



Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council

“Your Community Voice”

RESOLUTION
CONCERNING PORT OF LOS ANGELES
COMMUNITY SPENDING PLAN

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WHEREAS commencing in 2004, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council [NWSPNC] has commented on and supported the Port of Los Angeles (Port) waterfront redevelopment plans and projects, including the 2009 EIR for waterfront redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, in December 2014 the Port provided for community comment a draft policy for funding these waterfront redevelopment projects with the objective of providing budget certainty, and the NWSPNC commented on the proposed community funding policy at public meetings and via a resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Port provided an update on the renamed public access investment plan and near term project delivery plans to the leaders of the five harbor area Neighborhood Councils and three Chambers of Commerce on Tuesday February 3, 2015 that included a minimum commitment to build the seven projects referenced below with the intent to invest \$50 million in San Pedro and \$50 million in Wilmington in the first five years of the program towards delivery of these seven specific projects:

Wilmington Waterfront

- Catalina Freight Site Re-Purpose
- Wilmington Waterfront Promenade (Avalon Blvd. Corridor Phase IA South

- Harry Bridges & Fries Ave. Park, Street Improvements, and Landscaping (Avalon Blvd. Corridor Phase I North)
- Wilmington Waterfront Pedestrian Bridge

San Pedro Waterfront

- Sampson Way & 7th Street Intersection Improvements
- Town Square at 6th Street
- Ports O' Call Promenade

WHEREAS, the Port also indicated that it was eliminating any proposed deduction from capital funding for litigation or environmental expenses, and also agreed that it would maintain and operate any public access facilities it had built or would build in the future, addressing the costs for such O & M internally;

NOW THEREFORE, the NWSPNC supports the seven specific projects but reiterates its existing resolution adopted January 12, 2015 that the funding for these projects should be done without applying the limitations contained in the proposed Policy, and with the understanding that any grant funds for the projects will be additive and not applied to the \$50 million commitment in each community; and

FURTHER, THE NWSPNC requests that the Port include funding to expedite completion of these seven projects in its 2015/2016 budget, have specific project schedules developed, and include them as part of the Capital Improvement Program project list; and

FURTHER, THE NWSPNC thanks the Port for modifying its proposed policy by eliminating the deductions from capital funding for litigation and environmental expenses and also for addressing O&M matters internally rather than through its proposed policy; and

FURTHER, the NWSPNC commends the Port for continuing to work with the Los Angeles Waterfront Alliance, and reiterates its support for the process needed to reach an agreement with them; and

FURTHER, the NWSPNC looks forward to working with the Port to discuss the framework funding program for waterfront development,, the related remaining O&M matters, and participating with the Port in a collaborative and transparent manner in this effort; and

FURTHER, the NWSPNC strongly commends the Port for working with the leaders of the Neighborhood Councils, the Chambers of Commerce and other community organizations in developing its community funding policy, and looks forward to continuing to work with the Port in that effort.

