

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
 1400 240<sup>th</sup> Street, Harbor City  
 Wednesday, 1-29-15; 6:00pm

### Official Minutes

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>
Eric Deklotz	Present
Kayla Domingo	Absent
Greg Donnan	Present
John Gonzales	Present
Brandii Grace	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Wayne McGee	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Rohan Sourjah	Absent
Hayes E. Thrower	Present
Joeann Valle	Present

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** President Ray Moser called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum of 11 Board members was present. See roll call above. No stakeholders present. Two representatives from Assembly member Mike Gipson's Office were also in attendance.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Donnan to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2014 Governing Board Meeting, G. Reed seconded. Motion passes 9 Yes (Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle); 0 No and 2 abstentions (Deklotz, Moser).
3. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items** –
  - a. Greg Donnan announced a 1940's Night event in February at the Fort MacArthur Museum.
  - b. Brandii Grace announced that the Harbor College Extension Program is offering free Spanish classes for people in public service.
  - c. Gavin Centeno, Field Representative from Assembly member Mike Gipson's office, distributed a flyer for a Free Income Tax Preparation and Family Resource Fair on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at California State University, Dominguez Hills, Welch Hall.
  - d. Barry Heads II, a Field Representative from Assembly member Mike Gipson's office was introduced. He handles Education, Budgeting, Healthcare, and Senior issues for the cities of Torrance, Carson and South LA.
  - e. Wayne Magee had a complaint about the gate for Harbor Village at Petroleum & 254<sup>th</sup>/Vermont and PCH. He was told that the gate is private property and the city has no control of it. Joeann Valle said she would see if she could get more information about which entity would have control of the gate.
4. **President's Report** – None

5. **Appointments**: This item was addressed at the December 2, 2014 Governors Board Meeting. The second signature is Joyce Fredericks, and the new Treasurer is Olive Reed.
6. **Storm Plaza – Storm Properties Presentation (Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf)**: Larry Carr from Storm Properties distributed material related to STORM PLAZA retail space located at on the corner of Sepulveda Blvd. and Normandie Blvd. The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf and Storm Properties have filed for a CUP (conditional use permit) to allow them to have extended operating hours. Storm Properties is seeking a letter of support to the Planning Commission from HCNC. **Motion by Hayes Thrower to approve the Harbor City Neighborhood Council Board writing a letter to the Planning Commission in support of Storm Plaza having extended operating hours. Motion seconded by John Gonzales and passed with 9 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower); 0 no; 1 abstention (Moser); and 1 Recusal (Valle).**
7. **Budget & Finance Report**: Presentation of the following action items
  - a. **Approval of November/December Monthly Expense Report/Bank Statements.**  
Motion by Joeann Valle to approve the November Monthly Expenditure Report, and the November and December Bank Statements as presented, seconded by Olive Reed and passed with 9 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 2 Abstentions (Grace, Moser).
  - b. **Approval of Cash Requests for February and March 2015.** - Motion by Joeann Valle to approve the February Cash Request, seconded by Olive Reed and passed with 9 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 2 Abstentions (Grace, Moser).
  - c. **Approval of Funding Request for \$100 for School Supplies for Narbonne High School-** Motion by Joyce Fredericks to approve the December and January Cash Requests, seconded by Joeann Valle and passed with 10 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 Abstention (Moser).
8. **Website Update**: Kristina Smith is upgrading the current website to WordPress platform using template created specifically for Neighborhood Councils.
9. **Reports from Meeting Representatives**:
  - a. HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils) Greg Donnan reported that the minimum wage information session has been indefinitely postponed.
  - b. NCPAC – Rohan Sourjah reported that there was no meeting of the NCPAC in the past month.
  - c. Harbor Regional Park PAB: No report.
  - d. Friends of the Library: Grant Reed reported that he anticipates they will make a presentation to the Board for funds in the next month or so.
10. **Reports from Committee Chairs**
  - a. **Education/Youth** – Hayes Thrower
    - i. Thrower, O. Reed and G. Reed attended the Narbonne High School Safety Meeting on January 22, 2015. The two most important issues were:
      1. Former students who are now attending Cooper Continuation School are returning to campus and engaging in gang activities and starting fights at Narbonne and at adjacent businesses. LAUSD has moved the pickup/drop off point for these students from Narbonne to Lomita.
      2. It was reported that there are currently 45 homeless students enrolled at Narbonne.
  - b. **Outreach** – Brandi Grace
    - i. The committee is trying to establish a calendar that would include future events, speakers and outreach opportunities.

