



minutes

COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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August 15, 2016 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes Cabrillo Marina Community Building

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President James Baeza. See list below for board member attendance. 15 Board members present. Approximately 45 stakeholders also in attendance.

Board Members	Roll Call
James Baeza	Present
Jeannine M. Bryant	Present
Robert Campbell	Present
Erin Carter	Not Present
Louis Dominguez	Present
Doug Epperhart	Present arrived at 6:40 pm
Robert Farrell	Present
Gayle Fleury	Present
Adele Healy	Present
April Juarez	Present
David Meyers	Present
Robert (Bob) Milling	Present
George Palaziol	Present
Dean Pentcheff	Present
Shannon Ross	Not Present
Natalia E. Schroeder	Present
Brian Vassallo	Present

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Fred Allen, Vice President, Grand Vision Foundation commented that recently the Los Angeles City Council authorized the Dept. of Cultural Affairs to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for professional operation of the Warner Grand Theatre. The specifics are very vague. He is concerned that a professional operator will necessitate having a union run venue which he fears would price community events out the possibility of holding events at the theatre. People can express their concerns by writing to the City Clerk using the reference CF 95-2322-S1.
- b. Stakeholder Allen Franz announced the White Point Home Tour fund raiser for the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy on September 11. Of the seven homes on the tour six are in Coastal San Pedro.
- c. Gayle Fleury announced the Light at the Light House music festival in Point Fermin Park on Saturday, September 3.
- d. Doroithia Flanagan commented that she lives RPV and is alarmed at the decline of the area around 25th and Western. She hired someone to clean it up the area. But she wants the signage and banners and such regularly removed.
- e. Stakeholder asked if the council has a committee for Parks and Recreation issues? Particularly what are the responsibilities of the security guards at Angel's Gate park? She is also concerned with littering on Gaffey.

- f. Julia Bender wants to do a mural on 25th between Patton and the Lutheran Church. She is having trouble going through Building and Safety and the Dept. of Cultural Affairs.
 - g. Stakeholder commented that she lives on Bluff Place, and that on a recent weekend, the pocket park at the intersection with Pacific Avenue, had approximately 30 people drinking, skate boarding, smoking marijuana, etc. She would like to get involved in solving this problem.
 - h. George Palaziol announced that on Friday, August 19, from 6 pm – 12 am, is the Top Deck Casino Night on the Iowa which benefits several local organizations.
 - i. Bob Milling commented that two weeks ago a neighbor was killed on Pacific Avenue while riding his motorcycle. He is asking everyone who is concerned about transportation issues to please attend the Public Safety, Transportation and Planning Committee meeting.
- 3. MINUTES:** Approval of July 18 20, 2016 minutes.
Motion by Louis Dominguez to approve the July 18, 2016 meeting minutes, seconded by Natalia Schroeder. Motion passed with 13 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Pentcheff), and 1 not yet present (Epperhart).
- 4. BUDGET & FINANCE:**
- a. Approval of July 2016 MER and bank statement. **Motion by Robert Campbell to approve the July 2016 MER and bank statement, seconded by Brian Vassallo.** Motion passed with 14 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 1 abstention(s) (Meyers).
- 5. LAPD REPORT:** Acting Senior Lead Officer Elliott Rubright
- a. Officer Rubright provided an update on crime statistics.
 - b. New restrictions that prohibit recreational vehicle parking from 2am – 6am for vehicles over 7 feet high and longer than 22 feet east of Gaffey are going into effect. He anticipates an influx of such vehicles into Coastal San Pedro. Accordingly, if residents have such vehicles parked outside their residents please contact LAPD so they know the vehicle belongs to a resident.
 - c. Harbor Division has been making a concerted effort to clean up the area around 8th and Beacon around the Post Office. Accordingly, the displaced are going elsewhere including Cabrillo Beach. All the relevant entities are aware of the situation and doing what they can.
 - d. Office Rubright reminded everyone not to give out money to people asking for it. On July 23 he was alerted to two kids asking for money for a lost loved one. It turned out to be a scam and he recovered approximately \$500 that they had collected in about 4 hours. The individuals were not from San Pedro. Accordingly, he urged people to contribute to charitable organizations that can distribute funds appropriately.
 - e. Concerns of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:
 - i. Stakeholder Donald Galaz commented regarding public safety in regards to street racing in the area, does Harbor Division have a strategic plan to combat the problem? Officer Rubright responded that, yes, they are hitting the area hard in an effort to deal with the problem.
 - ii. Board member David Meyers asked how can we get a radar speed warning sign on Pacific Avenue.
 - iii. Stakeholder asked how she could get statistical data on complaints regarding the pocket park at the intersection of Bluff Place and Pacific Avenue. Officer Rubright responded that it is not public information. He stated that there are two small signs that prohibit skateboarding and that the LAPD does attempt to mitigate the issue.
 - iv. Officer Rubright's contact information: Twitter handle 5sl85sanpedro, email (preferred method of contact) 38205@lapd.lacity.org and office telephone 310-726-7925
 - v. Board member David Meyers thanked Officer Rubright for all he does.
 - vi. Board member Bob Milling commented that as the Public Safety Committee gets going, he is looking forward to Officer Rubright being involved.

