

Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils
Meeting Notes – November 6th 2013
Kaiser Permanente Conference Center
Rosalie Preston, Harbor Gateway North NC, Chair

Attendees: Central San Pedro - Linda Alexander and Carrie Scoville, Coastal San Pedro – Dave Behar, Harbor City –Olive Reed and Greg Donnan, Harbor Gateway North – Lu Watson Rosalie Preston, Joan Jacobs, Harbor Gateway South – Katy Carlson, Adrienne O’Niel, Northwest San Pedro – Craig Goldfarb

Others: *Amber Meshack (DONE), California Senator Rod Wright, Bill Orton (senator Wright’s representative), Kristin Crowley Fire Captain LAFD, John Drake Battalion Chief LAFD,*

Report on Pothole Blitz. Rosalie Preston reported 7 potholes were repaired and the rest on their list would be filled at a later date. Linda Alexander reported they had 8 filled. Both reported a good job was done.

Budget Advocates. *Craig Goldfarb gave a report on the Mayor’s budget day.* Budget reps for our area are. Craig Goldfarb, Northwest San Pedro NC. Joan Jacobs, Harbor Gateway North NC. and Kalli Meridith Central San Pedro NC. The White Paper put out by the budget advocates is not very useful. It would be more helpful if there were more education for neighborhood councils and a closer working relationship between CD15 office. And our local budget advocates. It was suggested that the topic of working with the council office be on the agenda fat the quarterly presidents meeting with Councilman Buscaino Mayor Garcetti is in favor of **Performance Based Funding for neighborhood councils.** *The goal of this funding would be to improve outreach and encourage more participation by stakeholders. There was some controversy during the elections for budget advocates due to the new bye- laws not being concise.*

Los Angeles Fire Department. A power point presentation was given on the LAFD’s Strategic Plan. Battalion Chief John Drake and Fire Captain II Kristin Crowley explained that the Strategic plan is a vision for the future of LAFD. What needs to be changed, areas of concern, community expectation, what is working currently. Feedback is needed

from members of the neighborhood councils and stakeholders. There is a survey on DONE's website. Use "surveymonkey.com" HANC members are encouraged to get their stakeholders to complete the survey and give feedback to LAFD. Cut off date for survey is December 15 2013. Encouraging stakeholders to take the CERT training is also very important. Katy Carlson reported there will be a CERT training to start January 6th 2014 6:00pm to 8:30pm. It is a 7-week training and will be held at the Normandie Park.

Senator Wright. *Gave an overview of legislator victories for District 35*

1. *Public Health issues,*
2. *Consumer Work Protection*
3. *Economic Development,*
4. *District Funding Formulas. For detail information on each Measure please see Senator Wrights Webb site.*

DONE Update.

Amber Meshack, DONE project Coordinator, reported on elections/selections. To work with the Mayors performance based funding Project. Each neighborhood council will have to get stakeholders out to vote. They will be expected to have 1% of their population turn out to vote for candidates running to be on a NC board.

It is now too late to change any bye - laws for an election. Stipulation sheet for a selection will be sent out soon. They will need to be turned back to DONE early in the New Year.

Each neighborhood council needs to put a packet together for stakeholder. This should contain The NC Bye-laws and Standing Rules. There was a discussion on EIA training. Also DONE advertising, where does the funding come from. Amber will send info on this discussion to NC. The new checking account system is to start in January 2014.

There was a motion made by Dave Behar and seconded by Lu Watson regarding the Brown Act postings.

MOTION. *HANC will support each NC. Putting on their next meeting agenda the following motion that can be voted on. If approved by each NC HANC will then vote to have district 15 Council office to create a Council file.*

{A. Reaffirm support for the Brown Act for Neighborhood Councils and it's single accessible 24 hour posting requirement, and reaffirm current board policies regarding current electronic mail and website postings, with only

one physical site as apposed to many. The e-mail requirement shall specify that the agendas be sent to "NCSupport" with the intent that the department will post them to the city's agenda system.

B. Neighborhood councils that do not have a website must post in at least (5) physical postings}

This motion passed with no abstentions or nays.

The wording for the above motion was from the Neighborhood Council Review committees.

Linda Alexander and Rosalie Preston gave a brief over view of the BONC meeting held on 11/05/13 in Torrance. The commissioners had a very lengthy discussion on the Brown Act postings and made no changes to the current ruling causing much frustration for those in attendance.

Carrie Scovile gave a report on the new board of Harbor Commissioners. None are neighborhood Council members. The commissioners have been asked in the past to have evening meetings so more community members could attend. It was suggested we send letters to the new commissioners to request night meetings.

Linda Alexander reported on the meeting NC presidents and board members had with port representatives. P-CAC is still a hot topic due to it's disbanding by the port. Suggestions were made on how to re-form a committee of experienced P-CAC members. It was felt there is still a need for a committee to keep watch on port issues concerning the community.

Dave Behar gave a report on the coast road landslide at White Point. Possibilities are there will be a new road built with a retaining wall at a cost of 28.8 million dollars. Councilman Buscaino to find the funding. A new crack is a factor that could change the plan. More discussion to come.

Carrie Scoville has been in touch with the City controller Ron Gelpert Regarding having an area Town Hall meeting with him and his staff. He is open to this. Will look for a date in January or February 2014. Will need to form a committee to plan and carry out this project.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN DECEMBER.

NEXT MEETING *January 8th2014*