



minutes

# COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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## July 18, 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 outgoing president James Dimon. See list below for board member attendance. 17 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	Present
Louis Dominguez	Present
Doug Epperhart	Present
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	Present
Natalia E. Schroeder	Present arrived at 7:00 pm
Brian Vassallo	Present

- 2. SEATING OF THE NEW BOARD AND OATH OF OFFICE** – The newly elected board was sworn in by outgoing President James Dimon.
- 3. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS**
  - a. President** – James Baeza and Doug Epperhart were nominated to serve as **President**, James Baeza appointed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), for Doug Epperhart 6 (Carter, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not yet arrived (Schroeder).
  - b. Vice President** – Brian Vassallo and Erin Carter were nominated to serve as **Vice President**, Brian Vassallo appointed with 9 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), for Doug Epperhart 7 (Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not yet arrived (Schroeder).
  - c. Secretary** – George Palaziol and Shannon Ross were nominated to serve as **Secretary**, George Palaziol appointed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), for Shannon Ross 6 (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Milling, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not yet arrived (Schroeder).

- d. **Treasurer** – Robert Campbell and David Meyer were nominated to serve as **Treasurer**, Robert Campbell appointed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), for Shannon Ross 6 (Carter, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not yet arrived (Schroeder).
- e. **Seconded Signature** – Jeannine Bryant and Doug Epperhart were nominated to serve as **Seconded Signature**, Jeannine Bryant appointed with 9 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), for Doug Epperhart 7 (Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 1 not yet arrived (Schroeder).

#### 4. SELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

- a. **Communications** – The following people were appointed to the Communications Committee: Douglas Morino, Kate McLaughlin, David Myers, Dave Behar, Dean Pentcheff, Doug Epperhart, Shannon Ross, Erin Carter, Bob Gelfand, Robert Brandin, Jeannine Bryant, Brian Vassallo, April Juarez, Bob Milling. Dave Behar and David Meyer were nominated to serve as Communications chair, Dave Behar was appointed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), for David Meyer 7 (Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- b. **Education and Cultural Affairs** – The following people were appointed to the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee: June Smith, Shannon Ross, Gayle Fleury, Erin Carter, Bob Gelfand, Natalia Schroder, Louis Dominguez, Bob Milling, Jeannine Bryant. Gayle Fleury and Shannon Ross were nominated to serve as Education and Cultural Affairs chair, Gayle Fleury was appointed with 11 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), for Shannon Ross 6 (Carter, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- c. **Parks and Coastline** – The following people were appointed to the Parks and Coastline Committee: Graham Robertson, Allen Franz, June Smith, Shannon Ross, Adelle Healy, Erin Carter, Jennifer McMullen, Linda Howat. Adelle Healy was appointed as chair with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- d. **Port and Environment** – The following people were appointed to the Port and Environment Committee: Louis Dominguez, Erick Ojeda Garcia, Adelle Healy, Peter Warren, Graham Robertson, June Smith, Dean Pentcheff, Shannon Ross, Jeannine Bryant, Brian Vassallo, George Palaziol, Gayle Fleury. Brian Vassallo was appointed as chair with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- e. **Public Safety, Transportation, and Planning** – The following people were appointed to the Public Safety, Transportation, and Planning Committee: Steve Mayoral, Erick Ojeda Garcia, Adelle Healy, Kate McLaughlin, Ron Brown, Joseph Zender, Shannon Ross, Bob Milling, Jason Villicano, April Juarez, Brian Vassallo, Jeannine Bryant, Natalia Schroder, George Palaziol. Bob Milling was appointed as chair with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- f. **Budget and Finance** – The following people were appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee: David Meyers, Dean Pentcheff, Doug Epperhart, Bob Gelfand, Robert Brandin, Joseph Zender, Millicent Borgarding, Robert Campbell, Shannon Ross, Jeannine Bryant. Robert Campbell was appointed as chair with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).

