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September 19, 2016 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes Cabrillo Marina Community Building

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm by President James Baeza. See list below for board member attendance. 17 Board members present. Approximately 58 stakeholders also in attendance.

Board Members	Roll Call
James Baeza	Present
Jeannine M. Bryant	Present
Robert Campbell	Present
Erin Carter	Present
Louis Dominguez	Present left at 9:00 pm
Doug Epperhart	Present arrive at 6:40 pm
Robert Farrell	Present
Gayle Fleury	Present
Adele Healy	Present
April Juarez	Present
David Meyers	Present
Robert (Bob) Milling	Present arrive at 6:40 pm
George Palaziol	Present arrive at 6:35 pm
Dean Pentcheff	Present
Shannon Ross	Present left at 9:00 pm
Natalia E. Schroeder	Present arrive at 6:40 pm
Brian Vassallo	Present

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Jacqueline Horton, Community Resource Specialist for City Attorney Mike Feuer, announced a Town Hall meeting on October 13, from 6:00 to 7:30 at Port of Los Angeles High School.
- b. Jerry Gusha announced the opening of 'The Ithaca Ladies Read Medea' and 'What the Night is For' at the Little Fish Theatre.
- c. Nancy Richardson from the Garden Church on 6th Street announced that they are having their first annual Harvest Celebration fund raiser on October 1, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm.
- d. Jerry Sustich, is designing a home at 1364 W.36th Street (across from White Point School) for homeowner Judy Cole, they are seeking a letter of support for the project from the NC.
- e. Dave Behar announced that he proved the pizza for tonight's meeting from Zina's Pizza.

3. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- a. Shannon Ross announced that she is working on the Clean Streets LA Challenge. As part of the project Department of Sanitation has 3,000 trash cans to be placed around the city and wants people to submit requests for locations and photos for placement via email to info@sanpedrochambe.com, photos are best.
- b. Doug Epperhart commented that he is back writing for City Watch LA every other Friday. He recently wrote about Prop 64 marijuana.

4. **MINUTES:** Approval of August 25, 2016 minutes.
Motion by **April Juarez** to approve the August 25, 2016 meeting minutes as corrected to state NOT PRESENT, instead of *absent or excused*, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 14 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 3 abstention(s) (Healy, Meyers, and Pentcheff).
5. **BUDGET & FINANCE:**
a. Approval of August 2016 MER and bank statement. Addressed below in item 9.2.a.
6. **LAPD REPORT:** Senior Lead Officer Elliott Rubright
a. Officer Rubright provided an update on crime statistics. Including area RD573 as requested. They are still seeing a rise in violent crime and a reduction in property crime.
b. Some concerns of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:
i. President Baeza congratulated Officer Rubright on passing his orals and becoming our official SLO.
ii. Ann Cole lives on Denison and asked what can we do about getting police presence when school starts and ends? People drive way to fast. Officer Rubright responded that traffic safety around schools is a common complaint. He will submit a request for someone to come do some enforcement.
iii. Board member Doug Epperhart thanked Officer Rubright for the Corner Store flashlight walk.
iv. Board member Shannon Ross is excited about having a flashlight walk in South Shores starting at Bogdonovich park in future.
v. Board member Bob Meyers asked for follow up from last month's request to get a portable radar trailer on Pacific Avenue. Officer Rubright responded that there is only one portable radar trailer for all of South Division. They had it deployed in two other locations in town.
vi. Board member George Palaziol asked if Officer Rubright thought it would help decrease the number of cliff rescues if there were signs posted with information for the Suicide Prevention Hotline. Officer Rubright replied that there are many reasons people go over the fence/wall, and when people jump and/or fall it is a huge expense in dollars and man power.
vii. Board member Gayle Fleury commented that in lower South Shores there were several burglaries in the last week, can LAPD increase patrols in the area. Officer Rubright responded that they have sent plane clothes cars into the area.
viii. Officer Rubright's contact information: Twitter handle 5sl85sanpedro, email (preferred method of contact) 38205@lapd.lacity.org and office telephone 310-726-7925
7. **REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES**
a. **Councilman Joe Buscaino CD15:** See item 8. below
b. **Port of Los Angeles:** Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate
i. The next meeting of the Harbor Commissioners is Thursday, October 6, at 6:00 pm, at Bannings Landing, this is tentative, please check the website for conformation at <https://www.portoflosangeles.org>. The October 20 meeting has been cancelled.
ii. The first annual Fleet Week over Labor Day weekend was a great success. Approximately 200,000 people came, and 46,000 were able to tour the ships.
iii. The two extra trolleys will be going back in early October as they return to the winter schedule. In three months the trolleys had about 15,000 riders.
iv. The contractor for the Front Street Beautification project has been selected. The City Attorney is working on an issue that once resolved the work should begin shortly.
v. The North Gaffey Street Beautification Phase II. They plan to advertise the project in November and anticipate a start date in May of 2017.
vi. The first annual Southern California Boat Show will be September 22 to 25 at Cabrillo Way Marina.
vii. The Red Bull Global Rally Cross will be at the outer harbor berth 46 on October 8 and 9.

