

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
**July 2013**

- SAVE THE DATE –
  - August 24 - DONE Harbor Area Training on Planning at Kaiser
  - September 28– NC Congress
  
- Received notice of CHANNEL STREET AND PARAISO STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT in accordance with Proposition 218. It consists of three lights on the South side of Channel impacting 8 parcels of land 7 of which are the vacant lots. There will be a hearing which not yet been scheduled and the two property owners will have the opportunity to vote prior to City Council action.
  
- Spoke at Town Hall meeting re bicycle lanes; asked Kevin to report to us on Joe's recommended changes
  
- Met with the other 2 San Pedro NC Presidents and Council Office to discuss improved communication
  
- Katie submitted request to name the Gaffey greenbelt in honor of John Greenwood
  
- Submitted comments on proposed gas station to Joe & Planning Dept
  
- Spoke with Dr. V regarding the future of the Science Center. He assigned Lannie Nelms to work with us on it. We are gathering information about what restrictions there might be on the property.
  
- Received copy of letter from Council Office forwarding the information to the appropriate City Department about applying for a CalEMA Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant for "public sector planning and training in support of the emergency planning and training efforts of...local communities to deal with hazardous materials emergencies, particularly those involving transportation." To
  
- Sent letter in support of additional SCAG funding for the Western Avenue Vision Committee
  
- Ray, Diana, and Kaizer met with representatives from Ponte Vista; Ray & Kaizer will meet with them again
  
- Attended event at City Dock One that included unveiling of new name as AltaSea. Fundraising underway. They hope to complete phase one if about 5 years
  
- Attended meeting with Mike Feurer to discuss issues related to the City Attorney's Office. He is bringing back the Neighborhood Prosecutor Program and has appointed a contact person for Neighborhood Councils who is herself a Neighborhood Council Member
  
- Ray & I attended meeting with other NC reps and Cynthia Ruiz at the Port; we are working on designing an early notification system. The Port will be releasing an RFQ for \$5,000 grants to community organizations. Tickets for Circ de Sole are already on

sale. They are contemplating doing a community workshop on renewable energy.

- Marymount College is expanding. They will be holding classes at the John Olguin campus and in return for the use of the space will provide college credit classes at no-cost for San Pedro High School students
- Ray & I attended HANC meeting – major item was Dr. Fred Pickel, the ratepayer’s advocate. Our water rates are set to increase significantly. Dr. Pickel opposed the most recent bid for Solar Energy on the grounds that it was going to cost ratepayers significantly more than necessary while not adding any additional benefit. The issue is the large commercial projects for which DWP set the purchase price rather than bidding it out. The price is significantly higher than other jurisdictions (who have bid it out) are paying for solar. I sent a copy of his presentation to Board Members and asked that it be posted on our website.
- Contacted Council Office and Planning Department and successfully got the Public Hearing for Ponte Vista moved from downtown Los Angeles to San Pedro although still in the daytime. Mayor of Rancho Palos Verdes wrote a great letter in support of the change.
- Ray attended Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting and introduced himself
- Met with Alan Franz, Marymount College, to discuss projects that Marymount Students might work on with us
- Next President’s meeting with Joe is Monday July 29. Be sure to let Ray know of any issues you want him to raise.