

Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder Meeting Minutes  
 Harbor City Harbor Gateway Public Library  
 Wednesday, April 15, 2015; 6:00pm

### Official Minutes

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>
Eric Deklotz	Present
Kayla Domingo	Absent
Greg Donnan	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
Brandii Grace	Present
John T. Gonzales	Present
Wayne McGee	Present
Raymond Moser	Present
Grant Reed	Present
Olive Reed	Present
Rohan Sourjah	Present
Hayes E. Thrower	Present
Joeann Valle	Present

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Raymond Moser. A quorum of 11 board members was present (see list above). Approximately 45 stakeholders in attendance.
  
2. **Reports from First Responders:**
  - a. Officer Juan Terrezas, current acting Sr. Lead for Harbor City, provided a Telephone Directory with Harbor Area LAPD contact information.
    - i. Crime stats from April 5<sup>th</sup> to April 11<sup>th</sup> are as follows: Burglary 1, Thefts 2, and Theft from Motor Vehicle 4.
    - ii. Officer Terrezas responded to questions from the Board and Stakeholders.
  
3. **Presentation:** The Honorable Joe Buscaino, District 15 City Councilman addressed the neighborhood council. Highlights from his presentation follow:
  - a. Harbor City Neighborhood Council brought to his attention to getting FastTrak transponders for LAPD squad cars when transporting arrestees from the Harbor Area to 77<sup>th</sup> Street Station.
  - b. Recognition of Senior Lead Officer Juan Terrazas.
  - c. Harbor City is making a lot of progress on housing, retail/commercial and economic development.
  - d. Lake Machado Prop O is a joint project with the City of Los Angeles and several other Countywide resources.
  - e. The 10 unit residential condo project in the 1600 block of west 237<sup>th</sup> Street is moving ahead.
  - f. Sea Breeze development on Sepulveda: A neighboring property has filed a lawsuit against the project.
  - g. The Del Ago Apartments next to Harbor College are due to start building in the next couple of weeks. The project is slated for completion early 2016
  - h. Homelessness issues continue to be a concern. The Councilman and his staff are working with the LAPD quality of life unit and LAHSA building relationships with shelter resistant homeless to offer services.
  - i. Pot Shops/Medical Marijuana Dispensaries: The Councilman provided a list of shops that have been shut down by the LAPD and the City Attorney's office. He made a motion in Council to stop issuing business tax licenses to people who want to open pot shops.
  - j. Improvement of City Services: The council office has put together a plan called Alternative Service

Delivery System utilizing existing local nonprofit organizations. The City contracts with Beacon House and in the next few weeks they are contracting with the Harbor City Day Labor Center (IDEPSCA).

- k. Anaheim Street, between five points and Western Avenue: The councilman gave an update on the homeless encampment situation in this area.
  - l. The Department of Transportation is considering a road diet to install left turn pockets at Belle Porte, President and Senator, and taking Anaheim down to one lane in each direction between Frampton and 261<sup>st</sup> Street.
- m. In February the City launched the Medina Alert System for Hit and Run incidents. An ordinance was approved for a standing reward program for all hit & runs in the City of Los Angeles.
- n. The Councilman responded to general Board and Stakeholder comments and questions.
- o. Olive Reed was presented a Certificate of Recognition for her service on the Harbor City Neighborhood Council.

#### 4. Reports from Government Officials:

- a. Chris Wilson from the office of **Assemblyman Mike Gipson** provided a written report which included:
  - i. An update on the pending 2015-15 budget process.
  - ii. The Assemblyman co-sponsored a budget event.
  - iii. There is a small business workshop on May 15, 2015 at 8am at Harbor College.
  - iv. Wilson responded to general questions and comments from the Board and Stakeholders.
- b. **LAUSD Board President Dr. Vladovic:** John Larson, Director of Communications for Dr. Vladovic reported:
  - i. The Board recognized April as Autism Awareness month.
  - ii. They approved the health package portion of the pending labor agreement with UTLA.
  - iii. They are now discussing the layoff and pay portions of the UTLA negotiations.
  - iv. They are waiting for the Governor's 2015-16 budget.
  - v. Larson responded to general questions and comments from the Board and Stakeholders.

