



Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
 Monthly Board & Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Monday, October 12, 2015, 6:00 p.m.
 LAPD Harbor Area Station – Community Room
 2175 John S. Gibson Blvd.
 San Pedro, CA 90731

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Ray Regalado. There was a quorum of 12 board members. See list below for board member attendance. Approximately 12 stakeholders in attendance.

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
Scott Allman	Excused
Bob Bryant	Present
Pete Burmeister	Present
Rogelio Cuevas	Excused
Dan Dixon	Excused
Alberto Encinas	Appointed to Board
Craig Goldfarb	Present
Cynthia Gonyea	Present
Laurie Jacobs	Present
Diana Nave	Present
Raymond Regalado	Present
Barbara Schach	Present arrived at 6:20pm
George Thompson	Absent
Sarah Valdez	Present
Christopher Valle	Present
Lee Williams	Present
Darlene Zavalney	Present

2. **Appointment of Alberto Encinas for NWSPNC Youth Board Seat.** Mr. Encinas gave a brief statement. He is the ASB Vice President at San Pedro High School and Vice President of Youth and Government. **Motion by Darlene Zavalney to approve Alberto Encinas for the NWSPNC Youth Board seat, seconded by Cynthia Gonyea, and passed with 11 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)**

3. **Public Official Reports**

- a. **Dr. Vladovic, LAUSD Board member, Director of Communications, John Larson reported:**
 - i. There will a public meeting regarding the start date of the school year. The date, place and time yet to be determined.
 - ii. Update on Science Center funding: Because of the way the District does it's budgeting, the science center is not considered part of the core curricula, therefore, it is on a year to year basis for funding. Accordingly, each fiscal year a specific budget line item needs to be created to allocate funds for it.
 - iii. The Governor signed in to law Senate Bill 172 which extended, for at least the next three years, the suspension of the state graduation exam, retroactive to the year 2004.

- iv. There will be increased traffic enforcement, particularly around elementary schools, in response to complaints of reckless driving.
- v. President Ray Regalado asked about how California Lottery dollars impact the actual budget of LAUSD. Mr. Larson responded that the State of California apportions funds based in part on students most in need/high risk students. LAUSD has one of the highest proportions of high risk/high investment needs students. Board members were curious as to what percentage of lottery ticket dollars are designated to schools.
- vi. A stakeholder asked about class sizes. Mr. Larson responded in part that class size was an item included in the last contract negotiation with the teachers union.

4. First Responder's Report

a. LAPD: Senior Lead Officer Adriana Bravo

- i. Due to the Columbus Day holiday Officer Bravo did not have the usual detailed crime stats. However, she did go over some basic stats for the area which show that robberies, burglaries and property crimes have all increased.
- ii. Officer Bravo was accompanied by Robbery Detective Rivera who came to discuss crime trends.
 - I. Robberies are still a big problem. They have increased, particularly since prop 47 has gone into effect.
 - II. There have been three robberies in the last few weeks at the Ninety Nine Cent store. Young males are following elderly people outside the store, approaching from behind, knocking them to the ground and stealing their jewelry.
 - III. An arrest was made in the Mt. Shasta area of an individual who was burglarizing a home tented for pest control. The home owner had a live stream security system, which is how they caught him. He had a ledger of 'tented' homes.
- iii. Board member Lee Williams asked Officer Bravo about a dog attack that took place in the Gardens. There are varying accounts of the attack. She stated that it was an issue for animal control.
- iv. Board member Lee Williams asked about complaints from stakeholders related to drones. It is legal to operate a drone from private property, it is not legal to operate a drone from public property. If, however, the drone operator is using the drone for illegal observation into a home, which is illegal, the problem becomes locating the operator.

