

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Harbor City Harbor Gateway Public Library
 Wednesday, 4-17-13; 6:00pm

Official Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call
Vacant Board Seat	
Jennifer Corral	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Dr. Irene James	Present
Wayne McGee	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Paul Murray	Absent
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Steven Rutherford	Present
Janelle Taylor	Present
Hayes E. Thrower	Present
Joeann Valle	Absent

Call to Order and Roll Call:

President Olive Reed called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm and introduced the newest board member, Mr. Wayne McGee. A quorum of 10 Board members was present. See Above. There were approximately 20 Stakeholders in attendance.

Reports from Public Officials:

Office of Assembly member Al Muratsuchi: Miguel Cordova, field representative for Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi provided pamphlets explaining the types of issues where the State Assembly office can offer assistance to the stakeholders in the district.

Los Angeles Fire Department: Captain Ed Campos introduced himself and gave a brief report:

- April is Earthquake Awareness Month. A handout was provided with suggested Earthquake preparedness items and what to do before, during and after an earthquake.
- Suggested websites to get additional information are <http://lafd.org/lafd-cert> and <http://www.mysafela.org/>.
- An overview of the CERT program was provided.
- Helpful responses were provided to important questions from stakeholders regarding safety.
- Olive Reed urged stakeholders to write or send an email to Councilman Joe Buscaino requesting that no additional cuts be made to the Fire Department.

L. A. P. D.: Officer Andrey Wilkins was not able to attend due to an injury. No report.

Congresswoman's Office: No report.

Presentation by Representative from the office of Carmen Trutanich, City Attorney:

William Carter, the City Attorney's Chief Deputy, gave a short presentation in the absence of City Attorney Carmen Trutanich who was attending a debate. Highlights from Mr. Carter's report included:

- The area that the City of Los Angeles covers is over 500 square miles with over 400 million people.
- The City Attorney's office is a Public Safety Agency and their office also represents the Fire Department and Police Department.
- The city employs some the top environmental attorneys in the State of California.
- 45% of all goods coming into the US come through the Port of Los Angeles. The Port of LA is the top security target in the country.
- Environmental issues are a priority for the City Attorney's office.
- Examples were provided of recently prosecuted cases including the gang prosecutions. (14 Felons were recently arrested thanks to the task force.)

- Mr. Warren also answered a few questions from stakeholders.
- www.atty.lacity.org Sign up for the City Attorney's weekly newsletter.

Council District 15 Office: Gabriela Medina reported on the following:

- Council Motions: LAFD to provide CalARP (California Accidental Release Prevention) reporting on the city website. The purpose of the CalARP program is to prevent accidental releases of substances that can cause serious harm to the public and the environment.
- Update on the "No Parking of Oversized Vehicles". This will be a future motion.
- Homeless Issue update.
- Skateboard issues in Harbor City. Suggestion to draft a letter to LAPD's Captain Lauer to address the issue.
- Rancho LPG tanks. Motion was drafted by the Council Office.
- Letter will be sent to all homeowners inviting them to a meeting related to violations of boats/cars parked in driveways.

LAUSD: Fred Quintana, representing Board Member Dr. Richard Vladovic, reported on the following:

- Working on a monthly newsletter to report on LAUSD issues within the regions.
- A stakeholder asked for an update on Science Center in San Pedro.
- Request from Board Member Irene James for an update on earthquake drill standards in schools and the possibility of them considering the LAFD's new policies.
- Request from Board Member Ray Moser for an update on the "Breakfast in the Classrooms" Program.
- Request from stakeholder to address the problem of trash and debris in the neighborhood after groups are using the LAUSD school property (Narbonne).
- Olive Reed informed stakeholders that they were invited to attend the School Safety Meeting next week. (Thursday, 8:30am at the school)

Senator Rod Wright's Office: Bill Orton introduced himself and asked stakeholders to contact their office for issues with the State. The Senator now represents all of Harbor City. Website for more info: <http://Senate.ca.gov/wright>.

Presentation on Installation of "Advanced Meters" by Ray Verches, So Cal Gas Company:

- Customers in this area will receive a letter in about 60 days about the need to retrofit gas meters with the new Advanced Meter.
- Once installation is completed, 11,000 Gas Co. trucks will be taken off the streets.
- Gas rates for the next 5 years will go up \$2 a month. At the end of the project there should be a decrease in rates.

Update on Board Actions from March 27th Governing Board Meeting: Due to time constraints, President Olive was not able to provide highlights of the actions taken by the Governing Board at the March meeting. However, a copy of the full minutes was provided to the stakeholders for review.

Treasurer's Report - Review and approval of HCNC Monthly Expenses: **Motion by Raymond Moser to approve all expenses up to date as presented, seconded by Hayes Thrower. Motion passed with 7 yes, 0 no and 2 abstentions.**

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes of March 2013 Governing Board Meeting: Due to time constraints, the approval of the minutes was tabled until the April 24, 2013 Governing Board Meeting.

Committee Reports: No committee reports were heard because of the late hour.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:26pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Smith
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