



NORTHWEST SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Green COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting Held at Peck Park Community Center Computer Room on Tuesday, October 21th, 2014

Committee Member Attendees: Sarah Valdez, Darlene Zavalney

Non-Committee Member Attendees: N/A

Committee Members not in attendance: Laurie Jacobs

Agenda Item 1: Discuss Outreach Strategies

Discussed the possibility of organizing an all-organic farmers' market in the Northwest San Pedro area. Market would ideally be held over the weekend, and the Green Committee would host a booth at the market for outreach purposes. Also discussed outreach at POLAH, the San Pedro Science Center, Harbor College, etc. In other words, outreach to high school and college students in general.

Agenda Item 2: Discussion regarding possible projects with youth

Discussed the possibility of implementation of recycling bins and composting bins in public spaces throughout the Northwest SP area. Discussed initiating a program that would create awareness around throwing compostable food scraps into the green trash bin. Discussed collaborating and drawing ideas from other green committees (e.g. Santa Monica, Mar Vista). Discussed possibility of implementing 'hydration stations' into Northwest SP. Discussed the possibility of working on composting at local school sites. Went on to further discuss action items for this new Committee to head in the next year. Agreed upon the idea that our committee should be involved with the current work being done by community members against the Rancho LPG holdings. Agreed to "green" our Neighborhood Council monthly Board meetings (e.g. encourage reusable water bottles, offer healthier food choices, minimize use of plastic packaging) Discussed the addition of a new "Green" section to the Council's quarterly newsletter, which would offer 'green' news for the quarter as well as tips stakeholders could incorporate into their households and daily lives. Discussed the possibility of creating a green committee icon.

Agenda Item 3: Discussion regarding re-usable water bottles at Board meetings

Discussed the possibility of providing promotional re-usable water bottles for Board members and stakeholders at each Neighborhood Council Board meeting

Agenda Item 4: Other items for consideration

Green Committee meetings will be held the third Tuesday of every month at the Peck Park Community Center Computer Room, from 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Agenda Item 5: Public comment

No members of the public present.

New business

“Greening” of NC Board meetings. Research possibilities for action on Ranch LPG issue by committee. Recruit youth at local schools. Research hydration stations.

Announcements & Next Meeting Date

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 18th, at 6pm, located at the Peck Park Community Center Computer Room.