



NORTHWEST SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Sustainability COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting held at *San Pedro City Hall, Room 452, on Tuesday, March 15th, 2015*

Committee Member Attendees: Chuck Hart, Sarah Valdez, Darlene Zavalney

Non-Committee Member Attendees: Bill Brownell, Renee Orefice

Committee Members not in attendance: Janet Gunter, Bobbi Lisk

1. **Welcome and introductions**
2. **Announcements**
3. **Discuss rain barrel distribution event to be hosted in conjunction with Tree People and Rain Barrels International.**

Rain Barrel event postponed due to funding issues. Discussed possibly partnering with the Elections and Outreach Committees to host the rain barrel giveaway event in conjunction with the upcoming Elections Day event in June.

4. **Possible motion regarding NWSPNC purchase of plastic bottled water.**

Motion: In an effort to be responsible to the environment, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council will no longer supply single-use, plastic water bottles at its meetings and events. Motion by Darlene Zavalney, seconded by Chuck Hart, passed unanimously

5. **Discussion regarding promotion our Bottle Free campaign**

Darlene Zavalney spoke with Joe Buscaino's office, and is dropping off 14 NWSPNC water bottles at his office to be used by Joe and his fellow City Council members. Sustainability Committee to follow up by asking Joe and City Council members to use the bottles at City Council meeting. Committee will attend next possible meeting to praise City Council for using the bottles, and to take pictures.

6. **Updates on correspondence with elected officials regarding the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council's decision to support the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education in its stance on the relocation of the Rancho LPG storage tanks currently located on Gaffey Street in San Pedro.**

Resolution passed a second time at the March Board meeting. Committee to pitch the Resolution to the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils for their support as well.

7. **Discuss and consider resolution in support of the pro-solar principles espoused in Mayor Garcetti's Sustainable City pLAN, and urge the city to achieve 1,500 MW of local solar PV by 2025 as a baseline target, with a strong effort to surpass this goal.**

Discussion regarding LA City Solar vendors—in support of the Mayor's solar goals for the city, will the City offer rebates and discounts to help residents purchase solar? Environment California to present at upcoming April Board meeting and discuss the Mayor's solar initiative.

Resolution passed in support of the Mayor's initiative. However, will not bring the Resolution to the Board until more information is garnered regarding how the City of LA will help Los Angelinos afford to meet the Mayor's solar goals for the city.

8. **Public comments on items not on the agenda.**

N/A

Next meeting: *Tuesday, April 19th, 6:00-7:30 pm, at SP City Hall, Room 452*