- vii. Board member George Palaziol asked Officer Rubright what he would like to see on Pacific Avenue by Fort MacArthur? Officer Rubright is not sure, but something to get people to slow down.

6. REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

- a. **Councilman Joe Buscaino CD15:** Ryan Ferguson, San Pedro Field Deputy, provided a written report some of the highlights are as follows:
 - i. To view the full written report, go to [cspnc.org](http://www.cspnc.org) or use the following link: <http://www.cspnc.org/council-district-15-reports>.
 - ii. The Board of Public Works received six bids on the Hamilton Avenue widening project. It is anticipated that a notice to proceed will be issued sometime in September.
 - iii. In July several streets in Coastal SP received slurry seal and resurfacing.
 - iv. The City Council approved issuance of an RFP for the Warner Grand Theater.
 - v. The inaugural Fleet Week and Concur the Bridge events are coming up Labor Day weekend.
 - vi. Concerns of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:
 - I. Stakeholder Donald Galaz commented that street resurfacing was done, but no repairs.
 - II. Board member Louis Dominguez wanted to know if a stop sign was going to be installed at 30th and Cabrillo.
 - III. Board member Bob Milling asked when the Hamilton widening would start. Mr. Ferguson responded that it is still 12 to 18 months away.
 - IV. Board member Robert Farrell asked Mr. Ferguson to follow up on 4 items from public comment.
 - V. Stakeholder commented that he saw no wording in the Warner Grand Theatre RFP about preserving the historical aspects of the building. Mr. Ferguson responded that he believes that the WGT is designated as a historical cultural monument so changes cannot be made that do not fall under those guidelines.
- b. **Assemblyman Patrick O'Donnell:** Sarah Patterson, Field Representative
 - i. Ms. Patterson introduced herself and gave an overview of the Assemblyman and his background.
 - ii. She gave an overview of entities the Assemblyman's staff can assist stakeholders with.
 - iii. Board member Brian Vassallo asked if Ms. Patterson would get an explanation of why the Assemblyman voted to supported AB2466, which allows felons to vote.
 - iv. Board member Dean Pentcheff reminded everyone that elected officials try to do their best, so it's important to let them know what you think and want.
- c. **Port of Los Angeles:** Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate
 - i. The next meetings of the Harbor Commissioners are Thursday, August 18, and September 1, at 8:30 am the Port Administration building.
 - ii. The Port is actively negotiating with the Boy Scouts for a new lease for the Boy Scout Camp. The Port also met with several CSPNC board members on what stakeholders want at the location.
 - iii. There was a scoping meeting for the NOP the draft Valero MOTEM's EIR on August 3, at the Port Administration building, at 6pm. The draft EIR should be completed by January 2017. The NOP is out for public comment and closes on August 19.
- d. **Port Police Officer Morales and Sargent Alvarez**
 - i. Officer Morales gave an update on crime statistics. There has been an increase of crime in the area.
 - ii. At Cabrillo Beach there is an unarmed security guard and a Dept. of Rec and Parks employee there from 9 pm to 5 or 6 am. They have 22 electronic check in points per hour. They are employed or contracted by the Dept. of Rec and Parks.
 - iii. Concerns of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:

- I. Board member Robert Campbell asked what is the jurisdiction of the various entities in the area and who can we ask for that clarification. Officer Morales responded that it is basically LAPD and Port Police and that they could ask Don Knabe's field deputy for further clarification.
- II. Board member Jeannine Bryant asked what is the interaction with the homeless at Cabrillo Beach.
- III. Board member Louis Dominguez commented that years ago there was an agreement between the City, the County and the State as to who would take which beaches. At the time the City agreed to take care of Cabrillo Beach.
- IV. Stakeholder Leslie Jones made a comment off mike that was unable to be heard.
- V. Board member George Palazio asked that when Port Police make an arrest do they have to go to 77th Street Station to book detainees. Officer Morales responded that yes and it requires two officers for transport.
- iv. Sargent Alvarez commented that every third Thursday at 1pm there is a meeting at the Cabrillo Aquarium in the library to address issues.
- e. **LAUSD Board Member Dr. Valdivic:** Joseph Grassilli acting Director of Communication
 - i. Superintendent Christopher Downing would like to be on the agenda for the September meeting to give an update on the future of Science Center. Mr. Downing would like to reconvene the community focus group.
 - ii. The school year starts tomorrow and Mr. Grassilli reminded everyone to drive carefully, particularly around schools.
 - iii. Dr. Valdivic has introduced a resolution to return the start of the school year to after Labor Day starting with the 2017-2018 school year.
- f. **Budget Advocate for the Harbor Region:** Danielle Sandoval
 - i. There are two additional Harbor Region Budget Advocates, Robert Campbell (Coastal) and Craig Goldfarb (Northwest SP NC).
 - ii. Some of the issues that came up at the annual Budget Day were:
 - I. Reopening the Harbor Division jail
 - II. Tree trimming
 - III. Problems with the 311 app
 - IV. Illegal dumping, she wants stiffer fines
 - V. Homeless encampments
 - iii. On the Budget Advocate website (NCBALA.com) you can read last year's white paper as well as the LA 2020 report.
 - iv. The Regional Budget Day will be held in January. She wants stakeholders to attend to give Budget Advocates feedback to take to their meetings with city departments for the white paper.
 - v. Ms. Sandoval asked Robert Campbell to please bring questions from board members and stakeholders to the Budget Advocates to assist in creating the outline for the white paper.
 - vi. The theme for this year's white paper is 'What is your solution to raise more revenue without cutting city department budgets and services?'
 - vii. Ms. Sandoval commented that Wilmington Neighborhood Council is in exhaustive efforts. She asked that everyone try to support the Wilmington NC.

7. FLEET WEEK PRESENTATION | Port of Los Angeles

- a. Jonathan Williams is President, and Mayor Gracetti the Chair, of the LA Fleet Week Foundation, a nonprofit created for fund raising and outreach for the event.
- b. There will be parking and shuttle service at the outer harbor, and PBID will have the trolleys running.
- c. The temporary baggage area will serve as the main expo hall.
- d. PBID and the Chamber are planning a big First Thursday & Welcome Party event, including rolling out the blue carpet to the sailors.
- e. There will be a small scale air show with fly overs on a schedule.

- f. To view a video by the Port about the event go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OnX8itwy_Q&index=1&list=PLnIXI2uQ2olmlSX5joduf479u9_IDmXZ2.
- g. For more information, please visit <http://www.lafleetweek.org>.
- h. They still need volunteers, please contact Elise Swanson at the Chamber.

8. ACTION ITEMS

a. STAKEHOLDER MOTIONS

- i. 7 Eleven – David Myers – *Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports allowing the continued sale of beer and wine at the 7-Eleven located at 1831 South Pacific Avenue only in the event the store operator agrees to provide a security guard 24 hours a day and maintains the property to a high standard of cleanliness.*
MOTION AS AMENDED
*Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports allowing the continued sale of beer and wine at the 7-Eleven located at 1831 South Pacific Avenue **FOR A PERIOD THREE YEARS** only in the event the store operator agrees to provide a security guard 24 hours a day **PLAN DEVELOPED IN COOPERATION WITH THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEES OF CENTRAL AND COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS** and maintains the property to a high standard of cleanliness.*
Motion by Doug Epperhart to amend the motion by inserting *for a period of three years after South Pacific Avenue, and deleting ~~guard 24 hours a day,~~* seconded by **Louis Dominguez**. Motion passed with 11 yes (Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Schroeder), 3 no (Bryant, Fleury, and Vassallo), 1 abstention(s) (Baeza).
Motion by Dean Pentcheff to additionally amend the motion by inserting *plan developed in cooperation with the public safety committees of Central and Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Councils,* after the word security, seconded by **Doug Epperhart**. Motion passed with 13 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Schroeder), 1 no (Vassallo), 1 abstention(s) (Baeza).
Motion by David Meyers to approve the above motion as ammended, seconded by **George Palaziol**. Motion passed with 10 yes (Baeza, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Pentcheff, and Schroeder), 5 no (Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 0 abstention(s).
- ii. Seaside Mesa – Brian Vassallo – *Motion for amendment to Motion by Robert Farrell to oppose the development project at 1803 South Mesa Street as presented, seconded by Shannon Ross: Please be informed it has been resolved by the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council, which represents the Stakeholders, where the above referenced project also known as Seaside Mesa is proposed, to oppose the development as currently presented; however the Council is not opposed to future development of the property so long as an agreeable alternative can be accomplished that is mutually beneficial and reasonable for the developer and Coastal San Pedro Stakeholders.*
Motion by Brian Vassallo to approve the above motion, seconded by **Natalia Schroeder**. Motion passed with 11 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 4 no (Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, and Pentcheff), and 0 abstention(s).
- iii. Barton Hill – George Palaziol - *Barton Hill Pride will be holding a 5k run/walk along Paseo Del Mar on September 24th benefitting the education of school children. Be it resolved that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves of said walk.*
Motion by George Palaziol to approve the above resolution, seconded by **Doug Epperhart**. Motion passed with 15 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).

