

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
 Harbor City Harbor Gateway Public Library
 Wednesday, March 18, 2015; 6:00pm

Official Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call
Eric Deklotz	Excused
Kayla Domingo	Present left 6:45
Greg Donnan	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Brandi Grace	Excused
John T. Gonzales	Present
Wayne McGee	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Grant Reed	Excused
Olive Reed	Present
Rohan Sourjah *	Arrived 6:40
Hayes E. Thrower	Present
Joeann Valle	Present

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Raymond Moser. A quorum of 9 board members was present (see list above). Approximately 30 stakeholders in attendance.

2. **Reports from First Responders:**
 - a. LAPD:
 - i. Gabby Medina, Field Deputy, for Councilman Joe Buscaino CD 15 reported the crime stats for the last month as provided to her by Officer Ashcraft who was unable to attend.
 - ii. She announced the names of the two new Captains at Harbor Division, Meek and Woodson.

3. **Reports from Government Officials:**
 - a. **Gabriela Medina, Field Deputy, for Councilman Joe Buscaino CD 15** provided a written report some of the highlights were:
 - i. Ponte Vista is in final stages of demolition and grading is in the permitting process.
 - ii. Rancho San Pedro is conducting a feasibility study.
 - iii. The pending Minimum Wage policy: She encouraged the Council to provide a community impact statement on the matter.
 - iv. Homeless encampment updates: There will be a meet and greet for all homeless related service providers at the Wilmington Municipal Building, 544 N Avalon, on March 5th at 10:00 am.
 - v. The Ken Malloy/Harbor Regional Park Advisory Board (PAB) meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm at 1400 240th Street, Harbor City. Joeann Valle is the chair of the Committee and can be reached at 310-530-8658.
 - vi. Regarding a residence with Building and Safety issues. Officer Ashcraft contacted Gabby's office for follow up.
 - vii. The NW corner of Lomita and Normandie has been approved for a two story, 21,000 sq. ft. building. There will be 1,000 sq. ft. of retail, 10,000 sq. ft. of office space and 1,200 sq. ft. of restaurant space with parking.

Gabriela Medina, Field Deputy, for Councilman Joe Buscaino CD 15 - *continued*

- viii. Parking prohibition signs for oversized vehicles for residential corridors, the boundaries are south of Lomita, west of Anaheim, west Bel Porte and McCoy.
 - ix. Councilman Buscaino's office is supporting the upcoming Rad Run at Narbonne High School to commemorate the loss of Dr. Radovich last year.
 - x. The Blue Butterfly Housing project in San Pedro for Women Veterans and their families was mostly funded by the Annenberg Foundation.
- b. **Melisa Ramoso from the office of Congressman Ted Lieu:**
- i. Provided a letter of introduction with contact information.
 - ii. She gave a brief overview of the Congressman's recent activities.
 - iii. She passed out a flyer for the High School Congressional Art Contest.
- c. **John Larson from the office of LAUSD Board President Dr. Vladovic:**
- i. Dr. Vladovic voted against next year's proposed school year calendar that has school starting in August. However, the item was passed.
 - ii. Dr. Vladovic voted against proposed workforce reduction. The item was passed.
4. **Presentation:** Emergency Preparedness – Lonna Calhoun from Community Outreach Promoting Emergency Preparedness (COPE): They are having a two hour training seminar for the 9 step FEMA approved Map Your Neighborhood Program at Providence Little Company of Mary Hospital Saturday, April 4, 2015, from 9am – 11am.
5. **Budget/Finance Committee Report:** Olive Reed, Treasurer reported:
- a. The P-Card issues have been resolved and all the invoices in Olive's possession have been paid.
 - b. There will be presentations to the Board at next week's Governing Board meeting for requests for funds from Narbonne High School, Friends of Library, and Harbor Recreation Center.
6. **Reports from Meeting Representatives:**
- a. HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils), Greg Donnan
 - i. On Saturday, March 21, 2015 Harbor Division is holding an Open House 1pm – 6pm and Roll Call at 4:30pm.
 - ii. The next HANC meeting is on April 1, 2015, at 6:30pm and will focus largely on the issue of opening the new jail. There are several people from LAPD scheduled to attend including Deputy Chief William Scott, and Commander John Sherman.
 - iii. Mayor's budget day is scheduled for March 28, 2015. The Board-appointed Budget Advocates are not being included in communication about future meetings.
 - iv. BONC's Code of Conduct acknowledgement deadline is April 3, 2015. Any Board member that has not signed off by April 3rd can no longer vote.
 - v. The Grievance Policy has been approved by the Neighborhood and Educational Committee, and will be considered by the City Council soon.
 - vi. Neighborhood Council elections in 2016 will have the option to be done on line. The organization "Everyone Counts" has been contracted to count on line votes. It will be funded from swept funds. It does not apply to selections.
 - vii. Ten vendors have been approved to do websites and web design. There is now a RFQ out for temporary services.
 - viii. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is asking each Neighborhood Council to send one man and one woman to The Civic University, Pat Brown Institute for a three night conference in April. Neighborhood Council members do not fall in the same category as City Council members, which means they are not considered elected officials, they are considered volunteers. This is being looked into by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.
 - ix. The Mayor has released two new smart phone apps: LA Mobile, which allows people to

purchase LA Department of Transportation tickets from their smart phones and Pulse Point, which registers people with CPR training to be alerted if someone nearby needs help.

