



minutes

# COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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## April 21, 2014 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes Cabrillo Marina Community Building, 6:30pm.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Dave Behar. See list below for board member attendance (12 Board members present at 6:30pm and 13 present at 7:21pm). Approximately 40 stakeholders also in attendance.

Board Members	Roll Call Vote
Dave Behar	Present
Gary Bettis	Present
Cari Lynn Burich	Present
James Dimon	Absent
Louis Dominguez	Present
Bob Gelfand	Present
Lydia Gutierrez	Arrived @ 7:21 pm
Charles Hawley	Absent
Dan Malstrom	Present
Matt Matich	Present
Chris Nagle	Present
Ana Rosa Ortiz	Present
Frank Pereyda	Absent
Ted Shirley	Present
June Burlingame Smith	Present
John Vidovich	Present
Peter Warren	Excused

2. **Reading and approval of minutes:** The March 17, 2014 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board as presented. (Moved by Gary Bettis, seconded by June Smith and passed with 12 yes votes, 0 no votes and 0 abstentions.)
3. **Public Comment on non-agenda items:**
  - a. John Stinson announced an upcoming fundraiser and student art contest.
  - b. Gary Dwight and Alan Johnson of the Cabrillo Beach Boosters announced the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration being held at Cabrillo Beach. The Boosters will be submitting a request for funding to CSPNC.
  - c. Brian White presented a brief slide show and video of an area of concern at the bottom of the cliffs beneath the Point Fermin Lighthouse where there is heavy dripping of water. He suggested that the appropriate city department be contacted to conduct an investigation into the cause of the excessive water coming out of the cliff.

- d. Glen Stoval has concerns with excessive speed of vehicles on Pacific Avenue between Stephen M. White Drive and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. He would like to see more enforcement in the evening and early morning. The noise from motor cycles is also a problem, especially on the weekends.
- e. Dr. John Miller commented about a book, ***THE CREEPY SLOW MOVING LANDSLIDES OF THE PORTUGUESE BEND AREA*** by Robert Douglas that addresses the geological issues of the area.

4. **Reports by Government Agency representatives:**

- a. **LAPD** - Senior Lead Officer Eve Wight reported:
  - i. Provided a short report on crime in the area.
  - ii. Announced Symposium on Homeless by Deputy Chief Green, Thursday, April 24, 6pm at the Galen Center at USC.
  - iii. She commented about problems at Wilders Annex (sunken portion of the park where Meyler dead ends into Paseo del Mar) and stated that they are looking into getting a camera and loud speaker system installed in that area.
  - iv. An update was also provided on the block captain program.
- b. **CD15** - Council District 15 Field Deputy Ryan Ferguson was not able to attend the meeting but provided the Council with the following upcoming events:
  - i. Ground breaking ceremony at Daniel's Field for the new construction. Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4 pm.
  - ii. Public Hearing for Gaffey Street Pool Project at the San Pedro Library on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 pm
  - iii. The Grand Grunion Gala hosted by the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm.
- c. **Port of Los Angeles** – Augie Bezmalinovich was not in attendance. Bob Gelfand commented that the lease on the Boy Scout Camp expired in 2013 and has been extended on a month by month basis. The Port intends to put out an RFP for an outside agency to run it. Bob would like to see the neighborhood council involved in the process.

5. **Question Time regarding written Officer and Committee Chair reports:**

- a. Budget & Finance: Ted Shirley provided highlights from his written Budget and Finance Committee Report. There is \$7,000 set aside for newsletter. Once that is paid for any remaining funds will be used for potential funding of other requests.
- b. Selection Committee: Kristina Smith gave an update on the Board Selection process. As of this date, 16 people have signed up as Candidates for the upcoming Board Member Selections. Voting will be held at Crafted on May 10th from 11am – 3pm.
- c. Communications Committee: Gary Bettis reported that a meeting was held, however, there was no quorum.
- d. Transportation Committee: A meeting will be held in May.

6. **Treasurer's Report:**

- a. **Board approval of all purchasing card transactions and monthly bank statements:** Ted Shirley gave an overview of the expenditures.
- d. **Gary Bettis moved to approve the March 2014 bank statement as presented in the agenda packet. The motion was seconded by June Smith and passed with 11 yes votes (Bettis, Burich, Dominguez, Gelfand, Malstrom, Matich, Nagle, Ortiz, Shirley, Smith, and Vidovich); 0 no votes; 1 abstention (Behar).**

7. **Chairman's Report:** No report given.

8. **White Point Landslide and Hamilton Avenue Widening:** Presentation by City of Los Angeles Board of Engineering. Chris Johnson and Mark Osborne provided an update on the status of the Landslide. Highlights were:
- a. Landslide occurred on November 20, 2011. This has resulted in several different projects within the department.
  - b. A geotechnical investigation was completed in 2012 which identified immediate projects necessary such as grading, cleanup, dewatering, and installation of earth anchors.
  - c. Traffic measures have also been recommended. Future projects include improvements to Hamilton Avenue (between Patton and Barbara Streets) to relieve congestion and restoration of Paseo del Mar. Funding for these project is being proposed in the upcoming Mayor's budget. Other streets besides Hamilton will be studied at a future point.
  - d. 3,000 gallons of water a day are being extracted from a containment area at the site. This comes from the 20 dewatering drains that have been installed throughout the site. The contained water is then released into the sewer.
  - e. The city is currently installing 18-20 slope anchors.
  - f. Cul-de-sacs are going to be installed at the landslide point on each side as a temporary solution.
  - g. The Mayor's Budget is also prosing to allocate two million dollars towards restoration of Paseo del Mar. They anticipate it will be two years before they acquire environmental clearances (CEQA) and prepare plans for the actual design work. They estimate it would be June 2018 before the restoration of Paseo is completed.
  - h. Concerns from board members and stakeholders were answered:
    - i. Concern that the road will be rebuilt in the future without identifying the initial source of the water causing the landslide. In response: Even though no single source of water has been identified the 20 dewatering drains are removing any water.
    - ii. In response to a request for someone to inspect the water coming out of the cliff below the Point Fermin lighthouse, the DOE said they can make phone calls to determine jurisdiction (city or county) over that area.
    - iii. Concern with the water level in the bore wells and whether it continues to drop. In response, this data will be posted on the website soon.
    - iv. Designs on the turnarounds will be available to the neighborhood council once they are available. This is already appropriated in the budget.
    - v. Additional dewatering measures will most likely be required beyond the landslide area.
    - vi. This project is trying to stabilize the area so that the landslide does not expand.
    - vii. Island is going to remain until its future is determined by the design of the project.
    - viii. Regular updates on the BOE website will be resumed. There was a delay due to Vince Jones' retirement.
    - ix. It will be approximately 1 year before the designs for Hamilton are completed and 2 years for the designs for Paseo del Mar to be completed. The projects will then go out for bid.
    - x. Studies on the water coming out of the cliff have been conducted and they are high in sulfur and metals. The regional water board requires a permit for the water to be discharged. They are looking at ways to be exempted from the permits. However, the State Water Resources Control Board will need to give permission before water can be discharged into the ocean.
    - xi. The \$29 million figure for restoration of Paseo del Mar is a projected figure. A more detailed development of the cost will be provided after the pre-design phase.
    - xii. \$2 million for consultant to do CEQA and environment documents at which time public comment will be possible at the draft stage. The neighborhood council will be briefed as the design proceeds. The money for restoration will ultimately come from the gas tax and the General Fund.
9. **SkyTrans, an alternative form of mass transportation:** Bob Gelfand gave a presentation on a public transit concept called SkyTrans. It is the equivalent of a light rail system but it is a lot cheaper to run and has a small footprint. This is called "Personal Rapid Transit" (PRT) and is in the form of pods that hang from a guard rail, the equivalent of light poles with a single rail between them. A video clip and slides showed mock-ups of the proposed system. Bob estimates it would cost in the area of

25 cents per mile to the consumer. Several individuals, including various people from the neighborhood council system, have been getting together to discuss the potential of such a system in the Los Angeles area and beyond.

10. **Motion to Adopt Revised Budget:** The Board reviewed the revised budget brought forth by the Budget and Finance committee which aligned actual spending in 2013-2014 to date. **Bob Gelfand moved that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council adopt the revised budget as presented. Motion seconded by Lydia Gutierrez and passed with 12 yes votes (Bettis, Burich, Dominguez, Gelfand, Gutierrez, Malstrom, Matich, Nagle, Ortiz, Shirley, Smith, and Vidovich); 0 no votes and 1 abstention (June Smith).**
  
