



minutes

# COASTAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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## February 27, 2017 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 Adele Healy. See list below for board member attendance. There were 16 Board members present and approximately 80 stakeholders also in attendance.

| Board Members        | Roll Call            |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Jeannine M. Bryant   | Present              |
| Robert Campbell      | Present              |
| Erin Carter          | Present              |
| Louis Dominguez      | Present left 9:25 pm |
| Doug Epperhart       | Present left 7:20 pm |
| Robert Farrell       | Present left 6:50 pm |
| Gayle Fleury         | Present              |
| Adele Healy          | Present              |
| April Juarez         | Present              |
| David Meyers         | Present left 9:05 pm |
| Robert (Bob) Milling | Present              |
| George Palaziol      | Present              |
| Dean Pentcheff       | Present              |
| Shannon Ross         | Present left 7:00 pm |
| Natalia Schroeder    | Present left 8:15 pm |
| Brian Vassallo       | Present              |
| Vacant seat          |                      |

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. John Stinson announced the All Area Student Art Competition, he had hoped to have funding from the Council, however, he missed the deadline for submitting his request.
- b. Jerry Gusha announced the Little Fish Theater March schedule, including Laughter on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, and Dinner with Friends.
- c. Lela announced that she teaches free yoga classes in the park on Paseo del Mar. The Department Recreation and Parks is requesting that she obtain a permit.
- d. Robin Lynch from Regenerative Design Studios, want to have a pedestrian gate into Joan Milke Flores Park on Paseo del Mar. She has met with staff from Joe Busciano's office twice about the project. She showed a conceptual design for a new gate and lighted crosswalk.

### 3. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- a. Brian Vassallo would like to make a motion to write a letter of support, on behalf of the free yoga classes taught by Lela, to the Department Recreation and Parks.
- b. Bob Farrell reported, as the board's homeless liaison, he participated in the Los Angeles Housing Authority's (LAHSA) homeless count in San Pedro. The next meeting of homeless liaisons is on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. He is proposing that they hold a community forum in San Pedro with LAHSA for landlords to learn about incentives for housing homeless people and that they hold a welcome home gathering.

- c. Shannon announced that she is organizing an animal fair with Councilman Buscaino's office on April 29, in Point Fermin Park. People are invited to the Park Advisory Board (PAB) meeting at Angels Gate Park, on Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- d. Bob Milling per the request from Councilman Herb Wesson's office, announced that the Marijuana Regulator forum has been rescheduled for Wednesday March 1, at 6:00 pm at Ports O' Call restaurant. The next public safety committee meeting on Wednesday, March 8, will discuss the amount and nature of recovery and halfway houses San Pedro.
- e. Doug Epperhart announced that also on Wednesday March 1, at 6:00 pm at Ports O' Call restaurant there is a 'Yes on S' forum.
- f. Adele Healy announced that the asphalt repair truck is coming to San Pedro, and would like stakeholders to provide locations for up to 15 street and sidewalk repair locations.

**4. MINUTES:** Approval of minutes.

**Motion** by **Doug Epperhart** approve the January 23, 2017 meeting minutes, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 16 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).

**Motion** by **Doug Epperhart** approve the Retreat minutes, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 16 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, Ross, Schroeder, and Vassallo), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s).

**5. LAPD REPORT:** Senior Lead Officer Elliott Rubright

- a. Officer Rubright gave a brief overview of crime statistics. Harbor Division lead the city in crime reduction.
  - i. Officer Rubright answered questions from the board and stakeholders.
  - ii. Officer Rubright's contact information: Twitter handle 5sl85sanpedro, email (preferred method of contact) [38205@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:38205@lapd.lacity.org) and office telephone 310-726-7925.
- b. **PORT POLICE** Aldo Morales – Maritime Community Relations Officer
  - i. Officer Morales gave a brief overview of crime statistics. Property crimes are up this year.

