



Northwest **San Pedro** Neighborhood Council

"Your Community Voice"

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Dr. Geraldine Knatz
Executive Director
Los Angeles Harbor Department

Re: Mitigation Funding and Neighborhood Councils

Diana Nave
President

Bob Bryant
Vice President

Craig Goldfarb
Treasurer

George Thompson
Secretary

At its meeting last night, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council passed the attached resolution asking that the seven local area Neighborhood Councils be included in the selection of mitigation projects and the funding of those projects rather than those powers being delegated solely to a private non-profit corporation.

The reason for this request is simple. The neighborhood councils are established by the City charter, have their organizations approved by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, and are generally regarded by the stakeholders in each area as the group representing their interests. The mechanisms for their representation are set out in the charter and in the enabling ordinances. They were completely ignored in this process.

We also have a number of concerns about the documents the City is negotiating with the prospective non-profit which we would like to discuss with you and look forward to speaking with you at our meeting on 13. Bob Bryant will chair that meeting.

Our main point of contact for these matters is Phil Nicolay who unfortunately will be out of town for the September meeting. Phil can be reached at 310-469-4474. We look forward to working with you to figure out an appropriate role for the Neighborhood Councils in this process.

Diana Nave, President

cc: Cindy Miscikowski