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Wilmington Neighborhood Council Report  
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## **COUNCIL SUMMARY 09.26.16 – 09.30.16**

### **MONDAY 09.26.16**

#### **I. Public Works & Gang Reduction:**

[16-0395](#): CAO & CLA **reported** on the motion requesting that 2/3 of City's share of future Local Return funding be applied to street reconstruction and rehabilitation. The initial request was for the funding to be applied to D & F rated streets – Nazario Saucedo from Bureau of Street Services (BSS) suggested continued maintenance toward A-C. Committee continued the motion pending a comprehensive report from CAO/CLA.

### **TUESDAY 09.27.16**

#### **I. Economic Development Committee Meeting**

[14-0746](#): Committee **approved** Ban the Box ordinance by unanimous vote. Ban the box: state and local governments would refrain from requiring job applicants to disclose criminal convictions until the hiring agency has verified that the applicant has met the requirements for the position.

### **Council**

- I. [12-1681](#): Council **approved** a motion proposing the ability to create a neighborhood council zone within an existing one. Note - \$37,000 per neighborhood council means that there is a potential for double the amount per area.

### **WEDNESDAY 09.28.16**

### **Council**

- I. [16-0962](#): Council **approved** a settlement of \$500,000 for the case that occurred at Wilmington Middle School involving LAFD wrongful death action.
- II. [16-1033](#): Council **approved & confirmed** the appointment of Ms. Luz Rivas to the Board of Public Works.

### **FRIDAY 09.30.16**

### **Council**

- I. [16-1054](#): Council President moved to place the **Neighborhood Integrity Initiative in front of the electorate** vs. Council adopting the ordinance without changes.
- II. [16-0897](#): Council **approved** motion to declare October as Youth Civic Engagement Month.
- III. [15-0989](#): Council **approved** stage 2 of 3 of the Los Angeles 2024 Olympic bid process, comprised of legal and venue funding considerations. Still no sailing in San Pedro, unfortunately. Note that venue additions and changes are permitted down the road, even after the hopeful bid victory – meaning there is still a chance for activating CD 15 with an Olympic game(s).

· SB 1465, which was approved by Brown on 9/29, protects the City with an additional \$250 million of funding in the case of cost overruns.

### COUNCIL SUMMARY 10.03.16 – 10.07.16

Council was not in session this week (League of California Cities Annual Conference and Exposition).

### COUNCIL SUMMARY 10.10.16 – 10.14.16

#### TUESDAY 10.11.16

- I. **16-1017**: Council **approved** the issuing of bonds to help finance the construction of El Segundo Apartments, an affordable housing project in Harbor Gateway North.
- II. **16-0837-S1**: **Approved** funds and contract for the Wilmington Town Square Park contract of \$680,000 in prior-approved Community Development Block Grant funds with the contractor LA Neighborhood Initiative.

#### **Police Commission Meeting**

- I. The Police Commission held a very productive meeting in which multiple reforms were adopted to **help reduce the number of shootings and use of violence** in general by LAPD officers, in addition to how to better communicate with the public. Reforms included:
  - o Require LAPD to enhance training to increase real world role-playing
  - o Officers who fire guns will receive more support - psychological and otherwise
  - o Begin a comprehensive process for gathering feedback - community forums, online questionnaires, etc.

#### THURSDAY 10.13.16

#### **City Planning Commission**

- I. The [San Pedro Community Plan Update](#) was adopted by the Commission. Next, the Plan will proceed to City Council Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUM) and then Council for final approval.

#### FRIDAY 10.14.16

#### **Board of Public Works**

- I. **BPW-2016-0346**: Approved a contract for an additional \$1 mil to the LA Conservation Corps for the City-wide [Clean and Green program](#).
- II. **BPW-2016-0344**: Approved a contract award for secondary sewer renewal on [Avalon Blvd and around Harbor Area](#). The contract is 308 days. Not sure when work would begin or if this would cause any sort of disruption to residents/business owners.

#### TUESDAY 10.25.16

**14-1057-S1**: Council approved Homelessness & Poverty Committee recommendations to repeal **Section 85.02**, which makes sleeping in your vehicle overnight illegal, and immediately replacing it with an ordinance that would allow living in one's vehicle between 9:00PM and 6:00AM on residential streets and near schools/parks. As a next step, the City Attorney's office will draft an ordinance to be considered by Council before the new law comes into effect.

