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Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council Report
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I. Neighborhood Council Requests:

- a. Red Car hours reduction:
- b. Waterfront Redevelopment
- c.

II. Ponte Vista:

- a. For the remainder of 2014, iStar Financial will be completing on-site demolition of the existing roads and infrastructure, as well as completing geological survey work, which will be finished before grading begins.
- b. iStar anticipates that grading will commence in the first quarter of 2015, and should continue into the second quarter.
- c. Depending on the amount and duration of rain this winter installation of new, on-site infrastructure is projected to commence in the second quarter of 2015, and continue into the third quarter. Infrastructure includes storm drains, water and sewer pipes, paving and dry utilities.

III. Legislative Update

a. Council, 11.14.14

1. Councilman Buscaino introduced a Motion declaring the intersection of Gaffey Street and Capitol Drive in San Pedro be officially named DiCarlo Square and for LADOT to erect ceremonial signs.

b. Council, 11.12.14

1. Council considered the appointment of Ms. Wendy Grace Macy as the permanent General Manager of the Personnel Department, City of Los Angeles.
 1. Approved unanimously
2. Council considered a report and ordinance regarding amending the Los Angeles City Election Code to allow processing of vote-by-mail ballots postmarked by Election Day and received within 3 days after Election Day.
 1. Approved unanimously.
3. Councilman Buscaino introduced the following Motions with regards to Bureau of Street Services Reform:
 1. CAO, CLA and DPW do a cost and fee analysis for a Street Damage Restoration Fee (SDRF) which takes into consideration actual amount of street cuts done annually,

including all aged streets, all materials, and the costs of all the departments which help in the process, such as BSS, DOT, GSD and BOE; For the CAO, CLA and DPW to report on all road damage caused by construction and heavy carriers and how much of the damage is calculated in the costs; For the CAO, CLA and DPW to report on how to do periodic reviews of the SDRF fee, based on a future inflationary index.

2. City Attorney, Department of Finance and Police Commission to write an ordinance that mandates all private parking operators in L.A. to use revenue control equipment (RCE) (credit/debit cards, automated cash machines, electronic gates, pay-in-lanes systems), with the new revenue to be used for the Pavement Preservation Program; For the Department of Finance, Police Commission, City Attorney and ITA to report on technological methods to find all parking lots/structures, and vacant land for auto park operations, in Los Angeles.
3. CAO and DPW to report on timeline and process to retrofit the City's Asphalt Plant #1, which will reduce production costs, and increase recycling capacity from 7.5% to 50%, not to mention lower the market rate for asphalt; And for the CAO to report on ways to increase benefits of said retrofit, including creating a cooperative or Joint Powers Agreement.
4. DPW, ITA and DOT to coordinate with other city departments, private utilities and contractors regarding scheduling, monitoring, permitting, mapping and inspecting street cuts in public right-of-ways and improve the Public Works Reservation System to communicate and coordinate better.
5. DPW, DOT, CAO and CLA to report on how to prioritize the improvement of arterial/select streets that get high traffic volume and weight loads with excess funding.
6. CAO, City Attorney, DPW, DOT, ITA, Clerk and CLA to report on feasibility of Community Beautification Districts for installing and maintaining streets, street lights, street trees, sidewalks and curb ramps based on the projected property value increases, and how to create these infrastructure financing agreements.
7. CAO, DPW and ITA to report on the efficiency and feasibility for BSS' MicroPAVER program (which surveys street conditions), Public Works Reservation System, LID requirements and Green Street elements to all public ways, "Cool Pavements", BSS website and data-tracking systems, along with a City wide public right of ways info in open data format to facilitate third party mobile applications.

8. Motion for the City Attorney to write an ordinance that bestows upon the BPW the power to exempt parties from the 1 year moratorium, and mandate the permittees who are exempt to pay the Street Damage Restoration Fee. And for the DPW, CAO and CLA to report on the feasibility, operational and financial impacts, of increasing the moratorium to three years.

c. Council, 11.07.14

1. Council considered an ordinance regarding submitting to the voters a proposed charter amendment to change the City's primary and general elections dates to June and November of even-numbered years beginning in 2020, and called a Special Election and consolidating it with the City's primary nominating election to be held on March 3, 2014.
 1. Approved, Parks dissenting

