hearing in the Community

Mr. Lochrie noted that Chapman is currently over the student enrollment cap. He asked how this can be prevented in the future.

Dean Price responded that the University learned a lot this year. Before COVID acceptance numbers could be predicted very well. During the pandemic the acceptance numbers declined, and the numbers declined again last year. This year the numbers came back stronger than expected and created issues. When more students than expected come in it makes it very difficult to find professors and space for them.

During the pandemic, the waitlist was utilized to fill acceptance numbers. This year everyone on the waitlist was told that there was no space available, and zero students were accepted from the waitlist. Going forward, previous formulas will be used to better predict future acceptances.

Mr. Lochrie asked for the current student headcount.

Dean Price reported that on the Orange campus, there are 9,154 students. This number includes employees enrolled in degree programs (about 50 students), undergraduate students, and graduate/law students.

Adjournment

Ms. Driscoll adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am. The next NAC meeting will be scheduled towards the end of quarter one, 2023.