



minutes

COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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October 19, 2020 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes Zoom Electronic Meeting

Board Members	Roll Call
Isiah Cade	Present
Louis Dominguez	Present
Greg Ellis	Present
Doug Epperhart	Present
Bob Gelfand	Present
Noel Gould	Present
Richard Havenick	Present
Erika Hernandez	Absent
Andrea Herman	Absent
Daniel Kohn	Absent
John Kopczynski	Present
Kathleen Martin	Present
Kavitha Muthuswamy	Present at 7:05 p.m.
Dean Pentcheff	Present
Shannon Ross	Absent
Robin Rudisill	Present
Jose Abraham Vargas	Absent

1. **TECHNICAL CHECKOUT FOR ONLINE MEETING** *(no substantive discussion or comment)*
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
 - a. James Campo asked that the students in attendance write to the council office and port about why their representatives are not attending neighborhood council meetings.
3. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Doug Epperhart. See list above for board attendance. There was a quorum with 11/12 Board members present and approximately 80 stakeholders in attendance.
4. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** – None
5. **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES** – Approved as presented without objection.
6. **REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT**
 - a. Senior Lead Officer Paul Winter has returned to lite duty and gave a brief overview of crime statistics.
 - b. Senior Lead Officer Andrew Gonzalez gave a more detailed overview of crime statistics and answered questions.
 - c. Senior Lead Officer Melody Shortle will be filling in for Officer Winter starting Monday, October 28th.
7. **RECOMMENDATION FOR CONTINUED STRONG OPPOSITION TO 2111 PACIFIC PROJECT** – *Land Use and Planning Committee*

Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) passed a motion on November 18, 2019, which was sent to the Department of City Planning and the Council Office, recommending denial of the project for 2111 Pacific, as proposed, but offering support if:

- the project provides one parking space for each bedroom
- the project is limited to three stories not exceeding 30 feet

- the affordable housing for the project is increased to 24 units
- the project is LEED certified
- the project incorporates native plants into the landscape plan as per the San Pedro Urban Greening Plan
- the design for the project is changed to a building design that would be compatible with the surrounding neighborhood (as opposed to being similar to comparable projects downtown);

Whereas none of the conditions under which the CSPNC would offer support of the project have been addressed;

Whereas a City hearing notice has been issued for a new hearing of the project on October 28, 2020 that includes some modifications to the original project;

Whereas the applicant has added only 9 parking spaces, which is insufficient because the project is not on a major public transit line and does not qualify for Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) status due to insufficient public transportation;

Whereas the retail space has been reduced;

Whereas the applicant has added a request to waive the loading area requirement, which would cause further congestion on the street and hazards to pedestrians;

Whereas the applicant has added a requested entitlement/action, pursuant to LAMC Section 11.5.14.D.5, for a Redevelopment Plan Project Compliance to permit a residential mixed-use development in a Commercial Area in the Pacific Corridor Redevelopment Plan;

Whereas the applicant for 2111 Pacific has not provided the information requested by the Chair of the CSPNC Planning, Land Use and Transportation Committee regarding the differences in the project description and entitlement requests heard on March 12, 2020 vs. the project description and entitlement requests to be heard on October 28, 2020;

Whereas a Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) must be denied because the project is not “consistent with the applicable general plan designation and all applicable general plan policies as well as with applicable zoning designation and regulations;”

Whereas a Categorical Exemption from CEQA must also be denied because the developer is “piecemealing” the cumulative impacts analyses: their two Pacific Corridor projects are being processed simultaneously, encompassing a whole action, and they must be reviewed as a package; and

Whereas a Categorical Exemption from CEQA must also be denied because due to San Pedro’s overwhelming and well-documented Port-related environmental hazards there are “unusual circumstances” creating the reasonable possibility of significant effects;

Therefore be it Resolved, that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council affirms its strong opposition to the project as revised and requests Council Office support of our opposition.

