

WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL Minutes – October 28, 2015

The meeting of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) was called to order by Chair Cecilia Moreno at **6:06PM** at the Wilmington Senior Center, 1371 Eubank Avenue, Wilmington.

Pledge of Allegiance by Chair Cecilia Moreno

“As provided by the Brown Act, persons in the audience may address the neighborhood council on any issue they may have during the public comment period or when public comments are solicited during the discussions of an agenda item. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes, unless otherwise allowed by the chair person. Speakers may address the council as a group. Any personal derogatory remarks to a specific council member or persons in the audience will not be tolerated. Anyone desiring to speak please fill out a speakers card found on the back table and hand it a council member or the Council’s Secretary.”

1. Roll Call of Governing Board Members

- a. **Present:** Matthew Adair, Sylvia Arredondo, Marisela Caraballo, Dan Domonoske, Janet Grothe, Arthur Hernandez, Robert Jasso, Gary Kern, Diana Medel, Cecilia Moreno, Patricia Sullivan, Patricia Valladolid, Patrick Wilson (13)
- b. **Absent:** Socorro Fimbres, Alberto Ramirez, Michael Sanborn (Excused), Robert Trani (4)

2. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting(s)

- a. September 2015 Minutes: Approved (11 yes, 0 no, 2 abs)

3. LAPD/LA Port PD

- a. **LAPD:** no representative at meeting
- b. **LA Port PD:** no representative at meeting

4. Government Representatives Reports

- a. **Chris Wilson, Assy. Member Mike Gipson’s office:** DACA/DAPA workshop on 11/7
- b. **Manny Lopez, Mayor Garcetti’s office:** Not Present, provided a written report
- c. **Gabriela Medina, Councilman Buscaino’s office:** Update on ADA ramps and Measure R. Del Lago apartments has been approved for a traffic signal. Update on Clean-up, Green-up. Free mobile spay/neuter clinic coming to Wilmington in December.
- d. **German Castilla, Congresswoman Hahn’s office:** Calls for 100% security screening at the ports. Amendments passed to provide youth training, highway funding.
- e. **Chris Brown, Hugo Cisneros, LA Harbor Dept.:** Updates on Wilmington Waterfront Project.

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- a. Ann Porter, Move to Amend, looking for a constitutional amendment that clarifies that corporations are not individuals, and are looking for campaign finance reform. Invited all to look at their 7 minute online video.
- b. Janet Grothe, Phillips 66, 63rd anniversary of smiling Jack, Thursday/Friday.
- c. Karina Duenas, SBCC/Mujeres Geniunas, asking for funding for an upcoming SBCC event on 11/7.

- d. Steve Salas, Wilmington Waterfront Forward, What is the WNC's goal for Wilmington. Make some shirts for the WNC. I would like to improve/rebuild the Banning Park gym.
- e. Art Gonzalez, read the mission of the WNC – improve the quality of life for all Wilmington. What about the air quality, the refinery smells. Showed a picture of the refinery flaring. It is environmental terrorism.
- f. Lorie Geluz, Relay for Life Wilmington, presented the WNC with a plaque, and thanked the WNC.
- g. Susan Prichard, Resident, Jet Blue is requesting that Long Beach become an international hub. Once a month the library holds computer training, and they offer discounted computers if you attend the class. City attorney has a Neighborhood Justice Committee.
- h. Diana Medel, SBCC I Heart Wilmington, Halloween fundraiser on 10/30 from 5-10pm. Preschool without Walls needs your support. It is a mommy and me program.
- i. Robert McKoy, LA Christmas Afloat Parade 12/5/15, Theme this year is Santa's minions, the parade will start at 6pm and be by Banning's Landing around 6:30-6:45.
- j. Brenda Espinoza, there is hay/dirt on the street due to the trucks travelling around PCH and Watson. Piles and piles of hay are outside the businesses property.
- k. Magali Sanchez-Hall, resident, support Clean-up Green-up. This ordinance will prevent any company to come in the community to cause more pollution and to keep present companies from increasing pollution. The ordinance didn't pass. Our councilmember needs to support this issue. We need to do this for our children.

6. Action Items

- a. WNC Funding Requests:
 - 1) The WNC Publicity & Communications Committee recommends to the WNC Governing Board that the WNC Governing Board allocate \$600 to upgrade the WNC website.
 - 2) Public comment on item: Susan Prichard, I support the site
 - 3) Request Approved (13 yes, 0 no, 0 abs)
- b. Select a WNC Public Works Liaison as requested by the Board of Public Works.
 - 1) Motion to select Matthew Adair
 - 2) Motion Approved (13 yes, 0 no, 1 abs)
- c. Review and approve the 2015-2016 WNC Budget/Funding docs
 - 1) Motion Approved (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abs)
- d. Discuss the 2016 WNC Stipulation Sheet
 - 1) Motion Approved (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abs)
- e. Monthly Funding Report – DONE did not provide the report, nothing to vote on

7. Informational Items

- a. Reminder of WNC Holiday meeting schedule
 - 1) November Meeting on November 18th
 - 2) December Meeting on December 9th

Break

8. Report of Officers

- a. Chair:** Was at the Port of LA community outreach meeting on 10/26/15. Port Director gave updates on the Wilmington port projects and San Pedro port projects. Attended Wilmington Chamber of Commerce homelessness committee (1st meeting), meeting was well attended by community agencies, businesses, and other stakeholders. Wilmington currently has around 500 homeless. We must report (encampments, dumping, etc...) if want help with the problem.
- b. Vice-Chair:** Nothing to report
- c. Secretary:** Nothing to report
- d. Treasurer:** Nothing to report

9. Reports by Standing Committees

- a. By Laws Committee:** Nothing to report
- b. Executive Board:** Nothing to report
- c. Finance Committee:** Nothing to report
- d. Land Use & Planning/Gateway & Beautification Committee:** Nothing to report
- e. Public Works Committee:** Nothing to report
- f. Publicity & Communications Committee:** Nothing to report
- g. Transportation Committee:** Nothing to report
- h. Wilmington Historical Society Preservation Ad Hoc Committee:** Nothing to report

10. Unfinished Business - none

11. New Business - none

12. Reports from Caucus Groups – Seniors, LA city department of aging is having a meeting at the Senior Center on Thurs 11/5 from 10am – 12pm.

13. Reports from Members at Large – Grand opening of Wilmington Garden occurred over the past weekend.

14. Announcements from Governing Board Members – CERT training will start this Friday, Harbor College Bistro has a 5 course meal for \$25 – proceeds go to the culinary arts program at Harbor. Art Hernandez submitted his resignation from the WNC Board as a result of health concerns. The Chair thanked him for his many, many years of service.

15. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm