

WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Minutes – May 26, 2010

The meeting of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) was called to order by Chair Cecilia Moreno at 6:02 PM at the Wilmington Senior Center, 1371 Eubank Ave., Wilmington.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Pat Wilson

The following statement was read: “As provided by the Brown Act, person in the audience may address the committee in connection with any agenda item or during the public comments period. Anyone desiring to speak please complete a speaker card and submit it to the secretary.”

1. Roll Call of Governing Board Members (14) confirming a quorum.

Present: Jack Babbitt, Tom Dahlgren, Donna Ethington, Jacqueline Garcia, Arthur Hernandez, Salvador Lara, Bobby McNeel, Ana Medina, Cecilia Moreno, Susan Ogle, Hank Osterhoudt, Marcus Perez, Susan M. Prichard, Patricia Sullivan, Nelson Williams and Patrick Wilson

Excused: Marisella Caraballo, Robert Jasso

Absent: Socorro Fimbres, Ramon Iniguez, Gary Kern

2. Approval of April Minutes. As corrected – Det. Bellow should be Det. Belo
(M/S – Dahlgren/Hernandez) **Passed: 14-0-1**

3. Los Angeles Police Department/Port of Los Angeles Police Department - Officer Garcenila

Major problems – Property Crime and Theft from Motor Vehicles

Expect more because no summer school this year

Mostly crimes of opportunity – lock your doors

Stolen Vehicles – especially older Hondas

Job Training Class – Wednesday

Requires RSVP

Juvenile Impact Program – six week program on Saturdays from 7a-3p

Costs - \$100/child and \$25/adult

Boot camp type program – physical and mental skills

Primarily for middle-school aged children

Officer Morris, Los Angeles Port Police

Reported concern about truck traffic backing up on 110 freeway “C” Street off ramp

LA City Environmental Crime Task force

Originally out once a month

Now – respond to complaints – so call 311 and report

Illegal Vending and Truck Task Force still working the Port area

4. Public Comment

Richard Diaz – rickyboyc@sbcglobal.net

Read in newspaper about State fining property owners for unkempt vacant lots \$1000

Suggest take these funds and hire local gardeners to look after property

Truck traffic concerns at corner of PCH/Eubank

Who handles this situation

Pedestrian Tunnel under PCH/Broad – who is going to eliminate?

Jesse Marquez (jnmarquez@prodigy.net)

Reporting on recent activities

Air particulate study – studied Marinas, Trapac, Eubank/PCH, Alameda/PCH, Banning High
AQMD – Draft 2010 Clean Communities Plan

New air pollution plan

Chose to monitor two (2) communities – East LA/Boyle Heights & San Bernardino

Port of LA/LB – Clean Air Action Plan

Reviewing draft update report

New Technologies – Electric Truck

Headquarters Open House – June 25-26

1601 Wilmington Blvd, Wilmington

Two (2) sections – Environmental & Public Health and Technology

Conference Room – designed to be a training center

Expect to hire one (1) part-time person with experience in GIS mapping

Don Compton

Attended WNC's joint Beautification/Planning/Transportation Subcommittee meeting on 5/3

Rather than addressing route around, discussed Wilmington's bike path plan

Mr. Hernandez also attended and he indicated that he was working on the bike plan tie-in to LB

5. Government Representatives

Laura Channell (laura.channell@census.gov)

Enumerators will be in the Wilmington community through the end of June.

If person at door does not carry proper identification do not provide information.

If you feel something is not right, please contact LAPD.

Met a person who recently divulged her family's ID to such a person

Indicated Census will try to have a booth at both the Literacy Fair (6/5) and Picnic (6/12)

6. COPE Preparedness Report and LA Floodplain Management Plan - None

7. Presentations - None

8. Action Items

- a. (M/S Executive Committee/Babbitt) *WNC Executive Committee recommends to the WNC Governing Board that the WNC Governing Board support Case No. CPC 2008-552-GPA-Z-HD-BL-CU in a letter to the Zoning Administrator for the June 10, 2010 hearing. These changes are necessary for the buffer that is currently in construction along "C" Street from Figueroa Blvd. to Lagoon Avenue, parallel to Harry Bridges Blvd. **Passed (15-0-1)***

9. Information Items

Election Day – WNC's Members at Large

Tuesday, June 8 – Wilmington Senior Center

Passport to Literacy – June 5 – Avalon Blvd between Anaheim/"I" Street

Community Workshop – June 5 - Marina Improvement Study – WilHall

Family Picnic – June 12 – Ethington, Garcia, Hernandez, Jasso, Lara – will man the booth

Tire Recycling – June 12 – Harbor Refuse Yard – San Pedro – 4 tires/family

10. Report of Officers

Treasurer – Wilson

No Petty Cash at this time – reason for no food this evening

WNC credit card – frozen

Will need to create a new budget for the coming year

DONE now requiring monthly statement

Secretary

Correspondence:

Invitation from Boys/Girls Club attend

June 9, 6:00 p.m. at San Pedro facility – Harbor Blvd./5th St.

St. Peter/Paul letter to remind WNC of its \$3500 pledge

11. Reports by Standing Committee

- Gateway-Beautification – Babbitt

Quarterly meeting with be held in July

- Land Use & Planning

Next meeting – Monday, June 7 at Noon

Wilmington Senior Center

- Transportation

Waiting for BNSF's evaluation of the McFarland rail line to determine if one or two

streets can be closed to reduce the number of train horn warnings between Anaheim St and the Watson Yard, and to address needed rail line and street repairs on Opp St.

Committee will meet with BNSF when complete

- PCAC Representative Report

No action items

Presentation – Gambol Shipyard

12. Census 2010 Ad Hoc Committee Report – Moreno

Marque at Anaheim/Avalon asks Wilmington residents to participate in Census

13. Unfinished Business – None

14. New Business

Dahlgren – would like permission to present “Entrada” plan for Wilmington at future meeting

15. Reports from Caucus Groups

Education Caucus – Prichard

With no summer school providing information for free/low cost activities for families

Any group who would like presentation, please contact.

16. Members-At-Large Caucus – None

17. Announcements from Governing Board Members

CRA – Wilmington Community Amendment – Ethington

23 on Committee of which 17 are Wilmington residents, 5 are Wilmington businesses

CRA suggesting an expansion of existing project boundary include all of Wilmington

Last meeting – Committee defined goals/objectives

CRA will be submitting proposal to Planning Commission on June 10

Sailing Center – Ethington

Two organizations submitted proposals to Port

One will operate facility once complete – Port expects facility to be ready in 18 months

Life Sail (operates sailing programs in Marina Del Rey and Redondo Beach)

Pacific Unicom Corp (Wilmington nonprofit)

Dahlgren/McNeel

Summer Youth Employment Program (17-24)

Banning High School

Los Angeles Harbor College – 140 slots

Due to last year's experience

will not announce availability until money in bank

McNeel – LAHC

WNC Board invited to attend LAHC Culinary class' "Bistro" event tomorrow night

Please email by tomorrow morning

Dr. Spink retirement luncheon on Wednesday, June 3

Dr. Marvin Martinez will become new LAHC President as of August 1

Lara – Who owns vacant lots

Across from East Wilmington Community Center – Union Pacific

Near Hawaiian Avenue Elementary School – City Housing Authority

Adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Next meeting will be June 23, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes taken by Susan M. Prichard, Secretary

Approved, Cecilia Moreno, Chair