



THE CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

STAKEHOLDER MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012

Port of Los Angeles High School, 250 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA

Call to Order and Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm. Board members in attendance: Frank Anderson, Harvey Contreras, Julia Parker, Phill Trigas, Pat Carroll, Linda Alexander, Scott Gray, Allyson Vought, Bill Roberson, Andrew Silber, Kara McLeod, Sue Castillo, and Carrie Scoville. Excused: James Allen, Art Almeida, Kali Merideth and Annette McDonald. Approximately 25 stakeholders in attendance.

1. **President's remarks:** President Linda Alexander welcoming those in attendance and announced that the results from the selection of board members would be available at the end of the meeting.
2. **LAPD:** Officer Junior reported on the following:
 - As a division they are about 10% down in violent crime.
 - Personal thefts are still a problem, primarily theft from motor vehicles.
 - They have great cooperation from the downtown business owners who serve alcohol. The main issue is to keep alcohol from being taken out onto the street.
3. **PBID Report:** Steven Robbins reported. Highlights from his presentation included:
 - They monitor crimes that occur in the PBID district on a quarterly basis. The first quarter of 2012 showed that the \$280/wk that PBID invests in security provides a benefit for the downtown area in reducing crime.
 - Provided statistics on graffiti. Graffiti scratched on glass is being removed at the expense of the PBID through a buffing process.
 - Announced the Salute to USS Iowa event on July 6th with 6th Street being closed down and the lights being utilized for the first time, other events include the Cars and Stripes event on June 29th.
 - PBID is in the process of petitioning for their renewal. It is a 5-year cycle.
 - The PBID trolley will be operated 7 days a week adding stops at the USS Iowa, the Doubletree and Cabrillo Beach.
 - Updated stakeholders on the funding of PBID.
4. **CD15 Committee Report:** Andrew Silber reviewed the CD15 List and also provided information from John Larson who was unable to attend:
 - Parking Plan that CD15 is working on is now being released to the public. High use parking spaces will be retained but with a lower fee. Many meters with very low use will be removed.
 - Announced Whitepoint Landslide final report will be released on Monday, June 18th, 6pm at Whitepoint Elementary School and DWP Public Meeting regarding rate increases, June 14th
 - CD15 is working with the Port and DOT to address traffic issues created by the arrival of the USS Iowa.
 - Motion to open a council file requesting that a Neighborhood Prosecutor be assigned to San Pedro: A draft council file will be presented next month.

5. Mayor's Office. Ricardo Hong reported:

- Update on parade in downtown LA honoring the Kings Hockey Team.
- Discussion on LAUSD lawsuit related to student evaluations. The Mayor is upholding the judge's decision.

6. Port Subcommittee Report: Frank Anderson gave a brief report from the Subcommittee Meeting. At that meeting landscape renderings were shown for the Front Street Improvement area.

7. Port of Los Angeles Report: Augie Bezmalinovich asked to postpone the full Front Street presentation until the July meeting. Other items reported on included:

- Crafted at the Port of Los Angeles is opening June 29th.
- Draft EIR for City Dock #1. Presentation is available on the Port Website. July 9th is the deadline for comments. Andrew Silber commented on the wonderful projects that the Port is working on within the community.
- The other side of Front Street is also undergoing construction. More information will be provided next month.

8. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- **Jose:** Stakeholder commented that he has been a victim of crime. Two years ago he was badly beaten which left him blind. He asks the community to please respect people with white canes
- **Michael Gatanz:** Commented on new books and research published about loss in civility in our culture. According to recent studies our society is getting more hostile. Also talked about "Swing Peedro" held the fourth Friday of each month at People's Yoga featuring a 7 piece big band.
- **Lanny Nelms:** Commented on two initiatives that will be on the November ballots. The Governor's Initiative and Molly Munger's California State Income Tax Increase to Support Education Initiative. He hopes to see some public forums in the future to discuss these initiatives.
- **Donald Galaz:** Talked about Project Street Legal. They are trying to get racing off the public streets and onto Port Property. They now have more support including Local 13.
- **Barbara and Steve Magee:** Commented on problems with stray cats in their neighborhood on West Upland.
- **Allan Williams:** For 34 years he has lived at the end of the Harbor Frwy and there is usually a major accident at least once a year. The city barrier protecting his residence has been destroyed by a recent accident and he is trying to get the city to put up a K-rail to protect his property. He is hoping to get assistance from the neighborhood council.
- **Jesse Zosaya:** Youth Pastor for Bethany Christian Fellowship. He works with youth from Dana Middle School dealing with issues of alcohol, drugs and theft. He is hoping to get assistance from the neighborhood council and support from local businesses to work with these children and their parents before the problems escalate.
- **Scott Gray:** Thanked everyone who participated in the Gala event to welcome the USS Iowa.

