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**COASTAL  
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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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# BOARD AND STAKEHOLDER MEETING AGENDA

**Monday 17 August 2020 6:15 PM**

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1. Technical checkout for online meeting (no substantive discussion or comment) [15 minutes]  
*[Board members and public are welcome to check to make sure telephone or computer access is working properly. NOTE: no comment or discussion relevant to Board matters is permitted — please reserve substantive comment for periods of public comment and agenda items.]*
2. Public comment on non-agenda items.
3. Call to order and roll call.
4. Board member comment on non-agenda items. *[May include comment on Board members' own activities/brief announcements; brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights or asking questions for clarification; introduction of new issues for consideration by the Board at its next meeting; or requests for research and a report back to the Board.]*
5. Approval of prior meeting minutes.
6. Report from Los Angeles Police Department [5 minutes]
7. Motion to create a liaison position regarding street racing and loud motorcycles
8. Motion regarding use of Roundup by the Department of Recreation and Parks
9. Motion regarding Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Guidelines affordable housing requirements
10. Resolution regarding Port of Los Angeles Public Access Infrastructure Projects (PAIP) consultant for Waterfront Transportation Plan
11. Resolution regarding parking in San Pedro
12. Resolution regarding correction of TOC Tiers for transit hub maps for San Pedro
13. Resolution requesting that Coastal Exemptions (CEXs) be included in Certified Neighborhood Council (CNC) reports
14. Resolution recommending permit fee reduction for ADUs
15. Resolution regarding armed crisis response

16. Resolution regarding Los Angeles Police Department traffic stops
17. Resolution requesting a Council File to provide transparency for the reallocated funds from the Los Angeles Police Department
18. Motion in support of Utility Debt Forgiveness Program within LADWP with goals as outlined by RePower LA
19. Resolution supporting AB345 regarding environmental justice and setbacks for oil and gas extraction facilities
20. Committee reports.
21. Treasurer's report.

*Budget and Finance (Consent Calendar)*

22. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports for July.
23. 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.
24. Motion reaffirming expenditure on newsletter
25. Motion allocating rollover funds to Neighborhood Purpose Grants
26. Approval of funding requests received from committees.
27. Appointments of committee officers, committee members, and Board representatives.
28. Announcements.
29. Public comment on non-agenda items.
30. Adjournment.

## **7. Motion to create a liason position regarding street racing and loud motorcycles**

*Coastline and Parks Committee*

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council (CSPNC) regards street racing and illegally loud motorcycles to be a major quality of life and hazard for residents and recommends establishing a liason between LAPD, CSPNC, and the Community to resolve these problems.

## **8. Motion regarding use of Roundup by the Department of Recreation and Parks**

*Coastline and Parks committee*

*Whereas* Roundup has been discussed as a possible carcinogen and Bayer has already paid \$10B in legal settlements related to Roundup,

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges the Department of Recreation and Parks to explore and implement safer alternative methods for vegetation control than Roundup (glyphosate), and

*Further Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests the Department of Recreation and Parks to post notification as to when a particular park unit will be treated with Roundup.

## **9. Motion regarding Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Guidelines affordable housing requirements**

*Planning and Land Use Committee*

*Whereas* the affordable housing needs of our community's low- to moderate-income Workforce who are increasingly caught in the gap between skyrocketing rents and ineligibility for other assistance must be addressed,

*Therefore resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board supports the City Council Motion to instruct the Planning Department to prepare revised Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Guidelines to increase the 55-year covenanted affordable housing percentage requirements in high and mid market areas, similar to the higher affordability levels contained in the Linkage Fee Ordinance.

*Council File 20-0189*

## **10. Resolution regarding Port of Los Angeles Public Access Infrastructure Projects (PAIP) consultant for Waterfront Transportation Plan**

*Planning and Land Use Committee*

*Whereas* the Port of Los Angeles (Port) solicited input for Public Access Infrastructure Projects;

*Whereas* the Port has delayed moving **forward** with these projects due to uncertainty regarding revenue projections;

*Whereas* the three San Pedro Neighborhood Councils and the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce all recommended that a portion of the funds be used to hire a consultant to develop a connectivity master plan;

*Whereas* such a process will require significant time to develop an appropriate statement of work, procure a consultant, and develop plans involving the community; and

*Whereas* such a process will only require a fraction of the anticipated PAIP funding.

*Therefore* the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board urges the Port of Los Angeles to consider funding to hire a consultant to develop a connectivity master plan now and move it forward for consideration by the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

## 11. Resolution regarding parking in San Pedro

### *Planning and Land Use Committee*

Whereas, San Pedro has a number of proposed developments that have requested waivers to the parking requirements. These are usually part of an SB 1818, AB 744 or TOC project. This is of concern to us for a number of reasons.