- viii. The annual Pet Parade and Happy Harbor Halloween will be on Saturday, October 29, at the downtown San Pedro water cut and in Wilmington at the Waterfront Park.
- ix. Some comments of Board members and Stakeholders were as follows:
 - I. Board member Louis Dominguez congratulated the Port on Fleet Week, it was an incredible event and even the traffic was alright.
 - II. Stakeholder Ms. West asked a question off the microphone that could not be heard about the Boy Scout Camp. Mr. Bezmalinovich responded that negotiations continue with the Boy Scout's; they are still working on a term sheet toward a lease.
 - III. Dean Pentcheff commented regarding the Boy Scout Camp/Aquatic Center that he wants to reiterate the position the board has taken in the past, and request that when the lease goes public, they need more than 30 days notice to intelligently give feedback, and accordingly are formally requesting 60 days for review and comment. Mr. Bezmalinovich responded that it would be helpful if the NC submitted a resolution to that affect, as he is not sure that 60 days will happen. Mr. Pentcheff replied that they don't need to pass **another** resolution, they've already done so many times, and the Port has repeatedly ignored such.
- c. **LAUSD Board Member Dr. Valdovic:** John Larson, Director of Communication
 - i. Superintendent Christopher Downing presented an update on the future of the Science Center.
 - I. LAUSD has been approached by another community partner with an alternative proposal for the site. This group is requesting strong consideration from the district for this proposal.
 - II. Accordingly, he wants to reconvene the focus group to hear a presentation from that group and appoint three people for the focus group.
 - III. Board members Erin Carter, Gayle Fleury and April Juarez will represent the NC on focus group panel.
 - IV. The site is being maintained for the 2016-2017 year. The gardens are still up and the class rooms are still being used for professional development, and field trips will start again in November.
 - ii. John Larson commented that at the LAUSD Board meeting taking place tomorrow, a motion to move the start date for the 2017-2018 school year, to a post Labor Day date, will be addressed.
 - iii. Stakeholder Donald Galaz commented that the proposed storage facility for homeless people is one block from Barton Hill Elementary School.
- d. **Budget Advocate for the Harbor Region:** Danielle Sandoval
 - i. Ms. Sandoval is the Budget Advocate for Region 12.
 - ii. They are waiting for the Mayor's letter to go out to city departments so that they can start meeting with city department managers.
 - iii. The Budget Advocates discussed releasing an early version of the white paper incorporating five motions they approved in August, involving the recommendations of the LA 2020 Commission report, to accelerate their work.
 - iv. Watch for the annual survey to come, last year coastal San Pedro gave the most responses to their survey.

