

NCWP Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Ali Bissonette, Sibyl Buchanan, Scott Carni, John Casey, Craig Eggers, Alex Eychis, Cyndi Hench, Andrew Kamm, Ted Kroeber, Lori Kuhn, John Loizeaux, Geoff Maleman, Matthew Parrish, Booker Pearson, Mark Redick, Denny Schneider, Sheryl Thomas-Perkins, Jack Topal, David Voss, Lance Williams.

Absent:

Excused: Cheryl Burnett, Kathryn Evans, Tom Flintoft, Clarence Griffin, Gregory Heffernan, Pat Lyon, Nora MacLellan, Paul Radke, John David Webster,

1. **Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Hench** led the flag salute
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings – Approved by acclamation**
5. **Announcements from Governmental Representatives:**
 - No Government Representatives were present
6. **Public Comment - non-agenda items**
 - **Trevor Candler** spoke re: LMU parking issues, permit parking in the residential area
 - **Mike Gemme** submitted written comments re: fencing and questionable activities at Jake's Lot in Playa del Rey
 - **Gregg Aniolek** spoke re: van owners doing repairs on Jake's lot, long-term parking, supports developer who reached out to the community at 74th and La Tijera, opposed LAX expansion
 - **Joseph Riser** spoke re: Neighborhood Council Plan Review and Reform Initiative
7. **Presentation – Los Angeles County Clean Water Initiative (Bureau of Sanitation) Wing Tam**, Assistant Division Manager, spoke re: implementing green projects and improve the quality of the water supply. Supports Clean Water, Clean Beaches measure – a parcel tax (approx. \$54-\$83/yr) to generate \$250 million throughout the county to fund green infrastructure programs. Comments regarding the Los Angeles County Clean Water Initiative can be made at www.lacountycleanwater.org
 - **Trevor Candler** spoke against the Los Angeles County Clean Water Initiative
8. **Treasurer's Report**

M/S Eychis/Redick to receive and file the Treasurer's Report. Approved by acclamation
9. **Approval of Board Member reimbursements**

Eggers submitted a reimbursement request for \$170.14 for printing and **Buchanan** submitted a reimbursement requests for \$56.50 election refreshments

M/S Schneider/Williams to approve the requested reimbursements. Approved unanimously

10. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment

1. **Consent Calendar:** *(The following items will be treated as one item and enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Discussion Calendar.)*

1. Motion to approve correspondence re LAX SPAS (ARC) **Sent back to Committee**
2. Motion to oppose a proposed Annual Parcel Fee to be levied on property owners within the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LA County Clean Water Initiative) (Govt Affairs)
3. Motion to send a letter to the Mayor requesting issuance of an Executive Order mandating City Department Heads appoint a Neighborhood Council liaison to provide early notification on projects and initiatives that could have an affect on the lives of a Neighborhood Council's stakeholders (Govt Affairs) **Sent back to Committee**

M/S Maleman/Williams to approve Item 2 on the Consent Calendar. Motion passed unanimously

2. Discussion Calendar

1. Motion to approve funding request for Neighborhood Purposes Grant of \$2,000 for the Emerson Community Garden (Budget) (**Consent Calendar Item 4 called special by Parrish**) **M/S Redick/Eychis to approve. Motion passed unanimously.**

Motion to approve funding request of up to \$400 to print postcards re: NCWP's position on LAX (Budget) (**Consent Calendar Item 5 called special by Parrish**) **M/S Redick/Eychis to approve. Motion passes 13-1 (Thomas-Perkins opposed) Maleman abstained. Casey, Eychis, Kroeber, Williams were ineligible to vote (have not completed the required City Ethics training)**

2. Motion to approve funding request for \$5,000 for graffiti abatement services through Pacific Graffiti Solutions (Budget) (**Consent Calendar Item 6 called special by Parrish**) **M/S Redick/Eychis to approve. M/S Voss/Pearson to reallocate the \$5,000 as follows: \$2,500 to PATH for outreach to the homeless and \$2,500 to Westchester Parks and Recreation Foundation for recreation and sports equipment.**

Trevor Candler spoke in opposition to giving funds to a for-profit organization

Yvette Neal of Pacific Graffiti Solutions, spoke in support of her company's efforts to remove graffiti across the city and shared that city budget cuts have impacted the amount of graffiti that can be removed in this community. She added that Pacific Graffiti Solutions is a 501©3 non-profit organization.

Motion passes 10-3 (Bissonette, Redick, Schneider opposed) Casey, Eychis, Kroeber, Williams were ineligible to vote (have not completed the required City Ethics training)

11. Committee Reports

- **Redick** gave a report on the Government Affairs Committee

12. New Board Member Appointment

- **Hench** nominated Alan Quon to fill the vacant Residential Area 7 seat. **Approved by acclamation**

13. **Committee Assignments**

14. **Announcements**

President Hench encouraged everyone to take the Mayor's Balance the Budget Challenge (on the NCWP website), announced an April 20 session by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment on how to use Council files

15. **Adjourn – President Hench adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 2, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.