Motion from committee passed with 11 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, 0 abstention, and 1 not yet present (Muthuswamy).

8. RECOMMENDATION FOR STREET WIDENING FOR THE 2111 PACIFIC PROJECT – Land Use, Planning and Transportation Committee

Whereas the proposed project at 2111 Pacific is within the City’s high injury network;

Whereas street widening would be required at the intersection of 22nd and Pacific in order to mitigate the substandard traffic conditions and the unsafe bus turning radius;

Whereas any street widening would impact the overall square footage of the project;

Whereas Pacific Avenue is the major tsunami evacuation route for this part of San Pedro,

Therefore be it Resolved, that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council asks that the Bureau of Engineering and the Department of Transportation require street widening at this location in the event the project is approved.

Motion by Noel Gould to amend the motion to add *Whereas Pacific Avenue is the major tsunami evacuation route for this part of San Pedro*, as noted above, second by Richard Havenick, and passed without objection.

Motion from committee as amended passed with 11 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, 0 abstention, and 1 not yet present (Muthuswamy).

9. REQUEST FOR DETAIL ON AIR QUALITY AND TRAFFIC STUDIES FOR 2111 PACIFIC CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ANALYSIS – Land Use, Planning and Transportation Committee

Whereas the applicant and the City have not provided the detailed information necessary in order to adequately perform the air quality and traffic studies for purposes of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis, and the information on cubic yards of grading, required for environmental assessment, has actually been removed from the project description in the new hearing notice;

Therefore be it Resolved, that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges City Planning to require that the applicant provide the detailed information for grading, soil export and hauling routes and update the air quality and traffic studies for the required environmental assessment.

Motion from committee passed with 12 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Muthuswamy, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, and 0 abstention.

10. MOTION TO ADDRESS STREET RACING AND LOUD MOTORCYCLES – *Land Use, Planning and Transportation Committee*

Whereas a new application was filed on August 25, 2020 for the project at 1309 Pacific that states “proposed mixed use development in the commercial designated area of the Pacific Corridor Redevelopment Plan Area”;

Whereas the detail of the new application submitted for the project refers to the project as both mixed use and residential;

Whereas without a clear, correct definition of the project and which entitlements are being requested, the planning process, including the pending appeal to the City Council, must be put on hold until the project description is clarified **and corrected**;

Therefore be it Resolved, that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests, by no later than October 26, 2020:

1. all detailed information and documents reviewed by City Planning in conjunction with the new application, including documents showing review and compliance with the Pacific Corridor Redevelopment Plan requirements,
2. all information and written documentation on changes, if any, to the long-standing Redevelopment Plan compliance process, and
3. confirmation that while the Pacific Corridor Redevelopment Plan, the San Pedro Community Plan, and the San Pedro Community Plan Implementation Overlay District have been designed to work synergistically for the good of the community, when one is more restrictive than the others, the more restrictive plan governs, and
4. an explanation and clarification, along with a correction of all hearing notices and application documents, regarding whether the project is mixed use or residential.

Council file 20-0680.

Motion by Noel Gould to amend the motion to add **and corrected**; as noted above, second by Richard Havenick, and passed without objection.

Motion from committee as amended passed with 12 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Muthuswamy, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, and 0 abstention.

11. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION INFORMATION WORKSHEET – *Administrative Operations Committee*

Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council approves and submits the attached Election Information Worksheet for the upcoming 2021 Neighborhood Council elections.

Motion from committee passed with 11 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, 0 abstention, and 1 out of room (Muthuswamy).

12. COMMENT ON CITYWIDE COMPREHENSIVE CARE+ CLEANUPS

Whereas, comprehensive CARE+ Cleanups citywide may pose a transmission risk of COVID-19 through homeless populations;

Resolved, an expansion of the comprehensive cleanup program must take into account the situation involving the current COVID-19 pandemic and the potential negative effect on homeless populations these cleanups may pose.