**16-0600-S163**: Council approved this motion, which allows **each neighborhood council in LA to receive an extra \$5,000 in funding** for FY2016-2017.

## **WEDNESDAY 10.26.16**

**15-0850: Council approved the Ad Hoc on Comprehensive Job Creative Plan Committee/Economic Development Committees re: the Jobs and Business Advancement in LA Action Plan ("Jobs Plan")**

- Creating a **rapid response team to assist businesses** through City's bureaucracy
- Creating a **small business commission**
- Increasing the power of **Business Improvement Districts (BID)**
- Creating a centralized business unit
- Supporting the City's efforts for development services reform and permitting efficiencies
- Utilizing Community Revitalization and Investment Authority (CRIA), which revitalizes eligible, disadvantaged communities with planning and financing infrastructure improvements
- Creating Job and Economic Development Incentive (JEDI) Zones, or parts of the city designated to receive special economic development benefits, which offer **incentive packages to businesses**

### **Planning Process**

#### **1. Conditional Use Permit**

- El Norte Restaurant (815 Cristobal Ave.)
- Chino Market (1163 N Wilmington Blvd.)

- 2. Community Impact Statement:** A community impact statement (CIS) is an official statement or position adopted by a Neighborhood Council on an issue pending before the City's decision makers. These statements are public expressions of support, opposition, or neutrality, and are a place to offer suggestions about a project or policy under consideration.

### **Community Projects:**

#### **I. LA-Mas, Small Business Concierge Program**

- A. Maya Restaurant: facade improvements, signs, complete by LA Mas team
- B. Mural on south wall: Muralist Nuria Ortiz (@MsYellow) is 90% complete and expected to finalize her work by the end of this week.
- C. Santa Luna: Architect and designers began their work today, will provide update soon.
- D.

#### **II. Wilmington Town Square/ Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative**

- A. PHASE I, 12/2015: CD15 designated \$62,000 for the initial phase of community outreach to obtain input for design to be completed by LANI:
  - 1. LANI/ CD15 selected and formalized a resident advisory committee (10): Monica Massey, Russell Mohberg, Ignacio Ortiz, Adrian Morales Veliz, Diana Medel, Albert Ramirez, Salvador Lara, Victor Ibarra, Cecilia Moreno, Keith Ball
  - 2. Committee interviewed and selected project designer: Lewis Schoeplein Team
  - 3. Community wide outreach completed at the Town Square
- B. PHASE II, 10/11/2006: **16-0837-S1: Approved funds and contract for the Wilmington Town Square Park contract of \$680,000 in prior-approved Community Development Block Grant funds with the contractor LA Neighborhood Initiative.**
  - 1. LANI working on amending Berg Construction Management's contract for time and the additional scope and funds
  - 2. LANI working with Berk and Desiger, Lewis Schoeplein, to amend their contract also for time, scope and funds (LANI wants to make sure to include all provisions for the initial ideas expressed by the community. Primarily, the desire for a pavilion or some type of gazebo adds structural and related expenses to the project. )

3. Once the amended contract is signed, LANI will reach out to the resident steering committee and schedule the first meeting to reconvene for phase 2

### III. Great Streets Challenge, Due November 18th

A. CD15 is bringing together a number of residents and non profits to discuss project ideas for Wilmington. Work championed by LA-Mas makes us an eligible candidate for a permanent "Build Projects" along Avalon Blvd.

1. \$2 Million is the total allotment for "pop ups" and "build projects"

### Community Events:

1. SOLIMAR Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
  - a. Saturday, October 29th, 8:45 AM, 1500 W Pacific Coast Highway
2. Harbor City Day Labor Center, 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
  - a. Saturday, October 29, 2016, 10am-2pm, 1301 N Figueroa Place, Wilmington CA 90744
3. YMCA Wilmington, Youth and Government Bill Hearing Night
  - a. Wednesday, November 2, 2016, 5:30pm-8:00pm, Port of LA Building, 425 S Palos Verdes, SP
4. Boys and Girls Club of Wilmington, Dia de Los Muertos Festival
  - a. Wednesday, November 2, 2016, 6-9pm, 1444 Q Street, Wilmington