

NCWP Special Board Meeting
APPROVED MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, August 4, 2020 – 6 p.m.
Via Zoom

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Scott Carni, Michele Cooley-Strickland, Sue Fisher, Tom Flintoft, Paula Gerez, Ted Grose, George Herrera, Andrew Kamm, Jennifer Kingshott, John Logsdon, Geoff Maleman, David Mannix, Dennis Miller, Fred Puza, Julie Ross, Glenda Silva, Zach Siglow, Garrett Smith, Cord Thomas, Jack Topal, Heather Tuttle, David Voss, Naomi Waka, NO VOTE Andrew Watkins, Sylvia Wilson

Absent:

Excused:

1. **Call to Order – President Gerez called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Gerez led the flag salute**
3. **Board Member Introductions**
4. **Guest Speaker:** Los Angeles City Controller Ron Galperin is the 19th Controller of the City of Los Angeles, elected in 2013 and again in 2017. He serves as the watchdog for taxpayers at City Hall, making sure public dollars are spent efficiently and effectively. He is also the paymaster, auditor and chief accounting officer for the City of Los Angeles. Galperin oversees a team that conducts independent audits, manages the City's payroll and spending, reports on the City's finances, pursues fraud and waste, and works to create a more transparent, accountable and modern city for residents
5. **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.)*
 - a. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting
 - b. Receive and file the Treasurer's Report and MER for June 2020 (June MER Summary attached & Treasurer's Report as of 7.28.2020
 - c. Motion to approve revised Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 allocating \$500 to Office Supplies from Misc. Expenses (Revised Budget attached.)
 - d. Motion to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant request from Grass Roots Neighbors for \$2,000. (GRN NPG application attached.
 - e. Motion to approve scope of work for website and NCWP communications provided by Moore Business Results for FY 2020-21 with expenditure not to exceed \$600 monthly.
 - f. Motion to support The Airport Center at 5230-5300 W. Century Blvd request for a Site Plan review and a Tentative Tract Map to convert an existing 7-story office building with 224,013 sq. ft. of floor area to support a 362 room hotel, 6,104 sq. ft. of ground floor commercial, 14 commercial condominiums and retain the 908 space parking structure.
 - ~~g. Motion support Community Impact Statement opposing the application for the demolition of 7346 Rindge, Playa del Rey, an existing 1,214 sq. ft. single family dwelling and the new construction of a 6,028 sq. ft., 45-ft. high single family dwelling in the Coastal Zone.~~
 - h. Motion to support The Runway at Playa Vista request to modify their existing sign permit to include new way finding signage and a pole sign to mount their "Park Here" entry signage.
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 - j. Motion to support Community Impact Statement opposing CouncilFile: 20-0838 - Permanent Slow Streets Network / Commuter Traffic Reductions / Pilot Program

M/S Maleman/Cooley-Strickland to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

Items struck out above were tabled and were not voted upon as part of the Consent Calendar.

6. Announcements from LAPD Senior Lead Officers

President Gerez read a crime update from **SLO Luis Pinell** and **SLO Sophia Castaneda** of LAPD

7. Announcements from Governmental Representative (limit to 3 minutes please)

Matt Teclé of Councilman Mike Bonin spoke re: Westchester Recreation Center and the homeless, Dr. Ferrer Town Hall scheduled for sometime in August, Councilman Bonin will visit the NCWP at its meeting soon, and the Community Plan Update process.

Julien Antelin Director of Innovation of DONE introduced himself and spoke re: reorganization of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

Octaviano Rios of DONE introduced himself and spoke re: proposal for vote-by-mail for 2021 NC elections and new (800) numbers for the public to call in to NC meetings.

8. Announcements from Board Members

Ross announced that there has been a Public Records Request and asked the board to respond to her with any pertinent information.

Tuttle announced that Grassroots Neighbors is hosting a Back to School food drive on Saturday, August 22, from 8:30-11:30am 2000 Culver Boulevard Unopened, shelf safe

Puza announced that LMU's campus remains closed to the public and that next week, LMU President Snyder will host conversation with expert faculty regarding racial justice, diversity, inclusion, social good and journalism on August 11 at 11:30am.

