

**June 17, 2013 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
Cabrillo Marina Community Building, 6:30pm.**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 6:34pm. See list below for board member attendance (quorum of 13 board members present). Approximately 25 stakeholders present.

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
Dave Behar	Present
Valentin Boiadjiev	Absent
Robert Brandin	Absent
June Burlingame Smith	Present
Louis Dominguez	Present
Karl Fleer	Absent
Robert Gelfand	Present
Lydia Gutierrez	Present
Charles Hawley	Present
Claudia Kreis	Present
Dan Malstrom	Present
Ray Medak	Absent
Marcie Miller	Present
Frank Pereyda	Present
Ed Pluemer	Present
Ted Shirley	Present
Peter Warren	Present

2. **Reading and approval of minutes:** The May 20, 2013 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes were accepted by the Board as presented.
3. **Public Comment on non-agenda items:**
- a. John Stinson thanked the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) for supporting the San Pedro Art Association Student Art Competition.
 - b. Frank O'Brian talked about the California Coastal Trail Improvement Project which will be referred to the Rec and Parks Committee. A draft document is available on the Coastal Commission website (<http://www.coastal.ca.gov/access/ctrail-access.html>).
 - c. Lydia Gutierrez announced a Community Forum on June 20th at USC.
 - d. June Smith announced an upcoming Pt. Fermin Residents meeting, June 29th, 9:30am.
 - e. Dave Behar talked about the Alta Sea project, a new Urban Marine Research and Innovation Center at the LA Waterfront. More information is available on the Port of LA website. This partnership, with \$57 million already dedicated to the project, is a result of unprecedented collaboration of Government, Business, Marine Science and Educational Leaders.
4. **RECOGNITION:** Special recognition was given to those board members who are retiring from service: Frank Pereya, Marcie Miller, Claudia Kreis, Ed Pluemer, Ray Medak, Karl Fleer, Robert

Brandin and Valentin Boiadjev. Also recognized were Bob Gelfand, Dan Malstrom, Peter Warren, Chuck Hawley, Louis Dominguez, Ted Shirley, Lydia Gutierrez, and Dave Behar, all returning board members. June Smith was also thanked by all the board members for her leadership.

5. **Reports from government agency representatives:**

- a. **Councilman Buscaino's Office:** Kevin Bingham reported on the following:
- i. Congratulated the new incoming board members, as well as those re-elected, and thanked the retiring board members for their service.
 - ii. The Councilman is looking forward to working with the new Mayor.
 - iii. Approval of Proposition D will allow the law enforcement agencies to tame the marijuana dispensary issue that is citywide.
 - iv. The Councilman introduced a resolution and the full council has gone on record in support of urging the Executive Committee of the LA County Superior Court to stop the reduction and consolidation process at all courthouses in the City of LA in order to discuss the issue in a public forum to achieve a more sensible approach for streamlining court operations.
 - v. The Single-Use Bag Ordinance will be heard in Council on June 18th.
 - vi. The Harbor Animal Shelter is receiving improvements to the awnings over the dog kennels.
 - vii. The Field of Dream Parking Expansion Project is underway and will double the amount of parking at the Field of Dreams.
 - viii. The Peck Park Skate Park required additional geological work and construction should begin soon.
 - ix. The Ray Patricio Trails at Peck Park are in the design phase.
 - x. The Community Gardens on North Gaffey are being beautified.
 - xi. In response to a board member request on the Councilman's position regarding the Dissolution of PCAC, Kevin stated he would report back next month.
 - xii. With regard to Kevin's announcement at the May meeting that he would not be attending Coastal's Ad Hoc Landslide Committee meetings per his supervisor, the Board has requested that Kevin continue to attend the meetings.
 - xiii. Chuck Hawley commented on the poor implementation of the bike lanes on both 25th Street and Westmont.
 - xiv. Marcie Miller questioned a motion presented in council on the 24th of May by Councilman Garcetti and seconded by Buscaino concerning jobs for youth in another district. Marcie hopes that Councilman Buscaino will give the same attention to his district.
 - xv. Chuck Hawley asked about the USS Lane Victory and when it would be returned to its original position.
- b. **Congresswoman's Office:** Ivan Zulic, the liaison from Congresswoman Hahn's Office reported:
- i. Congresswoman Janice Hahn introduced the "Get Relief from Academic Debt (GRAD) Act of 2013 which would extent the grace period of Federal Stafford Loans from six months to an entire year.
 - ii. The Congresswoman is fighting to save Port Security Grants by introducing an amendment to the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act that would save funding for the Port Security Grant Program that has dropped significantly in recent years.
 - iii. The PORTS Caucus Leaders Hahn, Poe and Brown introduced a Resolution calling for full and immediate utilization of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund. The resolution details the critical importance of strong ports to the U.S. economy and declares that the failure to fully spend the receipts of the Trust Fund on the nation's ports and harbors "breaks a trust with the people of the United States."

