

WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Minutes – May 27, 2015

The meeting of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) was called to order by President Cecilia Moreno at **6:05PM** at the Wilmington Senior Center, 1371 Eubank Avenue, Wilmington.

Pledge of Allegiance by Chair Cecilia Moreno

“As provided by the Brown Act, persons in the audience may address the neighborhood council on any issue they may have during the public comment period or when public comments are solicited during the discussions of an agenda item. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes, unless otherwise allowed by the chair person. Speakers may address the council as a group. Any personal derogatory remarks to a specific council member or persons in the audience will not be tolerated. Anyone desiring to speak please fill out a speakers card found on the back table and hand it a council member or the Council’s Secretary.”

1. Roll Call of Governing Board Members

Present: Matthew Adair, Sylvia Arredondo, Marisela Caraballo, Socorro Fimbres, Janet Grothe, Robert Jasso, Gary Kern, Diana Medel, Cecilia Moreno, Michael Sanborn, Robert Trani, Patricia Valladolid, Patrick Wilson (13)

Absent/Excused: Dan Domonoske, Patricia Sullivan, Arthur Hernandez, Alberto Ramirez (4)

2. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting

- April 2015 Minutes: Approved 9 yes, 0 no, 4 abstentions

3. LAPD/LA Port PD

- LA Port Police, Officer Ramirez: Signs have been ordered and will be posted to eliminate overnight parking in areas where there are large numbers of people living in RVs in Wilmington. They are citing idling trucks that are not clean air trucks. Saturday June 6 is the Fiesta at the Waterfront Park.

4. Government Representatives Reports

- Gabriela Medina, Councilman Buscaino’s office - unable to attend the meeting, but provided a hard copy of her updates.
- Chris Wilson, Assy. Member Mike Gipson’s office - unable to attend and will submit a written report.
- Manny Torres, Mayor Garcetti’s office, introduced himself.
- Fabian Moreno, Dr. Vladovics office - Dr. Vladovic wants to thank everyone for their support in the recent LAUSD board election.

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- Jackie Rodriguez, Sharefest Comm. Development - Recap of Sharefest: 38 project sites, 280 projects, over 3000 volunteers, Wilmington projects at Sts Peters and Paul school, Banning Park, Broad Ave. EL, Hawaiian EL, Mural by I Heart Wilmington.

- Art Gonzalez, community member, I don't support opening up the jail at the Harbor LAPD station. We have a large prison population and don't need more. The solution is not incarcerating people. The refineries in the area are polluting the air and I am tired of it. (showed the council a video of a refinery flaring)
- Steve Salas, Wilmington Waterfront Forward, Has been to a number of local neighborhood council meetings and other community meetings, Can the council have the LA Port President come to Wilmington for a Q and A. Thank you to Sharefest for the work they have been doing. The Banning Park gym is too small (less than 2 feet along the walls to the court) - why can't we tear the gym down and build a new larger and better gym?

6. Presentations

- MTA Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Station Improvement Project - they cancelled the presentation

7. Action Items:

- (a) Monthly funding reports:
 - February 2015- Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention
 - March 2015 - Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention
 - April 2015 - Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstention
 - Dec. 2014 – Approved 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention
- (b) WNC Executive Board recommends to the WNC Governing Board that WNC Governing Board submit a letter of support for I Heart Wilmington mural project presented at the April 29,2015 WNC Governing Board Meeting. Draft letter attached to the Board packet.
 - Approved - 12 yes, 0 no, 1 recusal
- (c) Appointment of WNC Board Member and an Alternate Board Member to serve on the LAFD South Bureau Public Safety Advisory Committee.
 - Motion to appoint Matt Adair with Cecilia Moreno as alternate carried - 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention
- (d) WNC Executive Committee recommends the WNC Governing Board support the recommendation of the WNC LUPGB Committee that the Governing Board support the proposed commissary truck parking and washing project proposed for 1112 E. Pacific Coast Hwy with the condition that all signs comply with regulations.
 - Applicant requested the WNC carry this item until a future meeting
- (e) WNC Executive Committee recommends the WNC Governing Board support the recommendation of the WNC LUPGB Committee that the Governing Board oppose the LAPD Permit Application propose for Cafe Entertainment/Show at 620 N. Avalon Blvd.
 - Approved 11 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention
- (f) WNC Executive Committee recommends the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to address the preservation of the Wilmington Historical Society Archives.
 - ◆ Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions

- (g) Consideration of funding requests for FY 2014/15
 - ◆ \$3000 to Anchor Press at POLA HS - Approved 12 yes, 0 no, 1 recusal
 - ◆ \$1500 to YMCA for summer programs - Approved 11 yes, 0 no, 2 recusals
 - ◆ Board Members Cecilia Moreno and Patrick Wilson left the room during the discussion and voting of this item as they serve as Board Members. They returned once the vote took place.
 - ◆ \$4500 to Banning HS for Ballet Folklorico - Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions
 - ◆ \$4500 to Banning HS for Mariachi - Approved 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions

8. Informational Items

- 6/6/15 at Waterfront Park 2pm-10pm, Fiesta Corazon del Puerto,
- Mariachi Divas and Sol del Mexico (Ballet Folklorico) will be performing 6/20/15 at Banning's Landing at 6pm.
- 6/10/15 Movie night at Abode
- Hire LA youth has numerous youth summer work opportunities
- Relay for Life will be taking place at Banning SH this weekend 6/6 - 6/7
- Clean Wilmington will be working on each Saturday at Drumm site cleanup.

9. Report of Officers

- Chair - None
- Vice-Chair - None
- Secretary - Reported about Port of LA community meeting
- Treasurer – None

10. Reports by Standing Committees

- By Laws Committee - no updates
- Executive Board - no updates
- Finance Committee - no updates
- Land Use and Planning/Gateway and Beautification Committee - submitted written report
- Public works - no update, has not met.
- Publicity & Communications Committee - has not met, no update.
- Transportation Committee - did not meet, no update.

11. Unfinished Business

- None

12. New Business

- None

13. Reports from Caucus Groups

- Education- compiling a list for youth in the community to get information on community resources (mental health, volunteer opps, work, etc...).

14. Reports from Members at Large

- Would like to start a monthly meeting for WNC members at large to discuss community issues.

15. Announcements from Governing Board Members

- None

16. Meeting Adjourned at 7:39pm