



Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council  
 Board & Stakeholder Meeting – November 14, 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 16 board members. See list below for board member attendance. Approximately 25 stakeholders in attendance

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call/Attendance</b>
Bob Bryant	Present
Pete Burmeister	Present
Bron D'Angelo	Present
Matthew DiMeglio	Present
Carlos Garcia	Present
Dan Dixon	Present
Craig Goldfarb	Present
Cynthia Gonyea	Present
Gwendolyn Henry	Present
Laurie Jacobs	Present
Melanie Labrecque	Present
Raymond Regalado	Present
Steven Skrumbis	Absent
Sarah Valdez	Present
Christian Valle	Present
Lee Williams	Present
Darlene Zavalney	Present

**2. Public Official Reports:**

**a. Councilman Joe Buscaino**

- i. The Councilman gave a brief introduction and thanked the board for their leadership, time and commitment.
- ii. He reminded everyone that Field Deputy Ryan Ferguson is always here for you.
- iii. He gave updates on the San Pedro Public Market, Sampson Way realignment, the San Pedro Courthouse, Highpark, the Sister Cities Plaza exit park, and the Warner Grand Theatre.
- iv. The LA Waterfront and Downtown feasibility study on will be presented on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm at the Port Administration building.
- v. The court ruled that LA Section 8502, regarding people living in vehicles, is not enforceable. Accordingly, the city drafted a new ordinance which restricts the times and places people living in vehicles can be.
- vi. Highland Park restrooms are currently out to bid and give an update when more is known.
- vii. President Regalado commented that Mira Flores was cleaned up but now it is looking bad again. He asked if the Councilman's office could help with CalTrans? He responded they could and Mr. Ferguson would give an update in the future.
- viii. The Councilman answered questions from the board and stakeholders.

**b. LAUSD – Local District South Superintendent Christopher Downing**

- i. Christensen Science Center update: They had a focus group meeting and heard proposals from Pet Pals and Sapphire Sanctuary. The district asked the presenters to provide evidence of their ability to sustain funding for at least five years by December. There been another focus group meeting after that.
- ii. Barton Hill Elementary School update: The Boys and Girls Club is operating a STEAM academy after school and LAUSD is funding a full time assistant principal and they will be implementing a new online math program.
- iii. San Pedro High School has formed a partnership with the National Math and Science Initiative to increase AP enrollment.
- c. **Assemblyman Patrick O'Donnell's Office** – Field Deputy Sarah Patterson
  - i. She commented that she is working on concerns of the board, however, she has no new information to report.
  - ii. There was discussion of cleanup issues of Mira Flores.
- d. **Mayor Garcetti** Field Representative Manny Lopez
  - i. Mr. Lopez provided a written report which included statements regarding Veterans Day and recent protests related to President Elect Trump.
  - ii. The Mayor launched an export program to help L.A. companies expand their business internationally.
  - iii. The Mayor announced \$64.6 million for sustainable affordable housing development.
  - iv. He also launched 'College Corners' to help ease L.A. students' path to higher education.

### 3. First Responder's Report

- a. **LAPD:** Senior Lead Officer Nua for Officer Bravo
  - i. Harbor Division is number one for reduction in part one and property crimes. Burglary theft from motor vehicle continues to be an issue.
  - ii. The LAPD Helping Badge event is December 18<sup>th</sup>. It provides a Christmas for those that are less fortunate than ourselves. The event provides gifts, toys, and a winter wonderland. It is held at the shooting range off North Gaffey. He thanked the many local businesses and organizations donate to the event.
  - iii. Office Bravo is participating in the annual Police Unity Tour this year in honor of officer Bobby Mata.
- b. **CPAB** – Craig Goldfarb
  - i. Mr. Goldfarb was unable to attend the last meeting. However, he attended the prior meeting.
  - ii. Crime statistics were discussed, and the impact of Prop 47.

### 4. Presentations/Conversations: None scheduled

### 5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

- a. Tony Mercadante commented that he wants the Sheriff's Department (LASD) to come to meetings to talk about what is happening on the other side of Western Avenue, he also wants an update on the status of the old Albertson's/Hagans, the location needs to be addressed.
- b. Stephanie Vitiello commented on behalf of her 83-year-old father regarding the community garden at 1400 North Gaffey. They got a new president of the garden in spring of this year. He is supposed to turn on the water two days a week, however, he is not turning it on regularly, at least not in their area. Ms. Vitiello contacted Nicole Wells in the CD15 office, as yet there has been no progress. She is requesting that the water be turned on at least when they say it's supposed to be.
- c. Mike Puliselich commented about a prior request to the board for funding of neighborhood watch signs. Also, the Peck Park Pool has not been useable due to maintenance and repairs.

### 6. Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of October minutes.
- b. Appoint Laurie Jacobs Vice Chair of Youth and Outreach Committee.

**Motion by Melanie Labrecque to the Consent Calendar, seconded by Darlene Zavalney, and passed with 15 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, D'Angelo, DiMeglio, Dixon, Garcia, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Goldfarb).**

### 7. Committee Reports and Motions:

- a. Community Vision Committee – Report – Dan Dixon

- i. Discuss and consider motion to strongly support transparent and public scoping process in determining location and operation of proposed homeless facilities and services throughout NC area.

**Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council**  
Community Issues Committee

**Motion**, October 26, 2016

In response to the issues of homelessness facing the City of Los Angeles, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council insists, from this date forward, on a fully transparent, fully public scoping policy in determining the location and operation of any proposed **PUBLICLY MANAGED** homeless facilities and services throughout our council district.

Approved by Committee 3-2.

6 committee members present. Chair did not vote

Motion by **Bob Bryant** to amend the motion to add 'publicly managed' as delineated above, seconded by **Melanie Labrecque**, and passed with 15 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, D'Angelo, Dixon, Garcia, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (DiMeglio).

Motion from committee as amended, and passed with 14 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, D'Angelo, Dixon, Garcia, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Henry, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 1 no (Jacobs), 1 abstention(s) (DiMeglio).

- b. Port Committee – Report – Phil Nicolay
  - i. Discuss and consider motion suggesting two additional waterfront public access projects. Postponed as the text for the motion was not included in the agenda package.
  - ii. Discuss and consider motion suggesting a public observation deck in the area of the Maritime Museum. Postponed as the text for the motion was not included in the agenda package.
  - iii. LA Waterfront Alliance wants to come give a presentation at a future meeting.
  - iv. Barton Hill sponsorship discussion – previously addressed.
- c. Elections and By-laws Committee – Diana Nave – Not present.
  - i. Consider sending a request to change By-Laws/Standing Rules to develop detailed language as to how monthly board agenda is to be compiled – Discussion and possible action item
- d. Sustainability Committee – Report – Sarah Valdez
  - i. Discuss and consider motion to allocate no more than \$1,500 for water conservation event to be held in March 2017. Item postponed.
  - ii. Discuss and consider letter of support to LADWP for shift to 100% renewable energy by 2030.

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Motion from committee, seconded by **Darlene Zavalney**, and passed with 9 yes (DiMeglio, Garcia, Henry, Jacobs, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 4 no (Bryant, Burmeister, Goldfarb, and Gonyea), 3 abstention(s) (D'Angelo, Dixon, and Labrecque).

- iii. Discuss and consider motion to join the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA). Motion by **Sarah Valdez** for the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council to join the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA), seconded by **Laurie Jacobs**, and passed with 8 yes (D'Angelo, Henry, Jacobs, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 5 no (Bryant, Burmeister, DiMeglio, Goldfarb, and Labrecque), 3 abstention(s) (Dixon, Garcia, and Gonyea).

iv. To view a written report of the latest meeting please go to <http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes/>.

- e. Youth and Outreach Committee – Report – Darlene Zavalney
  - i. A volunteer signup sheet for the Candy Cane Lane event is being circulated.
  - ii. The annual San Pedro Holiday Parade is Sunday, December 4, 2016.
  - iii. Pathways to Employment event update – Laurie Jacobs reported that Pathways has been approved and they have a new person to chair the event with a lot of experience doing events.
  - iv. To view the full written report of the latest meeting please go to [http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes](http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes/).

- f. Planning and Land Use Committee report – Lee Williams reported that there will not be a meeting on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, due to schedule conflicts. To view the full written report of the latest meeting please go to <http://nwsanpedro.org/minutes>.
- g. Public Safety Committee – Report – Bob Garcia – Not present.
- h. Budget and Finance – Melanie Labrecque, Treasurer
  - i. Consider approval of expenditure report (MER) for the month of October 2016. **Motion by Sarah Valdez to approve the expenditure report (MER) for the month of October 2016, seconded by Lee Williams, and passed with 16 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, D’Angelo, DiMeglio, Dixon, Garcia, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).**
  - ii. Consider approval of budget as updated through the month of October 2016. **Motion by Bob Bryant to approve the budget as updated through the month of October 2016, seconded by Lee Williams, and passed with 16 yes (Bryant, Burmeister, D’Angelo, DiMeglio, Dixon, Garcia, Goldfarb, Gonyea, Henry, Jacobs, Labrecque, Regalado, Valdez, Valle, Williams, and Zavalney), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).**
  - iii. Budget Advocate and Representative’s Report – Craig Goldfarb reported that the BAs are having meetings with city departments. Reports and White Paper to follow.
  - iv. Discuss and consider Barton Hill program support. Item postponed.
- i. Executive Committee and Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (HANC) Report – Ray Regalado
  - i. HANC wants to have a mission statement and goals. They want each NC to draft a mission statement and identify three goals that they have been working on. President Regalado will work on these items for presentation to the board at a future meeting.

**8. HANC Report – Ray Regalado**

- a. Discussion and Consider ideas regarding a one (1) sentence mission statement for HANC consideration and provide a list of NWSPNC’s top three priority items to HANC.
  - i. Please see item 7.i.i. above.

**9. Other Reports – None**

**10. Announcements/Future Agenda Items – None**

**11. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm. The next meeting will be December 12, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheryl Akerblom for NWSPNC