8. CD-15 PRESENTATION | Councilman Joe Buscaino

- i. The Councilman has always supported NC members having more than two minutes to speak at City Council and committee meetings. Now, if a Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been filed for a specific item, then you will have more than the two minutes to speak on that specific item.
- ii. The City of Los Angeles has approved a comprehensive homeless strategy that includes storage facilities. He turned to his homeless task force for advise on this issue. The task force has identified a location in San Pedro that it recommends for a public storage site.
- iii. The San Pedro Public Market project first phase of demolition was approved on August 18 by the Board of Harbor Commissioners and work is expected to begin in November.

- iv. The Sampson Way realignment and the Plaza Park expansion have received a tentative notice to proceed.
- v. They are working on the website infrastructure for the Sidewalk Repair 50/50 rebate program. They hope to have it up and running this fall.
- vi. The sale of the San Pedro Court House has been approved by the State Legislature. An RFP went out in late July and proposals are due September 27.
- vii. He invited everyone to his free annual Italian Dinner on October 22, at Weymouth Corners.
- viii. Some questions submitted in advance to the Councilman were addressed as follows:
 - I. *President Baeza asked how do we move forward with Sunken City now that the geological report is complete and recommendations have been made? Is it going to be stalled by the City Attorney? Where can funding be found and the timeline?* Councilman Buscaino will be meeting with Recreation & Parks to discuss the geological report and recommendations, and look at options for how to move forward. He will have Ryan Ferguson report back.
 - II. *Update on Paseo del Mar permanent restoration.* The pre-design report is complete, with a more accurate cost analysis, and several options to be considered. The Councilman wants to reconvene the White Point Landslide Advisory committee. He is working with Mayor Garcetti's office looking for funding for the project.
 - III. *Board member Adelle Healy asked what is the possibility of replacing the dangerous and unsightly guard rail fencing the ocean side just west of Point Fermin Park and extending it to Roxbury? It has been allowed to deteriorate to its present condition because historically the Bureau of Street Maintenance and Recreation and Parks have each denied any responsibility for its maintenance. This portion of the coastline is frequently used for filming commercials, TV and feature films, could we request that allocated a portion of the collected permit fees for replacement of the dangerous guard rail? I know that the funds are deposited into the General Fund, but can an exception be made.* The Councilman will meet with the General Managers for Street Services and Recreation and Parks for resolution. Filming permit fees can only be used for cost recovery.
 - IV. *A brief history of the major development projects that have been either proposed or approved for our downtown area, plus Pacific and Gaffey, including, but not limited to the status of Nelson One, Seaside Mesa, project on 8th and Mesa and Exit Park.* The Councilman discussed some details for some of the projects listed. The Exit Park is now called the Los Angeles Sister City Plaza.
 - V. *Any information regarding the status of the former Coco's and former Albertson's/Hagen's location.* They have no information on these sites.
 - VI. *Board member Bob Milling asked with the redevelopment and public market on the waterfront, plan buildings in the downtown area, the arrival of AltaSea, an influx of changes throughout San Pedro, what do you see in the next few years will be the effect of these changes on Coastal San Pedro where there are mostly single family residences, apartments, limited number of businesses, and number of resources used by all of San Pedro and Los Angeles?* The Councilman has long supported revitalization of the San Pedro waterfront.
 - VII. The Councilman commented that he appreciates the questions specifically as they relate to development. Things are changing here. They are doing everything they can to get people to come here to spend their dollars, and to address the poverty and homeless issues. They have put together a plan in conjunction with emergency response teams, outreach teams, mental health unit, the LAPD and working with Harbor Interfaith to address homelessness. He has reached out to the surrounding communities asking them to do their part as well.
- ix. Some questions from Stakeholders were as follows:
 - I. Mr. Nolan asked several questions about the Sidewalks 50/50 rebate program.