b. BUDGET AND FINANCE. CSPNC hereby approves

- i. The 2016-17 budget and strategic plan.
 Motion by **Doug Epperhart** to hold approval of the 2016-17 budget until August 25 board retreat and hold a Budget and Finance meeting in the interim, seconded by **Dean Pentcheff**. Motion failed with 4 yes (Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, and Pentcheff), 11 no (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), and 0 abstention(s).
 Motion from committee. Motion passed with 11 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 4 no (Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, and Pentcheff), and 0 abstention(s).
- ii. Reimbursements for Approval – see items 8.b.iii., and v. below.
- iii. Food for the stakeholder meeting of July 18, 2016 in the amount of \$165.30 to James Baeza
 Motion by **Robert Campbell** to approve reimbursing James Baeza \$165.30 for food for the July 18, 2016 stakeholder meeting, seconded by **Natalia Schroder**. Motion passed with 11 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 4 abstention(s) (Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, and Pentcheff).
- iv. Transcription Services for July 2016 to Lloyd Staffing/Sheryl Akerblom in the amount of \$154.44.
 Motion by **Robert Campbell** to approve \$154.44 for Transcription Services for July 2016 to Lloyd Staffing/Sheryl Akerblom, seconded by **Natalia Schroder**. Motion passed with 13 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 2 abstention(s) (Farrell and Pentcheff).
- v. Table and Chair rental for the stakeholder meeting of July 18, 2016 in the amount of \$300 to Brian Vassallo
 Motion by **Robert Campbell** to approve reimbursing Brian Vassallo \$300 for Table and Chair rental for the July 18, 2016 stakeholder meeting, seconded by **Natalia Schroder**. Motion passed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 5 abstention(s) (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, and Pentcheff).
- vi. Regular and recurring monthly expenditures, in amounts not to exceed the following:
 - 1. The Mailroom - Virtual Office Services - \$100
 - 2. The Mailroom - Website Services - \$25
 - 3. The Mailroom - Storage Fees - \$50
 - 4. The Mailroom - Social Media/Email Services - \$25
 - 5. Lloyd Staffing - Transcription Services - \$150
 - 6. Andrew Menzes - Audio and meeting setup services - \$190
 - 7. Go Daddy - Website Charges - \$14.99
 - 8. Constant Contact - Email Services - ~~\$35~~ **\$40**
 - 9. Meeting Food - \$200
 - 10. Miscellaneous Expenses - \$41.67
 - 11. PO Box Rental \$170 per year
 Motion by **Natalia Schroeder** to approve changing the price of Constant Contact from \$35 to \$40, seconded by **Louis Dominguez**. Motion passed with 15 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).
 Motion by **Robert Campbell** to approve the regular and recurring monthly expenditures as amended and presented above, seconded by **Louis Dominguez**. Motion passed with 14 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 1 abstention(s) (Meyers).

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – None

10. APPOINTMENTS

- a. President Baeza suggested that the appointments be postpone to the August 25 board retreat.

11. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – James Baeza

- a. Due to time restraints President Baeza will forward a written copy of his report for posting on the website.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

14. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm. The next meeting is September 19, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Akerblom
for the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council