



**Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council**  
**February 11, 2013 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes**  
**Peck Park, 6:00pm**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** President Diana Nave called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Approximately 15-20 stakeholders in attendance.
2. **Roll Call:** Board members in attendance were: Scott Allman, Bob Bryant, Pete Burmeister, Gary Buss, Cassidy Feltenberger, Craig Goldfarb, Cynthia Gonyea, Carolyn Grayson, Laurie Jacobs, Katie Marrie, Diana Nave, Raymond Regalado, Barbara Schach and George Thompson. Excused: Dan Dixon. Unexcused Absent: Lauren Vivian.
3. **Selection and Swearing in of Board Member to Fill Vacant Census Tract 2964 Seat:** Diana Nave explained the process for filling the vacant seat. There was one candidate who qualified for the seat, Connie McOsker, who gave a brief statement. **Motion by Bob Bryant to appoint Connie McOsker to the vacant board seat, seconded by Scott Allman. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board.** After reading the Neighborhood Council Oath, Connie was seated with the Board.
4. **Reports from First Responders:** None
5. **Presentations:**
  - **Tenant Landlord Rights**– April Overlie, Director of Education and Outreach for Fair Housing Services, gave a presentation. This organization handles tenant/landlord disputes, assisting both tenants and landlords. They also hold workshops and management training. The following contact number was provided: 1-800-446-FAIR.
  - **San Pedro Science Center Update** - Ayham Dahi- LAUSD Science Coordinator for Secondary Schools presented:
    - ✓ The Science Center is now called the Vic and Bonnie Christiansen Science Center. The LAUSD is down to two science centers, one in San Pedro (which is primarily a tour center) and one in Granada Hills (which is more of a library).
    - ✓ Proposition 30 did not provide new funding, just prevented further cuts. Laschools.org will post an RFP for 30 days to get proposals from non profits to run the center by July 1st.
    - ✓ In response, there were comments that the NWSPNC hopes to provide community input. Board members felt that the time frame was too short to allow adequate input.
6. **Public comment on non-agenda items:**
  - **Gina Harden**, write-in candidate for CD15, announced her candidacy and platform.
  - **Janet Gunter** commented that there has been significant momentum accomplish with respect to the Rancho LPG tanks issue. The EPA has become more involved. Homeowners are finally beginning to see some progress. She announced a Leadership Forum on Sat. Feb. 23, 10am, at Taper Avenue School. Government representatives have been invited to attend and will be asked how the Government is going to protect Harbor Area residents from the elevated risk of Rancho LPG.
  - Chuck Hart also spoke on the Rancho issue and urged those in attendance to invite all their friends, neighbors and family to come to the Leadership Forum.
7. **Reports by Public Officials**
  - **Councilman's Office:** Kevin Bingham provided a written report and gave highlights from the report as follows:
    - ✓ January 4<sup>th</sup>, the Councilman introduced a motion related to Hit and Run Incidents.

- ✓ January 15<sup>th</sup> Motion requesting that the City Attorney propose and advice on a potential ballot language for a Street Repair and Safety General Obligation Bond Program to be placed on a future ballot yet to be determined.
- ✓ Skateboard Bombing Municipal Code Amendment (Question from Bonnie Christiansen asking about enforcement). This item will be put on a future stakeholder meeting agenda.
- ✓ Beginning March 2013, “no oversized vehicle parking” signs will be installed at Capitol from Western to Gaffey Street; Westmont from Western to Gaffey Street; Gaffey from Capitol to Channel Street and Miraflores Ave from Gaffey to dead-end.
- ✓ Renaming of Peck Park Trails: CD15 continues to work to get this project completed.
- ✓ Gaffey Street Pool (aka Hey Rookie Pool): The pool is still in the design phase, no construction time line has been released yet.
- ✓ Gaffey Street Resurfacing: First phase (9<sup>th</sup> St to Summerland) has begun and should be completed by next week.
- ✓ Traffic Signal Cabinets: CD15 is looking for artists who would like to create art work on the cabinets as a community service.
- ✓ Neighborhood Council Presidents Meeting will be held Thursday 21 from 6-7pm at Harbor Gateway Holiday Inn.
- ✓ City Planning Commission Meeting (San Pedro Community Plan) will be March 14, 2013. Location has not yet been determined.

