Harbor City Neighborhood Council Governing Board Meeting Minutes Harbor City Recreation Center, 24901 Frampton Avenue, Harbor City Wednesday, 1-23-13, 6:00pm

## **Official Minutes**

Board Members	Roll Call
Byron Collins	Absent
Jennifer Corral	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Dr. Irene James	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Paul Murray	Present
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Steven Rutherford	Present
Janelle Taylor	Present
Hayes E. Thrower	Present
Joeann Valle	Present
Sienne S. Van Enk	Absent

<u>Call to Order</u>: President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

Roll Call: See Above. All board members were in attendance. Approximately 10 stakeholders present.

**Approval of Minutes:** Joeann Valle moved that the minutes of the October 24, 2012 Governing Board Meeting and January 16, 2013 Stakeholder Meeting be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Grant Reed and approved unanimously by the Board.

Motion to Provide Letter of Support Re: Conditional Use Permit Approval for Canine Retreat Dog Kennel and Grooming Facility: Facility owner, Jeff Yablonovitz gave a brief explanation on his application for a Conditional Use Permit. A presentation on the facility had been made at the Stakeholder Meeting of January 16, 2013. Joeann Valle made a motion to approve the letter of support as presented. The motion was seconded by Raymond Moser and approved with 10 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention.

**Normont Elementary School Request for Funding**: Albert Lozano, the new Principal at Normont Elementary School asked for support in getting an electronic marquee set up at the school. The school hopes that utilizing an electronic marquee will save some of the photocopying expenses. The school has 425 students. A handout was provided with information and costs associated with the electronic marquee.

<u>Presentation by Del Lago Development</u>: Rob Catherman gave a presentation to the Board on the proposed Del Lago Project. Highlights follow:

- ✓ 204 unit project, rental apartments. 1, 2 and 3 bedroom.
- ✓ Planning Commission hearing is February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ Since May, they have gained support from the following: The Wilmington Neighborhood Council, the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, the Harbor Regional Park Advisory Board, and the Harbor City Harbor Gateway Chamber of Commerce.
- ✓ The project will provide some high quality apartments for the community.
- ✓ Kevin Clark also spoke about Lincoln Properties, a 40 year old national company which is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest property manager in the country. They have stability and longevity.
- ✓ Lincoln Properties is partnering with City View to get this project developed.
- ✓ Garage doors on the internal part of the project so they are not visible from the street.
- ✓ Amenities include: a leasing/clubhouse building, a pool/recreation area and support building, a tot lot, lawn, a barbecue/picnic area and a bicycle storage area.
- ✓ The design follows a contemporary, colonial Spanish theme.
- ✓ The traffic study has been completed. It was a conservative study not taking advantage of public transportation. The study showed that there is no immediate impact, but there is some impact at Figueroa and PCH. A mitigation measure has been blessed by the DOT to take care of that impact (restriping of lanes)
- They would like a letter of support from the NC as they enter into their public process.

- ✓ Pine Creek is an existing nearby project where the residents have a difficult time getting in and out of their property. One reason is because they are so close to the off ramp of the freeway and there is a bus stop. Pine Creek has requested a signal but Del Lago has no control over that.
- ✓ Motion by Paul Murray to send a letter of support to the Planning Department, seconded by Joyce Fredericks. Motion passed with 9 yes votes, 0 no votes and 2 abstentions.

<u>Mayor's Budget Survey</u>: The Mayor's Budget Survey is now available on-line at <a href="http://la.budgetchallenge.org/pages/overview">http://la.budgetchallenge.org/pages/overview</a>. Board members and stakeholders are urged to take the survey.

<u>CD15's Proposed Art Work on Utility Boxes</u> – Neighborhood Councils are being asked to participate in the proposed project of painting utility boxes in the CD15 area. No specific details have been provided.

<u>HCNC Microphone System</u> – A technician will be coming to the library to put the system back together. A motion was made by Grant Reed that the current sound system be donated to the Harbor City Harbor Gateway Library. The motion was seconded by Ray Moser and passed with 10 yes votes, 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

<u>Posting HCNC Meetings/Events on Narbonne High School Electronic Marquis</u> - Hayes Thrower will meet with the principal of Narbonne and the person in charge of the marquee on February 1, 2013. An update will be provided at the next Governing Board meeting.

<u>Discuss Request from Stephen Box Re: Neighborhood Council involvement in meetings of the Transportation Committee:</u> Olive Reed updated the board on Stephen's request. They want neighborhood council board members to be on a committee that is working with the City Council's Transportation Committee. Hayes Thrower and Paul Murray commented that they might be interested in participating.

## Ponte Vista Proposed Development - No Update

Review of Posting Requirements for HCNC Committee and Monthly Meetings – Board members were reminded that if they are chairing any committee meetings, the posting requirement is 72 hours prior to the meeting. An agenda must be sent to Kristina Smith for posting. Olive Reed reported that Doug Epperhart is forming three groups of neighborhood council representatives and is looking for board members to volunteer. These groups would consist of a Valley group, a Central/East group and a Harbor/West LA Group. Meetings will be held on Saturday morning downtown at City Hall. The first meetings on February 1<sup>st</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, the group will be working the issues of Factual Basis Stakeholders and Definitions. Then on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, they will be looking at City Clerk Elections. The Saturday morning panels will consist of people who were instrumental in setting up neighborhood councils in the beginning.

Review of HCNC Board Member's role, responsibilities and attendance at meetings: Steven Rutherford led a discussion on the roles and responsibilities of the HCNC Board members. He specifically commented on the fact that not all board members have yet completed their Ethics Training.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Steven Rutherford, Treasurer, provided a short review of the budget.

<u>Future Program Planning/Speakers for Stakeholder Meetings through end of calendar year:</u> The board briefly discussed possibilities for speakers at future meetings. Joeann Valle would like to see neighborhood councils band together and address the issue of medical marijuana dispensaries and asked that this item be put on the agenda for next month.

Follow-up planning to Stakeholder Issues/Concerns: None

Committee Reports: None

Public Comment: None

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kristina Smith Admin Asst to HCNC