

NCWP Board Meeting

APPROVED MINUTES

Submitted by Nora MacLellan

**Tuesday, May 1, 2012 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045**

Present: Sibyl Buchanan, Cheryl Burnett, John Casey, Craig Eggers, Katherine Evans, Alex Eychis, Clarence Griffin, Cyndi Hensch, Andrew Kamm, Lori Kuhn, Chris Lynch, Pat Lyon, Nora MacLellan, Geoff Maleman, Terry Marcellus, Booker Pearson, Alan Quon, Paul Radke, Mark Redick, Tony Schaffer, Denny Schneider, Sheryl Thomas-Perkins, Jack Topal, Joan Trimble, John David Webster, Lance Williams.

Excused: Tom Flintoft, David Hoisman, Ted Kroeber, David Voss

Absent: John Loizeaux,

1. **Call to Order - 6:35 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting**
5. **Announcements from Governmental Representative** (limit to 3 minutes please):
 1. Nate Kaplan, Field Deputy - Councilman Bill Rosendahl –
 - Bus benches have been installed at Jefferson and Lincoln.
 - The LA City Council Budget committee meetings begin this week - 10 % of the city workforce is threatened with being cut.
 - LMU will still start charging for parking for staff, faculty, students and visitors. Neighborhood Advisory Committee at LMU will be meeting tomorrow evening May 2.
 - The last CDO meeting for Culver Blvd. was last evening. There may be a NC presentation to act on the CDO. Due to the budget crisis there is no money in the planning department to act on it. The Councilman will have to push it.
 - On April 19th Westchester Park was cleared out of the folks that were sleeping in their vehicles overnight in the park. Kathleen from Mark Ridley Thomas' office was instrumental in getting a large variety County services to show up in force to help. They were able to house 12 people that day. People signed up for Section 8, services etc. Total 25 people were housed in some way. This is the second time that the County has provided this type of outreach to the homeless. They would like to the same in Venice.
 - DWP Rate hike meeting May 10th at 6:30 p.m. at the Stephen S. Weiss Temple in West LA
 2. Chad Molnar, LAX - Community Liaison –
 - LAWA will be purchasing new vehicles for the LAWA PD
 - LAWA has authorized a seismic study of the terminals it is recommended that the roadways and the parking structures be included in the study.
 - LAWA has approved capital funding for inside improvements i.e. escalators.
 - Notice Of Preparation will be coming out for the mid-field concourse.
 - Public Comment period for the LAWA Northside project ends on May 4th.
 - Next week the City Bureau of Street Lighting will award the contract for the Sepulveda Tunnel.
 - May Day Labor unrest at LAX– the protestors marched from TBIT to Aviation. Those that walked out will not be fired.
 - Metro Board finally approved the 4(5) alternatives – 1. Direct light rail transit branch, 2. Circulator with an automated people mover, 3. Circulator Bus rapid transit (elevated), 4. Modified light rail trunk (tunnel under the airport) and 5. Do nothing.

- LAWA expects to put out the air quality report at the end of the year.
3. Michael Castillo – CA Senator Bradford's office.
 - Overviewed the bills that Bradford is working on.
 - May 19th 12-2 at the Lawndale Community Center Senator Bradford will be having his budget update. State controller Chang will also be there.
 4. Kathleen – Mark Ridley Thomas office -
 - Complimented Booker Pearson, the NCWP, the members of the committee (including members of the homeless community) that worked to address the overnight parking/sleeping in Westchester Park.
6. **Public Comment -**
1. Lara Levicki-Lavi Loyola Village Booster Club Booster Club of the local school to say “thank you” for the purchase of the printers.
7. **Presentations – Kirsten James, Heal the Bay**, will discuss the environmental impacts of single use plastic bags. <http://www.healthebay.org/get-involved/take-action>. [Councilmember Koretz is spearheading this issue with the LA City Council to phase out both single use plastic bags and paper bags.] Referred to Government Affairs.
8. **Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment**
1. **Consent Calendar:**
 1. Motion to approve NCWP Revised Budget (Budget&Finance)
M/S Schneider/Maleman Approved Unanimously
9. **Discussion Calendar**
1. Motion to approve Cyndi Hench as authorized to submit Community Impact Statements for providing input to City Committees, Commissions, Boards and City Council on topics of impact and interest to NCWP.
M/S Schneider/Eychis Approved Unanimously
- Discussion
- Friendly amendment (agreed by Schneider) that the motion be stated as . . .
- Motion to approve that President or designee, currently, Cyndi Hench, as authorized to submit Community Impact Statements for providing input to City Committees, Commissions, Boards and City Council on topics of impact and interest to NCWP.
- Approved Unanimously
2. Motion to Approve letter of support of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Recommendations to mayor Villaraigosa and the City Council.
M/S Maleman/Eychis Approved Unanimously
- Discussion - minor typos - corrected
3. Motion to approve letter of support to maintain the funding of Neighborhood Councils at the current level of \$40,500 with \$5,000 required to be spent on election related costs and outreach.
M/S Lyon/Quon Approved Unanimously
- Discussion – minor typos - corrected
10. **Treasurer's Report**
M/S Eychis/Maleman Approved Unanimously
11. **Committee Reports**
12. **New Board Member Appointment - (Terry Marcellus - RD 4)**
13. **Create Ad Hoc committee for Elections –**
Sheryl Thomas-Perkins, Kathryn Evans, JD Webster, Pat Lyon
AdHoc Committee members Approved Unanimously

14. **Committee Assignments** – Terry Marcellus appointed to the Airport Relations, Craig Eggers is now Chair of the Airport Relations

15. **Announcements**

1. Ethics training and exam required of all board members every 2 years - <http://ethics.lacity.org/ncouncil.cfm>
2. NC Election planned for end of October 2012 - Seats on ballot: Even Numbered Residential District position (2,4,6,8,10,12,14), one At-Large and the At-Large Affirmation position, and Representative seats from Community Organizations, Education, LMU, Service Organizations, Youth Organizations, Business seats from zip codes 90045 and 90293. Full description of requirements is on our website at www.ncwpdr.org.

16. **Adjourn** 7:40 p.m.