



Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council
 Board & Stakeholder Meeting – September 12, 2016
Peck Park Community Room
560 N. Western Ave., San Pedro, CA 90731

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Ray Regalado. There was a quorum with 14 board members. See list below for board member attendance. Approximately 25 stakeholders in attendance

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
Bob Bryant	Excused
Pete Burmeister	Present arrived at 6:20 pm
Bron D'Angelo	Excused
Matthew DiMeglao	Present
Carlos Garcia	Present
Dan Dixon	Excused
Craig Goldfarb	Present left at 8:45 pm
Cynthia Gonyea	Present
Gwendolyn Henry	Present arrived at 6:15 pm
Laurie Jacobs	Present
Melanie Labrecque	Present
Raymond Regalado	Present
Steven Skrumbis	Present
Sarah Valdez	Present
Christian Valle	Present
Lee Williams	Present
Darlene Zavalney	Present

2. Public Official Reports:

a. Assemblyman Patrick O'Donnell

- i. Assemblyman O'Donnell introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his background and the things he is working on in Sacramento.
- ii. President Regalado Ray asked again about having a notification sign in San Pedro for construction on and around the bridges.
- iii. Craig Goldfarb commented that CHP recently declined a request to come to a community gathering related to cleaning up homeless encampments along the freeway. Assemblyman O'Donnell was surprised as CHP has been responsive when he has discussed it with them in the past.
- iv. Carlos Garcia commented that along the 110 freeway there is a lot of trash, CalTrans cleans one side but not the other. Craig Goldfarb commented that he contacted CaTrans and they are going to have a heavy duty crew do cleanup that the port is not doing in this area.

b. Councilman Joe Buscaino San Pedro Field Deputy Ryan Ferguson

- i. Mr. Ferguson provided a written report. To view the full report please go to nwsanpedro.org or use the following link <http://nwsanpedro.org/council-district-15-reports/>. Some of the highlights are as follows:
- ii. Mr. Ferguson will be out of the office on vacation starting Friday, October 14, returning to the office on Tuesday, November 8. If you need anything in his absence please call the office at 310-732-4515.
- iii. There will be additional street resurfacing in the area during the month of September.

- iv. The Los Angeles Sister Cities Plaza, formerly known as the Exit Park, on Gaffey at the end of the 110 freeway, has construction well underway.
- v. The sale of the Courthouse to Los Angeles County has been approved by the State Legislature and signed by Governor Brown.
- vi. They are continuing to work on the Sidewalk Repair Incentive Program.
- vii. The annual free Buscaino Block Party and Pasta Dinner ins Saturday, October 22, from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Weymouth Corners.
- viii. President Regalado commented that they were promised that iStar would come to give periodic updates – which they have not done – can Mr. Ferguson see about making that happen as they have been unresponsive to NC requests.

c. Port of Los Angeles (Report from Augie Bezmalinovich)

- i. The next meetings of the Harbor Commissioners are Thursday, September 15, at 8:30 am, at the Port Administration building and October 6, at 6:00 pm at Bannings Landing.
- ii. The third annual Horton's Hayride is Saturday, September 17.
- iii. The Southern California Boat Show will be at Cabrillo Way Marina starting Thursday, September 22 through Sunday, September 25.
- iv. The annual Red Bull Rally will be October 8 and 9 at the outer harbor.
- v. The annual Pet Parade and Happy Harbor Halloween will be Saturday, October 29, at the downtown San Pedro water cut and in Wilmington.
- vi. The Port has invited NC board members and Chamber members to attend a Port 101 class from 10 am – 1pm, tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 24, it will include a harbor boat tour.

3. First Responder's Report

a. LAPD: Senior Lead Officer Bravo

- i. Officer Bravo gave a brief overview of crime statistics for the Northwest San Pedro area and reminded people not to leave valuables in your car and lock your car.
- ii. Property crimes are down, however, people still need to lock, your cars and homes.

b. PORT POLICE Sergeant Jose Alvarez

- i. Hot import Nights car show will be downtown on Saturday, September 24.
- ii. The Tri Arts Festival is September 17 and 18 at Ports O'Call Village.

c. CPAB: Craig Goldfarb

- i. A lot was covered at the last meeting.
- ii. Captain Oreb went over crime statistics for the area and is emphasizing getting guns off the streets.
- iii. The booking van is that is at the station Thursday, Friday and Saturday night's is not likely to get more days.
- iv. Harbor Gateway South concerned about their SLO changing so often.
- v. They encouraged people to attend the community police academy.

4. Presentations/Conversations:

a. Science Center Update – Superintendent Downing

- i. LAUSD has been approached by another community partner with an alternate proposal for the site. This group is requesting strong consideration from the district for this proposal.
- ii. Accordingly, he wants to reconvene the focus group to hear a presentation from that group.
- iii. The former focus group members, Craig Goldfarb, Chris Valle, Lee Williams and stakeholder Chuck Hart, will continue as the NWSPNC representatives.
- iv. The district has provided funding for the current school year to maintain the site and for some repairs and upkeep.
- v. Starting in November it will be open for professional development and field trips again.

b. Terminal Island Renewable Energy Project – Diane Jones

- i. Diane Jones from Los Angeles Sanitation on Terminal Island
- ii. Injecting Bio Solid a until permit expires in 2018
- iii. they have not yet extracted enough gas to be a renewable energy source
- iv. The process is working

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

- a. Chuck Hart commented on a Senator Hall disaster response article. He contacted the City Attorney and was told that he cannot get any more information. He is very frustrated.
- b. John Stammreich reminded people about the upcoming annual Congress of Neighborhoods on Saturday, September 24. He thanked Sarah Valdez, Gwen Henry and Laurie Jacobs for their support of the proposed Sustainability committee for the Central San Pedro NC meeting.
- c. Gwen Henry is participating in a Halloween Movie Night event and is asking for any leftover paint people might have to be donated.

6. Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of August minutes.
- b. Approve Appointment of NWSPNC Committee Members
- c. Approval to remove Lee Williams from Budget and Finance Committee.
- d. Approval to add Pete Burmeister to the Budget and Finance Committee.
- e. Approval to add Joleen Deatherage to the Youth and Outreach Committee
Motion by Laurie Jacobs to the Consent Calendar, seconded by Darlene Zavalney, and passed with 14 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).

7. Committee Reports and Motions:

- a. Community Vision Committee – Report – Dan Dixon – Not present
 - i. Discuss and consider motion to request signage stating: Authorized vehicles only and curbing of animals at Harbor Highlands Park. Item skipped as Mr. Dixon was not present.
- b. Port Committee – Report – Phil Nicolay
 - i. There was no President’s meeting last month.
- c. Elections and By-laws Committee – Diana Nave
 - i. Add Standing Rule Number 7 as follows: 7. Speaking During the Neighborhood Council Presentation Time at City Council, City Commission, and City Committee Meetings. The President is authorized to speak during the Neighborhood Council Presentation time at any City Council, City Commission, or City Committee Meeting on issues on which the Board has adopted a formal position. In the absence of the President, the Vice President or the Chair of the Committee that has developed the position, is authorized to speak ~~or to designate a surrogate~~. In the event that none of the above are available or want to speak, the President may authorize someone else to make the presentation.
Motion by Lee Williams to amend the motion by deleting ‘or to designate a surrogate’, seconded by Gwen Henry, and passed with 12 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 1 no (Goldfarb), 1 abstention(s) (DiMeglao).
Motion from committee as amended passed with 12 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 1 no (Goldfarb), 1 abstention(s) (DiMeglao).
 - ii. Amend Section 6.C Other Election Related Language: Youth Seat Appointment to read as follows: Youth Seat Appointment. The Youth Seat shall be filled using the following procedures:
Motion from committee as amended failed with 0 yes, 13 no (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 1 abstention(s) (Goldfarb).
 - iii.
 - 1. Eligibility requirements, application process, and deadline for application will be announced.
 - 2. All applications received by the deadline shall be reviewed to determine if the candidates meet the youth seat requirements.
 - 3. All qualified candidates shall be invited to give a brief presentation at the next Board Meeting.
 - 4. Board members will select from among the qualified candidates by voice vote in accordance with Section 6E of these bylaws.
 - 5. The term of office will be established in the Standing Rules.
Motion by Laurie Jacombs to approve the above changes, seconded by Lee Williams, and passed with 12 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Gonyea, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Henry) and 1 provided no vote (Goldfarb).

- iv. C. Add Standing Rule Number 8 as follows: 8. Youth Seat Term of Office. The term of office for the youth seat shall be from July 1 through June 30. In the event that the seat is not filled by June 30, the incumbent may continue until such time as the seat is filled. **ITEM TABLED**
- d. Sustainability Committee – Report – Sarah Valdez
 - i. To view a written report of the latest meeting please go to <http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes/>.
- e. Youth and Outreach Committee – Report – Darlene Zavalney and Robert Bryant
 - i. Discuss and consider motion regarding LAUSD school start date change for school year 2017/18.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RETAINING THE SCHOOL YEAR AS IS

WHEREAS there has been consistent feedback from secondary educators in response in support of continuing the school year as is and,

WHEREAS the school calendar year best reflects the interest of students and their continuing education, and

WHEREAS changing to the traditional school year calendar places final testing after a three week break in classroom attendance, and,

WHEREAS additional classroom time must be devoted to review of studies that would have fresh in the student's mind prior to the winter break, and

WHEREAS test scores from the finals can significantly impact the overall GPA of the students affecting college eligibility and acceptance, and

WHEREAS the student's best educational interest and future career goals must outweigh the desire for longer vacation times.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that until there is time to further determine consequences resulting from this change, Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports ~~the school calendar as is and does not support returning to the traditional calendar year beginning after Labor Day.~~ 'a start date after Labor Day if they can establish changes that ends the semester prior to the winter break'.