9. PCAC Report: Carrie Scoville reported:

- Annette McDonald attended the PCAC Meeting. There was a presentation on the Alameda Corridor and how much freight is going through and the plans for the future.

- Motion Re: Rancho LPG. The Board of Harbor Commissioners voted 5-0 to continue the lease agreement for the rail.
- Next PCAC Meeting will have a presentation on the I-710 EIR (Long Beach Freeway planned expansion to handle truck traffic). Draft EIR coming out the end of June.
- Sue Castillo moved that the Central SPNC support Carrie Scoville as President of PCAC at the upcoming Election of Officers, seconded by Pat Carroll and passed unanimously by the Board.

10. Land Use Planning Committee Report: Sue Castillo reported:

- **Board Approval of Report on Land Use Planning Meeting of May 16, 2012 (Action Item).** Two pages of recommendations were included in the agenda packet. Sue reviewed the report. Once approved the comments will be forwarded to the City Planning Department. They are expecting a final draft and an EIR sometime in the next couple of months. **Motion to approve from the Land Use Planning Committee was passed unanimously by the Board.**
- Sue met with George Gonzalez, Chief Urban Forester for the City of LA on the issue of replacing the street trees on Gaffey Street which are Queen Palms. We should develop a street tree plan for Gaffey in the event some type of funding becomes available in the future for such a project.
- Next Meeting of the Land Use Planning Committee will focus on strategies for getting some of the projects done. Andrew Silber would like to see someone from City Planning come to a future meeting.

11. Board approval Re: Letter in support of LAUSD Adult Education Programs.(Carrie Scoville) (Action Item) **A copy of the letter was included in the Agenda Packet. Motion by Kara McLeod to approve the letter, seconded by Andrew Silber. Motion to amend by Kara McLeod and send the letter to the entire LAUSD School Board, seconded by Sue Castillo and approved unanimously. Amended motion then passed unanimously.**

12. Outreach Committee: Pat Carroll reported:

- Thank you to Carrie Scoville for representing Central SPNC at the Harbor Occupational Job Fair.
- A couple of volunteers are needed to work the Central SPNC information table at the GSPO Concert at the Warner Grand on June 16th. Harvey agreed to participate.

13. Finance Committee Report: Carrie Scoville reported for Kali Merideth:

- Review of the Monthly Expenses. **Motion by Kara McLeod, seconded by Scott Gray to approve the expenses as provided in the agenda packet. Motion passed with 11 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention (Silber).**
- **Motion by Pat Carroll to approve the following adjustments on the current budget: \$658 from Line 301 to Line 202; and \$145 from Line 205 to Line 104, seconded by Scott Gray and passed unanimously by the Board (12 yes, 0 no)**
- Approval of new budget as amended. This will be approved at the next meeting as DONE is requiring a new template for the budget.

14. HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils) Report: Allyson Vought gave an overview of the meeting on June 6, 2012 and provided written notes in the agenda packet. Items covered at the last HANC meeting included: Discussion on city bus bench replacement program which will include advertising opportunities; Enterprise Zone in Harbor Gateway Area which includes tax credits and many deductions for businesses; Project Renew in Harbor Gateway area relating to a proposed overlay zone with potential impact to R1 housing; and Neighborhood Council

Selection/Election updates.

15. ACE District Report: Short report by Linda Alexander from the last ACE Meeting. Andrew Silber commented on the newly formed First Thursday committee. Stakeholders can participate in these committees.

16. Approval of Minutes from May 8, 2012 Meeting: Andrew Silber moved to approve the May 8, 2012 Minutes as presented, seconded by Carrie Scoville. Sue Castillo gave a minor correction and asked that a comment about Knoll Hill and Eastview Little League be added to the minutes as this was mentioned at the end of Dave Arian's presentation. The board minutes were passed unanimously with the above mentioned corrections.

17. Announcements:

- Linda Alexander recognized various board members for their contributions during the past term.
- Frank Anderson acknowledged Linda Alexander's leadership.
- Linda thanked Scott Gray for his work on the Bylaws which have been approved by DONE.

18. Adjournment: The Meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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