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Monthly Newsletter

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- **Horton Plaza Park.** Grand opening **May 4.** <https://www.westfield.com/hortonplaza/park> and click "calendar" in Events section to see the schedule.

- **R'R Marathon.** Sun. **June 5.** New route will use B St from 17th to 5th, 5th from B St to Ash, Ash from 5th to the finish line at Waterfront Park. Band locations later. Expect Harbor and Pacific Highway around Waterfront Park to be heavily impacted.

- **Mobility Plan.** To Planning Commission then City Council. Community disagreements mainly focused on perceived loss of parking spaces. To put in a cycle track you either change diagonal parking to parallel or eliminate a traffic lane. Roadway becomes: sidewalk, cycle track, parking, traffic, parking sidewalk. There is no "barrier" between traffic and cycle track except the parking lane and markings. Most of the "lost" parking will be replaced by narrowing other streets and changing parallel to diagonal parking. Most discussion focused on whether State St or Kettner Blvd should have cycle track north of Beech St and whether any street other than Beech would serve for East/West crosstown cycle track route.

- **7th & Market.** SE corner. 19 stories plus 39 Stories, 475 ft towers in a unique configuration. Possible Whole Foods, Possible Ritz Carlton Hotel, plus condos, plus apts, plus office, plus 34 affordable units, plus restore historic Cleremont Hotel (and Black History Museum), plus public parking. Truly a mixed use development. <http://www.civicsd.com/meetings-and-events/calendar/icalrepeat.detail/2016/04/13/1474/127/civicsd-design-review-committee.html>

Community News

-**Downtown Circulator.** Coming soon.

-**Downtown Community Planning Council (DCPC).** Congratulations to those elected/re-elected to the DCPC. <http://www.dcpcsd.com>. See website for election results.

DCPC March 16, 2016

Info: San Diego Forward, Pershing Dr & Uptown bike ways, DecoBike Ad Panels.

Consent: CUP for Entertainment, Blue Moon Hookah Lounge 818 6th Ave, CUP for Educational Facility in Residential Zone. CA Int Bus Univ 1660 Union, Map Waiver Ball Park Village to allow conversion to Condos.

Action:

Entrada. Little Italy, 1953 India St. Revocation of CUP due to numerous violations of noise levels and hours of operation. Recommend to hearing officer to revoke CUP for entertainment.

Downtown Mobility Plan.

Plan modifies the Community plan to reflect a bicycle network, pedestrian oriented green streets, defines main auto and transit corridors within Downtown. Many neighborhoods object to the projected loss in parking spaces when either a green street or bicycle cycleway is installed. Green streets remove one lane of parking and extend the sidewalk by that amount. Cycleways move the parking lane away from the curb and eliminate one travel lane or change diagonal parking to parallel parking. The plan calls for replacing parking by converting other streets from parallel to diagonal and adding parking under future parks. Two separate motions were approved. First would require replacement parking to be

place before any was eliminated. The second, passing by one vote, recommended that the whole plan be revised.

DCPC Meets at 5:15PM on the 4th Floor at 401 B St on Wednesdays.

April 20
May 18
June 15

Permits: To receive Public notices of permits, visit CivicSD.com

Building:

Contour, Little Italy, 2118 Columbia, 6story, 10unit building with 2.5k sqft office. .
1836 Columbia, Little Italy, 7 story 18 units..

Neighborhood Use

Permit(NUP): None

Sidewalk Cafe (SWC)

-**Bigga Pizza**, Core 521 Broadway

Conditional Use

Permit(CUP)
-**Parking Lot**, EV 7th/Island

Important Phone Numbers

Clean & Safe, 619.234.8900
<http://www.downtownsandiego.org/clean-and-safe/>
Police 619.531.2000.
<http://www.sandiego.gov/police/> see handy buttons at lower right. "Crime mapping" and Citizens online police reporting system. Often easier to make non time sensitive reports than the non emergency number.

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Board Meeting Dates
6 PM at the Sofia Hotel

April 18

May 16

Spring General TBD

June 13

Summer General TBD