1. Possible events as follows:
  - i. March – Utility Box Beautification
  - ii. April – Health Fair
  - iii. May – Community Fair at Ken Malloy Park
  - iv. June – Resource Fair with City Services and/or HCNC Anniversary.
  - v. July – Something in connection with the Special Olympics
  - vi. August – National Night Out
  - vii. September – Heal the Bay or Health Fair
  - viii. October – Reggie’s Revenge and/or Harvest Festival
  - ix. November – Undecided
  - x. December – Holiday Lights

Motion by Valle to approve tentative events calendar, Thrower seconded. Motion passed with 10 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 Abstention (Moser).

2. Possible speakers as follows:
  - i. February – Transportation with LA County
  - ii. March – Law Enforcement
  - iii. April – Animal Control
  - iv. May – Environmental Issues
  - v. June – City Services
  - vi. July – Disabled and Senior Services
  - vii. August – Education
  - viii. September – Disaster Preparedness
  - ix. October – Local Business or LA Councilmember Joe Busciano
  - x. November – Veterans
  - xi. December – No meeting
3. February through August – Clean-up Events – Have one a month in a different neighborhood.

Motion by Thrower to approve monthly clean-up events, Donnan seconded. Motion passed with 10 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 Abstention (Moser).

4. Utility Box Beautification – Joyce Fredericks – The Outreach Committee is moving forward on considering ways to get the community involved.

Motion by Donnan to approve Outreach Committee moving forward with the Utility Box Beautification Project, G. Reed seconded. Motion passed with 10 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 Abstention (Moser).

5. Grant and Olive Reed are on the BONC Outreach Committee. They attended the first meeting a couple of weeks ago. At the meeting DONE provided a suggested outline of how to work on outreach and a copy of Del Rey Neighborhood Council’s outreach plan.
6. Thrower suggested that at each months Stakeholder meeting HCNC invite the Student Body President from one school a month to give a brief overview of what is going on at their school; and at the same time present the designated school with a contribution for school supplies.

c. **Public Safety:** No report.

- d. **Planning/Zoning/Land Use:** Nothing further to report.
- e. **Comment:** O. Reed expressed concern about comments B. Grace made at the Stakeholder meeting regarding the Holiday Lights event.
- f. **By Laws:** No report.

11. **Old Business:**

- a. The Board discussed the "Welcome to Harbor City" sign. Storm Properties agreed to pay for a sign that a Committee designs at which point Storm Properties involvement will be concluded. Gabby from Joe Busciano's office will take the lead. Members of the committee to include Gabby, Joyce Fredericks, Wayne Magee, Grant Reed, Olive Reed, Ray Moser, Gloria (Green Meadows Resident).
- b. Downhill Race/Signature Event for HCNC: No updated provided.
- c. Flag Retirement – Status of flag retirement issue – The Boy Scouts are opening the bags of flags in storage and learning how to fold them in preparation for retirement.  
**Motion by G. Reed to form an Ad Hoc committee for flag retirement, Grace seconded. Motion passed with 9 Yes (Deklotz, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 2 Abstentions (Donnan, Moser).**
- d. The Board discussed the possibility of creating Pocket Parks in Harbor City.
- e. Proposed Funding of Printer Paper for Elementary schools (possible action item) – The Board discussed giving \$100 each month to a different school for school supplies starting in February with Narbonne High School. **Motion by Thrower to approve giving \$100 to Narbonne High School in February, and other schools each month in the future, for school supplies, Gonzales seconded. Motion passed with 10 Yes (Donnan, Deklotz, Gonzales, Grace, Fredericks, McGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 Abstention (Moser).**

12. **Future Program Planning/Speakers** (Joann & Joyce) – see Outreach Committee Report

13. **Follow-up planning to Stakeholder Issues/Concerns** – None

14. **Presidents Report**

- a. There is a California Land Use Policy meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 in Sacramento.
- b. Immigration Forum put on by LA City Attorney Mike Feurer on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am at Mt. Saint Mary's.
- c. Alta Sea is having a Special Preview on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 6 pm, at Port of Los Angeles Berth 58, 22<sup>nd</sup> and Signal Street, San Pedro.
- d. Someone is taking a graduate Survey about Quality of Life, Walkability, etc. if people want to participate it will be available on the website.
- e. One of Moser's former students was awarded a scholarship by University of Michigan.

15. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm. Next meeting February 25, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheryl Akerblom  
for the HCNC Board