- iv. Hahn introduced a Youth Summer Jobs Bill that puts students to work at our nation's ports.
 - v. Hahn honored merchant mariners with her bill (HR1936) Honoring our WWII Merchant Mariners Act of 2013.
 - vi. Hahn introduced the "Protecting Victims of Stalking Act of 2013" which will close a loophole allowing convicted stalkers to own and purchase firearms.
 - vii. Regarding the dissolution of PCAC, Councilwoman Hahn is disappointed with the decision of the Board of Harbor Commissioners. Board members hoped to have Hahn's support of recent motions passed by the Coastal SPNC.
 - viii. Lydia Gutierrez voiced her objections to the Presidents recent vacation trip which costs the taxpayers the equivalent of five years funding for tours of the White House, a program for students which has been stopped.
 - ix. Hahn sent correspondence to the LAUSD Superintendent requesting a meeting to discuss the problems on Alma Street.
 - x. June Smith attended the Dock 1 presentation and regretted that Janice Hahn did not receive credit for her assistance in getting the project started.
 - xi. Dan Malstrom thanked Hahn for her role in supporting the bicycle lanes.
 - xii. Marcie Miller asked for full disclosure on the Alma Street issues.
- c. **LAPD:** Marcie Miller reported that the Senior Lead Officer was not able to attend due to a burglary follow up in South Shores.
- d. **Port of Los Angeles:** No report (no representative present)
6. **Question Time Regarding Written Officer and Committee Chair reports:**
- a. **Port Committee:** Peter Warren gave highlights from his written report (available on the Coastal website).
 - b. **Communications Report:** Written report provided by Dave Behar.
 - c. **Whitepoint Landslide Committee:** Richard Havenick reported that the Bureau of Engineering website has been updated. He also provided highlights from his written report (available on the Coastal Website)
 - d. **Public Safety Committee:** Marcie Miller gave highlights from her written report and emphasized the problem with stagnant water and the West Nile Virus.
 - e. **Budget & Finance Committee:** Ted Shirley gave an overview of the expenditures for this year's budget and provided a written copy of the proposed budget for 2013-14. Clarification was requested on the expenditures related to PV on the Net which provides Video and Web Services.
7. **Board approval of all purchasing card transactions and monthly bank statements:** The April and May monthly statements were presented for approval by the Budget and Finance Committee and approved with 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.
8. **Approval OF 2013-2014 Budget.** Ted Shirley presented the 2013-2014 CSPNC Budget for approval. The Budget was approved by the board with 12 yes votes, 0 no votes and 1 abstention.
9. **2013-2014 BOARD SELECTION RUN-OFF VOTE, 17TH SEAT:** Dean Pentcheff, Election Committee Chair, gave an overview of the process for breaking the tie on the 17th Board Seat between candidates Ana Rosa Ortiz and Mike Cammareri. Stakeholders were advised of the voting requirements. Ana Rosa Ortiz received the majority of votes and was declared the winner.
10. **Water Main Break Update:** Jeffrey Childers, LADWP Neighborhood Councils Liaison, gave an update on the water line break on Paseo del Mar east of the Landslide. It was a lateral connection which comes from the water main to the residential meter box and it has been repaired. Mr. Childers

commented that there were other questions regarding the landslide that he was unable to answer due to pending legal action. There was also a statement from the City Attorney read by Mr. Childers regarding civil litigation. The Board members requested clarification on what the litigation involved and how it would affect the getting up to date information.

Mr. Childers also commented on a Small Business Program available through the DWP designed to help small business with cost saving lighting.

11. **West Nile Virus Update:** An update was provided within the Public Safety Committee Report.
12. **Crafted Update:** No representative was in attendance from Crafted at the Port of Los Angeles.
13. **HANC Update:** Bob Gelfand provided an update on the forming of a Port of LA Ad Hoc Neighborhood Council Committee. The suggestions are to form a regional committee with appointees from the NC's. They would meet as a regional advisory committee. Discussions on this topic continue.
14. **Mural Ordinance Update:** Bob Gelfand talked about the Los Angeles Mural Ordinance which has been delayed. It has to do with preserving murals on buildings. There is controversy on the Ordinance and several neighborhood councils would like it amended. More information will be available in a month or so. This was referred to the Planning Committee.

