

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes  
 Harbor City Library  
 Wednesday, 2-15-12  
 6:00pm

### Official Minutes

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call/Attendance</b>
Jennifer Corral	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Greg Donnan	Excused
Tom Houston	Present
Dr. Irene James	Excused
Raymond Moser	Absent
Paul Murray	Present
Wu-Ping Own	Present
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Christopher Sapien	Excused
Steven Rutherford	Present
Cesar Magdaleno	Absent

#### **Call to Order:**

President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

**Roll Call:** See Above. A quorum was reached. Approximately 30-35 stakeholders present.

**Report from LAFD:** Officer Andre Wilkins reported on:

- Recent home invasions
- Reviewed the crime map
- Responded to stakeholders concern about day laborers on Belle Port. Officer Andre explained that if they are not breaking the law then there is nothing he can do to move them.

**Report from LAFD:** Due to emergency, the officers had to leave.

**Report from Council Office:** Jacob Haik reported:

- Jacob is the District Director for Councilman Buscaino. Gabby Medina is the new Deputy who covers the Harbor City area.
- The new Councilman is going to keep his office transparent with an open door policy.
- Saturday Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> is the official community swearing in for the Councilman. There will be a 10:00am prayer service in Watts and then at 2:00pm the Swearing in at the Warner Grand Theater in San Pedro and then a block party on 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

- Day Labor Issue: The City has created ordinances. This continues to be a First Amendment issue.
- Mobile Home Park Issue: The City will coordinate with the Assembly office to see what they can do to fix the problems there.
- Street Sweeping of Western is still the responsibility of Cal Trans.
- Steven Rutherford asked for assistance from Jacob in speeding along the funding of the band uniforms.

**Congresswoman Hahn's Office:** Mike Aguilera provided legislative updates:

- The Congresswoman announced the introduction of HR3837 (Bridge to Jobs Act) which would provide funds to each State to cover all the costs to repair or reconstruct a bridge determined by the Federal Highway Administration to be structurally deficient;
- HR3836, the SBA Loan Paperwork Reduction Act of 2012 which would make permanent a program within the Small Business Administration (SBA) to reduce paperwork and streamline the application response time for business loans up to \$250,000; and lastly,
- HR3838 to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to establish a program to make grants to ports to enable ports to employ high school students during the summer. Mike also announced upcoming events.
- Announcement of Feb 24<sup>th</sup> Resource Fair called "Surviving and Thriving" at the Toyota meeting hall in Torrance. They will be providing resources for small business owners.
- Mike can be contacted at: [Michael.aguilera@mail.house.gov](mailto:Michael.aguilera@mail.house.gov) ; 310-831-1799

**Assemblymember Warren Furutani's office:** Joy Jane reported:

- Regarding the proposed fence on the median of Western near Narbonne High School, Cal Trans has a date of 2013 and the assembly office is trying to get the date moved up.
- Update on the Adopt a Highway Program: Since the City of Los Angeles has a maintenance agreement from Cal Trans to clean that area, the Harbor City NC does not qualify for the program.
- Furutani's focus is Pension Reform, Workforce Development, and Worker's Comp. issues.

**Marymount College Project.** Update from Jim Krause:

- 22 intersections have been studied. An agreement between Marymount and DOT for mitigation measures has been reached.
- Stakeholders were polled and were unanimously in approval of the proposed plan as presented.
- **Grant Reed moved that the Board provide Marymount College with a letter of approval for the plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Paul Murray and approved unanimously by the Board.**

**Express Lanes Project Presentation:** Representatives from the Express Lanes Project talked about the 1-year trial program that is being implemented this year.

- They have a \$274 Million budget.
- The project converts 25 miles of existing HOV (Car pool) lanes into Metro Express Lanes.

- It also expands Transit Service on the 10 and 110 Freeways.
- Introduces Congestion Pricing to Manage Traffic Demands.
- Converts the car pool lanes making a new commute choice for all drivers.
- By October they should be opening up the 110 Fast Track.
- More information can be found at Facebook.com/expresslanes

**Narbonne High School:** Coaches from the Narbonne Football team talked about the team and their need for helmets:

- 30 years ago they purchased 60 helmets.
- They have 145 students in their program and they all get a chance to play.
- There is a federal rule that the shelf life of a helmet is 10 years. They have to be destroyed after the 10 year period.
- 30 of the 145 helmets are expiring and they need to replace them.
- The cost of 28 helmets is \$6,276.73.
- **Motion by Grant Reed to fund \$2500 towards the cost of the Narbonne Football Team Helmets, seconded by Steve Rutherford. 8 yes, 0 no.**

**Update from January 25, 2012 Governing Board Meeting:** Highlights from the meeting were available in the Agenda Packet to inform stakeholders of board actions and discussions. The next Governing Board Meeting is Wednesday, February 22, 2012.

**Approval of Minutes:** **Motion by Grant Reed to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 Stakeholder meeting, seconded by Joyce Fredericks and approved unanimously by the Board.**

**Public Comment:**

**Joanne Valle**, President of Lions Club, announced that they had a speech contest and students from Narbonne participated. Harbor City NC's Youth Board Member, Cesar Magdaleno, won first place. Regarding the Chamber of Commerce, they are working closely with the Workforce Center and Business Source Center. They have also created a brand new program called the Red Team (Rapid Economic Development).

**Update on Food trucks:** Suggestions for the HCNC to write a letter of support to LAUSD about the food trucks.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith  
Admin Asst to HCNC