

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Harbor City Library
 Wednesday, 10-19-11
 6:00pm

Official Minutes

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

Call to Order:

President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

Roll Call: See Above. A quorum was reached. Approximately 35 stakeholders present.

Approval of Minutes: Grant Reed moved that the Board approve the minutes of the September 21, 2011 meeting, seconded by Chris Sapien. The motion was passed with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Report from Los Angeles Fire Department: Officer Campos reported on the following:

- Thanked everyone for the support from the NC and community.
- Ray Gomez was introduced and talked about the various task forces in the Harbor Area.
- The City of Los Angeles Fire Department gets about 1200 calls per day.
- They work with various city departments.
- 318 positions were lost throughout the city due to budget cuts.
- Chief Gomez answered various questions from board members and stakeholders.
- October is earthquake month. Everyone should check their earthquake packets.
- Stakeholders were invited to come and visit a local fire station.

Report from LAPD: Officer Andre Wilkins not present.

Mayor's Office: Ricardo Hong reported on the following:

- Mayor's Budget Day is October 29th. 8:00 AM. Every year 2 board members from each council are invited.

- Two representatives from each of the 7 regions meet directly with the mayor.
- Grant Reed and Olive Reed were appointed as the representatives from the HCNC.
- A stakeholder asked Ricardo how OccupyLA is affecting the Mayor's Office. Ricardo responded that the Mayor's office and city officials encourage people to speak out and give their input.

Council District 15 Report: Celina Luna reported on the following:

- Restrictive Parking Signs on Frampton Avenue will be installed in two phases. 2 Hour parking signs should be installed by December 15 and the No Oversize Vehicle Parking Restrictions are expected to be installed by February 15, 2012.
- Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park Update: There will be another mosquito abatement spray at the park next week.
- DONE/Harbor City NC Funding Items: Boys and Girls Club has been paid; Narbonne has been paid for their Golf Cart; and the band uniform funding is still being processed.
- Harbor City Recreation Center Upgrades: The Dept. of Rec. and Parks is working to try and design restroom modifications at the "Senior Room" of the Harbor City Recreation Center. They would like to continue to allow outside access and will have an update on any new design specifications in the next thirty days.
- ADA Accessible Ramps: The Public Works Street Services Dept. is investigating the feasibility of installing the ADA Accessible Ramp at 242nd Place and little Western Ave.
- Illegal Signs on Wooden/Cement Street Poles: Illegal advertising signs will be pulled down by the City. There is a \$175 fine for the first offense if they can trace it to an address. Absolutely no signs are allowed on city poles.
- Walking Paths at Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park: The council office has applied for Prop K grant funding to create a defined walking path at Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park. The Council Office will find out early next year whether they have been granted the funding.
- Western Avenue—Adopt a Highway: The new maintenance agreement between the City of LA and Cal Trans has not been finalized yet. Steve Mellinger from CalTrans is the Adopt A Highway Coordinator and would like to attend a future Harbor City Neighborhood Council Meeting to discuss the options available.
- Council District 15 Candidates Forum is October 22, 2011 at Harbor College, 12 noon.

Presentations:

Principal Gerald Kobata of Narbonne High School: Principal Kobata reported on the following:

- Acknowledged that the Harbor City Neighborhood Council has been a good friend and strong supporter of Narbonne High School.
- Trash cans, golf cart for security purposes and marching band uniforms are among the items that the HCNC has helped fund.
- Last year they had 3500 students, this year they have just under 3400. The decline resulted in the loss of two teachers.

- Campus is divided into small learning communities which increase student accountability.
- The school has four service organizations: Key Club, Key Wins, Team Panda and Interact (Rotary Club). The students do community service work.
- Last year they made some significant academic gains. The dropout rate has gone from 38% to 19%. API showed a 43 point jump.
- Future goals include increasing parent involvement as well as community involvement.
- The school is pushing to get a fence on the median on Western to improve safety.
- There are proposing to have a Farmers Market on Sundays and also a Family Community Day.

Dr. Brophy of Marymount College: Dr. Brophy provided updates which included:

- The Conditional Use Permit (CUP) has been submitted and they are seeking the support of the Harbor City Community.
- They anticipate growth of 70% in 16 months.
- They can accommodate 400 students living on campus.
- Stakeholders were polled and were unanimously in favor of the project as presented.

Presentation of Award: Darrell and Dorothy Jenkins were presented with an award for their volunteer work with the Narbonne High School Students.

Public Comments:

Gordon Teuber: Introduced himself as one of 11 candidates for CD15. He talked about the Marymount College project and he believes the stop light on PV Drive North near the entrance to the school is critical to the project. He would like to see the two schools work together and share a stop light. He also talked about the possibility of changing PV Drive North from 6 lanes down to 4 lanes to create a safer environment for residents in that area. Gordon spoke briefly about his priorities if he were to be elected as Councilman.

John Delgado Jr.: Also introduced himself as a Candidate for CD15. He emphasized that every city in Council District 15 should get their fair share. He feels the biggest concern is to collect our city debt.

Board Vacancies:

- A Candidate Application Form was available for stakeholders interested in applying for the Board.
- Olive spoke briefly on the benefits of being a board member.
- Stakeholders were urged to join committees.

Committee Reports:

BUDGET/FINANCE: An update was provided in the agenda packet.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: No report.

HANC: Tom Houston reminded everyone to come to the candidate forum.

OUTREACH: Joyce Fredericks talked about the planning of a Senior Center.

PROGRAM PLANNING: Chris asked stakeholders for suggestions on what they would like to hear at future meetings.

YOUTH: Anthony commented on how he has learned about the dedication of the community from this neighborhood council.

EDUCATION: No report.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: No report.

HARBOR REGIONAL PARK: Greg Donnan commented on how nice it is to hear that the park will be getting a walking path. He also talked about the success of the Heal the Bay event.

PLANNING/ZONING/LAND USE: No report.

PORT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Grant Reed reported that the Rancho LPG tanks were discussed at the PCAC meeting.

Additional Comments:

- Greg Donnan commented on the meeting he attended regarding Neighborhood Council Elections at Peck Park last night.
- There was an announcement of the Safety Meeting at the Narbonne High School Library tomorrow 8am.
- Harbor Regional Park Advisory Board: Joanne Valle commented on the monthly meetings held at Kaiser the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm.
- Workshops are being held at Harbor College related to Export.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith
Admin Asst to HCNC