



**Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
November 12, 2012 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 6:00pm**

1. **Call to Order:** President Diana Nave called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance. The meeting was called to order in the memory of John Greenwood. Approximately 50 stakeholders in attendance.
2. **Roll Call:** Board members in attendance were: Scott Allman, Bob Bryant, Daniel Dixon, Craig Goldfarb, Cynthia Gonyea, Carolyn Grayson, Laurie Jacobs, Katie Marrie, Diana Nave, Raymond Regalado, and George Thompson. Excused: Pete Burmeister, Gary Buss, Barbara Schach and Laureen Vivian. Vacant youth seat.
3. **Appointment and Swearing in of Youth Representative:** The Youth Committee unanimously approved Cassidy Feltenberger to fill the position of Youth Representative for NWSPNC. Cassidy, a Junior at San Pedro High School, was appointed by unanimous vote of the Board. She was sworn in and seated with the Board.
4. **LAPD:** Officer Ashcraft gave an update on crime in the Northwest San Pedro area. Recently a new crime that has emerged is theft of catalytic converters from vehicles. There have also been issues with curb painters offering to paint house numbers on the curb and asking for payment for the service. They have been coming around at night and citizens should not feel obligated to pay them.
5. **Fire Department:** Chief Graham Everett from Battalion 6 introduced himself and answered questions from board members and stakeholders. Subjects discussed included Hazmat and Emergency Preparedness.
6. **Presentation on Proposed Plan for Ponte Vista:** Dennis Cavalari presented the Ponte Vista Plan. Highlights included:
 - Ponte Vista's new EIR was released by the city last Thursday. The comment period is 60 days (through January 7th).
 - The project has been redesigned. Two versions were presented. One with 1135 residential units including 140 Townhomes with private garages; 120 single and multi-level condominiums; 514 single-level condominiums (flats) and 218 Apartments. The second one for 830 units.
 - The EIR includes a thorough analysis of alternatives including: No project (the site remains in the current condition); a single family homes only option; and 830 residential units
 - This project is less dense than any previous plans.
 - Playgrounds, pocket parks and green areas are featured throughout the property, as well as community centers and community pools.
 - A new Traffic Study has been completed.
 - They anticipate that the City Council will review and consider approval of the plan in the Spring of 2013.
 - Stakeholders voiced concerns about traffic impacts, parking, and lack of community recreational space.
7. **President's Report:** Diana Nave gave highlights from her written report which included:

- Information on the vacant Board seat
- Mayor's Budget Day next Saturday.
- Western Avenue Visioning Committee. Primarily Rancho PV. NWSPNC needs a volunteer to be on the committee:
- Thank you to Carolyn Grayson for the success of the Emergency Preparedness Fair.

8. **Reports of Public Officials:** None

9. **Consent Calendar:** The following items were presented for Board Consent:

- Approval of Minutes of the October 8, 2012 meeting
- Approval of appointment of Ray Regalado as Chair of the Planning and Land Use Committee and Charles Eldred as member of that committee, removal of Ray Regalado from the Issues Committee, and Removal of Mitch Harmatz as Representative to the Western Avenue Vision Committee
- Authorize Katie Marrie to submit Community Impact Statements
- Motion requesting change in parking/no parking restrictions near 1400 LeGrande Terrace and Averill Park
- Approve and submit proposed comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Southern California International Gateway (SCIG) to the Port
- Motion to instruct our PCAC representative to propose an amendment and vote yes on Valero Lease extension. (Wording of motion follows)

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING AMENDMENT OF PROPOSED PCAC MOTION

WHEREAS, the Port of Los Angeles has for some time planned to redevelop an area now owned by the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LA DWP) in Wilmington; and
WHEREAS, the area and the tanks on it are now leased to Valero; and
WHEREAS, the lease will expire shortly but the Port is not yet prepared to go forward with the project, and Valero has requested an extension of three years of its lease; and
WHEREAS; Valero and British Petroleum (BP) are the two refiners that store butane at the Rancho facility on North Gaffey Street; and
WHEREAS, the local community has previously asked Valero and BP to construct butane storage at their own refineries; and
WHEREAS, the PCAC Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee (WWD) supports a minimum 3 year lease extension agreement, with a 45 day option to extend as needed, between the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (LA DWP) and Valero for the two tanks, and the PCAC will consider the matter at its meeting scheduled for November 20, 2012;
NOW THEREFORE, we hereby instruct our representative to PCAC to seek to amend the motion by adding to it, a requirement that Valero during the three year extension, and before any additional extensions are granted beyond three years, evaluate with BP options and implement plans for storage of butane at a location other than the Rancho Holding site but in no case close to homes, schools or other sensitive areas.
FURTHER, in the event that the amendment fails, we instruct our representative to vote yes on the lease extension.

- There was a request to have Item D removed from list. **George Thompson moved to approve the remaining items (a, b, c, e and f), seconded by Bob Bryant and passed unanimously by the Board.**
- Item d: Scott Allman asked for an explanation on the Motion requesting change in parking/no parking restrictions near 1400 LeGrande Terrace and Averill Park. Dan Dixon provided additional information and **the Motion which was brought forth from the Issues Committee was then passed unanimously. Wording of motion follows:**

Motion Regarding Parking Adjustments on S. Weymouth Ave.

Whereas, at the request of two residents at 1400 Le Grande Terrace, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation make the following curb parking adjustments:

- 1. That the "No Parking" restriction be removed from the southwest side of S. Weymouth Ave. from Le Grande Terrace to W. 13th St. and that parking on that block be unrestricted, except for required red curbs at corners.*
- 2. That the current posted parking on the northeast side of S. Weymouth Ave. between Le Grande Terrace and W. 13th St. be changed to "no parking anytime."*
- 3. That the broken yellow center line be adjusted if necessary.*

Such changes will permit greater parking flexibility for residents of Le Grande Terrace adjacent to Averill Park. The parking currently permitted on the northwest side of S. Averill Ave. is rarely used by park-goers, as it is on a hill, and is of no use to residents because of the current 10 p.m.-6 a.m. restrictions.

10. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None

11. Consider motion to authorize Planning and Land Use Committee to select consultant for Ponte Vista review: Dan Dixon moved that the Board authorize the Planning and Land Use Committee to select a consultant to review the new Ponte Vista Plan. The motion was seconded by Bob Bryant and passed unanimously by the Board.

12. Approval of Expenditure Report: The Expenditure Report was approved by the Board as presented in the agenda packet with a vote of 11 yes and 0 no.

13. Committee Reports:

- **Safety and Security Committee:** Carolyn Grayson talked about the success of the Emergency Preparedness Fair. Scott Allman commented that the other two San Pedro NC's helped with the costs of the event.
- **Planning and Land Use Committee:** Ray was thanked for volunteering to be the new Land Use and Planning Committee Chair. Regarding review of the new Ponte Vista EIR, a request for qualifications was sent out by the Land Use and Planning committee and the committee will interview and choose an appropriate consultant from the applicants.
- **Youth and Outreach:** Bob Bryant announced the Candy Cane Lane event at Weymouth Corners on December 7th (Friday) 5pm.

14. Announcements: None.

15. Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith, Administrative Assistant to NWSPNC