**6. REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES**

- a. **Councilman Joe Buscaino CD15** – Ryan Ferguson, San Pedro Field Deputy
  - i. Mr. Ferguson provided a written report including some of the following items. To view the full report please go to <http://www.cspnc.org/council-district-15-reports>.
  - ii. The San Pedro Elks Lodge rebuild is making steady progress, despite rain delays.
  - iii. Councilman Buscaino, in partnership with Coast San Pedro Neighborhood Council and Sharefest, are looking into repairing/replacing the guardrail along Paseo del Mar.
  - iv. Mr. Ferguson answered questions from the board and stakeholders.
- b. **Port of Los Angeles** – Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate – went after Ryan
  - i. The next scheduled meetings of the Board of Harbor Commissioners are Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 8:30 am the Port Administration building and Thursday March 16, at Bannings Landing at 6:00 pm.
  - ii. He announced that the Port is offering Community Investment Grant Application workshops, on Tuesday April 4, at 6:00 pm at Bannings Landing and on Wednesday, April 5, at 6:00 pm at the Port Administration building. Applications for grants are available on the Port's website and due by Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - iii. Bike Share is coming to the Harbor Area on July 31<sup>st</sup>, there will be 12 stations in Wilmington and San Pedro.
  - iv. On August 13, there will be a CicLAvia event in the Harbor Area, route yet to be determined.
  - v. This year Fleet week will start on Tuesday August 29, and run through Monday, September 4. The welcome party will be on Wednesday night, August 30.
  - vi. Mr. Bezmalinovich answered questions from the board and stakeholders.
- c. **Congress Woman Nanette Barragan** – Morgan Roth, Field Representative
  - i. Mr. Roth introduced himself.
  - ii. They have an office in San Pedro on 5<sup>th</sup> Street above Think Café.
  - iii. Mr. Roth answered questions from the board and stakeholders.

- d. **Assemblyman Patrick O'Donnell** – Sarah Patterson, Area Representative
  - i. Every March, the California State Assembly honors women from across the state for their remarkable contributions to the community in celebration of Women's History Month. Nominations are due by March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- e. **Mayor Garcetti** – Manny Lopez, Harbor Area Representative – Not present
- f. **Budget Advocate for the Harbor Region:** Danielle Sandoval
  - i. The Budget Advocates are finalizing their annual White Paper for presentation to the Mayor.
  - ii. They are meeting with the Mayor on Wednesday, March 8.
  - iii. At Regional Budget Day, here in San Pedro, they had a round table discussion of concerns of area stakeholders.
- g. **LAUSD Board Member Dr. Vladovic:** John Larson, Director of Communication – Not present

**7. PRESENTATION from City Controller Ron Galperin**

- a. Mr. Galperin gave an overview of the City Controllers online control panel.
- b. The site includes a list of city owned real estate.
- c. Mr. Galperin answered questions from the board and stakeholders.

**8. BUDGET & FINANCE** - Presentation for approval of Monthly Expenditure Report(s) Discussion pertaining to remaining budgetary items, etc.

- a. Approval of January 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report and bank statement. **Motion by Robert Campbell** to approve the January 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report and associated bank statement and invoices, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).
- b. Discussion and possible action item - review of neighborhood purpose grant and community improvement project proposals.
 

**Motion** from committee for \$10,000 for Sharefest, passed with 11 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), 0 no, 1 abstention(s) (Meyers), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** by **Brian Vassallo** to approve consideration of the NPG application from Lite at the Lighthouse for \$800, seconded by **Bob Milling**. Motion passed with 7 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 4 noes (Carter, Healy, Meyers, and Pentcheff), 0 abstention(s), 1 Recused (Fleury), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** by **Louis Dominguez** to approve the NPG application from Lite at the Lighthouse for \$800, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 7 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Dominguez, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 4 noes (Carter, Healy, Meyers, and Pentcheff), 0 abstention(s), 1 Recused (Fleury), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** from committee for \$1,700 for the Lane Victory, passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** from committee for \$5,800 for White Point Elementary School, passed with 12 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Meyers, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), 0 no, 0 abstention(s), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** by **Robert Campbell** to approve budget adjustments through January 2017, as additionally amended for the above items, seconded by **Jeannine Bryant**. Motion passed with 11 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Dominguez, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff, and Vassallo), 1 no (Meyers), 0 abstention(s), and 4 left meeting early (Epperhart, Farrell, Ross, and Schroeder).
- c. Discussion and possible action item - review of miscellaneous invoices and expenditures. No items to consider.

