

MOTION TO SUPPORT NORTHWEST SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LETTER REQUESTING RE-EVALUATION OF RISKS POSED BY RANCHO LPG STORAGE FACILITY, 11/16/20

Whereas, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council adopted a resolution (defined further below) requesting the re-evaluation of risks posed by the Rancho liquid propane storage facility and the immediate implementation of associated actions; and,

Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council adopted resolutions requesting the closure or relocation of the Rancho LPG facility and the evaluation of risks associated with the facility;

Therefore, be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council's resolution requesting the re-evaluation of risks and the recommendation of associated immediate actions.

Further be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council of the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils invites the other neighborhood councils in the Harbor Area Alliance to do likewise.

Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board Resolution Adopted November 9, 2020

Therefore, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the Governor of California, Mayor of Los Angeles, Port of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Unified School District each take steps to ensure that the various risks posed by the operation of the Rancho LPG storage facility are re-evaluated, and that the Governor and Mayor ensure that such renewed efforts are coordinated with the appropriate California state and local agencies, commissions, the California Legislature, and the relevant federal departments and agencies.

The following items should be considered for immediate action:

1. The conversion of the existing temporary month-to-month Westmont rail- spur operating agreement to a long-term lease with all the terms of such an agreement including a new risk assessment.
2. The amendment of the operating agreement and rail spur permit to reflect the transport of hazardous material.
3. The amendment of the operating agreement and rail spur permit to include insurance commensurate with the risk for that use considering its dangerous nature in close proximity to a dense population and the fair market value of property assets subject to harm from an accident.
4. The hiring of a consultant by LAUSD to prepare the required safety studies for the schools near the Rancho LPG facility, including an evacuation plan and reasonable mitigation measures.

MOTION TO SUPPORT NORTHWEST SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LETTER TO PORT OF LOS ANGELES REGARDING RAIL TRANSPORT OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, 5/18/20

Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council shall adopt the following position and forward a letter to the Port of Los Angeles:

Please consider that the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the February 24, 2020 letter submitted by the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council (NWSPNC) regarding "Follow-up questions regarding the transport of hazardous materials over Port-owned rail lines."

We stand with the NWSPNC with request for answer to the specific questions detailed in the letter and summarized below.

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1. What routes do tank car shipments of hazardous materials take over port-owned rail tracks? a. Along what routes are LPG (specifically propane and butane) transported by rail?
2. Please document and explain which specific local, state and federal laws and agency regulations would be duplicated or contradicted by extending the Port's risk analysis to include the rail transport of hazardous materials.
3. Please identify and provide copies of risk analyses conducted by other agencies regarding the rail transport of hazardous LPG along the North Gaffey rail spur from the Rancho LPG facility (for example) and elsewhere on Port- owned rail lines.
4. To what extent are the Port's overarching policy principles and goals regarding the impact of Port related operations, on-site and off-site, required to be consistent?
5. Should there be a potentially life-threatening incident on any of the rail tracks at issue, who will notify the public?

MOTION REGARDING CITY ACTION ON CLOSURE OR RELOCATION OF RANCHO LIQUID PROPANE GAS FACILITY AT 2110 GAFFEY STREET IN SAN PEDRO, 12/16/19

Whereas the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council has serious concern regarding the safety of the Rancho Liquid Propane Gas facility at 2110 Gaffey Street in San Pedro.

Whereas the Los Angeles Board of Education filed by unanimous vote the Resolution 027-15/16 on January 12, 2016 directing "the Superintendent to immediately submit (the) Resolution to the City officials, as well as other Federal, State and local agencies to request their support in relocating the Facility."

Whereas the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council filed several Motions documenting NWSPNC's constituents' concerns regarding the Rancho Liquid Propane Gas facility, including the June 10, 2016 letter stating, in summary, "On February 8, 2016, the Northwest San Pedro Council (NWSPNC) passed a motion concerning the relocation of the Rancho LPG Facility located in San Pedro, CA in support of the LAUSD's Resolution. . . The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council fully supports the LAUSD Board of Education in its stance on the relocation of the Rancho LPG butane and propane storage tanks," and, "With its close proximity to schools, homes, and recreational centers, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council views continued operation of the Rancho LPG storage facility as intolerable and politically reckless. The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council urgently requests that City Officials, as well as Federal, State, and local agencies, see to the immediate relocation of the Rancho LPG facility away from our community."

Therefore be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) requests the office of Councilman Joe Buscaino and the City of Los Angeles reply no later than the March 2020 CSPNC Board Meeting scheduled for March 23, 2020 with the plan to respond to constituents' requests that the Rancho Liquid Propane Gas facility at 2110 Gaffey Street in San Pedro be closed or relocated to a more suitable site to reduce the hazard currently imposed on thousands of Harbor area residents.

Motion supporting investigation into the Playa Del Rey natural gas storage facility (Council File 19-1124), 10/21/19

Whereas, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council has taken a strong position regarding the Plains All America / Rancho LPG storage facility in San Pedro, and its threat to public health and safety;

Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the investigation into the Playa Del Rey natural gas storage facility (Council File # 19-1124).