- II. There were several questions from stakeholders that did not use the microphone which could not be heard about the Paseo del Mar restoration project.
- III. Donald Galaz commented that though he is in favor of the waterfront development plans, regarding the neighborhood adjacent to the redevelopment, Mr. Galaz feels that the Councilman just wants to wipe out the entire neighborhood. That neighborhood is full of homeowners, hardworking families and retirees who do not deserve to be pushed out. The Councilman commented that he is looking for mixed income residential development. One of his ideas is to develop city owned parking lots, like the one at 7th & Beacon, for mixed income residential development. He stated that Rancho San Pedro needs to be rebuilt. The site is 22 acers, with 470 units, no one should be living in WWII era housing, we owe better to those residents. Federal law mandates one to one housing replacement. No one will be shut out or thrown out in the street.

9. ACTION ITEMS

1. STAKEHOLDER MOTIONS

- a. **Dr. Vladovic, Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. McKenna- Family Readiness Instructional Calendar**

WHEREAS, There has been consistent feedback from the constituency of the Board Offices in support of a return to the traditional start calendar, and

WHEREAS, The stated goals of the "early start" calendar were to finish the instructional calendar before winter break, giving families and students a longer winter break in order to improve test scores by way of fewer interruptions in the calendar year, and

WHEREAS, the surveys of preferential start dates conducted by staff have not achieved sufficient outreach and consideration of public opinion on the preferred start date, and

WHEREAS, Board Offices have continued to hear concerns about having to keep students indoors and not conducting much needed physical activity during the hot August weather, and

WHEREAS, Maintenance on the AC units has been an ongoing and increasingly costly issue, along with the issues of rising electrical costs and attempting to conduct class session in rooms or facilities built without climate control, and

WHEREAS, Board Offices have heard concerns from families being unable to travel due to affordable time periods to travel running concurrent with the August start period, or simply traveling when they can afford or have leave time from work thus causing their children to miss critical start-of-year classroom time;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools to begin every instructional year on a unspecified date after Labor Day, and that the Superintendent direct staff to make all appropriate moves to facilitate this order beginning with the 2017-2018 school year

Motion by Natalia Schroeder to approve the above motion, seconded by George Palaziol. Motion passed with 11 yes (Bryant, Dominguez, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 1 no (Pentcheff), and 5 abstention(s) (Baeza, Campbell, Carter, Epperhart, and Meyers).

- b. Appointment of up to five NC Board Members authorized to prepare and submit Community Impact Statements on behalf of the CSPNC, on issues and positions specifically approved by the board. **Board members James Baeza, Doug Epperhart, George Palaziol, and Dean Pentcheff were appointed. Approved unanimously.**

- c. The CSPNC authorizes acquisition of the 2016 selection registration information. **Motion by Doug Epperhart** to approve the CSPNC authorizes acquisition of the 2016 selection registration information, seconded by **Adelle Healy**. 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, and 0 abstention(s).

2. BUDGET AND FINANCE MOTIONS

- a. Review and Approve the August 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report
Motion by Dean Pentcheff to postpone approval of the August Monthly Expenditure Report to the October meeting to allow more time for review, seconded by **Doug Epperhart**. Motion failed with 1 yes (Pentcheff), 15 no (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), and 1 abstention(s) (Meyers).
Motion by Louis Dominguez to approve the August Monthly Expenditure Report, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 16 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 1 abstention(s) (Pentcheff).
- b. Review and Approve the revised July 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report
Motion by Louis Dominguez to approve the amended/revised July Monthly Expenditure Report, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 16 yes (Baeza, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 1 no (Bryant), and 0 abstention(s).
- c. Revise the amount approved for payment of recurring / monthly transcription and other temporary services to Lloyd Staffing to an amount “not to exceed \$250”. **Motion by Louis Dominguez** to approve revising the amount approved for payment of recurring / monthly transcription and other temporary services to Lloyd Staffing to an amount “not to exceed \$250”, seconded by **Natalia Schroeder**. 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, and 0 abstention(s).
- d. Reimbursements for Approval
 - 1. Approve payment of invoice #6-614007 to Lloyd Staffing for Transcription Services by Sheryl Akerblom dated 8/28/16 in the amount of \$193.05. **Motion by Dean Pentcheff** to approve payment of invoice #6-614007 to Lloyd Staffing for Transcription Services by Sheryl Akerblom dated 8/28/16 in the amount of \$193.05, seconded by **Adelle Healy**. 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, and 0 abstention(s).
 - 2. Approve payment of invoice #6-613986 to Lloyd Staffing for Transcription Services by Sheryl Akerblom dated 8/21/16 in the amount of \$180.18. **Motion by Dean Pentcheff** to approve payment of invoice #6-613986 to Lloyd Staffing for Transcription Services by Sheryl Akerblom dated 8/21/16 in the amount of \$180.18, seconded by **Adelle Healy**. 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, and 0 abstention(s).