11. **Motion to Endorse Brouerwij West at Crafted:** The following letter was brought forth from the Agenda Committee as follows:  
*Los Angeles Department of City Planning  
Office of Zoning Administrator, 7th Floor  
200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012  
RE: Planning Case No: TBA  
Project Address: 110 & 112 E 22nd Street  
Applicant: CRAFTED at the Port of Los Angeles LLP  
Dear Zoning Administrator:  
At our regularly held public meeting on April 21, 2014, the Board of Directors of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) voted [unanimously] to support the applicant's request. The project, as presented to CSPNC, will involve:  
1. A MASTER CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (ALCOHOL), pursuant to LAMC Section 12.24 W.1 to allow the sale and/or dispensing of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises and off-site sales; including:  
a. Five (5) on-site full line permits for other lease spaces located in section E of Warehouse 9, with the option for each of these full line permits to instead be beer/wine permits;  
b. Two (2) on-site and off-site full line permit for retail or specialty grocery store with beer, wine or liquor tasting or other similar uses to be located in section E of Warehouse 9.  
2. PLAN APPROVAL CUB (ALCOHOL), pursuant to LAMC Section 12.24.M, to allow THE BREWERY AT WAREHOUSE NINE LLC, dba BROUWERIJ WEST, one (1) full line alcohol Conditional Use Permit and one (1) off-site beer/wine Conditional Use Permit under the Master CUB.  
3. PLAN APPROVAL CUB (ALCOHOL), pursuant to LAMC Section 12.24.M, to allow OFF THE VINE one (1) beer/wine Conditional Use Permit and one (1) off-site beer/wine Conditional Use Permit under the Master CUB.  
In the CSPNC's view, the information presented provides adequate justification for granting the requested approvals. CSPNC feels that CRAFTED has been an asset of the community and finds that the further development of this property with an artisanal food market, brewery and casual dining restaurant is an important step in accomplishing the goals detailed in the Port Master Plan. CSPNC fully supports the applicant's request and encourages the city to approve.  
Thank you for your consideration of these comments.  
Yours truly,  
**Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council**  
Dave Behar | 310.721.7017  
CSPNC Chairman & President  
on behalf of the Governing Board  
CC: Alison Becker, Planning Director, CD15  
Capt. Jennifer Thomas, LAPD Harbor Division Los Angeles Port Police*

**Motion by Matt Matich to approve the letter of endorsement as presented above. Motion seconded by Chris Nagle and approved unanimously by the Board (13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).**

12. **Wilders Addition Motion:** The following motion was brought forth by the Recreation and Parks Committee to provide additional garbage cans and trash pickup at Wilder's Addition on Paseo del Mar. Motion approved unanimously by the Board. (13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions):  
*Whereas the City of Los Angeles has removed several of the garbage cans originally installed at this park; Whereas the lack of trash receptacles has significantly increased the amount of litter left behind by park users; And whereas the remaining litter and trash has created a public nuisance over the last several years; Therefore be it resolved that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests the placing of 8 additional trash cans within Wilder's Addition and the adjoining seating areas.  
We further request that the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department be required to regularly empty all trash cans within Wilder's Addition and the adjoining seating areas.*
13. **Appointment to the (Neighborhood Council Port Affairs Committee) (NCPAC):** The Chair opened nominations for the appointment of two representatives and one alternate to the NCPAC from the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council. The following individuals were nominated: Dave Behar, Mike Brown, Peter Warren and Cari Burich. The final count was as follows: Dave Behar 9 votes; Mike Brown 8 votes; Peter Warren 5 votes and Cari Burich 3 votes. Dave Behar and Mike Brown were thus appointed as the representatives and Peter Warren was appointed as alternate.
14. **CSPNC Bylaws Amendment Article V Sect. 504 – Terms & Term Limits. Final Reading and vote on the proposed bylaws amendment:** The following Bylaws Amendment was presented to the Board for a third reading and vote of approval: *The regular terms of office for Governing Board members shall be for a period of a two (2) year staggered term commencing July 1 and ending June 30 or until a successor is selected or appointed commencing after being seated. To begin the staggered terms, the 9 candidates selected with the most votes shall receive two (2) year terms. The remaining 8 candidates selected shall receive a one (1) year term. Thereafter, beginning in year 2015, the seats selected to one (1) year terms shall have a two (2) year term. There are no term limits.*  
After discussion, the board voted to approve the Bylaws Amendment by 2/3 vote as follows: 9 yes votes, 3 no votes, 1 abstention. The stakeholders then approved the Bylaws Amendment by a simple majority (as required by the Bylaws) with 14 yes votes, 8 no votes, 0 abstentions.
- (NOTE: The board was informed by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment that according to the Coastal Bylaws, the motion must be passed by a 2/3 vote of all Governing Board Members holding office at the time of the vote, whether or not they are present at the meeting. Therefore, the above Bylaws Amendment did not pass.)**
15. **Appointments to Committees and other Committee Actions:** None
16. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** Dave Behar thanked the students in attendance.
17. **Announcements:** Lydia Gutierrez reported that she attended the Elks Club Easter Breakfast and it was fabulous.
18. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristina Smith for Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council