IV. Upcoming Events

- a. FREE Night at the Aquarium of the Pacific
 1. Monday, December 1, 2014 at 6pm – 9pm; 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach, CA 90802
 2. 3rd Annual Free Night at the Aquarium of the Pacific! Bring your family and friends and please bring an unwrapped toy for our toy drive. It's always an awesome evening, looking forward to seeing everyone there! Please invite your family and friends!
- b. San Pedro Christmas Tree Lighting
 1. Peppertree Plaza (adjacent to San Pedro Municipal Building, 638 S. Beacon Street)
 2. Thursday, December 4, 2014; 4pm - 6:30pm
 3. Mark your calendars! Additional details to come!
- c. Los Angeles Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade
 1. Saturday, December 6, 2014; 6pm – 8pm
 2. Parade route starts at E. Basin St, (full route can be viewed at laharborholidayafloat.org)
 3. This year the parade is hosted by:
 1. Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club
 2. Los Angeles Yacht Club
 3. LA-LB Women's Sailing Association
 4. Buccaneer Yacht Club
 5. LB Singles Yacht Club
 6. San Pedro Yacht Club
 7. Wilmington Boat Owners Association
 4. Free to watch from any public street along the water
 5. More than 60 vessels of all shapes and sizes will participate in the 52nd Annual Los Angeles Harbor Holiday Afloat Parade on Saturday, December 6, starting at 6 p.m. in the Port of Los Angeles Main Channel.
 1. Gabriela Medina, Wilmington and Harbor City Field Deputy for 15th District Councilman Joe Buscaino, will preside as Grand

Marshal for this year's spectacular display of boats that will celebrate the nation's busiest international trade gateway with the theme of "Holiday Treasures."

2. Officials and community leaders will take part in the parade as judges or passengers aboard more than 60 vessels, including powerboats, sailboats, tall ships, and harbor working craft.
 3. Sponsored by the Port of Los Angeles, the parade starts in the East Basin near Banning's Landing Community Center in Wilmington and takes approximately 90 minutes to cover the entire parade route through the Los Angeles Main Channel.
 4. Spectators may view the procession from several points along the Main Channel, including:
 - a. Banning's Landing Community Center, 100 E. Water Street, Wilmington
 - b. Cruise Ship Promenade, Harbor Boulevard and Swinford Street, San Pedro
 - c. Battleship IOWA parking lot, 250 S. Harbor Blvd, San Pedro
 - d. Ports O' Call Village, 1100 Nagoya Way, San Pedro
 - e. Downtown Harbor & Town Square, 504 S. Harbor Blvd, San Pedro
 - f. 22nd Street Landing, 141 W. 22nd Street, San Pedro
 - g. Cabrillo Marina, 200 Whalers Walk, San Pedro
 - h. Holiday Harbor Marina, 241 Watchorn Walk, San Pedro
 - i. SS Lane Victory, Berth 46 at the end of Miner Street, San Pedro
 5. Viewers are invited to enjoy festive pre-parade activities at Banning's Landing Community Center in Wilmington at 4 p.m., and Downtown Harbor and Town Square in San Pedro at 5 p.m.
 6. Home viewers may also watch the parade on Los Angeles CityView Channel 35. For air times, visit www.lacityview.org.
 7. Deadline for boat entries is December 4.
 - a. Vessel entry fee for the parade is only \$30, which includes one admission to the Parade Awards Brunch on Sunday, December 7, at the Los Angeles Yacht Club.
 - b. Advance tickets for the awards brunch are available for \$20 online or \$25 at the door. Trophies will be awarded in the following categories: Theme, Traditional, Humorous, Holiday Spirit, Best Animation, Commercial, Most Original, Children's Choice, Judge's Choice, and the Grand Marshal's Award.
 8. Yacht clubs will be vying for the coveted Perpetual Trophy, awarded to the club with the most entries. For parade, boat entry, and sponsorship information, or to purchase awards brunch tickets, visit www.laharborholidayafloat.org, or call Donna Ethington at (310) 549-8111.
- d. 34th Annual Spirit of San Pedro Holiday Parade
1. Sunday, December 7, 2014; 1pm – 3pm

2. Parade starts at 15th Street/Pacific Avenue and proceeds north on Pacific Avenue to 6th Street, where it goes through historic Downtown San Pedro, and disbands at the Liberty Plaza parking lot on 5th Street.