



# Wilmington Neighborhood Council

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Wilmington Senior Center  
1371 Eubank Avenue  
Wilmington, California  
Minutes - August 28, 2013 @ 6:00 P.M.

All stakeholders including residents, property and business owners, people who work in Wilmington, members of non-profit, educational, church and service organization, representatives of local labor unions and participants at local parks and museums are encouraged to participate in the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC). The WNC and you can make a difference in the delivery of City services to our community.

Comment from the public on non-agenda items within the jurisdiction of the WNC will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes per speaker unless waived by the presiding officer of the WNC.

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1. **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call of Governing Board Members**
  - a. Call to order at: 6:09pm
  - b. Pledge
  - c. **12 Present Board Members**
2. **Approval of Minutes for Previous Meetings**
  - a. Gary motion
  - b. Mary second
  - c. **9 Y, 0 N, 3A**
3. **Los Angeles Police Department/Port of Los Angeles Police Department (5 minutes)**

**Officer Garcenila**

  - August 7, Avalon and L at 9am Victim 11 year old girl---attempted kidnap. Flyer available
  - 7pm last Saturday- 3 women attacked and robbed all 3 incidents occurred within one hour.
  - Hispanic Male 5'10-6'0 200 lbs. with tattoos on arms
  - Decrease both in violent and property crimes
  - Be careful driving around schools

**Port Officer Ramirez:**

  - Increase in vandalism at waterfront park
  - Monday Sept 2 Conquer the Bridge from 4:00am-
  - Lobster Fest Sept 13-15

Questions:

Dan Domonoske

- Where can we call for homeless Camp on E and Avalon?

**Government Representatives Reports – Federal/State/County/City (10 minutes)**

Rios: Rep. for LA Mayor

- Field office in San Pedro off Beacon Street below Buscaino Office
- Direct line: 213-473-2388( my direct line) [Octaviano.Rios@lacity.org](mailto:Octaviano.Rios@lacity.org) 213-978-0600( main office)
- I wanted to introduce myself, bigger question is who will be appointed to Harbor Division – *did you mean Harbor Board of Commissioners?*
- Mayor will be travelling around city to meet constituents
- Hector Serrano, Wilmington Native appointed to Harbor Area Planning Commission

Questions:

Dan Domonoske: possibility bring light rail to Harbor area and appoint Buscaino. Was issue given consideration? What is mayor position? We will be respecting where the councilman stands on many issues. *A: In terms of appointments the decisions have been made, I will respect the mayors position.*

Art Hernandez: The WNC sent a letter, can we receive an explanation, if that can happen? *A: Unfortunately I do not have an answer*

**Gabriel Medina, CD15:**

- Councilman apt to South Coast AQMD, he is happy with appointment
- Prop D. question directed to City Attorney
- LADOT-parking prohibitions
- Homeless Camps are very common in the Harbor area.
- 51, 000 homeless in LA County most concentrated in LA city
- Prop. O
- Park on Watson and O

Question:

- R. Jasso: Can location of Medical Marijuana reopen.
- M. Gant: What is status of pocket park near Drum Barracks? *A: activity starting back up in 2 weeks*
- G. Kern: We have lost bus benches on PCH at corner of Eubank. *A: I will follow up*
- S. Arredondo: Can you update us on UBAP. *A: I have submitted I say they will be approved by Friday*
- S. Fimbres: What is update at Harbor Park Lake in terms of West Nile mosquitos? *A: we have this issue all over LA. Total of 7-8 people diagnosed with west Nile in harbor area.*
- 1163 N. Wilmington what is the update there are proper permitting, in terms of behavioral LAPD can be contacted. I invited WNC to join me to speak with property owner
- A. Hernandez: Last Saturday LAUSD spending on iPod and high tech, I thought I would bring attention to that. *A: I can direct you to Fred Quintana*