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. **CSPNC Outreach Database Collection:** Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for the purposes of outreach via database collection, mobile and/or e-mail records of and for the benefit of Coastal residents, collected door to door and by tabling events. Committee shall measure success of initial 90 day period. **Motion from committee**, passed with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).
- b. **CSPNC Neighborhood Outreach Motion:** Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the purposes of Public Safety Outreach via

Neighborhood Block Parties, LAPD and Neighborhood Watch, Youth and Families on school campuses and Annual Public Safety Summit. **Motion from committee, passed with 17 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).**

- c. **CSPNC Video & Digital Asset Outreach:** Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves an amount not to exceed \$1,500 for the purposes of outreach via Video and Digital Asset Production – and Distribution to support the CSPNC stakeholders, Board Initiatives, meetings and events for an initial test of three months. The CSPNC Communications Committee shall provide content input and maintain web metrics to measure success of initial period. **Motion from committee, passed with 15 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 1 no (Ross), and 1 abstention(s) (Dominguez).**
- d. **CSPNC Signage:** Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves an amount not to exceed \$2,200 for the purposes of permanent and temporary Welcome Signage in the Neighborhood Council District. This allocation shall include \$700 for purchase of a 10x10 logoed tent / signage. This budget may be applied to a two year plan. **Motion from committee, passed with 13 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 2 no (Meyers and Ross), and 2 abstention(s) (Carter and Pentcheff).**
- e. The CSPNC shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$750 for the Trunk or Treat event for outreach. **The CSPNC delegates authority to the Council President or his designee to expend funds for the project approved pursuant to the section in amounts not to exceed those specified, and to directs the Treasurer to pay properly submitted invoices and costs.**

Motion by Robert Campbell amend the above motion by adding ‘**The CSPNC delegates authority to the Council President or his designee to expend funds for the project approved pursuant to the section in amounts not to exceed those specified, and to directs the Treasurer to pay properly submitted invoices and costs**’, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. **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, and 0 abstention(s).** **Motion from committee as amended, passed with 15 yes (Baeza, Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 1 abstention(s) (Dominguez and Pentcheff).**

10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – James Baeza

- a. Due to time restraints President Baeza gave no report.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- a. Treasurer Robert Campbell as Budget Advocate, has not been able to give the position the attention it deserves so he will be looking for someone to step into the position if anyone is interested.
- b. Bob Milling, chair of Public Safety, Transportation and Planning commented that this committee’s interests are vast, accordingly, he asked for any help anyone is willing to give.
- c. Dave Behar, chair of Communications committee wants volunteers for a subcommittee for the Trunk or Treat event.
- d. Gayle Fleury, chair of Education and Cultural Affairs, is looking for volunteers for the SS Lane Victory project, they need fund raising.

12. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS, additions to committees

- a. Adelle Healy, chair of the Parks and Coastline committee submitted the following new members, all stakeholders, Lorna Wallace, Elizabeth Harris, Jessica Bucanan, and Pete Matingly. **Approved unanimously.**

- b. President Baeza submitted stakeholder Catherine Portnall as a new member of the Rules and Bylaws committee. **Approved unanimously.**
- c. President Baeza submitted Adelle Healy to be the CSPNC liaison to the joint Land Use and Planning committee with the three other San Pedro area NC's. **Approved unanimously.**

13. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

15. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm. The next meeting is October 17, 2016.

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