- g. Rules and Bylaws – The following people were appointed to the Rules and Bylaws Committee: David Meyers, Dean Pentcheff, Doug Epperhart, Bob Gelfand, April Juarez, Adelle Healy, Brian Vassallo, George Palaziol. April Juarez and Dean Pentcheff were nominated to serve as Rules and Bylaws chair, April Juarez was appointed with 10 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), for Dean Pentcheff 7 (Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, and Ross) 0 no, 0 abstention(s).

## 5. SELECTION OF CSPNC LIAISONS

- a. AltaSea – Dean Pentcheff was appointed to serve as the CSPNC AltaSea representative with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- b. Animal Services – Motion by **Brian Vassallo** to postpone consideration of appointing liaisons until the next regular meeting, seconded by **David Meyers**. Motion passed with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
- c. Regional Grievance Panel – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.
- d. Homelessness – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.
- e. Harbor Area of Neighborhood Councils (HANC) – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.
- f. Legal – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.
- g. Los Angeles Neighborhood Coalition – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.
- h. Public Works – Item postponed, see 5.b. motion.

## 6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Rudy Caseres commented on mental health and mental illness being prevalent in the homeless population. He urges everyone to really educate themselves about mental illness to erase the stigma.
- b. Allen Franz announced the White Point Home Tour, on Sunday, September 11, to benefit the White Point Nature Preserve. For more information, visit <http://pvplc.org/events/Hometour>.
- c. Mike Resso commented that he is concerned about the cans of spray paint that he found in Sunken City. He contacted Councilman Buscaino's office and is still waiting for a response. He cleaned up the cans himself.
- d. Mona Sutton is very excited and as the new President of Coastal SPNC she is looking forward to building relationships and excited about collaboration among the area NC's.
- e. Cathy Hetzer commented that the Mesa Street Neighborhood Watch wants to invite everyone to attend their National Night Out event on August 2, from 6 – 9pm, on Mesa Street between 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Streets.
- f. Raymond Regalado, President of Northwest SPNC, commented that we are now at a point where we can form some great partnerships. He is looking forward to collaborating with the other NC's and sending a message to our leaders that we are at place where we expect great things for ourselves.
- g. Leslie Jones, Central SPNC Land Use chair, commented that President Regalado reached out to her for collaboration with Northwest SPNC.
- h. Mr. Fleury previously asked for support from the board for the Light at the Lighthouse Music Festival. The event is on September 3, at the Point Fermin Park.
- i. Joanne Rallo, Central SPNC Outreach chair, commented that she hopes all three San Pedro NC's can work together.
- j. Board member Shannon Ross wants the community to keep an eye out for an upcoming informational meeting about coyotes.
- k. Board member Natalia Schroeder commented that she is honored to be a part of the board and asked if residential permit parking could be address by the council. Parking in the area, particularly on beach holidays, is exceedingly difficult.

- l. Board member Adelle Healy, new Park & Coastline chair, commented that the committee is meeting this Wednesday at 6pm at the Marine Exchange. The guest speaker will be the area representative from FilmLA.
  - m. Board member Jeannine Bryant announced a flashlight walk with LAPD tomorrow at Cabrillo Beach in parking lot at 6:30pm.
7. **MINUTES:** Approval of June 20, 2016 minutes.  
**Motion by Doug Epperhart to approve the June 20, 2016 meeting minutes, seconded by Robert Campbell.** Motion passed with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s).
8. **BUDGET & FINANCE:**
- a. Approval of June 2016 MER and bank statement. **Motion by Doug Epperhart to approve the June 2016 MER and bank statement, seconded by Natalia Schroder.** Motion passed with 15 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 1 no (Farrell), 1 abstention(s) (Pentcheff).
9. **LAPD REPORT:** Senior Lead Officer Lopez filling in for acting SLO Elliott Rubright
- a. Officer Lopez provided an update on crime statistics and related that in the Coastal SP area part one crimes, particularly burglaries from motor vehicles, are still up. Also six Long Beach gang members were recently arrested here on Peso del Mar and Meyler.
  - b. There is a flashlight walk with LAPD Wednesday, July 19, starting in the Cabrillo Beach parking lot at 6:30pm.
  - c. There is a 10pm curfew for minors under the age of 18.
  - d. They caught the suspect who robbed and assaulted the hardware store and owner on Pacific Avenue. Do to intense media circulation of his photo he surrendered at Harbor station.
  - e. Some concerns of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:
    - i. Issues related to fireworks.
    - ii. A question about the status of the proposed T gates at Joan Milke Flores. Officer Lopez doesn't know. She will ask Officer Rubright follow up.
    - iii. Shannon Ross thanked both Officers Lopez and Rubright, for their efforts at Bogdanovich Park. It has made a big difference.
    - iv. Brian Vassallo thanked Office Lopez and all of LAPD for risking their lives for us all, particularly with recent events.

