

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Townhall Meeting Notes
 Harbor City Library
 Wednesday, 07-20-11
 6:00pm

Unofficial Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
Jennifer Corral	Present
Esther Cepeda	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Greg Donnan	Excused
Tom Houston	Present
Janet Mercer	Excused
Raymond Moser	Excused
Anto Nakkashian	Excused
Wu-Ping Own	Excused
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Excused
Christopher Sapien	Present
Steven Rutherford	Excused

Call to Order:

Chris Sapien called the meeting to order at 6:10pm. A quorum was not present.

Roll Call: See Above. Approximately 24 stakeholders present.

Report from LAPD: Andre Wilkins reported crime statistics for the last month. The report shows that crime is slightly down. Other items discussed were:

- A new neighborhood watch group has been formed in the Narbonne community. The meetings will be every other month. August 20th will be the first meeting scheduled for 10:30am at the Library.
- A stakeholder addressed Officer Wilkins about his frustrations with his attempts to reach LAPD personnel.
- Ken Melendez thanked the LAPD for their work in his neighborhood.
- In response to questions about theft from trash cans, Officer Wilkins commented that if community members witness someone stealing from the trash cans and the crime is in progress they can call 911.
- Harbor Division is dispatched by the main LAPD office. Officers are dispatched to where they are needed regardless of their assigned division.
- 310-869-2106 is Officer Wilkins cell phone number.

District 15 Report: Celina Luna reported on the following:

- Janice Hahn was sworn in as Congresswoman yesterday.
- Most of the activities in the Council office have not changed. No motions will be introduced to the City Council until a new Council Person is elected.

- Council members called a special election for November 8, 2011 with a Runoff Election on January 17, 2012. \$1.5 million is the cost to taxpayers for this election.
- Due to the passage of Measure “L”, the Harbor City Library is now open on Mondays.
- There was a recent Daily Breeze article about the homeless issue in Ken Malloy Regional Park. The Council Office is aware of the problem and a task force is being formed and they hope to have it in place before the Prop O project begins.
- Frampton Avenue between PCH and Anaheim will be receiving restrictive parking to help address the chronic abandoned and commercial vehicle problems in this area. Signs should be installed in the next 45-60 days.
- Harbor City Community Banners/Flags. The Council office has received a lot of calls of appreciation for the flags. Also, a motion was passed by the City Council approving the “Old Town, New Spirit” Banners.
- The Council Office has been working with Assemblyman Furutani’s Office on the issue of fencing on Western Avenue, near Narbonne High School. A meeting is being coordinated with Cal Trans to discuss the feasibility/timeline for installation.
- An update was given on DONE/Harbor City Council Funding Items.
- Street Repaving List: Celina is working on it and asks for input.

Townhall Meeting: The following issues were discussed:

- Joy Janes, representing Warren Furutani’s office commented that the State Legislature is on recess. Their office works closely with the Council Office. Furutani is running for City Council.
- Ken Melendez: Announced that he is running for CD 15 Seat.
- Signs for the swap meet at Narbonne should be taken down because the swap meet was last week.
- Street Vendor issues: Celina will follow up if given locations.
- Jaywalking problem on Narbonne with Kaiser.
- Rafael Garcia spoke on behalf of Little Company of Mary and announced that they have a new location at 1403 Lomita location. They are outreaching into the community have many programs for those insured and uninsured.
- Ken Malloy Park: Joyce reported on recent meetings and the plans for refurbishing the campground area. Architects are coming up with concepts and they want input from the community.

Committee Reports: None

Announcements: Ralphs in Harbor City is closing August 5th.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristina Smith, Admin Asst to HCNC