1. San Pedro is losing parking lots to development. Developments have been proposed for the following lots currently used for parking:
  - 576 W. 6th St – private lot used for parking
  - 511 S. Harbor – parking lot currently for restaurant
  - 448 W. 5th St – private parking lot
  - 111 N. Harbor – private lot used primarily for boat and long term RV parking
  - 452-462 W. 9th - public parking lot will still have some public parking
  - 505 Center – public parking lot that will still have some public parking
  - 505 S. Palos Verdes – private lot used for parking
2. Due to its age, San Pedro already has a number of narrow streets where cars are parked on both sides making them difficult to drive along. This is particularly true in Barton Hill, adjoining downtown San Pedro, and Point Fermin.
3. The mean travel time to work for San Pedrans is 27.05 minutes. 76.94% of them drive alone while another 13.53% carpool. Only 3.02% of workers report using public transportation.<sup>1</sup> San Pedro has extremely limited public transportation and the prospects for increasing it are slim. In fact, the decline in ridership resulting from the pandemic will most likely see a decrease in availability of public transit.
4. Studies by UCLA's Institute of Transportation Studies<sup>2</sup> found that even where good public transportation exists, and despite enormous investment in transit infrastructure and significant population growth, pre-pandemic METRO ridership was at its lowest in 30 years. Ridership on the Red/Purple Line went from 47,434,969 in 2010 to 43,301,200 in 2018. In Central Hollywood, a transit hub where over 2,000 new units have been constructed over the last decade, ridership on bus lines that serve the area is in steep decline.
5. At the same time, according to that same study, car ownership in LA has soared since 2000 with the biggest growth being in low-income families. In 2016 the average car ownership for a two-person household in LA County was 1.62 cars.<sup>3</sup> The study concludes that the future of public transit in our region will be shaped less by people who do not use vehicles and more by encouraging vehicle-owning households to use transit more. In other words, even if we are successful in increasing transit use there will still be a need for residential parking.
6. In light of the recent pandemic and the risks of public transportation, it is likely that any family that can possibly afford a car will own one. According to Ahmed El-Geneidy, a professor of urban planning at McGill University who has studied transit ridership, "We know that people will be scared to use public transportation from a health perspective," Based on what's happening in China, a post-pandemic car sales boom may be in the offing.

The City of Los Angeles is to be commended for trying to get people to use alternative forms of transportation, however reducing parking requirements and decoupling parking in new construction is not viable in communities such as San Pedro.

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council is opposed to any reduction in parking requirements.

*Further be it resolved*, we strongly support requiring developers to contribute to alternate forms of transportation for future residents such as cargo bicycles, electric bicycles, pre-loaded TAP cards, and shared vehicles. One size parking requirements for the entire city does not work in Los Angeles.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://zipatlas.com/us/ca/san-pedro.htm#commute.city-data.com/neighborhood/San-Pedro-San-Pedro-CA.html>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.its.ucla.edu/2018/01/31/new-report-its-scholars-on-the-cause-of-californias-falling-transit-ridership>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.governing.com/gov-data/car-ownership-numbers-of-vehicles-by-city-map.html>

## **12. Resolution regarding Correction of TOC Tiers for transit hub maps for San Pedro**

### *Planning and Land Use Committee*

*Whereas* per AB 744 a Major Transit Stop means a site containing an existing rail transit station, a ferry terminal served by either a bus or rail transit service, or the intersection of two or more major bus routes with a frequency of service interval of 15 minutes or less during the morning and afternoon peak commute periods, and

*Whereas* there are no sites in San Pedro that qualify as a Major Transit Stop but the City Planning system and maps erroneously show that there are; and City Planning and developers are aware of these errors but continue to pursue projects as if they qualify and do not take action to correct the planning system and maps and remove the non-existent San Pedro Transit Oriented Hubs.

*Therefore be it Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council insists that the City Planning system and maps be corrected to remove the non-existent San Pedro Transit Oriented Hubs and that City Planning also correct the entitlements for any pending projects where City Planning has erroneously told the applicant that their location qualifies as a Transit Oriented Hub.

## **13. Resolution requesting that Coastal Exemptions (CEXs) be included in Certified Neighborhood Council (CNC) reports**

### *Planning and Land Use Committee*

*Whereas* Coastal Exemptions (CEXs) are appealable and Interested Parties are required to be notified before appeals can be made,

*Whereas* the City stopped including CEXs on the bi-weekly Certified Neighborhood Council (CNC) reports, and

*Whereas* most permits in the San Pedro Coastal Zone are CEXs.

*Therefore be it Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council implores City Planning to immediately start publishing notice of Coastal Exemptions (CEXs) in the bi-weekly Certified Neighborhood Council (CNC) reports.

## **14. Resolution recommending permit fee reduction for ADUs**

### *Planning and Land Use Committee*

*Whereas* Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) permit fees are three times more expensive in the Coastal Zone than non-Coastal Zone, and

*Whereas* we have a housing crisis that ADUs will benefit.

*Therefore be it Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council recommends that City Planning establish a fee reduction for property owners who are disabled Veterans or seniors applying for an Accessory Dwelling Unit in the Coastal Zone.