Thomas announced that the Westchester Arts and Music Festival will be held virtually on September 12

9. Presentations

- a. **Lucy Han**, Save the Blue Butterfly, Friends of the Jungle aim to create an El Segundo Blue Butterfly Garden in downtown Playa Del Rey. Possible letter of support from the NCWP.

M/S Cooley-Strickland/Kingshot to approve a letter of support for the El Segundo Blue Butterfly Garden project. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

- b. **Clare Eberle**, Transportation Planning Associate, with the Department of Transportation updating is on the safety improvements that are happening along Manchester Blvd. and Department of Transportation Bike Lanes

Vanda Asaphu spoke re: potential impacts of the proposed improvements

Patricia Dillmore spoke re: potential impacts of the proposed improvements

Robert Fusco spoke re: potential impacts of the proposed improvements

John Ruhlen spoke re: potential impacts of the proposed improvements

10. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

- a. Discussion and possible motion or CIS regarding TOC projects located at 9033 Ramsgate, LLC, 9037 Ramsgate, LLC, & 9043 Ramsgate, LLC. Case No.: DIR-2018-7606-TOC. The last day to file an Appeal is August 12, 2020, the owner is asking for and been approved for

both Base and Additional Incentives. One of the approved changes is a 70 percent increase in the maximum density to permit a total of 45 dwelling units, in lieu of 25 units as otherwise permitted by the R3 base density.

- b. Discussion on the City Planning Community Plan Update: One example is a zoning change from R2 to R3 could turn 6 units into 25 units, is that really what our community wants?

Stacey Travis spoke re: potential negative impacts as the result of the community plan and expressed concern that community input was not included in the latest draft of the Community Plan

Debbie Kavis spoke in opposition to the proposed Community Plan Update

Patricia Dillmore spoke in opposition to the proposed Community Plan Update

Wendy Cates spoke in opposition to the proposed Community Plan Update

Amy Frelinger spoke in opposition to the proposed Community Plan Update

Brian Thone spoke in opposition to the proposed Community Plan Update

Cory Birkett indicated that the Community Plan Update upzoning includes R-1 zoning as well, expressed concerns about negative impacts and urged the community to come together to address zoning and the need for more affordable housing

Patricia Lyon urged the community to come together to provide feedback to the City Planning Department

- c. Motion to support Community Impact Statement opposing Council File: 20-0838 - Permanent Slow Streets Network / Commuter Traffic Reductions / Pilot Program

Alek Bartrosouf of Councilman Bonin's Office said he was available to answer any community concerns about this proposal as it moves forward.

M/S Voss/Smith to approve the motion as amended. Motion passes 13-9. (AYES: Aniolek, Carni, Fisher, Flintoft, Grose, Herrera, Kamm, Kingshott, Maleman, Miller, Smith, Voss, Waka. NAYS: Cooley-Strickland, Logsdon, Mannix, Ross, Siglow, Thomas, Topal, Tuttle, Wilson NO VOTE: Watkins. Puza and Silva abstaining.)

11. **Public Comment** - non-agenda items *(limited to 2 minutes per speaker unless otherwise declared by the President or presiding director. Public comment on agenda items will be called as each agenda item is brought forward.)*

Waka announced that she had a conflict of interest regarding the 8333 Airport project and left the Zoom meeting

Evelyn Camarena spoke in opposition to the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport

Jason Lobell spoke in support of the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport and in support of more affordable housing in general

Laura Krug spoke in support of the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport and in support of more affordable housing in general

Patricia Dillmore spoke in opposition to the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport

Debbie Kavis spoke in opposition to the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport

Christine Welniak spoke in support of the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport and in

support of more affordable housing in general

Treva Miller spoke in opposition to state housing bills, including SB902 and SB1120, that would up-zone local neighborhoods and urged the NC to ask the City Council to oppose these bills in Sacramento

Wendy Cates spoke in opposition to the proposed housing project at 8333 Airport

12. Committee Reports

Thomas (Outreach) spoke re: key contact resources that are available on the NCWP website

Silva spoke re: an upcoming LAWA survey on safe travel and items that could be implemented at LAX that would make travelers more comfortable traveling in the future

Wilson spoke re: Zoom etiquette

13. Adjourn – President Gerez adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.