NOTE: The Board has no objections to taking up Agenda Item 19 at this time:

15. **ALMA STREET REQUEST FOR ACTION MOTION (Agenda Item #19):** Motion from the CSPNC Public Safety Committee. Marcie Miller gave an overview of past motions and presented the following motion for approval:

WHEREAS, The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) passed the attached motions from Public Safety and Ad Hoc Landslide Committees. And

WHEREAS, the intent of each motion was to request City of Los Angeles Council District 15 assistance to mitigate unexpected circumstances arising from the closure of Paseo del Mar and the opening of the Alma Street Gate at the newly constructed San Pedro High School John and Muriel Olgiun Campus.

WHEREAS these events continue to negatively and disproportionately impact Alma Street residents, in part, because of pre-existing structural street and subsurface problems badly in need of attention, and in part, because of the failure to engage in a meaningful dialogue to resolve this the issues.

WHEREAS, beyond these motions, residents have raised an abundance of related issues and offered potential solutions regarding both Alma Street and the Alma Street Gate. They are included herewith.

*THEREFORE, the CSPNC requests that CD15 report to CSPNC their responses to the Alma Street concerns and requests as transmitted in the attached motions **and to address the prior month's motion(s) in the CD's representative presentation to following month.** (Previous motions were provided in agenda packet).*

Amendment by Chuck Hawley to add language as shown in bold above, seconded by Claudia Kreis.

Motion to amend	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Motion Passed	12	0	1	0

Motion as amended	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Motion Passed	12	0	1	0

16. **Cell Phone Tower Motion.** Motion from CSPNC Public Safety Committee. Marcie Miller gave background on the purpose of the motion which reads as follows:
Whereas the Coastal San Pedro includes scenic vistas that are of critical importance to the San Pedro Community Plan.
Whereas the Coastal San Pedro area is location of great increase in cell phone antenna hardware recently installed on newly-placed poles creating intrusions to the aesthetic beauty recognized in the San Pedro Community Plan and which is enjoyed by residents and stakeholders.
Whereas a cell phone antenna was recently installed immediately adjacent to the residence at 1481 Paseo Del Mar.
Whereas the referenced cell phone antenna would be expected to be installed at a reasonable distance from personal residences in a location that does not contradict the principles defined in the San Pedro Community Plan and that does not detract from ocean views immediately adjacent to the ocean.
Whereas installation locations are available in close proximity of the most recent cell phone antenna that would not detract from ocean views or contradict the San Pedro Community Plan, and that would not create extreme annoyance to adjacent residences.
Therefore be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the City of Los Angeles, Council District 15 implement immediate action to ensure the referenced cell phone antenna is relocated to a more suitable location to the north and west of the currently installed location.

Board members discussed the issues of cell phone towers and concerns included:

- The need to advocate for the rights of homeowners.
- Information being sent to CSPNC from the cell towers needs to be carefully considered in committee.
- These eyesores are detrimental to our valuable coastal real estate and affect the entire community and could possibly violate the California Coastal Act due to visual impacts.

Motion	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Passed	11	0	2	0

NOTE: Peter Warren and Louis Dominguez left at 9:31pm. Quorum of 11 members now present.

17. **IMMEDIATE IMPROVEMENTS MOTION.** The Motion below was presented by the CSPNC Ad Hoc Landslide Committee. Richard Havenick provided an overview.
Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) stakeholders are greatly affected by the White Point Landslide and resulting closure of Paseo Del Mar.
Whereas the decision regarding the replacement of the closed section of Paseo Del Mar remains open for conclusion;
Whereas the construction of a road to replace the closed section of Paseo Del Mar would be complete in no less than two (2) to five (5) years on conclusion of above;
Whereas the CSPNC Ad Hoc Landslide Committee conducted no less than 14 public meetings to hear stakeholder input, concerns, and recommendations conducted in accordance with Brown Act requirements;
Whereas the CSPNC Ad Hoc Landslide Committee requested on the 03/04/13 the coordination with the community of the concepts/drawings the Bureau of Engineering reported were under development for the turn-around at Paseo Del Mar closure;
Whereas the CSPNC Ad Hoc Landslide Committee conducted detailed and comprehensive discussion to define specific immediate-term improvements to reduce the impact from crime, traffic, and noise resulting from the White Point Landslide;
Therefore, be it resolved, the CSPNC requests the City of Los Angeles Council District 15, Bureau of Engineering, and Department of Transportation to proceed urgently with the below listed immediate mitigations pending conclusion of the ultimate construction or abandonment of the Paseo Del Mar closure at the White

Point Landslide.

