

DRAFT MINUTES

Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, September 1, 2009 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Stephen Bentley, Sibyl Buchanan, Cheryl Burnett, Steve Donell, Craig Eggers, Doug Ehlers, Tom Flintoft, David Gray, Clarence Griffin, Cyndi Hench, Terry Issac, Andy Kamm, Geoff Maleman, Terry Marcellus, Nora MacLellan, Nancy Niles, Booker Pearson, Ron Rader, Paul Radke, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, Frances Stronks, John David Webster

Excused: Patricia Lyon, John Ramey, Mary Taylor, Jack Topal,

Absent: David Coffin, David Voss,

1. Call to Order **President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.**
2. Pledge of Allegiance by **Clarence Griffin**
3. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings **M/S MacLellan/Isaac to approve. Motion passes unanimously.**
4. Public Comment - non-agenda items (limited to 2 minutes per speaker)
 - a. **Raymond Yu** spoke regarding Kamala Harris for U.S. Attorney General meeting, Mission Walk and the L.A. Triathlon
 - b. **Richard Beban** spoke regarding Friends of Ballona Wetlands
 - c. **Donald Fast** spoke regarding replacement and trimming of trees in Playa del Rey
5. Announcements from Governmental Representative (limit to 3 minutes please):
 - a. **Jim Kennedy**, *Field Deputy/Councilman Bill Rosendahl*, spoke regarding tree trimming, new LAFD Fire Chief, LAFD brown-outs, LMU students in off-campus housing, budget issues, and the Neighborhood Council's stakeholder database.
 - b. **Lisette Covarrubias**, *DONE Project Coordinator*, spoke regarding Community Budget Day, EmpowerLA planning committee planning the Congress of Neighborhoods, 2010 Election outreach planning session on Sept. 10 at a location TBD (call Betty at 213-485-1360), and ethics training.
 - c. **Chad Molnar**, *LAX - Community Liaison*, spoke regarding FAA gave approval for addition of three holes to Westchester Golf Course (by lease, American Golf must restore the three holes within 180 days), Sept. 14 is the final date for comments to the LAX Central Utilities Plant, north runway safety study is in progress (report to be ready 1Q 2010), Councilman Rosendahl has asked for a plan for fully implementing the runway status lights at LAX (will be ready in October), Otis College expansion (LAWA has asked FAA for approval to declare the area as surplus property so that it can be sold to Otis), and dunes restoration project (project is in the design phase and then LAWA will submit plans to Coastal Commission).
6. Presentations: (limited to 5 minutes unless prior approval for additional time given)
 - a. Presentation by **Steven Joyce** of the Westchester Recreation Center re: the status of Park programs and upgrades – Field rehabilitation project is 45% finished. Target opening date is January 1, 2010. The pool project has begun. Go to www.lacity.org click on Westchester to find brochure for WRC programs.
7. Motions/Actions Items:
 - a. Public comment on agenda items limited to 2 minutes
 - b. **Discussion Calendar:** (*These items will be enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Consent Calendar.*)

- i. Appointment of Cheryl Burnett as the new board member in Residential District 1. **M/S Webster/Schneider to approve President Hench's nomination. Motion passes unanimously.** Burnett joined the board
 - ii. Motion to approve Treasurer's report (Donell/Budget and Finance) **M/S Marcellus/Schneider to approve. Motion passes unanimously**
 - c. Motion to conditionally support the request of Kanpai Sushi Bar and Grill, located at 8325 Lincoln Blvd. Westchester, CA 90045, to appeal a CUP decision. The NCWP supports extended hours to 1 a.m. (not 2 a.m.) and it also supports the applicant's request to continue to offer Happy Hour pricing, consistent with its prior pricing structure. **M/S Donell/Rader to approve. Motion passes unanimously.**
8. Committee Reports:
 - a. Highlighted Committee Report
 - i. Public Safety - **Cyndi Hench**
 - ii. Culver Blvd CDO - **John Ruhlen**
9. City/Neighborhood Council Committees (written reports, as needed)
 - a. LANC Congress - Paul Radke
 - b. City Planning Task Force - David Gray
 - c. NC Alliance - Cyndi Hench
 - d. Mayor's Budget Day - Denny Schneider
 - e. City Attorney Legal Liaison - David Voss
 - f. LADWP MOU - John-David Webster
 - g. Westside Regional Alliance of NCs - Cyndi Hench/Jack Topal/JD Webster
 - h. 5 NC Working Group on Development and Transportation - Nora MacLellan
10. President's Discussion Items or Comments
 - a. Committee assignments - PLUC Ad Hoc for Culver Blvd CDO includes John Ruhlen, Richard Beban, Marcia Hanscom, Ron Rader, Terry Issac, Cheryl Burnett, Scott Carni, Greg Fortino, Steve Matilla, Lisa Schwab, Sue Zolla and Rochelle Allen.
 - b. Current board vacancies
 - i. Residential Districts #6 and #13
11. Other Items:
 - a. Ethics and Conflict of Interest On-line Training: www.lacityneighborhoods.com
12. Announcements:
 - a. Next NCWP Board meeting: October 6, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
 - b. Playa Vista Fire Station No. 67 Fiesta on Sept. 13 from 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the station (5451 Playa Vista Drive)
13. Adjournment **President Hench adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.**

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