**5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – Complete Speaker Card (3 min. per comment)**

1. Carmen Romero: My daughter attends BHS and attends BACIS program. She felt isolated. I recently obtain a permit to have my children attend LAUSD. I did not sign up for this program
2. Carlos Gringer: 9-10 letters from parents ask subject of BHS be placed on agenda for next month. Students are isolated. We need clarification. Suppose to be one principle.
3. S. Camacho: When are you planning to address Dana Strand issue? Design of Bench seat change of
4. D. Domonoske Sept 12:00pm land use meeting
5. S. Prichard: Reason I am here is because of Dana Strand 190 units, if and when we will have higher number of units per acre we will be at 24 units per acre. I feel it is disproportionate. Substandard parking,
6. Donald Compton: Is there quorum? So this is an official meeting? Last June 2013 WNC voted 16, 0 to urge MTA. There was not any discussion of being placed on South Coast AMQD. What happened, CD15 has refused to respond. I strongly urge WNC to submit a letter of reprimand, we deserve at least and explanation.

7. Ernie Aguilar: Veteran organization on E St. and Avalon as of . We would like to present a check to senior program, we want to show respect to \$500 dollars to Senior Center.
8. Griselda Espinoza: I was listening to public comments; BHS has one principle Rudy Mendoza. He supports student engagement, he believes in empowering students and athletics. If these concerns are on the agenda next month he will be in attendance.

6. **Presentations:**

- City of LA General Plan Health and Wellness Chapter – Lys Mendes (15 minutes)
- Goal of presentation to let community know this is happening
- Questions: M. Gant, when is next workshop? A: we do have an email database
- S. Camacho: Will this also include zoning? City policy of health, very likely language will be added to be used as a framework.
- This document is apart of the General plan, and first time adding health as a goal.
- I will leave flyer along with contact information.

**Break at 7:26pm**

7. **Action Items:**

- a. Appointment of WNC Representative to serve on the LA Harbor College Citizen's Oversight Committee
  - Mary moves that we Nominate Socorro Fimbres
  - Second from Sylvia
  - **12-0-0**
- b. Recommendation from the WNC Business & Industry Caucus to fill vacancy with Mr. Jim Stephenson, Chief Financial Officer of Juanita's Foods
  - Mary moves that we accept application of Stephenson to fill vacancy of business and industry
  - Arthur seconds
  - **12-0-0**
- c. Invitation to join the San Pedro Rotary in applying for Harbor Community Benefit Foundation grant for an Employment Workshop
  - What is the dollar amount?
  - We need more information
  - Gary Kern moves that we abstained
  - R. Jasso seconds
  - G. Kern: this opportunity will come up again next year, and at that time we can invite them at that time.
  - Response to send letter
  - **12-0-0**
8. **Informational Items**
  - a. New WNC Office Hours: Monday – Friday from 12:30 to 2:15 PM effective immediately  
Land use we remain at 12:00pm
9. **Report of Officers**
  - Chair
  - Co-Chair: Ethics due by September 1, Waterfront meeting Sept 24, Sept 2 Labor Day parade---
  - Secretary—agenda item
  - Treasurer

10. **Reports by Standing Committees**

- By Laws Committee
- Executive Board
- Finance Committee
- Land Use & Planning / Gateway & Beautification Committee:
  - We did meet earlier in the month and both items have been carried over to next month meeting. Town hall meeting 6:30pm Thursday 8/29 at BBGC
- Public Works Committee
- Publicity & Communications Committee
- Transportation Committee
- RSO Ad-Hoc Committee: No meeting in August, next meeting on September 5, 2013
- Harbor Department (POLA) MOU

11. **Unfinished Business**

12. **New Business**

Motion in light of what is happening at Banning, that we invite parties to next month meeting

- BHS, basics, board, community, provide things in writing what are they asking WNC:
- M. Gant: we took a position to not support the split.
- Friendly amendment:
- We want a response from Superintendent, What is status of Basics
- Motion to put on Agenda BHS and BACIS along with administration from Bored of Education Tommy Chang and F. Quintana office, to come and clarify running of BHS as a traditional school.
- Second by Sylvia
- Amendment to request written plan of details of what was present to WNC, and it does not reflect of the reality.
- Pass: Letter to be sent out

13. **Reports from Caucus Groups**

14. **Reports from Members At Large**

15. **Announcements from Governing Board Members**

**Happy Birthday Cecilia**

16. **Adjourn: 8:26pm**