**9. PRESENTATION from the Port of Los Angeles on traffic on Harbor Blvd.** – Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate

- a. Mr. Bezmalinovich gave a slide presentation on the Harbor Boulevard roadway improvements.
- b. There will be lane reductions in April, and perhaps May, along Harbor Blvd. There will always be one lane in each direction open.

- c. Mr. Bezmalinovich answered questions from the board and stakeholders.

## 10. ACTION ITEMS

a. **Stakeholder Motion. From Bob Gelfand:**

*The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the inclusion of \$192,000 as a multi-departmental budget item in the 2017-18 city budget to cover the cost of staff and related expenses. Two staff members for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and two for the Emergency Management Department, who will work on preparing a disaster preparedness plan which will lead to pre-placement of supplies for first responders and training of individuals at the neighborhood level.*

**Motion** by **Dean Pentcheff** to table the above motion, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion failed with 2 yes (Carter and Pentcheff), 8 noes (Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**Motion** failed with 0 yes, 8 noes (Bryant, Campbell, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 2 abstention(s) (Carter and Pentcheff), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

b. **Engaging CD 15 with improvements to Paseo Del Mar (By Dean Pencheff)**

**Requesting a written response from Council District 15 on how District offices plan to move forward with improvements to Paseo Del Mar:**

**Whereas**, Paseo Del Mar needs improvements in pedestrian and traffic safety, traffic efficiency, and aesthetic quality, independent of whether, how, or when a road is rebuilt through the White Point Landslide; and

**Whereas**, prior motions by the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council sent to Council District 15 have not been responded to in any substantive way;

**Therefore, be it resolved**, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) reaffirms its resolution adopted unanimously on 16 November 2015:

**Whereas**, the White Point Community Advisory Committee formed by Councilman Buscaino voted to rebuild Paseo Del Mar and part of that decision was to also resolve the ongoing and long term traffic and safety issues on Paseo Del Mar; and,

**Whereas**, the rebuilding of Paseo Del Mar over the White Point Landslide will greatly increase the volume of traffic and related noise and potential increase of traffic offenses and collisions in the Lower Palisades area; and,

**Whereas**, prior to the White Point Landslide and closure of Paseo Del Mar at Weymouth Avenue, the residents and stakeholders of the Lower Palisades area suffered from speeding and racing vehicles and general degradation of reasonable expectations of quality of life; and,

**Whereas**, residents of Lower Palisades submitted in 2004 a detailed traffic plan (Paseo Del Mar Beautification Plan) to the City containing specific traffic calming measures to reduce the speeding and other negative traffic impacts on Paseo Del Mar and the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council moved forward for consideration by the City of Los Angeles no less than five (5) Motions intended to improve traffic conditions on Paseo Del Mar and to reduce the significant quality of life impacts to Paseo Del Mar residents/stakeholders resulting from speeding, vehicular noise violations, cruising, and crime;

**Therefore, be it resolved**, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the City develop a detailed traffic plan including but not limited to the below traffic calming elements in the design of Paseo Del Mar between Gaffey Street and Western Ave and this plan be implemented in conjunction with the City's plan to rebuild Paseo Del Mar: 1) Raised median strip between Roxbury Avenue and Weymouth Avenue. 2) Turnabouts or stop-signs on Paseo Del Mar at the following avenue intersections: Roxbury, Barbara, and Weymouth. 3) And other traffic calming devices such as illuminated crosswalks, bulb-outs, appropriate signage and speed humps.

**Be it further resolved**, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests a written response from Council District 15 within 14 days (by 13 March 2017) that explains how CD 15 plans to move forward with these stakeholder considerations, and that those plans include a formal mechanism for ongoing consultation with CSPNC to achieve improvements to Paseo Del Mar.

**Motion** by **Dean Pentcheff** to approve the above motion, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion failed with 2 yes (Healy and Pentcheff), 8 noes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, and Vassallo), 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).



c. **Adequate comment period on Paseo Del Mar Permanent Restoration Project Draft Environmental Statement (Motion from Dean Pentcheff)**

Requesting a 90-day comment period from the Bureau of Engineering for the Paseo Del Mar Permanent Restoration Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement, and requesting assistance from CD 15 on securing this adequate comment period:

*Whereas, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) has a strong historical and current interest regarding the White Point landslide and possible restoration of Paseo Del Mar because the location is within the CSPNC district; and*