#### **REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES**

#### **10. REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES**

- a. **Mayor Garcetti:** Manny Lopez
  - i. Congratulations to all board members, new and old, thank you for your service.
  - ii. His contact information is [Emanuel.Lopez@lacity.org](mailto:Emanuel.Lopez@lacity.org), and cell phone number is 213) 440-1657.
  - iii. There is a small business startup expo at Harbor College on Thursday, July 28, from 6 – 9pm. There will also be an on line portal for the event.
  - iv. Last week the Mayor spent a full day in the harbor area, including the opening of the PASHA terminal. The Mayor announced the formation of the Sustainable Freight Adversary Committee.
  - v. Board member Shannon Ross attended the PASHA terminal grand opening and is grateful that they are moving forward in an environmentally friendly manor.
  - vi. The Los Angeles City Council has extended their recess. They will return Monday August 1.
  - vii. The Mayor appointed Louis Dominguez to the Sustainable Freight Adversary Committee.
- b. **LAUSD Board Member Dr. Valdivic:** John Larson, Director of Communication
  - i. They are still trying to agendize the science center proposal. The board did authorize funding for operation and maintenance for the 2016/2017 fiscal year.

- ii. Board member Robert Campbell asked if there is somewhere to find information about schools that are trying to become magnets in the community. Mr. Larson responded that currently there is not, however, they will work it.
- c. **Port of Los Angeles:** Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate
  - i. The next Board of Harbor Commissioners meetings are Thursday, July 21, and August 4, 2016, at the Port Administration building, at 8:30 am.
  - ii. As the Port Community Affairs Advocate, if you any issues related to the port you can bring them to him. He can help navigate the bureaucracy of the Port.
  - iii. The Port is a Landlord port. Accordingly, they collect rents from their tenants, i.e. terminals and other business. All the revenue generated by the port goes back into the port. The port is on State lands. The state allows the City of LA to operate the port for the State.
  - iv. The Board of Harbor Commission meetings are open to the public and people can make public comment.
  - v. The Port is actively negotiating with the Boy Scouts for a new lease for the Boy Scout Camp. The port is meeting with members of CSPNC to hear what the community wants, particularly concerning public access.
  - vi. There are free tours available of a Vietnam era swift boat docked right now in downtown harbor waterfront cut, through this Saturday.
  - vii. There is 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 the end of 2016.
  - viii. Lobster Festival, starts Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> in the USS IOWA parking lot, and runs through Sunday July 24, 2016.
  - ix. Fleet Week begins on September 1, 2016, Labor Day Weekend.

**11. FLEET WEEK PRESENTATION | Port of Los Angeles – Postponed due to weather/wind.**

**12. CLEAN STREETS LA CHALLENGE**

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Clean Streets LA is a city-wide effort to clean our neighborhoods. The City of LA's Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) is leading the efforts to clean our neighborhoods by distributing 5,000 new trash cans throughout the city over the next five years, hiring and training additional Sanitation crews, cracking down on illegal dumping, tracking the cleanliness of LA's streets with a street-by-street assessment system, and working with community partners to support community-driven clean-up activities.

The Departments of Public Works and Neighborhood Empowerment will distribute awards totaling \$25,000 for proposals to improve area neighborhoods based on the strengths of each application, including creativity, innovation, volunteer engagement, and social media strategies. We will also be evaluating the improvement metrics proposed and completed.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

Must include three partnering entities, at least one of which must be a neighborhood council.

Application is due August 26, 2016.