Construction Items

1. Construct cul-de-sac with raised median on Paseo Del Mar as permanent structure west of Weymouth at the extreme furthest west location possible (in the area used for storage of heavy off/on-road equipment and supplies during construction activity).
2. Plant low landscape in raised median/center island of cul-de-sac referenced in #1.
3. Ensure that referenced cul-de-sac lane width is less than the width of two passenger vehicles so as to prevent vehicles from stopping or double-parking.
4. Paint the curbs of the cul-de-sac red and install "No Stopping Anytime" signs.
5. Create separate bicycle and pedestrian paths to traverse the southern area of the Preserve from east to west (refer to City of Los Angeles Bike Plan).
6. Install fencing that is consistent with the Master Plan for the White Point Nature Preserve and the San Pedro Community Plan to replace temporary fencing installed in response to Landslide.
7. Construct improvements/install signage on nearby streets as defined in Mitigation Plan and Study previously requested to reduce impact on nearby streets and neighborhoods resulting from Paseo Del Mar closure, including Alma, Hamilton, Barbara, etc.

Implementation Actions

1. Increase traffic enforcement at the above referenced cul-de-sac for two months after completion of construction and during summer months with concentration on speeding, parking, pedestrian right-of-way, and excessive noise.
2. Determine the signage required to direct traffic flow efficiently in impacted area, remove unnecessary signs, and install signage determined necessary.
3. Consider installing roundabouts or physical barriers on Paseo Del Mar at Roxbury and/or Barbara Street to deter persons trying to get to other side of Landslide.
4. Consider installing Speed humps on Paseo Del Mar between Barbara and Weymouth streets.

Motion	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Passed	8	0	2	0

(NOTE: One Board member was not in the room at the time the vote was taken.)

18. **GAFFEY STOPLIGHT EXEMPTION MOTION.** This motion was brought forth by the CSPNC Public Safety Committee as follows. Committee Chair Marcie Miller spoke on the motion.
Whereas Council District 15 and the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation determined the installation of a stoplight at the corner of Gaffey at 11th Street was critical to public safety, and Whereas funds were allocated and the contract bidding process finalized, Therefore, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests a stoplight be installed without delay, and Further, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges Councilman Buscaino to request the Los Angeles City Bureau of Engineering issue a permit to make all the needed street cuts for this stoplight connection without the requirement of resurfacing the entire block from curb to curb, as would be otherwise required under Section 62.06D of the Los Angeles City Code because Gaffey is a newly paved street.

Motion	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Passed	10	0	1	0

19. **SAFE FISHING MOTION.** Brought forth by the CSPNC Public Safety Committee. Marcie Miller gave an overview of the necessity of the motion which read as follows:
Whereas Los Angeles City Council Motion #11-0988 allocates \$10,000 from the Montrose Settlement Restoration Program (MSRP) for a Fishing Outreach Mini Grant to help fund the Cabrillo Beach Pier Fishing Program (CBFP), and Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council has no objection to funding the Cabrillo

Beach Pier Fishing Program, and this Council acknowledges the County Department of Public Health has posted contaminated fish advisory signs along the local coastline. Therefore, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests Council District 15 do all possible to ensure safe fish consumption education at Cabrillo Beach Pier.

Motion	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Not Voting
Passed	8	0	3	0

20. **PROCLAMATIONS FOR JULY MEETING:** The CSPNC Communications Committee requested Board approval of the presentation of proclamations during the July CSPNC Board Meeting to honor SPSHS Marine League Champion Swim Team. **Motion passed with no objections.**
21. **APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES:** None.
22. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**
- a. Lydia Gutierrez asked for consideration of assistance to the Beacon House.
 - b. Dean Pentcheff thanked CD15 for agreeing to give updates on the status of CSPNC motions.
 - c. Dave Behar commented that the YMCA Youth in Government children were to be recognized but they were not able to attend this meeting and will be recognized next month.
 - d. Bob Gelfand was concerned about the length of the meetings.
23. **Fred Quintana of LAUSD reported:**
- a. Decisions in city budget were made and the pool at the Olguin campus will not be open this summer. Peck Park will be open. LAUSD will be working with the Council Office and the Department of Rec and Parks for future opening of the Olguin campus pool.
 - b. Ed Pluemer would like Fred to get the funding figures showing what would be needed to keep the pool open.
 - c. Dan Malstrom asked if a new EIR will be considered considering that the attendance is expected to change from 500 to 900.
 - d. Claudia Kreis asked what happened to the community group that previously met with Principal Stevens where there was an opportunity to provide input and discussion between the school and the community.
24. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None.
25. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kristina Smith
 (Reviewed by Lydia Gutierrez, Secretary)