Council File 20-0147.

[Referred to Homelessness Committee]

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Administrative Operations Committee – Chair Dean Pentcheff – No new information
- b. Communications Committee – Chair Shannon Ross – Not present
- c. Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety Committee – Chair Bob Gelfand
 - i. Citywide Emergency Preparedness Alliance meets this Saturday, October 24, 2020.
 - ii. The epidemic gave people some idea that they need to be prepared.
- d. Parks and Coastline Committee – Chair Noel Gould
 - i. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 4th at 6:30 p.m.
- e. Sunken City Ad Hoc Committee – Chair Noel Gould
 - i. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 4th at 6:30 p.m.
- f. Environment and Sustainability Committee – Chair Richard Havenick
 - i. The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council’s Sustainability Committee will be discussing Rancho LPG at its Thursday, October 29th meeting.
 - ii. The Emissions Inventories from both ports has been released. Container traffic is down 10% and accordingly pollutants are down 4-5%.
 - iii. The next meeting will be 2nd Tuesday of the month.
- g. Homelessness Committee – Chair Kathleen Martin – No new information
- h. Port Committee – Chair Louis Dominguez – No new information

- i. Planning and Transportation – Chair Robin Rudisill – No new information
 - i. To view notes from the latest meeting please go to <https://www.cspnc.org/agendas-minutes-planning-trans>.

14. TREASURER’S REPORT – Louis Dominguez, Treasurer – Gave a brief overview of current funding levels.

Budget and Finance (Consent Calendar)

15. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2020.

16. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY EXPENSES, INCLUDING APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S PAYMENT OF ALL RECURRING NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EXPENSES INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) LLOYD STAFFING, THE MAILROOM, ANGELS GATE CULTURAL CENTER MEETING EXPENSES, VENDOR(S) FOR MEETING REFRESHMENTS, AND OFFICE SUPPLIES

17. APPROVAL OF FUNDING REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM COMMITTEES – Homelessness Committee

APPROVAL FOR EVENT and FUNDING REQUEST

Event: San Pedro Site Deployment Coordinator for 2021 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Street Count (LAHSA)

Date: January 20, 2021/January 21, 2021

Time: 6 pm to Midnight or 1 am

Funding Request: Not to Exceed \$500

Event Description: In January 2021, thousands of Los Angeles County residents will volunteer to help count their neighbors experiencing homelessness as part of the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count. Coordinated by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), the count provides a critical picture of trends, progress, scope of community members experiencing homelessness within the Los Angeles Continuum of Care (COC). The Deployment Site Coordinator for San Pedro will work under LAHSA to coordinate up to 22 teams of people (approximately 80 volunteers) whom will drive into neighborhoods in San Pedro with the intent of counting homeless individuals living on the street and in cars.

Projected Expenses:

PA (Sound/Microphone/Tables Set up and Tear Down

Printing (Maps and Event Signage)

Room Rental for The Plaza at Cabrillo Marina

Bottled Water (if allowed)

Motion by **Bob Gelfand** to approve the consent calendar as presented, second by **Greg Ellis**, and passed 12 yes (Cade, Dominguez, Ellis, Epperhart, Gelfand, Gould, Havenick, Kopczynski, Martin, Muthuswamy, Pentcheff, and Rudisill), 0 no, and 0 abstention.

18. APPOINTMENTS OF COMMITTEE OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND BOARD REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE APPOINTMENT OF CHRIS O’CONNELL AND ANNALISA LITTLE TO THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. Bob Gelfand, Kathleen Martin, Noel Gould, and Greg Ellis to Administrative Operations Committee approved without objection.

19. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Robin announced that there will be King Tides November 16th and 16th, and December 13th through 16th. This is an opportunity to take photographs during the high tides on those dates and submit them for the California King Tides Project.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – None

21. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next regular meeting is Monday, November 16, 2020.

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