Motion by Laurie Jacobs to amend the motion with the substitution shown above, seconded by Darlene Zavalney, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 1 no (Skrumbis), 0 abstention(s).

Motion from committee as amended above, passed with 10 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, and Zavalney), 4 no (Gonyea, Henry, Skrumbis, and Williams), 0 abstention(s).

- ii. This year's Movie at the Park will be ET on October 18. To view the full written report of the latest meeting please go to http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes.
- f. Planning and Land Use Committee report – Diana Nave/Lee Williams – Report on meetings. To view the full written report of the latest meeting please go to http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes.
 - i. Discuss and consider Letter Commenting on the Proposed Del Taco at 4th and Gaffey - A copy of this letter is attached to the Aug 25 Committee Report. To view the letter please go to <http://nwsanpedro.org/correspondence-of-the-board/>.
Motion from committee passed with 14 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
 - ii. Discuss and consider Letter in conjunction with development at 550 S. Palos Verdes - A copy of this letter is attached to the Aug 17. To view the letter please go to <http://nwsanpedro.org/correspondence-of-the-board/>.
Motion from committee passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, DiMeglao, Garcia, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 left meeting early (Goldfarb).
 - iii. Discuss and consider letter to Cal Trans requesting removal of Fence along Harbor Blvd between Channel and the 110 on-ramp - A copy of this letter is attached to the Aug 17 Committee Report – **ITEM TABLED**

- g. Public Safety Committee – Report – Bob Garcia
 - i. They did not meet last Wednesday, they moved the meeting to the second Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 14.
 - ii. On Monday, October 3, the San Pedro community block captains are meeting at LAPD Harbor station at 6:00 pm. Neighborhood prosecutor Lauren Halligan and area SLO's will be there.
 - h. Budget and Finance – Melanie Labrecque, Treasurer
 - i. Consider approval of August 2016 expenditure report. **Motion by Sarah Valdez to approve August 2016 expenditure report, seconded by Lee Williams, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - ii. Consider approval of budget as updated through the month of August 2016. **Motion by Sarah Valdez to approve budget as updated through the month of August 2016, seconded by Lee Williams, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - iii. Motion to Move \$1,125.00 back into Audio Services under Operations. **Motion by Melanie Labrecque to approve moving \$1,125.00 from unallocated back into audio services under Operations, seconded by Gwen Henry, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - iv. Motion to place \$3,874.23 into unallocated to hold for further distributions as determined. NOTE: This money is to cover moneys we were shorted from 2015-2016 fiscal year. **Motion by Melanie Labrecque to approve placing \$3,874.23 into unallocated to hold for further distributions as determined. NOTE: This money is to cover moneys we were shorted from 2015-2016 fiscal year, seconded by Gwen Henry, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - v. Discuss and approve the use of allocated funds, \$1,200.00, for October Movie at the Park. **Motion by Melanie Labrecque to approve moving \$1,200.00 from unallocated into Outreach for October Movie at the Park, seconded by Laurie Jacobs, and passed with 12 yes (Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Burmeister), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - i. Executive Committee – Report – Ray Regalado
 - i. He has been working with the City Attorney and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regarding the undisclosed issue.
- 8. HANC Report – Ray Regalado – HANC Meeting Consisted of Empower LA Town hall Conducted by Grayce Liu and Octaviano Rios.**
- a. Discussion and Consider referral to Budget and Finance Committee the following resolution – Be it resolved that the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils hire a note taker for each monthly meeting that is paid for in equal parts by each HANC member Neighborhood Council at an approximate annual cost of \$310 per council. **Motion by Pete Burmeister to approve referral to Budget and Finance Committee the following resolution – Be it resolved that the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils hire a note taker for each monthly meeting that is paid for in equal parts by each HANC member Neighborhood Council at an approximate annual cost of \$310 per council., seconded by Chris Valle, and passed with 13 yes (Burmeister, Garcia, Goldfarb, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Skrumbis, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not eligible (DiMeglao).**
 - b. Discuss and Consider approval of Letter from HANC Meeting – **Item deferred due to time constraints.**
- 9. Other Reports**
- a. Budget Advocate and Representative's Report – Craig Goldfarb – Not present
- 10. Announcements/Future Agenda Items: None**
- 11. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm. The next meeting will be October 10, 2016 at 6:00 pm. **Note: Tentative, location may change due to Columbus Day holiday.**

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Akerblom for NWSPNC