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

a. Status of Bulk Storage Facility Motions:

1. Our original motion (PS Cmte in SP) called for a report to ask for new ideas. The CLA report dated February 19, 2013, did not identify any specific areas of legislation from the City perspective that would address additional safety concerns. Furthermore, past reports have address questions outlined in the respective motions that were introduced. Per the CLA report, which outlined communication and information sharing as a key problem, the Councilman Buscaino introduced a motion to streamline the sharing of data concerning the 50 CalARP facilities located in the City of Los Angeles, in as much as security restrictions emanating from the federal government will allow.
2. In short, all 7 original bulk storage facility motions will be noted and filed, as the questions posed in the motions have been answered.
3. As a reminder, the City has limited authority as it pertains to these facilities; our sliver of responsibility is inspection, carried out by LAFD. The bulk of this responsibility is at the state and federal level of government.

b. Laurie Jacob's Letter:

1. I forwarded the electronic version of the letter to Councilman Buscaino and to Alison Becker, his Planning & Economic Development Director.

c. NC Budget - \$50K:

1. At the last NWSPNC, it was asked what Councilman Buscaino's position is with regards to raising the NC's budget to \$50K.
 1. The City Budget must balance dozens of competing needs and priorities, and it is a zero-sum game. We cannot add funding to one department without taking away from another. It is premature and would be irresponsible to commit to supporting an increase in funding for any department or service without knowing the Controller's revenue projections, or considering the numerous competing funding needs of the City and its various departments as a whole.
 2. It would be like signing up for the premium package of cable channels, without knowing how much your paycheck will be, and how much your electric, gas and mortgage will be.

d. Mary Star High School, Bike Lanes

1. CD15 had conversations with MSHS to change entry/exit from Taper Ave. to Western Ave/John Montgomery Dr. They were very receptive to making this change in order to alleviate traffic on Westmont.
2. At present, it seems this change has yet to be incorporated.
3. The new road Ponte Vista is building for MSHS will make using it as an entrance/exit much easier.

II. **Sharrow Lanes**

- a. ~5 miles of sharrow lanes will be installed in CD15 this year. These markings warn drivers to share the lane with bicyclists. They are not special lanes for bicycles only. Bicyclists already have the right to be on the road and these markings simply remind drivers to be aware of bike riders.
- b. Notice was not given to the community or our office because no lanes or parking was being lost.
- c. The new markings are in addition to what is already out there and will not change traffic patterns. The benefit is that they may slow drivers down.
- d. Here are a list of the streets:
 1. 19th Street from Gaffey Street to Crescent Avenue
 2. 19th Street from Western Avenue to Walker Avenue

3. 13th Street from Alma Street to Beacon Street
 4. Cabrillo Avenue from 12th to 14th Street (south bound only from 12th Street to 13th Street)
 5. 9th Street from Gaffey Street to Beacon Street
 6. Emily Street from Paseo Del Mar to 37th Street
 7. 37th Street from Emily Street to Alma Street
 8. Alma Street from 37th Street to 17th Street
 9. 26th Street from Alma Street to Patton Avenue
 10. Patton Avenue from 26th Street to 25th Street
- e. As a reminder, the Bicycle Master Plan that was approved by the City Council in 2010 laid out when these changes were scheduled to occur.

III. **Legislative Update:**

- a. Council – 04 March 2014
 1. Ponte Vista, unanimously approved 14-0.
 1. 30-35 community members attended the meeting. Thank you for your attendance.
- b. Council – 21 February 2014
 1. Council approved Marcie Edwards as the new, permanent General Manager of the LADWP.
- c. Public Safety Committee – 14 February 2014
 1. Motion (Buscaino - Englander) relative to establishing a website for the California Accidental Release Prevention (CalARP) Program on the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) website that would provide information to residents on the 50 CalARP facilities inspected by LAFD.
 1. Preliminary design due in 2 months, complete version due in 4 months, inasmuch as security regulations and requirements will allow information to be shared.

IV. **Upcoming Hearings**

- a. ZA Hearing – Big Nick’s Pizzeria
 1. Thursday, March 20, 2014, 9AM, San Pedro Municipal Building – Room 452
 2. Conditional Use - Beverage

V. **Upcoming Events:**

- a. CD15 Lunch Mob – Tantalice
 1. Thursday, March 13, 2014, 11:30am – 1:30pm
 2. 23770 S. Western Ave, Harbor City, CA 90710
 3. “Network & buy local at the monthly Buscaino Lunch Mob!”
- b. Assistance League Post Office – 50th Anniversary
 1. Saturday, March 15, 2014, 10am – 11:30am, Weymouth Corners
- c. Paws for a Cause
 1. Saturday, March 15, 2014, 12pm – 5pm, Joan Milke Flores Park
 2. Put on by the American Cancer Society – a non-competitive walk event for dogs and their owners to raise funds and awareness in the fight against cancer.
 3. Doggie demonstrations, contests, raffles and much more