



# PUBLIC MEETING

## Harbor City Neighborhood Council Stakeholder's Meeting

### Harbor City/Harbor Gateway Public Library Wednesday, May 18, 2016, 6:00 pm



#### Official Minutes

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>
Eric Deklotz	Present
Greg Donnan	Present
Joyce Fredericks	Present
John T. Gonzales	Present
Brandii Grace	Present
Wayne McGee	Excused
Raymond Moser	Present
Grant Reed	Present
Jebriel Rogong	Present arrived at 6:15 pm
C. Steven Rutherford	Excused
Rohan Sourjah	Absent
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 10 board members was present (see list above). Approximately 28 stakeholders in attendance.
2. **Reports from First Responders:**
  - a. **LAFD Station 85, Captain Jim Hall reported:**
    - i. In April they had just under 300 calls, including two cliff rescues.
    - ii. They are still experiencing a staffing shortage.
    - iii. Station 85 is due to get a new truck.
    - iv. Fireworks: All are illegal in the City of Los Angeles.
    - v. If you find fireworks do not touch them, call the fire department.
    - vi. Wild fire season is here, accordingly, brush clearance is critical.
    - vii. Board member John Gonzales commented that Harbor Elementary school decided that the students will come to the fire station to help keep it clean, by picking up trash and such in appreciation for the LAFD coming to the Harvest Festival with their hook and ladder truck.
    - viii. Board member Brandii Grace commented that station 85 is a safe surrender site like all fire stations.
  - b. **LAPD Senior Lead Officer Andrew Gonzalez:**
    - i. LAPD is serving two search warrants tomorrow, one in Harbor City and one in San Pedro. The last multi eleven gang search warrant garnered more guns, more arrests.
    - ii. LAPD conducted a sweep at Lomita and Mc Coy. They contacted twenty-two individuals and made fifteen arrests.
    - iii. A street survey was conducted on Anaheim and the speed limit will be raised from 35 to 45 MPH and cut to one lane approaching the intersection at 5 points.
    - iv. This year LAPD is conducting undercover operations related to illegal fireworks with the fireworks suppression unit. Accordingly, uniform officers can make arrests as they are witnesses. They have three teams, to cover all of Harbor Area, that will start the undercover operations this weekend.
3. **Reports from Government Officials:**
  - a. **Mayor Garcetti's** field representative Manny Lopez provided a written report. Some highlights follow:
    - i. The May 7<sup>th</sup>, Annual Gun Buy Back got 791 firearms off the streets.
    - ii. The Mayor launched a Blue Ribbon Commission on Employment Equality.

- iii. Board member Greg Donnan asked about the funding pull back for NC's. The Mayor's 2016/2017 budget returned the amount to \$37,000.
- iv. A Stakeholder asked about the \$138 million designated for homeless issues.

**4. Harbor City Neighborhood Council Candidate Forum**

- a. The following candidates attended the meeting and made statements:
  - i. Caney Arnold, Jennifer Corral, Erik Deklotz, Greg Donnan, Joyce Fredericks, John Gonzales, Brandii Grace, Raymond Moser, Jebrial Rogong, Hayes Thrower, Joeann Valle, Denice Wint, and Sydney Baune.
- b. The following candidates did not attend:
  - i. Livia Ashley, Kendra Crawford, Wayne McGee, Rohan Sourjah, Anthony Hughes, Brandon Monahan, and Roberto Ramos.

**5. Reports from Committee Chairs:**

- a. Outreach: Brandii Grace and Joyce Fredericks – No report.
- b. Planning/Zoning/Land Use: Eric Deklotz – No report.
- c. Ad Hoc - Homeless Committee: Brandii Grace – No report.
- d. Ad Hoc – 2016 Selection – Joeann Valle
  - i. They are hoping to reach people in the community that don't normally come to vote.
  - ii. Jay Handal, City Clerk's office
    - I. Asked if they had done a mailer. The Election Chair responded that the committee is having a meeting next week about the mailer.
    - II. Jay stated that the primary job of candidates is to get people out to vote. The more people that vote the more credibility NC's have with the City Council.
    - III. The City Clerk's office is here to help, they will be at the selection to help and monitor.

**6. Old Business:**

- a. Update on painting of Utility Boxes in Harbor City: No new information.
- b. Officer Robert Sanchez Memorial Pocket Park: President Moser presented a Proclamation to be considered at next week's Governing Board meeting. LAPD arrested the homeless at the site and the property owner cut weeds but left the waste in place.
- c. The Harbor City Neighborhood Council's proclamation was sent around to the other Harbor Area NC's.

**7. New Business: None.**

**8. President's Report: No report.**

**9. Approval of Minutes: Motion by **Greg Donnan** to approve the April Board and Stakeholder meeting minutes, seconded by **Joeann Valle**, and passed with 9 Yes (Deklotz, Donnan, Fredericks, Gonzales, Grace, Reed, Rogong, Thrower, and Valle), 0 No, 1 abstention(s) (Moser).**

**10. Public Comment on Non-Agenda item:**

- a. Board member Joeann Valle wanted to clarify that boxes of donations being collected by the Lyons Club are to be sent to an aircraft carrier.
- b. The Narbonne Speech and Debate team thanked the neighborhood council for its support of their April 15th to 17<sup>th</sup> state tournament competition trip to Sacramento.
- c. Board member Brandii Grace suggested that as a promotional give away item the NC could give out lead paint testing kits.

**11. Announcements: None.**

**12. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next Stakeholder meeting is June 15, 2016.**

Respectfully submitted, Sheryl Akerblom  
for the Harbor City Neighborhood Council