5. Presentations/Conversations:

- a. POLAHS (Port of Los Angeles High School) Bottle Free Club.
 - i. Several POLAHS students gave a presentation about the Bottle Free Club. Some of the highlights follow:
 - I. This club is dedicated to eliminating single use plastic bottles, particularly water bottles, from the POLA HS campus and worldwide.
 - II. They have successfully gotten three hydration stations installed on the POLAHS campus.
- b. Brief 2015 Congress of Neighborhood Councils Reports/Feedback
 - i. Board member Laurie Jacobs gave a brief overview of the Congress, and the workshops she attended.
 - ii. Board President Ray Regalado gave an overview of a workshop he attended. He commented that some neighborhood councils conduct visioning surveys of their stakeholders to get an idea what their stakeholders want. He feels that the Northwest Council has a good grasp of what its stakeholders want because the board members get out into the community, do outreach, talk to their stakeholders and ask them what is important to them.
 - iii. Board member Lee Williams came away with some insights; 1) every NC is dealing with some form of homelessness and dumping, 2) the biggest thing he took away is communication; the council needs to be a conduit, and get people involved at the committee level.

6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- a. Debbie Rouser commented that the sponsorship banner from the Leland Park Spring Fling event is now on display in the park, and she presented a thank you letter for the Council's support. They are having a free Community BBQ at the park and invited the Council to have a booth, or just come and support the park. The event is on Saturday, November 7th, from 2pm – 6pm.

7. Consent Calendar: Diana Nave requested that Item a. (September 2015 Minutes) be removed from the consent calendar.

- a. Approval of September 2015 Minutes corrections as follows:

Motion by Diana Nave to correct minutes as follows: item 7a change "Board member Scott Allman will Chair" the 2015/2016 Elections Committee to "Scott Allman was appointed to Chair the 2015/2016 Elections Committee"; and item 5a change from "Anthony Kruzic commented that Senator Hall introduced a bill to amend the Tidelands Trust..." to Anthony Kruzic commented that Senator Hall introduced a bill that he thinks might amend the Tidelands Trust...". Motion to amend seconded by Laurie Jacobs, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)

Motion by Craig Goldfarb to strike the word "donation" from item 8dii. Motion seconded by Laurie Jacobs, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)

Motion from committee to approve the September 12, 2015 minutes as corrected, passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)

- b. Appointment of Chris Valle and Ashley Calderon to the Youth and Community Outreach Committee.
- c. Appointment of Bob Garcia to the Planning and Land Use Committee.

Motion by Craig Goldfarb to approve items b. and c. of the consent calendar, seconded by Laurie Jacobs, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)

8. Committee Reports and Motions

- a. Community Vision Committee – Dan Dixon – not present, no report.
- b. Port Committee – Report – Diana Nave for Phil Nicolay
 - i. Possible comments for consideration regarding China Shipping Terminal.

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Subject: Comments of the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board To The Supplemental Environmental Impact Report For Berths 97 -109 (China Shipping) Container Terminal Project Notice of Preparation (NOP)

Mr. Cannon:

We the elected Board of the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council provide the comments below to the Berth 97- 109 Container Terminal Notice of Preparation (NOP). We understand that this Supplemental Environmental Impact Report is being prepared to reevaluate 12 mitigation measures from the original EIR that have not been implemented (Seven Air Quality, One Noise, Four transportation). We appreciate the opportunity to provide these comments and looking forward to them being addressed in the Environmental Impact Report for the project.

Comments

1. *The Project should meet and exceed the requirements of the San Pedro Bay Clean Air Action*

Plan, and No Net Increase Policy adopted by the Board of Harbor Commissioners. If the Project cannot meet and exceed these requirements, then the Port should provide mitigation elsewhere to ensure no net increase in emissions.