*Whereas, the CSPNC considers that useful and representative public comment is essential to inform the content of the Environmental Impact Report for the Paseo Del Mar Permanent Restoration Project; and*

*Whereas, the monthly meeting schedule of Neighborhood Councils and other civic organizations makes it effectively impossible to solicit, consider, and submit comment within a 30 day period;*

*Therefore be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council strongly urges the Bureau of Engineering to extend the public comment period for the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Paseo Del Mar Permanent Restoration Project to ninety (90) days, rather than the proposed legal minimum thirty (30) day period.*

**Motion** by **Dean Pentcheff** to approve the above motion, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**11. ACTION ITEMS FROM THE RULES & BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

- a. After an annual review of the Standing Committees, the Rules and By-laws Committee proposes the following motion:

*Whereas the Standing Committees are established to meet the needs of the community and*

*Whereas the Public Safety, Transportation, and Planning Committee has been asked to address the Homelessness issues in San Pedro as well as the implementation of the Legalization of Marijuana in addition to issues of public safety revolving around the Police and Fire Departments, and*

*Whereas a more common term used today instead of “planning” is “land use”,*

**Be is resolved** that the following changes be made to the Standing Committees:

- i. **Establishment of Standing Committees From Rules & Bylaws Committee**

The Governing Board establishes the following standing committees:

**Communications:** Responsible for all outreach and community relations, including website, publications, and event operations.

**Education and Cultural Affairs:** Responsible for all matters regarding education and cultural affairs.

**Parks, Land Use and Coastline:** Responsible for matters regarding parks, open space land use, and coastal issues.

**Port and Environment:** Responsible for all matters regarding the Port of Los Angeles and environmental issues.

**Public Safety, Transportation, and Planning:** Responsible for all public safety matters that affect the coastal area, transportation, and planning matters

**Transportation:** Responsible for all matters concerning private and public transportation.

**Budget and Finance:** Responsible for budgetary and fiscal matters.

**Rules and Bylaws:**

**Selection Committee:** Responsible for conducting the process for selection of the Governing Board.

**Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

- b. The Rules and By-laws Committee Requests \$200 to use for the printing of the new Rules and By-laws as well as the purchase of any new books required for the CSPNC Board members to be seated in July 2017.

**Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

c. **Final Reading and vote: By-laws changes for elections**

*Be it resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) make changes to Bylaws in Article V sections 4 and 6; Article VI, section 3 and 4; Article X, sections 1 and 6; as well as Attachment B. These revisions will change the current one-year Board terms of office, and a selection process, to two-year Board term of office, with an election process, including consideration of executive board member terms. [See Attachment 1 on Pg. 5](#)*

**Motion** by **Dean Pentcheff** to approve the above motion, seconded by **April Juarez**. Motion passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**12. ACTION ITEM: Request for a letter of support for 3 remodeling projects:**

- a. 3630 S. Meyler St....Per Erikson....Set back variance for the construction of a new 2 car garage & demo of an existing garage. **Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).
- b. 3316 S. Denison Ave....Mat Basura....Addition of a 2nd story. **Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).
- c. 717 W. 33rd St....Rubens Calderon Design Services...converting a permitted less than 700 sq. ft. guest room in a 16 unit apt. building to a 1 br., 1 ba. unit with kitchen. No change in size, but remodeled to today's code standards. **Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**13. ACTION ITEM: Adoption of Empower LA Neighborhood Council 2017 Selections Procedure**

**Stipulation Worksheet.** **Motion** passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**14. PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Adele Healy – deferred due to time constraints

**15. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS** – deferred due to time constraints

**16. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS, additions to committees**

- a. New Transportation committee chair is April Juarez, committee members Adele Healy, Dean Pentcheff, and Erin Carter.
- b. Dean Pentcheff will replace April Juarez as chair of the Rules & Bylaws Committee.  
**Motion** by **Adele Healy** to approve above committee changes, seconded by **Brian Vassallo**. Motion passed with 10 yes (Bryant, Campbell, Carter, Fleury, Healy, Juarez, Milling, Palaziol, Pentcheff and Vassallo), 0 noes, 0 abstention(s), and 6 left meeting early (Dominguez, Epperhart, Farrell, Meyers, Ross, and Schroeder).

**17. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**18. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None

**19. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm. The next meeting is March 20, 2017.

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