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Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council Report
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I. Vacation

- a. I will be out of the office starting Monday, July 13, 2015 and will return on Wednesday, July 22, 2015.

II. 8th Street Townhomes

- a. The City Council's Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered this project on February 24, 2015 and recommended approval of the project to the Los Angeles City Council.
- b. The Los Angeles City Council considered this project on March 04, 2015 and it was approved unanimously.
- c. Next steps are to move forward with building/grading permits.
- d. Construction timeline:
 1. September 2015: submit for first plan check
 2. May 2016: Receive permits
 3. June 2016: Begin construction

III. Animal Control Officers

- a. Councilman Buscaino is frustrated with the lack of communication and is asking for no change right now.
- b. Councilman Buscaino is asking that Animal Services visits all the Neighborhood Councils in the Harbor Area.
- c. On Tuesday, June 09, 2015 the Animal Services Commission met at the Harbor Animal Shelter. Councilman Buscaino delivered a letter (see attached) expressing his frustration with the lack of communication from the Department to the community and the Council Office and immediately requested the return of the Animal Control Officers to the Harbor Area.
 1. *Letter is attached.*

IV. Special Olympics

- a. San Pedro is one of over 100 host towns for the Special Olympics, this coming summer. We will be hosting over 100 delegates from Croatia and Kazakhstan for a few days prior to the start of the games in late July. There will be community events to help welcome and celebrate these athletes. Stay tuned for more information.

V. Rancho San Pedro Feasibility Study

- a. The consultant team comprising Economic & Planning System (EPS), CSG Advisors, and Quattro Design will carry out the feasibility study for Rancho San Pedro. EPS will be the prime consultant under this contract and has expertise in market & development feasibility while CSG Advisors will provide their expertise in financing and strategic planning. Quattro, a design firm, has expertise in zoning & regulatory planning framework and will prepare conceptual site plans of feasible options.
- b. This study is expected to take four months with an anticipated completion date of mid-late August.
- c. **June Update:** The Contractor for the study, Economic Planning Systems (EPS), is on schedule with their scope of work. They are roughly 2/3's through the process, and remain on schedule to complete the study in mid-August. Once completed, EPS will present their findings at a public meeting(s)--HACLA Board of Commissioners at a minimum.

VI. Legislative Update

a. Council, 06.03.15

- 1. City Council considered an Ordinance regarding adding Article 7 to Chapter XVIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code requiring a minimum wage for employees and amending the title of Chapter XVIII of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.
 - 1. Councilman Buscaino introduced and amending Motion to this item instructing the CLA, CAO and City Attorney to report on feasibility of exempting less than 50 employee businesses which compensate their employees at the minimum wage rate via benefits. *This Motion was referred to the Economic Development Committee.*
 - a. Approved 13-1, Council Member Mitchell Englander dissenting.
 - b. *CF 14-1371*
- 2. City Council considered an Ordinance regarding aligning the City's regulation of massage therapy establishments with new State law.
 - 1. Approved unanimously.
 - 2. *CF 14-1622*

b. Council, 05.29.15

- 1. City Council considered the reappointment of Mr. Anthony Pirozzi to the Board of Harbor Commissioners.
 - 1. Approved unanimously.
 - 2. *CF 13-1211*

c. Council, 05.26.15

- 1. City Council considered a Resolution to include in the City's 2015-16 Federal Legislative Program Support for any legislative or administrative action to continue funding of the Los Angeles Air Force Base (LAAFB) and Space and Missile Systems Center and

prevent the closure of the LAAFB as part of the Base Realignment and Closure process which relocates or closes military installations.

1. Approved unanimously.

2. *CF 15-0002-S11*

d. Council, 05.21.15

1. City Council considered a report by the Budget and Finance Committee regarding the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the City of Los Angeles.

1. Approved unanimously

2. *CF 15-0600*

e. Council, 05.20.15

1. City Council considered an Ordinance regarding the formation of the Los Angeles Tourism Marketing District

1. Approved unanimously.

2. *CF 14-0943*

VII. LAUSD Board President Dr. Vladovic's Updates

a. At John Larson's request and due to his inability to attend this month I am including updates from LAUSD

1. LAUSD Superintendent Ramon Cortines has sent a letter to Governor Jerry Brown and CA State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson requesting they reconsider and maximize the amount of adult education funds that LAUSD is to receive in the Governor's budget.

2. LAUSD Superintendent Ramon Cortines is meeting with Governor Brown on Tuesday, June 09, 2015 and plans on directly addressing the issues surrounding A-G Education Requirements, SRLDP, Adult Education, Special Education funding, teacher evaluation bills, and declining enrollment.

VIII. Upcoming Events

a. Board of Animal Services Commission Meeting

1. Tuesday, June 9, 2015; 7pm

2. Harbor Animal Care Center, 957 N. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731

3. You are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting and provide input on critical issues to ensure the protection and welfare of the animals in the City of Los Angeles.

b. Ribbon Cutting for New Play Equipment at Alma/Rena Park

1. Saturday, June 13, 2015; 10am

2. Alma Park, W. 21st Street and S. Meyler Street, San Pedro, CA 90731

3. Please join Councilman Joe Buscaino, the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Alma Park Park Advisory Board as

we celebrate new play equipment and other upgrades at Alma and Rena Park!

- c. John Olguin Pool Public Opening Ceremony**
 - 1. Saturday, June 13, 2015; 12pm
 - 2. San Pedro Senior High School, John M. and Muriel Olguin Campus
 - 1. 3210 S. Alma Street, San Pedro, CA 90731
 - 3. The Department of Recreation and Parks, Councilman Joe Buscaino, LAUSD and Kaiser Permanente, South Bay invite you to the Public Opening of the Olguin Pool!
- d. Les Miserables**
 - 1. June 19 – June 21, 2015 at the Warner Grand Theatre; June 26 – June 28, 2015 at the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center
 - 2. The world's most popular musical is coming to the Warner Grand Theatre and the Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center! ENCORE will bring to life the world of 19th century France. Experience the passion, heartbreak and resilience of the human spirit live on stage. Featuring the music of the 2010 UK Tour, the brilliance of director Summer Cacciagioni, the musical direction of the incomparable Mike Walker, and the incredible costumes of Cheryl Ortiz, *Les Misérables* will come alive.
 - 3. Please visit www.encoreentertainers.org for tickets and details.
- e. Special Joint Meeting of the Public Works & Gang Reduction Committee and the Budget & Finance Committee**
 - 1. Tuesday, June 23, 2015; 6pm
 - 2. Harbor Gateway Branch Library
 - 1. 24000 S. Western Avenue, Harbor City, CA 90710
 - 3. The Committees will consider a City Administrative Officer report relative to a new policy for repair and management of sidewalks adjacent to private property.
- f. 4th of July Observance**
 - 1. Saturday, July 4, 2015; 10:30AM
 - 2. Korean Friendship Bell