

NCWP Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Nora MacLellan

Tuesday, September 2, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Scott Carni, Michele Cooley Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Yvonne Fok-Gundersen, Erin Hanson, Cyndi Hench, Harold Johnson, Pat Lyon, Nora MacLellan, Tim O'Connell, David Oliver, Matthew Parrish, Alan Quon, Mark Redick, John Ruhlen, Fred Smith, Garrett Smith, David Voss, John David Webster, Grace Yao

Absent: Alex Eychis, John Loizeaux, Nick Middlesworth

Excused: Andrew Kamm, Geoff Maleman, Denny Schneider, Jack Topal, Lance Williams

1. **Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by President Hench**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting**

M/S to approve the Minutes of August 5, 2014. Motion passes unanimously.

5. **Announcements from Governmental Representatives**

Fred Sutton of Councilman Mike Bonin's office spoke re: Councilman supporting raising the minimum wage, sustainability town hall with Mayor Garcetti and Councilman Bonin on September 10th at Windward, the bike lane on Manchester between Sepulveda and Airport to be stripped soon, west side of Sepulveda sidewalks repair/replacement will be starting soon, Councilman Bonin will be at the September 6th, Jet to Jetty and the annual Jungle cleanup

6. **Crime Update- LAPD Senior Lead Officers**

Ruben Garcia – SLO officer, west of Sepulveda. Spoke regarding current crime statistics and activities in the community. Support and encouragement of Neighborhood Watch.

7. **Public Comment - non-agenda items**

Karen Bradley Follett: Announced the Kids Need Heroes Awards Dinner on September 9th.

Charlette Gunter: Metro meeting of August 26. Opportunity to name the stop at Florence and Hendry. Deadline October 16th, 2014. CrenshawCorridor@metro.net.

Lisa Gilbert: Concern about parking in her community.

8. **Presentations**

1. **Dr. Tan and Monica M. Rodriguez-Finston** from Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) to discuss homelessness in the area.
2. **Tomasz Babiszkiwicz** from People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) to discuss and provide an update on PATH's outreach in the area.

Public Comment:

- Marcia Hanscom – efforts with outreach to homeless
- Walter Lamb – efforts with outreach to homeless

9. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment

1. Consent Calendar:

1. Motion to approve the NCWP Strategic Plan, Self Assessment, and Outreach Survey and any related documents.
2. Motion to take no action regarding request for support of Classic Grill's application for conditional use permit allowing the sale and dispensing of beer and wine in conjunction with an existing 2,480 sq. ft. restaurant, other than to send letter requesting any approval be conditioned upon all terms set forth by LAPD. (PLUC)
3. Motion to support application for Conditional Use Permit application ZA-2014-1490-CUW-SPP for a proposed Verizon Wireless cell tower to be located at 12181 W. Bluff Creek Drive. (PLUC)
4. Motion to adopt the newly released Neighborhood Council Posting Policy as per the Los Angeles Board of Neighborhood Commissioners.
<http://empowerla.org/neighborhood-council-posting-policy/>

M/S JDW/MCS to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously.

2. Discussion Calendar

1. Motion to conditionally support for the Piknic subject to 9 items: (1.) Notice to be given of our board meeting to residents within 500 feet. (2.) No change in hours. (3.) No change in the indoor currently approved inside seating of 48 table seating, 7 bar seating, adding outdoor 54 seating. (4.) That the entire matter be subject to plan approval. (5.) Amplified music shall not be audible beyond the area under the control of the applicant. (6.) Applicant shall not possess ashtrays or other receptacles used for the purpose of collecting trash or cigarettes/cigar butts. (7.) Loitering is prohibited on or around these premises or the area under the control of the applicant. (8.) The applicant shall be responsible for maintaining free of litter the area adjacent to the premises over which they have control. And (9.) The applicant will hold quarterly meetings with the nearby HOA's or their representatives.

Public Comment:

Liza Ahn: Spoke against the motion.

Karen Moore: Spoke against the motion.

Leticia _____: Spoke against the motion

M/S MR/MP to approve the motion 12-4-2 (yea, nay and abstain). Motion passes.

2. Motion to support with conditions the Citywide Sidewalk Repair Program proposed by the Los Angeles City Council. (Govt Affairs) **Called Special by Hench. Harold Johnson recused himself from this item and left the room during discussion. Motion adjusted as noted below.**

Public Comment:

Don Duckworth – supports the program but suggests amendments.

M/S MCS/MR to approve the motion as adjusted. Passed 17 – 1, abstentions Quon, G. Smith. Motion Passes. The adjusted support should be

residential properties only and remove 5th paragraph of the motion 14-0163-S3 regarding reference to commercial properties.

10. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report

MR/NM 18/0 to receive and file the Treasurer's Report for August 2014. Motion passes unanimously.

11. Committee Reports

PLUC – next meeting will be with Lisa Trifetti, LAWA.

Outreach – distributed monthly newsletter that will be in the Hometown News. NCWP has a FaceBook page please share it. The FaceBook link will show up on the notices sent out from the NCWP.

12. Board Member Committee Assignments

Hench - Dave Oliver added to Budget and Finance – passed unanimously.

13. Announcements

1. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment training - Ethics and Funding Thursday, September 4, at 6:30pm at Westchester Municipal Building Community Room. If you are attending, please RSVP to this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WestEthics>
2. Congress of Neighborhoods - City Hall on Saturday, September 20, from 7:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. <http://empowerla.org/2014-congress-of-neighborhoods/>

14. Adjourn – President Hench adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 7, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.