- 2. The DEIR/DEIS should address and evaluate truck traffic from the proposed project west of the 110 Freeway. Given the location of the Port of Los Angeles Distribution Center on North Gaffey Street at Westmont and the number of trucks that currently use the facility; we believe that the DEIR/DEIS should reflect traffic counts on North Gaffey from ~~Channel Street to Westmont Street~~ Summerland to Anaheim.*
- 3. The expansion of Berth 97 – 109 container terminal facilities has resulted in visual impacts from operating lights at the facility. We request that as part of this Supplemental EIR review of mitigation measures that aesthetics, specifically impacts from lights at night, be evaluated.*
- 4. That the DEIR/DIES and lease provisions for the Berth 302-306 container project should incorporate a specific schedule for truck fleet modernization.*
- 5. The approved EIR document should include review and application of new technology and regulations to ensure the highest level of emission standards is being applied to equipment operating at the facility. As part of the project operation post-project validation of the emission reductions should be done. Formal review's should be done to evaluate the state of the emissions control industry and how new technologies and devices could be applied to the China Shipping project in order to reduce emissions.*
- 6. The development and expansion of Berth 97 – 109 container terminal facilities has added to the visual impact of utility poles and additional "cross-arms" on existing poles. This impact should be evaluated as part the EIR development. Potential mitigation of underground of utilities underground along Gibson and Harry Bridges should be evaluated.*
- 7. The boundary between the project area and the adjacent streets is undeveloped in the Knoll Hill area. As part of the EIR evaluation the completion of the bike / walking path from the Cruise Terminal to intersection of Pacific and Harbor Blvd should be evaluated to improve public safety and reduce car/truck conflicts with pedestrians and bicyclists. A schedule for the completion of this segment of street should be included in the EIR47 project.*
- 8. The transportation improvements within the approved EIR should be retained and reevaluated as conditions change and the China Shipping Terminal expands and reaches capacity.*
- 9. As part of the transportation review the use of the rail track along the China Shipping Terminal should be evaluated for possible use as part of the METRO regional transportation network.*
- 10. To account for unmitigated impacts from emissions and air quality the Port should include mitigations related to reducing emissions through the use of public transportation. This could be accomplished by including the use of the Red Car in the future as a mitigation for emissions.*
- 11. Operations of the China Shipping Terminal ~~has~~ have resulted in increased noise. As part of the EIR evaluation the Port should compare current noise readings to the baseline readings recorded in nearby residential areas of San Pedro. Mitigations to reduce noise impacts off the China Shipping property should be included in the supplemental EIR to reduce the impacts below baseline.*
- 12. Operations of the China Shipping Terminal have resulted in increased visual blight from the cranes. Please consider as a mitigation measure that the Port adopt a color scheme for the cranes that blends with the horizon, and require that it be used for any new cranes in the port and on all existing cranes as they are repainted.*
- 13. As part of the impacts of increased truck and rail traffic, the Port should examine the increased potential for truck and rail accidents, particularly as they relate to the transportation and storage of hazardous materials, including the location/s where rail tankers are stored.*

Adopted by the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council on October 12th, 2015.

Motion Re: The Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for Berths 97 -109 (China Shipping) Container Terminal Project Notice of Preparation (NOP) presented for approval.

Motion by Diana Nave to amend comments (as shown in strikethrough changes and underlined additions above). Motion to amend seconded by Bob Bryant, and passed with 11 yes

(Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Bryant)

Motion from Committee as amended passed with 11 yes (Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Bryant)

- c. Sustainability Committee – Report – Sarah Valdez
 - i. Discuss and consider approval motion to support CF 15-0002-S97, which supports SB788; Enacting the California Coastal Protection Act of 2015. Item tabled.
 - ii. Discuss and consider approval to spend no more than \$100 for story board material, arts and crafts material as well as an educational banner for the Sustainability Committee educational/outreach presence at NWSPNC Halloween Movie in the Park event. **Motion** by Bob Bryant to approve an amended amount not to exceed \$250 for the purchase of story board material, arts and crafts material as well as an educational banner for the Sustainability Committee educational/outreach presence at NWSPNC Halloween Movie in the Park event, seconded by Darlene Zavalney, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s) **Motion** by Darlene Zavalney to approve purchase of story board material, arts and crafts material as well as an educational banner for the Sustainability Committee educational/outreach presence at NWSPNC Halloween Movie in the Park event in the **amended** amount not to exceed \$250, seconded by Peter Burmeister, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)
- d. Youth and Outreach Committee – Report – Darlene Zavalney
 - i. Discuss and consider updated language for Neighborhood Purpose Grants form and instructions. **Motion** by Darlene Zavalney to approve updated language for Neighborhood Purpose Grants form and instructions as presented, seconded by Bob Bryant, and passed with 11 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Goldfarb)
 - ii. Board member Darlene Zavalney asked that board members please attend the Movie in the Park event.
- e. Planning and Land Use Committee – Diana Nave – The committee discussed the following issues:
 - i. Stakeholder Alan Johnson’s Vision for Downtown San Pedro.
 - ii. Applying for a \$3,000 grant from LANI for trail improvements at Peck Park in the canyon for stairs and committing up to \$1,500 in matching funds. The item was withdrawn, however, they still want to try for other grants for other repairs in the canyon.
 - iii. The MTA Silver Line will be extended to San Pedro providing direct connections to downtown Los Angeles.
 - iv. Committee Chair Diana Nave commented on Senate Bill 63, it is not about amending the Tidal Lands Trust Act to allow permanent housing. It permits the Port to do an infrastructure funding district for large improvement projects. Anything built would still need to be in accordance with the Tidal Lands Trust Act restrictions.
 - v. She participated in a conference call with multiple interested local parties, including Congressman Ted Lieu, about the environmental impact study of the DFSP site. This issue will be on the agenda at the next Planning and Land Use Committee meeting.
 - vi. The next meeting is on October 21st. Some of the items for the agenda are a presentation on the North Gaffey Beautification project, the community cleanup and beautification plan, and the sign ordinance.

- vii. [Link to September Planning and Land Use Report](#)
- f. Public Safety Committee – Report – Roger Cuevas – not present, no report.
- g. Budget and Finance – Sarah Valdez
 - i. Discuss and consider approval of September Expenditure Report. **Motion by Bob Bryant to approve September Expenditure Report, seconded by Chris Valle, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)**
 - ii. Discuss and consider approval of September Budget. **Motion by Chris Valle to approve September Budget, seconded by Bob Bryant, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)**
 - iii. Discuss and approve motion to reimburse \$213.84 to Laurie Jacobs for arts and crafts material to be used at Joe Buscaino’s Spaghetti Dinner event. **Motion by Bob Bryant to approve reimbursement in the amount of \$213.84 to Laurie Jacobs for arts and crafts material to be used at Joe Buscaino’s Spaghetti Dinner event, seconded by Chris Valle, and passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s)**
 - iv. Treasurer Sarah Valdez passed out a card for the Budget Advocates Survey of City services.
- h. Executive Committee – Report – Ray Regalado
 - i. Discuss and consider approving motion to support CF 15-1138 to declare a State of Emergency to provide emergency shelter and housing to the homeless.

*NORTHWEST SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
RESOLUTION RE CF 15-1138*

The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council acknowledges the homelessness crisis in Los Angeles. We have reviewed the motion that would declare a State of Emergency (CF 15-1138) and cannot support it without significant additional information. NWSPNC therefore requests that additional information be made available to Neighborhood Councils and that sufficient time be allowed for Neighborhood Councils to review and comment.

Items for which we are requesting clarification include, but are not limited to, the following:

- *Definition of micro units*
- *Impact of amending the code to allow micro units in residential areas*
- *Proposed geographic distribution of the 82,000 new units discussed*
- *Duration of the State of Emergency*
- *Duration of the proposed changes to the codes*
- *Specificity regarding the proposed amendments to the codes*

Adopted 10/12/15

Motion by Diana Nave to amend motion of support of CF 15-1138 to declare a State of Emergency to provide emergency shelter and housing to the homeless by substituting the above language (as shown in italics). Motion to amend seconded by Bob Bryant, and passed with 10 yes (Burmeister, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 2 no (Bryant and Gonyea), 0 abstention(s)

Motion as amended passed with 9 yes (Burmeister, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Nave, Regalado, Schach, Valdez, Valle, Williams and Zavalney), 1 no (Bryant), 1 abstention(s) (Gonyea)

9. HANC Report – There was no HANC report.
10. Other Reports: None
11. Budget Representative’s Report – Craig Goldfarb, postponed to next meeting due to time constraints.
12. Announcements/Future Agenda Items, none
13. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm. The next meeting will be November 9, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Akerblom for NWSPNC