5. **Election of new board member to fill vacant board seat:** Item postponed to next month.

6. **Election of new Treasurer:** Item postponed to next month.

#### 7. Budget/Finance Committee Report:

- a. The Board has received funding requests from the Harbor City Recreation Park, The San Pedro Art Association, Narbonne High School and Friends of the Library and these requests will be voted on at next week's Governing Board Meeting.

#### 8. Reports from Meeting Representatives:

- a. **HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils):** Greg Donnan talked about items discussed at the last HANC meeting which included:
  - i. Update on the Harbor Division jail and jails in Los Angeles in general.
  - ii. Discussion of why the Harbor Area has, and is, losing so many police officers.
  - iii. In the last 12 months there have been 7,000 officer cameras deployed.
  - iv. Neighborhood Councils may have an opportunity to use an on-line voting system for elections.
  - v. Discussion of bylaws and how abstentions are recorded.
  - vi. Each Neighborhood Council needs to appoint one Board member to serve on a Grievance Panel.
  - vii. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Stipulation Worksheet needs to be turned in by July 1, 2015.
  - viii. The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council's Pathways to Employment is April 25, 2015 at

the San Pedro High School Olguin Campus from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

- b. **Friends of the Library** – Grant Reed – no report
- c. **Harbor City/Harbor Gateway Chamber of Commerce:** Joeann Valle reported:
  - i. Free Health Fair on Saturday, April 18, 2015 at Narbonne High School from 9:00am to 1:00pm.
  - ii. The Tribute to Youth event on April 24, 2015 at Harbor College from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.
  - iii. The Chamber has taken an official stand opposing the minimum wage proposal as it stands now.
- d. **Public Safety:** Greg Donnan announced that next Tuesday there will be a presentation at the Chamber Office on the status of Ken Malloy Park at the Chamber office.

#### 9. Reports from Committee Chairs:

- a. **Education/Youth** – Hayes Thrower
  - i. Most schools are gearing up for summer closure.
  - ii. Narbonne students will participate in Earth Day at White Point Reserve and have been volunteering throughout the year.
- b. **Outreach** – Brandii Grace, John, Joyce
  - i. They are still working on the details of the Utility Box project.
- c. **Planning/Zoning/Land Use** – Joeann Valle
  - i. There is a three story Condo with 11 units being built at 237<sup>th</sup> & Western Ave.
- d. **Ad Hoc – Signal at 255th and Western** – no report
- e. **By Laws** – no report

#### 10. Old Business:

- a. **Proposed program of murals on Electrical/Utility Boxes in Harbor City:** The details of the project are still being worked out.
- b. **Grant Application Procedures and the necessity of having all applications first go through the Finance Committee.** This item was postponed.

#### 11. New Business:

- a. Proposed Resolution Concerning Port of Los Angeles Community Spending Plan (possible action item): Due to time constraints, this item postponed.

#### 12. President's Report: (Raymond Moser)

- a. Doggie Rescue 911 needs foster families. They have adoptions at PetCo on Western Ave. on Saturday's from 11am to 3pm.

#### 13. Approval of Minutes: Motion by **Donnan** to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2015 Stakeholder Meeting as presented, **VALLE** seconded. Motion passed with 10 Yes votes (Deklotz, Donnan, Gonzales, Fredericks, MaGee, G. Reed, O. Reed, Sourhah, Thrower and Valle) 0 No votes and 2 abstention(s) (Grace, Moser).

#### 14. Public Comment on Non-Agenda item: None

#### 15. Announcements – Olive Reed announced the Public Safety meeting on April 23, 2015 at Narbonne High School at 9:00am.

#### 16. Adjournment: Next Stakeholder meeting May 20, 2015. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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for the Harbor City Neighborhood Council