## **15. Resolution regarding armed crisis response**

### *Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety*

*Resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council develop and support alternatives to armed crisis response and make use of the AB2054 Emergency Services Community Response Grant Program.

## **16. Resolution regarding Los Angeles Police Department traffic stops**

### *Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety*

*Whereas* the disproportionate number of traffic stops and arrests of members of the Black community is staggering: In order for the Los Angeles City Council to effectively manifest the racial justice that we desperately need, measures must be taken. One place to start is by police departments collecting data, and holding departments accountable to report as specified in the Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA) and to report to the Department of Justice, as mandated by law.

*Therefore, be it resolved that* the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports Council File 20-0875 and the effort to report on alternative methods of traffic control that do not rely on armed law enforcement. CSPNC respectfully requests the following be implemented as part of the effort, and required compliance with AB953 as follows:

1. Strongly urge that the LA Police Department continue reporting and sharing data for all traffic stops to the RIPA Board so that it may be forwarded to the Department of Justice;
2. Report on and identify police officers who have disproportionate arrests or stops where no contraband was found in the vehicle as a result of a traffic stop;
3. Develop and implement training for non-armed vehicle stops;
4. Require the LAPD to review and report on traffic objectives by the Department of Transportation along with the Department of Justice to ensure that traffic objectives and racial equality objectives are collaborative and promote safety for all community members.

## **17. Resolution requesting a Council File to provide transparency for the reallocated funds from the Los Angeles Police Department**

### *Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety*

*Resolved,* the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council create a Council File to provide transparency for the reallocated \$150 million that was transferred from the Los Angeles Police Department. The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council requests that the process be transparent and that Neighborhood Councils weigh in on where those funds are allocated.

## **18. Motion in support of Utility Debt Forgiveness Program within LADWP with goals as outlined by RePower LA**

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power is the largest public utility in the country. Given our current public health crisis, the LADWP should be a resource, not a burden, for its stakeholders in Los Angeles. The City of Los Angeles has a responsibility to customers who are low-income or have lost their income due to COVID-19. In response to the hardships of our communities, RePower LA has asked LADWP to create a COVID-19 Utility Debt Forgiveness Program. The goals of this program are:

1. Erase utility debt accumulated before or during the COVID-19 crisis for ratepayers who are enrolled in the LADWP Low-Income program, Lifeline program, or a PayPlan;
2. Improve outreach for existing equity-based programs and the Utility Debt Forgiveness program to address historic under-enrollment and increased eligibility of many Angelenos due to COVID-19. This outreach must be culturally relevant, accessible in a variety of languages, and that continues to be paired with outreach done by community-based organizations;
3. Invest in utility justice to reduce the widespread unaffordability of LADWP bills for low-income communities of color as part of Mayor Garcetti's Executive Order 27. Make long-term investments in justice-oriented rate-setting and equity programs; and,
4. Ensure resources for the COVID-19 Utility Debt Forgiveness Program do not come at the expense of the essential workforce of the LADWP or any existing low-income programs.

*Be it resolved that* the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports RePower LA's efforts and urges the City of Los Angeles to create a COVID-19 Utility Debt Forgiveness Program within LADWP with goals as outlined by RePower LA.

## **19. Resolution supporting AB345 regarding environmental justice and setbacks for oil and gas extraction facilities**

*Whereas* Assembly Bill 345 (Al Muratsuchi, CA Assembly 66th District) would require

1. the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to create an environmental justice program within the agency to identify and address any gaps in existing programs, policies, or activities that may impede the achievement of environmental justice; and,
2. the department to, on or before July 1, 2022, adopt regulations to protect public health and safety near oil and gas extraction facilities. The bill would require those regulations to include safety requirements and the establishment of a minimum setback distance between oil and gas activities and sensitive receptors such as schools, childcare facilities, playgrounds, residences, hospitals, and health clinics based on health, scientific, and other data, and would require the department to consider a setback distance of 2,500 feet at schools, playgrounds, and public facilities where children are present, and a range of other protective measures, including, but not limited to, enhanced monitoring and maintenance requirements. Because a violation of these regulations would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require the department to comply with certain consultation and public participation requirements before adopting the regulations, as provided.

*Whereas* AB345 passed the California State Senate on January 23, 2020 and was referred to the Senate for reconsideration.

*Whereas* the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council previously supported a 2500 foot setback between oil and gas activities and sensitive receptors and supports Environmental Justice.

*Therefore be it resolved*, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports the adoption of the AB345 in the state and the implementation of AB345 in the City and County of Los Angeles.

*Reference* [https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201920200AB345](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB345)

## **24. Motion reaffirming expenditure on newsletter**

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council authorizes the expenditure of \$858.76 to Reed Printing for printing the Coastal Currents June 2020 newsletter.

## **25. Motion allocating rollover funds to Neighborhood Purpose Grants**

The Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council allocates the amount of \$5,343.56 in fiscal year 2019–2020 rollover funds to neighborhood purpose grants.

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