

**NCWP Board Special Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES**

Submitted by Geoff Maleman

**Tuesday, April 3, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045**

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Scott Carni, Tom Flintoft, Michael Frisch, Chris Gemgnani, Paula Gerez, Ted Grose, Tilmann Gruber, Don Hellwig, Cyndi Hench, Andrew Kamm, Patricia Morrison Lyon, Geoff Maleman, David Mannix, Alan Quon, Mark Redick, Fred Smith, Garrett Smith, Jack Topal,

Absent: Gordon Welty,

Excused: Michele Cooley-Strickland, David Oliver, Heather Tuttle, David Voss, John David Webster, Grace Yao, Janine Ying

1. **Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by President Hench**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Announcements from Governmental Representatives**

Anna Kozma of Councilman Mike Bonin's Office spoke re: her departure from the Councilman's Office and her move to the private sector working with the LINKS team that will be building the LAX automated people-mover system. She was recognized by both the **Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa** and the **63rd and Acacia Street Neighborhood Watch Group** for her service to the community.

Chuy Orozco of Councilman Mike Bonin's Office spoke re: City Council vote to oppose SB827 that would remove local control regarding building adjacent to Transit-Oriented Districts, Councilman in the District to honor Kathy Aikenhead at a Rotary Club of Westchester function and to attend the Rock, Roll and Run, Scattergood project update, and the scoping meeting for the Lincoln Bridge Widening project (for more information or to submit comments regarding the project, email ron.kansinski@dot.ca.gov)

Gibson Nyambura of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment spoke re: fiscal dates for the Neighborhood Council system, asked committee chairs to send agendas to DONE for distribution to the early notification system.

Senior Lead Ofcr. Luis Pinell of LAPD spoke re: new senior lead officer for the west side of Sepulveda, Ofcr. Unrea who can be reached at 41276@lapd.online He also spoke re: an area crime update and encouraged the public to lock their doors and keep their garage doors closed to help reduce neighborhood crime.

5. **Announcements from Board Members**

There were no Board Member announcements

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

Margie Hanson spoke re: Pacific Area Boosters Association's e-waste fundraiser to be held on April 28 at LAPD Pacific Area Police Station to benefit the LAPD Explorers program.

Norma Hollis of the Global Authenticity Movement spoke re: her program regarding authenticity to build civic engagement.

Robert Konup of the Villas Del Rey HOA spoke re: trash collection problems and increased rates.

Emma Forthofer LMU student spoke re: EPS (expanded poly-styrene) plastic along the coastline and the need to ban EPS in the City of Los Angeles due to its inability to biodegrade, pollution, chemical leeching and negative impacts on sealife.

Karen Ingwersen of Surfrider spoke re: EPS (expanded poly-styrene) plastic along the coastline and the need to ban EPS in the City of Los Angeles due to its inability to biodegrade, pollution, chemical leeching and negative impacts on sealife.

7. Presentations

1. **Dual Force Main update - Ali Poosti** and **Tonya Durrell** of LA Sanitation and **Gevork Mykrtchan** of Bureau of Engineering provided an update on the construction work and timeline for Playa del Rey.
2. **Airport Metro Connector Project - Brett Roberts** from Metro presented the naming process for the new Metro Connector project. For more information: www.metro.net/project/lax-extension (310) 431-3373 robertsbr@metro.net

8. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment

1. Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting
- b. Receive and file the Treasurer's Report
- c. Motion to approve grant funding request of \$5,000 from Westchester Streetscape for street beautification on Manchester Ave.
- d. Motion to approve up to \$2,100 for Westside Senior Health and Wellness Fair at Westchester Seniors Center on June 2, 2018.
- e. Motion to support the work of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and their White Paper for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and approve the filing of a Community Impact Statement for Council File 18-0600.
- f. Motion to oppose the removal of the current 12:00am - 5:00am Beach Curfew and to approve related letter to Councilman Bonin on the matter.
- g. Motion to appoint Glenda Silva, LAWA, to the Board, replacing Board member Janine Ying

M/S Redick/Lyon to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously.

2. Discussion Calendar

- a. Motion to approve revisions to the NCWP Bylaws as per the attached documentation. *(called special by the request for public comment)*

Trevor Candler spoke re: opposition to creating appointed seats

M/S Redick/Lyon to approve the motion with revisions introduced by the board regarding the definitions of the LAWA and LMU seats, adjusting elected/appointed language and including the appointed seats to be appointed in a four-year cycle as they were previously elected. Motion passes unanimously.

- b. Motion to approve grant funding request of \$1,000 from Emerson Ave Community Garden for tools and repairs. *(called special by the request for public comment)*

Karen Schaffer spoke re: a free community garden plot that is available. For more information or to apply for the plot, please contact eacgc@yahoo.com

M/S Mannix/Redick to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

- c. Motion to support CUB application, case file # ZA-2018-0247-CUB, allowing the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with the operation of the restaurant Chipotle Ladera (Store # 3094), 6719 S. La Tijera Boulevard, 90045 (*called special by the request for public comment*)

William Anderson spoke in opposition to the motion, citing lack of notification to the neighborhood.

Kathleen Zimmerlin de Paz spoke in opposition to the motion and asked the NC to delay discussing the issue until the community could be properly notified.

Henry Harris spoke in opposition to the motion and asked the NC to delay discussing the issue until the community could be properly notified.

Valerie Sacks representing Chipotle answered questions regarding the proposed project.

M/S Lyon/Gerez to approve the motion. Motion passes 17-1 (Redick opposed and Silva abstaining).

- d. Motion to create ad hoc committee for Prop O park at LAX Northside Development

M/S Maleman/Redick to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

- e. Discussion and possible action removing board members in Religious and/or Community Organizations seats from the NCWP board pursuant to Article V section 9 E of the bylaws that allow for removal upon 3 unexcused absences.

M/S Redick/Grose to approve the motion. Motion fails 5-13 (Frisch, Gruber, Hellwig, Lyon and Redick in favor and Carni and Silva abstaining).

- f. Open Board Seats - RD 13, 15, Business seats 90094 and 92093

9. Committee Reports

Frisch reported that on June 2 there will be Health and Wellness Committee event

Redick reported that the Government Affairs meeting will be held on April 16

Aniolek gave update on CERT and emergency preparedness

10. Adjourn –President Hench adjourned the meeting at 9:58 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 1, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.