

WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Minutes – July 24, 2013

The meeting of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) was called to order by Chair Cecilia Moreno at 6:10 PM 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: Sylvia Arredondo, Dan Domonoske, Donna Ethington, Mary Gant, Arthur Hernandez, Gary Kern, Cecilia Moreno, Juanita Naranjo, Hank Osterhoudt, Patricia Sullivan, and Roberto Trani, Anthony Quezada and Patrick Wilson
Excused: Socorro Fimbres, Robert Jasso, Anabell Chavez, Patricia Valladolid, Michael Sanborn and Marisela Caraballo

2. Approval of June 26, 2013 Minutes

M/S by P. Wilson/P. Sullivan to approve minutes with corrections – Add date to title of the minutes, 3-a-iii replace done with down, 3-a-iv add “t” to Night, 6-a-i cleaned, 6-a-iii add previous clean up dates, 7-c change wording letter to Mayor-elect Garcetti to recommend the appointment of Councilman Buscaino, and 7-e-ii add carry over expense
(Passed: 12-0-0)

3. Los Angeles Police Department/ Port of Los Angeles Department:

LAPD – No report from LAPD

LAHD – No report from Port Police

4. Government Representatives:

Ivan Sulic – Office of Congresswoman Hahn

Written report submitted. Highlighted a few items: Congresswoman Hahn voted against the Student Success Act of 2012 because of negative impact to vital educational programs, she co-introduced the Get Relief from Academic Debt Act of 2013 with Rep. Negrete (CA-35), she introduced an amendment to save the Port Security Grants and she co-introduced a resolution calling for full and immediate utilization of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund.

Bill Orton – Office of Senator Wright

Overview of on-time State budget with reserves, 1st time in a decade this has been achieved. Excess monies will go towards education and court system which were severely cut. Enterprise Zones are being reworked, no longer based on geography.

Senator Wright has been selected to be the Grand Marshal of the Harbor Afloat Parade – Dec. 7.

Gaby Medina – Office of Councilman Buscaino

Written report submitted. Invited everyone to the Harbor Sports Complex opening on Aug, 10th at 10 am, she reported on the ADA ramps going in at PCH and on Anaheim as well as the 328 trees being trimmed. She had a guest, Carlton Jones, Excavation Permits and Stormwater Section Manager. He provided an overview of an upcoming project taking place on C Street between Alameda and Phillips 66. This project is being done to test the integrity of the pipeline and includes drilling 870 holes along the length of the pipeline. Work will be conducted from 8 am to 4 pm and may take up to 3 weeks to complete.

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Jake Chavira, United Wilmington Youth Foundation, 16010 Broad Ave., 310-218-6866
Shared that the organization continues to work hard and invited everyone to their carwash scheduled for Aug. 4th. The mural is now complete, please stop by and take a look. Grand event is planned for Sept. 7th.

Don Compton, 233 E. “M” Street, 310-830-5905

Advocating for a light rail for Wilmington and following up to the letter the WNC submitted to Mayor Garcetti to appoint Councilman Buscaino to the MTA Board.

Martha Perez and Donne Palezuelos, Peachtree Property Management, 1150-1149 N. Wilmington Blvd. (310) 549-5338

Came to report the unsanitary conditions brought on to the community by Chino Market located at 1153 N. Wilmington Blvd and the Recycling Center located in the market’s parking lot. They are property managers for the apartment building next to the market and they are reporting a rodent problem, homelessness, illegal hours of operation, noise, blight and that vehicles are illegally repaired on site as well.

6. Presentations

- a. CA Gas & Mini Market – No presentation
- b. AB 26 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund – Bob Lafarga, Field Rep for Assemblyman Hall, III
He reported that this bill had passed the Assembly and is now being considered by the Senate. The main issue regarding this bill has to do with prevailing wage.

7. Informational Items

Reminder to WNC Board to complete Ethics and Funding Trainings

8. Report from Officers

Chair – Audit documentation has been submitted as previously discussed. Currently working on the response letter to the May 22 letter from DONE.

Vice-Chair

Secretary
Treasurer

9. Standing Committee Reports

Bylaws

Finance

Land Use/Planning/ Gateway Beautification – Next meeting on Aug. 5th at 12 pm

Public Works

Publicity & Communication – Next meeting is Aug. 14th at 6:30 pm at Hojas Tea House

Transportation – no meeting held in July

RSO Ad-Hoc Committee – Mary Gant reported that the next meeting is Aug. 7th at Hojas Tea House

Harbor Department (POLA) MOU – P. Wilson reported that it was not on the HANC Agenda and there was no discussion. Next meeting is scheduled for Aug. 7th

10. Unfinished Business

- A. Quezada reported he is still available to work with the Education Caucus members to get a presentation on bringing back the Scouts programs to Wilmington

12. New Business

None

13. Reports from Caucus Groups

- D. Ethington gave a quick update on the Wilmington Youth Sailing Center

14. Reports from Members-at-Large

- S. Arredondo announced the July 14 workshop on bike safety to be conducted in Spanish at the Wilmington Municipal Building Board Room

15. Announcements from Governing Board

- N. Naranjo reported on the new interim president at Harbor College, Farley Herzek
- R. Trani invited the WNC and community to the Sept. 7th celebration at Hyatt and L Street from 10 am to 5 pm

16. Adjournment

Adjourned at 8:03p

Minutes taken by Cecilia Moreno, Chair with support from WNC Board

Approved by Cecilia Moreno, Chair