

**CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
PCAC REPORT  
November 9, 2010**

**Port Community Advisory Committee:**

There was no quorum for the October 19 PCAC meeting, no action items were on the agenda.

PCAC ByLaws: Port Staff reported now that there is a full Board the Harbor Commission will be reviewing the PCAC by-laws.

Ports O'Call Development: An open discussion was held on the San Pedro Waterfront planning process. Concerns were raised about the Port's implementation of a plan directed toward developer's needs rather than community recommendations, and that RFPs are being issued without community input. The Port hired a consultant, Maxima Group, to help with developer outreach and to develop and evaluate the RFPs. Ports 'O Call tenant leases are set to expire in November 2011 and there is no developer in sight for this project. There have been three RFPs issued for Ports 'O Call developers in the last ten years, none have produced any results. The Marina RFP issued last year produced no results either. It is understood at this time that the current tenants are to be part of the new development. A new facility is to be built first. It was recommended that the Port utilize the PCAC San Pedro Coordinated Plan Subcommittee for community input on planning issues and interface with the Maxima Group.

USS IOWA: The PCAC motion of support for the IOWA was presented to the Harbor Commission at their October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. USS IOWA representatives asked during public comment if the PCAC would now support berthing the ship at Berth 87 at the downtown Cruise Terminal. The Port may waive the north harbor water cut in order to locate the USS IOWA there.

Water Resources Action Plan: An update was given on the POLA/LB WRAP plan and the draft Annual Progress Report was distributed on status the various control measures.

**PCAC Action Items:**

**CSPNC LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THE PCAC:**

**Resolved to send the following letter of support to the Mayor with cc's to the Councilwoman, Harbor Commissioners, the Port, and PCAC:** The Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council wishes to express our support for maintaining a strong Port Community Advisory Committee. The Committee plays a vital role in communication with the Harbor Commission and we feel this should be continued. We ask your support for continuing the PCAC and ensuring its relevance and viability as the Port of Los Angeles continues to address crucial issues related to Port growth and community mitigation efforts.

**LA WATERFRONT PRIORITIES FOR THE MAYOR:**

The PCAC is seeking discussion topics to recommend the Mayor address prior to leaving office. Topics must be Port related and actionable in the near term. **The CSPNC Land Use and Planning Committee recommends PCAC support the following:**

1. **Downtown San Pedro Harbor Plans**
2. **San Pedro/Wilmington Connection Improvements** (Front Street/John S. Gibson Blvd. frontage)
3. **Plaza Park/7<sup>th</sup> St. Intersection improvements**

**CSPNC LETTER IN SUPPORT FOR PCAC SAN PEDRO COORDINATED PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE:**

**Resolved to send the following letter of support to the PCAC Co-Chair:** The Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council strongly urges that the San Pedro Coordinated Plan and the Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittees not be combined, but remain as separate entities of the PCAC. While we wholeheartedly support cooperation and a unified waterfront, each community within the harbor district has distinct challenges and needs. These need to be identified and addressed to present an informed decision for the PCAC and the Harbor Commission. Our objective is to give voice to the citizens of each harbor community and we believe this can most effectively be achieved through dedicated subcommittees.

**Next Meeting:** Several Presentation/Discussion items will be on the next meeting agenda:

- Port Police – Emergency Evacuation Plan
- Environmental Management Division – Air Quality/Aesthetic Mitigation Project Updates
- Port Staff – Waterfront Commercial Development Strategy

The meeting will be held **Tuesday, November 16**, 5:30-8:00 pm, at the Wilmington Sr. Center, PCH and Eubank in Wilmington.

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**Chris Cannon Named POLA Director of Environmental Management:**

POLA consultant Chris Cannon has been named to replace the retired Dr. Ralph Appy as the new head of the Port's Environmental division. Mr. Cannon has been working for the Port on a variety of projects for several years through Environ International Corp. Welcome Chris!

**“Moving Forward Together” Conference:**

A conference for communities impacted by trade, ports, and goods movement was held October 22-23 at the Carson Community Center. 750 people were in attendance from across the country, and the world to discuss community concerns. Yours truly co-hosted a workshop on new technologies.

**POLA Gets \$16M Tiger Grant:**

The POLA received \$16M from Round II DOT TIGER Grant funds to expand the West Basin Railyard in Wilmington. This railyard is adjacent to the West Basin Container Terminal at Berths 121-131 and supports the China Shipping Terminal in San Pedro. This was announced October 16 and is the only POLA/LB project to receive a share of the \$600M available in funding this cycle.

