



**Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
December 10, 2012 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
Peck Park Community Center, 6:00pm**

1. **Welcome and Call to Order:** President Diana Nave called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance. Approximately 25 stakeholders present. An update was provided on the vacant board seat and an application deadline of December 31, 2012 was announced.

Roll Call: Board members in attendance were: Scott Allman, Bob Bryant, Pete Burmeister, Gary Buss, Daniel Dixon, Cassidy Feltenberger, Craig Goldfarb, Cynthia Gonyea, Carolyn Grayson, Laurie Jacobs, Katie Marrie, Diana Nave, Raymond Regalado, Barbara Schach, and George Thompson. Excused: Laureen Vivian. One vacant board seat.

2. **Presentation by Lee Oppenheim:** Lee Oppenheim, Cultural Director of Defense Fuel Support located on Gaffey Street thanked Chuck Hart for his work in getting the trees on Gaffey maintained.
3. **Reports from First Responders:** None
4. **Presentation on Ponte Vista Traffic Study:** The Ponte Vista Draft EIR is currently being circulated with a comment period ending on January 7th. The extension of time that the NWSPNC has requested with the assistance of the Councilman's office has not yet been approved. David Shender, Professional Engineer with Linscott, Law, & Greenspan, Engineers, preparers of the Ponte Vista Development Traffic Study gave a presentation with the following highlights:
 - The study is one chapter in the overall impact report.
 - SEQA requires specific guidelines in accessing the effects/impacts for the study.
 - The applicant is required to hire the traffic engineer with approval from the LADOT.
 - LADOT considers comments and suggestions from other agencies (such as the City of Rancho PV and Caltrans, as well as members of the community).
 - Typically the LADOT is required to approve the traffic study before a Draft EIR is released for public review and comments.
 - The public participates through submission of comments and questions.
 - A chart was shown with elements that go into a traffic study.
 - Traffic counts were conducted in October 2010 while schools were in session and while there was no road construction.
 - The PowerPoint presentation showed the 56 intersections that were studied for the Ponte Vista traffic study (as far away as Torrance). 20 intersections are significantly impacted. Mitigation measures need to be considered such as median modifications, traffic signal modifications, re-striping, roadway widening etc. Construction of mitigation requires consent of the local jurisdiction.
 - Potential mitigation measures were shown.
 - The board heard questions and comments from stakeholders.
5. **President's Report:** Diana Nave gave highlights from her written report and announced upcoming meetings. Of special interest were the following:
 - The parent company for Rancho LPG has been sold.

- The Phillips/DWP issue related to the excessive flaring caused by a power outage turned out to be a loose wire.
- Update on the White Point Landslide.

6. Reports of Public Officials:

a. Councilman's Office: Kevin Bingham reported:

- The Councilman continues to oppose 1135 unit for Ponte Vista, pushing for more green space and more public access.
- Recent issue with odors from the Rancho facility has resulted in the facility being cited by the AQMD.
- The Councilman has submitted motions regarding the LPG tanks and addressing the questions and concerns from the past few years. The legislative team is working to release a report early next year.
- Renaming of trails after Ray Patricio should be coming early next year.
- Averill Park area traffic issues: A traffic report is being compiled and will be released soon.
- Peck Pool will be closed January 2nd for 3 weeks for maintenance.
- Ports O'Call Meeting Dec. 20 BOHC, Director Knatz will give an update on the selection of a developer.
- Peck Park Skate Park, 3 contractors are interested. Should be awarded by Jan 2013.
- Councilman's Neighborhood watch groups are on Facebook.

b. Senator Rob Wright's Office: Bill Orton reported:

- Senator Wright has been re-elected to the state senate and 95% of San Pedro will be in his district.
- State highways, EDD, and DMV issues can now be handled through the Senator's office.

c. Congresswoman Hahn's Office: Mike Aguilera reported:

- Briefly spoke about the recent death of a coast guard killed during a drug related operation.
- As of January 23rd most of San Pedro becomes part of the 44th Congressional District, however, Congressman Waxman will handle some parts of San Pedro that fall in the 33rd District.
- Congresswoman Hahn assisted in putting an end to the recent labor dispute at the Port of Los Angeles.
- The Congresswoman participated in a House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee hearing on high-speed and intercity passenger rail.
- She also signed the Discharge Petition to bring the Middle-class Tax Cut Extension to a Vote on the House Floor.

7. Public Comment on non-agenda items:

- **Lanny Nelms:** Commented on the San Pedro Holiday Parade and the increase in attendance.
- **AI (Stakeholder):** Stressed the importance of the Community Plan.
- **Peter Burmeister:** Commented that he would like to see a Memorial of some kind in San Pedro dedicated to John Greenwood.

8. Consent Calendar: The following items were presented for Board Consent:

- Approval of Minutes of the November 12, 2012 meeting.
- Approval of appointment of Gordon Teuber to the Western Avenue Vision Committee; Dan Dixon to the Planning & Land Use Committee; Cassidy Feltenberger and Gary Buss to Youth and Outreach, and Craig Goldfarb as Vice-Chair of Issues; and removal of Craig Goldfarb from Planning & Land Use.
- Approval of co-sponsorship of Mayoral Debate subject to availability of candidates and securing at least one other Neighborhood Council sponsor.

- Motion by Bob Bryant to approve consent calendar as presented above, seconded by Barbara Schach and passed unanimously by the Board.

9. **Approval of Expenditure Report:** Motion by George Thompson to approve the Report as presented in the agenda packet, seconded by Bob Bryant and passed with 13 yes votes, 0 no votes.

Committee Reports:

10. **Planning and Land Use:** Ray Regalado reported on a meeting with Ponte Vista staff at the site which was used as an opportunity for relationship building in hopes of creating good, honest communication. Dan Dixon reported on the selection of a consultant and gave an update on the meeting he had attended last Saturday where there was a wide range of discussion on the process as well as the goals of the project. Goals included a non-gated development, public access, amenities serving the greater community, front facing properties, a public park, live/work spaces, and senior friendly environment. Traffic issues continue to be discussed. The next working session will be this Saturday from 10am-2pm at City Hall where comments will be compiled. A special NWSPNC Board meeting to review the EIR comments was considered for Thursday January 3rd at 6pm.
11. **City Budget Day:** Craig and Ray attended City Budget Day. Craig reported that the deficit has come down. Mayor Reardon could not get enough support for his pension reform initiative.
12. **Youth and Outreach:** Bob Bryant and other board members were thanked for their participation in the Candy Cane Lane event at Weymouth Corners. The Science Center was also acknowledged for their contributions. Bob gave an update on the Newsletter and reported that another Youth Employment Preparation Fair is being considered. Gary Buss has volunteered to Co-Chair the event with Cassidy Feltenberger.
13. **Safety and Security:** Carolyn reported that the Safety and Security committee sent a letter to Wendy Greuel's office asking about responses to a letter she had sent out about the lack of emergency preparedness in Los Angeles. Gruel's office told Carolyn that various City departments responded and their responses are available on the Controller's website.
14. **Announcements:** None.
15. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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