

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Harbor City Harbor Gateway Public Library
 Wednesday, 10-17-12
 6:00pm

Official Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call
Byron Collins	Present
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	Present

Call to Order:

President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Roll Call: See Above. A quorum was reached. Approximately 20 stakeholders in attendance.

Introduction of New Board Members: President, Olive Reed, asked all the board members to introduce themselves and let the stakeholders know what committees they chair and/or what office they hold.

Reports from Public Officials:

LAPD – Officer Andrey Wilkins gave an update on crime in the community. There were a lot of Grant Theft Auto crimes last month. Suspects were apprehended. 1995-1998 Honda or Toyota vehicles are the ones most targeted for theft. Officer Wilkins suggested that citizens use additional anti-theft devices such as “The Club.”

Council District 15 - Gabriela Medina provided a written report and gave highlights:

- Illegal dumping signs are being implemented. The community can submit Bulky item pick requests at 1-800-996-2489.
- Stakeholders can request stop signs and traffic signals.
- An update was provided on Marijuana Dispensaries.
- Announcement of Public Hearing on beer and wine CUP request for 23770 Western Avenue
- Abandoned Cars can be reported at 1-800-ABANDON
- Community Projects
 - CD15 has applied for Prop K funds of 1.2 million for artificial turf and possible future development of the amphitheatre, restrooms and bleachers at the park.
 - Sexual Offenders: Legislative team is conducting more research in conjunction with Parole to strategize on a motion that will be effective.
 - The Council office is considering decorative displays (art work) on Traffic Signal Cabinets
 - Installation of bus benches and trash receptacles: NE Lomita & Vermont; NW Lomita & Vermont, and Lomita between Vermont and Normandie are locations that have been submitted.

- Fill a Pot Hole Day in Wilmington
- Free permits for trimming city trees on parkways are available through the City.

Harbor College: Susan McMurray thanked everyone for attending the Ballot Forum. She provided flyers regarding Proposition 30.

Senator Rod Wright's Office: Bill Orton reported that the lawmakers have finished their work for the year. The senator had 14 bills signed into law. His primary bill relates to Regulations. The law (SB1099) requires that regulations from state agencies can only be put on the books four times a year and that those regulations are available on the central website. The Governor signed a package of Pension Reform legislation which will save billions of dollars over the next thirty years. The Senator was also effective in getting a Worker's Comp reform package passed which cuts out a lot of the middlemen.

Harbor City Rec Center: Update from Michael Signorelli. Flyer were available announcing two events: 1) Halloween Spectacular, 4-7pm on Wed. October 31 will include free candy, jumpers, carnival games, face painting, arts and crafts. 2) Free classes beginning October 22, cheer leading, hip hop dance, guitar, gymnastics and tap. Youth Basketball has already begun. All clinics are free. Upcoming event: Reggie's Revenge at Harbor Regional/Ken Malloy Park, October 27-28, hayrides, movies, jumpers and lots more.

Treasurer's Report

- Ruth Hansen announced that Narbonne High School finally received their funding for the band uniforms. Steven Rutherford was thanked for his hard work in getting the funding processed through DONE.
- Steven Rutherford provided a written report. **Motion by Joeann Valle to approve the monthly expenses as presented, seconded by Grant Reed. 11 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions.**

President's Report:

- Retreat Update: Olive Reed explained to the stakeholders the purpose of the Board Retreat. Scheduled for Saturday afternoon, 1pm-5pm.
- Board Meetings will be moved to the Harbor City Rec Center.
- Vote to change the date of the next Stakeholder Meeting. **Motion by Hayes Thrower to change the date of the Stakeholder Meeting from November 21 to November 28 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Motion seconded by Grant Reed and passed with 12 yes votes, 0 no votes, 1 abstention.**

Presentations:

- **Carter Calhoun, Harbor City/Harbor Gateway Chamber of Commerce**, gave a presentation on the City of Los Angeles Layoff Aversion Program which is designed to service the businesses in Harbor City. Funding comes from the City of Los Angeles Community Development Department. It is administered through the Chamber of Commerce. Resources are provided for small 1 person business to larger multiple employee businesses. The Chamber provides the services for free to help businesses stay open. This service is available through June of next year.
- **Cecile Harris Walters of Pacific Gateway Workforce** spoke about their program. They are the Harbor areas Public Workforce Agency. They also provide Layoff Aversion Services in addition to free services and training for job seekers who are in transition. The Harbor Workforce Center is location on North Gaffey in San Pedro near the Target Store. They assist community members in getting employment and also assist companies who are looking for employees.

Public Comments

- Phyllis Cohen announced a fundraiser for the City of Hope.
- Patsy Morales, Harbor College Student, talked about her role with the ASO, an association which helps students on campus. They have Senators at the school who are willing to volunteer to help organizations. Also talked about Prop 30. (She can be reached through board member Dr. Irene James).

- Susan McMurray talked about an upcoming Comedy Show event at Harbor College. Funds raised by the show provide scholarships.
- Javier Martinez talked about a potential community skate park.

Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee: Paul Murray announced that the Harbor City Neighborhood Council now has a Facebook page.

Planning//Zoning/Land Use Committee: Paul Murray announced that minutes from the meeting are now available on the website.

Education Committee: Hayes Thrower reported that Harbor City Prep had the Highest API score. Also gave an update on the success of the Narbonne High School Football Team.

Harbor Regional Park: Joyce Fredericks reminded stakeholders about the upcoming Reggie's Revenge event at Harbor Regional/Ken Malloy Park.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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