**Harbor Commission Approves the Port Community Mitigation Trust Fund (PCMTF):**

Held over from September 27, creation of the PCMTF 501(c)3 plan was finally approved by the Harbor Commission at their October 26 meeting. This organization would have oversight on selection of projects to fund with a starting point of \$11,24M in TraPac project mitigation funds. This is the result of an MOU signed between the POLA and the TraPac Appellants group who successfully challenged the EIR before the City Council. Like the arrangement with the existing Port Community Advisory Committee, the Harbor Commission would still need to approve projects selected by the 501(c)3.

**POLA Clean Truck Program Employee Provision Enjoined Again:**

On October 27 the 9<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeals approved an injunction of the employee provision of the POLA Clean Truck Program while the appeal by The American Trucking Association goes forward. This will not impact implementation of the off-street parking requirement which is going ahead on schedule. Trucking companies are required to provide a plan for off street parking of truck fleets by January 1, 2011.

**Long Beach Passes Proposition “D”:**

The citizens of Long Beach passed Prop. D which would change the City Charter to give the City Council control over Port oil revenues, and allow the City to have easier access to Port revenues to support City expenditures in the Tidelands zone. City revenues would increase by ~\$2M annually through access to Port revenues, and \$150M over ten years from Port oilfield revenues. This measure was ardently opposed by the Port and the Chamber of Commerce, and supported by the Mayor and the electorate.

**CA Voters Deny Proposition 23:**

California voters trounced Prop. 23 which would suspend AB32, the CARB's Global Warming rule, until unemployment rates reach a laughable 5.5% for a full year. This was supported by Tesoro and Valero oil companies, and opposed by environmental organizations and the people of California.

**Wilmington Marinas Planning Study Third Community Workshop:**

The final workshop was held November 4 to come to community consensus on the proposed reuse of the Anchorage Road Soil Storage Site and the Anchorage and Shore Roads Landscape Buffer in the Wilmington Marina.

**\*\*\* Slow Roll Department \*\*\***

**San Pedro Waterfront** – At the November 4<sup>th</sup> Harbor Commission meeting the Port presented a strategy for SP Waterfront Development. The plan was resoundingly criticized by Councilwoman Janice Hahn in that no development is anticipated for four years, and the waterfront promenade was not included.

**USS IOWA** – Also at the November 4<sup>th</sup> Harbor Commission meeting the USS IOWA was presented, however no decision was made on a location. Preference seems to be leaning towards the Downtown Cruise Terminal. This will be taken up at the November 18 Harbor Commission meeting, which gives only eight (8) days to prepare the full proposal for the US Navy.

**Gambol Marine Shipyard** - The Gambol Marine Shipyard was also discussed at the November 4<sup>th</sup> Harbor Commission meeting. No action was taken on this project or extension of the MOU. Heavy barbs are being traded between Gambol Marine and the Port. The Commissioners recommended both parties work out their issues and come back before the Board.

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**Upcoming Events:**

**Sampson Way/Plaza Park Community Workshop** - The first design workshop for the Sampson Way segment of the San Pedro Waterfront EIR will be held November 18. Plaza Park planning will be included in this workshop.

**POLA/LB Clean Air Action Plan Finalization** – Final approval of the Joint POLA/LB Clean Air Action Plan will be reconsidered at a joint meeting of the Harbor Commissions November 22, 2:00 p.m. at Banning's Landing in Wilmington. This has been held over from the October 6 meeting.

**48<sup>th</sup> Annual Los Angeles Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade** – Coast Guard Capt. Robert Laferriere will lead the regatta on Saturday, December 4, 6 p.m. from Wilmington through the Main Channel in San Pedro.

**Intermodal Container Transfer Facility (ICTF) EIR** - This is EIR for expansion of the Union Pacific Railyard in Carson is expected to be released as soon as January 2011.

**Port Community Advisory Committee Meeting – Tuesday, November 16, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Wilmington Senior Center, PCH and Eubank, Wilmington. Food will be served prior to the meeting.**

**There will be no PCAC Meeting in December.**

**Los Angeles Harbor Commission Meetings:**

- Thurs, November 18, 8:30 a.m., POLA Headquarters, San Pedro
- Thurs, December 2, 8:30 a.m., POLA Headquarters, San Pedro
- Thurs, December 16, 8:30 a.m., Banning's Landing, Wilmington

**PCAC Subcommittees (open to the public):**

- **San Pedro Waterfront Coordinated Plan** – Weds, Nov 10, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., POLA HS
- **Wilmington Waterfront Development** – Tues, Dec 14, 5:30-7:30, Wilmington Sr. Center

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