NCWP Board Meeting
APPROVED MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, July 1, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA  90045

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Sibyl Buchanan, Scott Carni, Michele Cooley Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Yvonne Fok-Gunderson, Erin Hanson, Harold Johnson, Andrew Kamm, Pat Lyon, Geoff Maleman, Tim O'Connell, David Oliver, Matthew Parrish, Alan Quon, Mark Redick, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, Fred Smith, Garrett Smith, Jack Topal, John David Webster, Lance Williams, Grace Yao

Absent: Alex Eychis, John Loizeaux, Nick Middlesworth, David Voss,

Excused: Cyndi Hench, Nora MacLellan,

1. Call to Order – Mark Redick called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mark Redick

3. Retiring Board Member recognition - Sibyl Buchanan

4. Introductions

5. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings

   1. M/S Schneider/Topal to approve the May Minutes. Motion passes unanimously. (O'Connell abstaining)
   2. M/S Webster/Topal to approve the June Minutes. Motion passes unanimously.

6. Announcements from Governmental Representatives

   Fred Sutton of Councilman Mike Bonin's office spoke re: Councilman Bonin's year in review packet on the CD11 website, contact Fred at fred.sutton@lacity.org, Manchester bike lane, July 12 Movie Night in Westchester Park, July 25-29 Century Boulevard / Aviation Boulevard will be closed due to construction related to the Metro Aviation/Century Station

   Matt Stauffer of Assemblyman Steven Bradford's office spoke re: July 19 Utilities Town Hall meeting

   Tom Soong of Office of Neighborhood Empowerment spoke re: Ad Hoc Committee for Strategic Plan Review, outreach survey, self assessment, etc.; September 20 Congress of Neighborhoods at City Hall; Empower LA Awards

7. Public Comment

   Kim Ohrt of Waste Management spoke to introduce herself (kohrt@wm.com, (818) 252-3180)

   Trevor Candler spoke re: building engineer opening at Fox Studios, decorum of board members, slow progress on Manchester Bike Lane project

8. Presentations

   LADWP Feed in Tariff "F.i.T" Solar Program by Laura Mack, Palisades Council and Clean LA Coalition volunteer

9. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment
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 support proposed construction at 380 & 382 Pershing.

   M/S Lyon/Webster to approve the item on the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously. (O’Connell abstaining)

Discussion Calendar

2. Motion to urge LADWP and the City to maintain the FiT energy buy-back prices at a level sufficient to encourage participation in the program, and also, to expand the program from its current 150 megawatts to 1,200 megawatts.

   (called special by Redick) M/S Maleman/Lyon to postpone discussion of this item until the next NCWP meeting when a proposed letter is available to the board. Motion passes unanimously.

3. Motion to submit the following comments to the LAWA Northside EIR:
   a. Further study of the intersections located at Nicholson and Culver and analysis of the intersection at Culver and Vista del Mar.
   b. Signage with directions to the freeway and beach on the north corner of Falmouth and Manchester to limit people attempting to drive through the neighborhood.
   c. That the buses purchased for Route 115 travel the long route and not the short route.
   d. Analysis of Route 3 along Lincoln Boulevard and further study of the intersections to determine if the addition of buses on this route will mitigate traffic issues.
   e. Playa Vista is not mentioned in the related projects of the draft EIR, but should be mentioned.
   f. The project descriptions for the LAX Northside Campus District at page 2-13 and the LAX Northside Center District at page 2-14 are reversed.
   g. Propose the creation of a consolidated Transportation Management Organization (“TMO”) for the Northside Development.
   h. Should the neighborhood north of the project to Manchester, between Sepulveda Westway and McConnell choose to seek permit parking due to parking issues created by the project, the study necessary to obtain the parking permits would be paid for by LAWA.

   (called special by Maleman) M/S Flintoft/Smith to approve the proposed letter of comments with the following revisions:

   Further studies of Traffic to include the intersections of Nicholson /Pershing and Culver /Vista del Mar.

   Council supports a Stormwater treatment center in area 1 with recreation above ground use.

   LAWA to upgrade Westchester golf course to a regulation par 72 course.

   Motion passes unanimously. Maleman and Johnson recused themselves and left the room during the discussion and vote. (Lyon provided minutes for this item)

4. Motion to support AT&T’s construction of AT&T cell tower at 8601 Lincoln Boulevard.
(called special by Lyon) M/S Cooley-Strickland/Aniolek to approve the proposed letter of support. Motion passes unanimously. Flintoft and Lyon recused themselves and left the room during the discussion and vote.

10. Treasurer’s Report and approval of Financial Reports

M/S Webster/Schneider to receive and file the Treasurer’s Report for May 2014. Motion passes unanimously.

M/S Cooley-Strickland/Topal to receive and file the Treasurer’s Report for June 2014. Motion passes unanimously.

11. Committee Assignments for all Committees

1. Airport Relations - chair John Loizeaux
2. Budget and Finance - chair Erin Hanson
3. Community Services - chair Garrett Smith
4. Education - chair Michele Cooley-Strickland
5. Government Affairs and City Services - chair Mark Redick
6. Outreach - chair Grace Yao
7. Planning and Land Use - chair Patricia Lyon
8. Public Safety - chairs Gregg Aniolek and Dave Oliver

M/S Cooley-Strickland/Topal to approve the members and chairs of the NCWP committee assignments as presented. Motion passes unanimously.

Trevor Candler asked when/how the community was informed about committee openings and how to apply

12. Create Ad Hoc Committee to review and update Strategic Plan, complete NC Self Assessment and Outreach survey

M/S Schneider/Cooley-Strickland to create the Ad Hoc Committee and select the following board members to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee: Maleman, Hanson, Yao. Motion passes unanimously.

13. Announcements

Schneider announced that Expo will hold an information meeting for the Crenshaw Line form 6 to 8 p.m. on July 9 at 700 Exposition Park

Buchanan announced that Margie Hanson was selected as the NCWP Star of the Neighborhood and shared the calendar of events happening this summer at Playa Vista

Fok-Gundersen – Belford Neighborhood Watch will be held July 9 at Police Academy

Carni announced that the city will hold a Movie in the Park screening of Frozen at Westchester Park on July 12

Yao announced that LMU will hold an outdoor movie night on August 1, Community Open House September 6 (student performances, lunch, campus tours)

Lyon announced PLUC will meet on July 16 with six development presentations

G. Smith announced that volunteer opportunities exist for the annual Fourth of July Parade

14. Adjourn
Pat Lyon adjourned the meeting in honor retiring NCWP board member Sibyl Buchanan, at 8:03 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 5, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.