- x. Budget Advocate update – The HCNC Budget Advocates have attended the meetings, however they have not been listed as having attended. Communication with the organizing body and the HCNC advocates is not good. HANC is considering establishing a Harbor Area Budget Alliance.
 - xi. The Mayor is focusing on crime.
 - xii. The Budget Advocates are asking Neighborhood Councils for \$1,000 each. The funds will be used to put on the Regional Budget Day on March 28th, general operational supplies and for the radio show to educate the community on the budget and the budget advocates.
 - xiii. The San Pedro Art Association is going to be requesting funds from all Harbor Area Neighborhood Council's for its annual harbor wide Art Competition and Show at Crafted in San Pedro.
 - xiv. The U.S. Navy, in conjunction with the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), is having an Open House Public Scoping meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, on the full or partial closure of the Defense Fuel Support Point (DFSP), San Pedro, aka the Naval Fuel Depot, at the Crown Plaza Los Angeles Harbor Hotel, 601 S. Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro.
 - xv. The Blue Butterfly Village is now accepting applications from women veterans and their families.
 - xvi. The gang injunction is on hold per the City Attorney.
 - xvii. Some businesses are paying the Beacon House for clean up on Marine Avenue and the DWP is putting up lights.
 - xviii. Captains Meek and Whitten are the new Captains at Harbor Division.
- b. **Friends of the Library**, Grant Reed – not present
 - c. **Harbor City/Harbor Gateway Chamber of Commerce**, Joeann Valle
 - i. Minimum Wage Policy: the Chamber is opposed to the increase the way it is now. Particularly local nonprofits can't afford the increase and will have to lay off workers.
 - ii. The Mayor office says it was approved for some gross tax relief, though it was not enough to be impactful.
 - iii. The Chamber voted to approve writing a letter to our Federal representatives to legalize marijuana and why they support legalization.
 - iv. Upcoming free Health Fair on Saturday, April 18th at Narbonne High School. There will be many free services offered including free mammograms. Women must preregister and meet the qualifications.

7. Reports from Committee Chairs:

- a. **Education/Youth** – Hayes Thrower
 - i. The Academic Decathlon team from Harbor Teacher Prep is going to Sacramento to participate in the statewide academic decathlon competition.
 - ii. The National Honor Society students will be attending the Black Youth Leadership Project Conference in Sacramento.
 - iii. Narbonne students Pearl & Clyde, the philanthropy chair and co-chair respectively, presented a request for sponsorship of their RAD RUN memorial event on May 23, 2015 to commemorate the passing last year of Dr. Amy Radovic. Dr. Radovic was a long time educator and college counselor at Narbonne High School. The event will be held on the Narbonne campus. Registration starts April 1, 2015. The funds raised will go toward a scholarship in her honor.
- b. **Outreach** – Brandii Grace – John Gonzales
 - i. There will be a cleanup at 1419 251st St., between Senator and Belle Porte, on Saturday, March 21, 2015, starting at 8:00am. The residents are elderly and in need of assistance to clean up their property. They face eviction by the Health Department and cannot perform the needed cleanup themselves. John thanked some stakeholders from the local work center who have volunteered to help. Lomita Water is providing a complimentary shaved ice to participants.
 - ii. The Outreach Committee is trying to outline what things stakeholders want addressed in Outreach. There is a suggestion box at stakeholder meetings for this purpose.
 - iii. The Outreach Committee is working on a calendar to organize events and stakeholder meeting

speakers.

iv. The Outreach Committee is trying to find ways to make Harbor City beautiful and a place to be proud of.

c. **Public Safety** – Greg Donnan – no report

d. **Planning/Zoning/Land Use** – Joeann Valle – no report

e. **By Laws** – Olive Reed - Olive has been working with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to get the bylaws completed in the required format.

8. Old Business:

a. **Traffic signal at 255th and Western update** – John Gonzales stated that they have letters from four Principals of local schools in support of getting a traffic light installed at the intersection. They are planning getting signatures from stakeholders in the future.

b. **Discuss proposed program of murals on Electric Boxes in Harbor City** – The Outreach Committee is working on how to reach out to local artists to participate in this program.

9. President's Report (Raymond Moser)

a. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is asking each Neighborhood Council to send one man and one woman to The Civic University, Pat Brown Institute for a three night conference in April. However, the final meeting date is April 15, 2015 which is the same night as the next stakeholder meeting.

b. Councilman Joe Buscaino will be speaking at the next stakeholder meeting on April 15, 2015.

c. There are a number of resolutions they have been getting from San Pedro (Neighborhood Councils) dealing with the Port. Ray will email the Board members so they can know ahead of time about the issues.

10. Approval of Minutes: Motion by **O. Reed** to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2015 Stakeholder Meeting as amended, **VALLE** seconded. **Motion passes 7 Yes (Donnan, Gonzales, Fredericks, MaGee, O. Reed, Sourhah, Thrower, Valle) 0 No and 1 abstention(s) (Moser).**

11. Public Comment on Non-Agenda item:

a. Izcnelz Puido with Los Angeles Water Keeper announced that they are offering free oil spill preparedness classes. The next one will be on May 8, 2015.

b. Anita Rizzi commented about illegal dumping, particularly on Anaheim between Frampton and Belle Porte.

12. Announcements

a. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is holding Ethics and Funding training on Monday, March 23, 2015, at 6:00pm at Kaiser.

b. Olive Reed announced that the next safety meeting is Thursday, March 19th at 9:00am at Narbonne High School in the library.

c. Olive suggested that individual stakeholders also send letters in support of LAPD being allowed to use the HOV lanes when commuting to the 77th Street Station.

13. Adjournment: Next Stakeholder meeting April 15, 2015. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Akerblom

for the Harbor City Neighborhood Council