Projects must be done between September 1 and November 1, 2016.

**PROPOSAL FOR SAN PEDRO**

Clean San Pedro will be the lead partner. They will help plan and coordinate the program. If the application is successful and a grant awarded, Clean San Pedro will receive the funds. The Central, Coastal, and Northwest San Pedro neighborhood councils and San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce have or will be invited to join as partners.

The program proposal would encompass three or four volunteer street cleanup days focussing on areas identified by the city's CleanStat site as needing the most work. Specifically, the areas identified as the "dirtiest" include neighborhoods north of Hamilton Avenue, west of Pacific Avenue, east of Leland Street, and south of 10<sup>th</sup> Street (primarily Vista del Oro) and the area north of Seventh Street, east of Bandini, south of Channel, extending east to the water.

These areas may be viewed online at [cleanstreetsla.org/cleanstat](http://cleanstreetsla.org/cleanstat)

**WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE COUNCIL**

A resolution agreeing to participate as a partner in the application and program.

Sample motion: “Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council agrees to participate with Clean San Pedro and other community organizations as a partner in an application for the Clean Streets LA Challenge grant.”

Motion by **Brian Vassallo** to refer this item to the Parks and Coastline committee, seconded by **George Palaziol**. Motion failed with 3 yes (Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 12 no (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Pentcheff, Ross, and Schroeder), 2 abstention(s) (Baeza and Fleury).

Motion by **Doug Epperhart** to approve Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council agrees to participate with Clean San Pedro and other community organizations as a partner in an application for the Clean Streets LA Challenge grant, seconded by **Natalia Schroder**. Motion passed with 15 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, and Schroeder), 0 no, 0 abstention(s) (Baeza and Vassallo).

**13. SEASIDE ON MESA** | Presentation and discussion of proposed 22 unit residential development at 1803 So. Mesa Street

- a. All 22 single family units will be for sale as follows; 20 Units will be at market rate and 2 will be very low income.
- b. The project includes 44 resident parking garages, and an additional 4 guest parking, spaces.
- c. They are proposing the project be a total of three stories, the first level would be garages, the second and third would be living space.
- d. Cathy Hetzer read a letter related to concerns of the neighbors in the area.
- e. Board members and stakeholders expressed some of the following concerns:
  - i. The impact on parking and blocking the view of surrounding neighbors.
  - ii. The height of the project.
  - iii. The façade being so modern in a traditional neighborhood.
  - iv. The R3 zoning, when the rest of the neighborhood is zoned R1 and R2.
  - v. The church across the street, also in the context of parking.

Motion by **David Meyers** to send the issue to the Land Use committee, seconded by **Robert Campbell**. **Robert Farrell** moved to substitute a motion (or amend the current motion) to oppose the project at 1803 South Mesa Street, as presented, seconded by **Shannon Ross**.

Motion to substituted/amended motion passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Pentcheff, Ross, and Schroeder), 7 no (Baeza, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 0 abstention(s).

Motion by **Doug Epperhart** to additionally amend the motion to ‘*urge the City Planning Commission that the zoning on the property at 1803 South Mesa Street be changed from R3 to R2*’, seconded by **Natalia Shcroder**, and failed with 7 yes (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Pentcheff, Ross, and Schroeder), 8 no (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Healy, Juarez, Milling, and Vassallo) 2 abstention(s) (Fleury and Palaziol).

Motion by **Robert Farrell** to oppose the development project at 1803 South Mesa Street as presented, seconded by **Shannon Ross**. Motion passed with 9 yes (Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Juarez, Meyers, Pentcheff, Ross, and Schroeder), 7 no (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Milling, and Vassallo), 1 abstention(s) (Palaziol).

**14. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- a. Dean Pentcheff commented that as the outgoing chair of the Rules and Bylaws committee he prepared packets for all the board members with copies of the bylaws, the standing rules and a document outlining the rules structure under which the council works.

**15. PRESIDENT’S REPORT** – James Baeza

- a. Thank you to the board for your assistance with tonight’s meeting, and he is pleased to start working again.

**16. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**18. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm. The next meeting is August 15, 2016.

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