- **Port of Los Angeles** – Augie Bezmalinovich reported on:

- ✓ BOHC (Board of Harbor Commissioners) meetings, Feb 21<sup>st</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am at the Port Administration Building.
- ✓ Free boat tours and being scheduled for Sat, May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ SCIG (Southern California International Gateway) project: Tentative date for the BOHC to ratify the final EIR is March 7<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Port Master Plan. Environmental Division will hold a meeting for comments on the draft EIR.
- ✓ Ports O’Call: There will be a Staff Report on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, when they will go over the proposals. The Port will be asking the BOHC to enter into an exclusive agreement with the LA Waterfront Alliance.

8. **Mayor’s Budget Survey** – The Mayor’s Budget Survey is now live on-line. This is an opportunity for the community to provide their feedback on budget priorities.

9. **Committee Reports:**

- **Planning and Land Use Committee** – Update on Ponte Vista and Specific Plan. (Written report included in agenda packet).

- ✓ Ray Regalado reported on the meeting held on January 26, 2013 and thanked the people who attended.
- ✓ It will be 4-6 months before the Final EIR will be released. There were about 50 comments sent to the Planning Department in addition to the comments submitted by the NWPNC Board. Items of concern were the number of units and what is actually feasible for that piece of property; the lack of recreation space, and the increase of traffic.
- ✓ The neighborhood council needs input from the community.
- ✓ The committee identified the following Ponte Vista Project strategy themes: Public Education; Media Outreach; Development and Implementation of a survey instrument; General Outreach; Relationship Building; and a CD 15 Meeting.
- ✓ There is no Specific Plan. There are many contradictions in the Proposed Plan.
- ✓ Next Planning and Land Use Meeting is scheduled for Feb. 23, 9am-1pm, location TBA.

- **Youth & Outreach** –

- ✓ **Update on Youth Employment Event.** Gary Buss reported on the Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> event at the John M. and Muriel Olguin Campus. Each board member is asked to contact

at least three businesses requesting their involvement. This year on-line registration will be available.

- ✓ **Newsletter.** Update from Bob Bryant. A full page will be made available for a Ponte Vista Survey.

- **Budget and Finance** – The following motions were recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee:
  - ✓ Consider Approval of December and January Expenditure Reports. **Approved by a board vote of 12 yes, 0 no.**
  - ✓ Consider Approval of reimbursement to Carolyn Grayson in the amount of \$25.87 for expenses related to the Emergency Preparedness Fair. **Approved by a Board vote of 11 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention (Carolyn Grayson)**
  - ✓ Consider Approval of Budget for the \$2,000 set aside for the Youth Employment Event. Previously approved. No additional action needed.
  - ✓ Consider Approval of Moving \$1,700 from Newsletter to Postage resulting in a total of \$5,000 for Newsletter and \$6,700 for postage. **Approved by a Board vote of 12 yes, 0 no.**
  - ✓ Discussion of Funds Available for Reallocation. The Board was asked to submit any ideas for allocating funds for the remainder of the fiscal year.
  - ✓ Suggestion from Pete Burmeister to allocate funds for tree trimming on Westmont (Pete was asked to bring this to the Issues Committee). Chuck Hart commented that the Council Office has already agreed to trim those trees.
- **Community Issues Committee:** No Report.
- **Port Committee:** No report.
- **Safety and Security Committee:** Carolyn Grayson suggested possible speakers for future Stakeholder Meetings.

10. **President's Report:** A written report was provided by Diana Nave. Additional comments included:

- Boat Tours being offered to the Neighborhood Councils.
- MOU between the Port and NC's in this area to deal with issues such as communication.
- Hey Rookie Pool: Funds are not available.
- Electric Car charging stations are being installed at the Port.
- Bike lanes are also being installed.
- Youth Scholarship \$500 has been received from Phillips 66.
- NWSPNC President has been appointed to the Neighborhood Council Plan Review and Reform Initiative Committee.

11. **Approval of items on Consent Calendar:** Motion by Bob Bryant to approve the consent calendar items as presented, seconded by George Thompson. Motion passed unanimously by the Board. The following items were approved:

- **Approval of Minutes of the December 10, 2012 Board Meeting**
- **Approval of Minutes of the January 3, 2013 Special Meeting**
- **Approval of Technical Correction to Minutes of June 11, 2012 to indicate that the Motion to Purchase a Time Light was Approved**
- **Approve appointment of Connie McOsker to the Community Issues Committee**

12. **Announcement:** Citywide Budget Advocates meeting, Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at Harbor Division Community Room.

13. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith, Administrative Assistant to NWSPNC