



# Wilmington Neighborhood Council

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## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, May 31, 2017, 6:30 P.M.**

Wilmington Municipal Building  
544 N. Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, CA 90744

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>
Ernesto (Ernie) Aguilar	Absent, Excused
Nancy Anaya	Present
Sylvia Arredondo	Present
Valarie Contreras	Present
Rick Cruz	Present
Catherine (Cathy) Familathe	Absent, Excused
Socorro Fimbres	Present
Monica Garcia-Massey	Absent, Excused
Robert Jones	Present
Ignacio (Nacho) Ortiz	Present
Roque Pech	Present
Carlos Sanchez	Present

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **1. Call to Order/Roll Call of Governing Board Members (2 minutes)**

- a. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Ignacio Ortiz, Chair of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council.
- b. A quorum of 9 board members present (see list above). There were approximately 20 stakeholders present.

**Opening Remarks from the Chair** - Welcome. Agendas on the side of the room. We will discuss items in the order that they are listed. Speaker cards are available at the back. Two minutes to speak per person. We will follow rules of decorum. One person at time speaking. We will follow Brown Act. If you have any questions, let me know.

#### **2. Action Items:**

Motion by Nancy Anaya and second by Roque Pech to move agenda items a, b and c to after item i.

Passed with 8 **yes** (Anaya, Arredondo, Cruz, Fimbres, Jones, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez), 1 **no** (Contreras), 0 **abstentions**.

#### **d. Motion to approve moving \$5,000 from Operation to Neighborhood Purpose Grants.**

Motion by Sylvia Arredondo and Second by Socorro Fimbres to move \$5,000 from Operations account to Neighborhood Purpose Grant Account. Passed with 9 **yes** (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres, Jones, Ortiz, Pech, Jones Sanchez), 0 **no**, 0 **abstentions**.

Robert Jones recused himself from the meeting to avoid any conflicts of interest.

The board discussed how to fund the neighborhood purpose grants, whether by percentage of total budget, or the dollar amount that is listed on the application.

**e. Motion to approve Neighborhood Purpose Grant for Wilmington Carson Pilots Youth Athletics & Academics for safety equipment such as helmets and shoulder pads in the amount not to exceed \$3,000.**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Roque Pech to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to fund \$3,000 worth of equipment for Wilmington Carson Pilots.

Motion by Sylvia Arredondo to amend the amount to fund to \$3500. Seconded by Nancy and failed with 2 yes (Anaya, Arredondo), 6 no (Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez) , 0 abstentions and 1 not voting (Jones).

Original motion passed with with 8 yes ( Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Jones, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez), 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting (Jones)

**f. Neighborhood Purpose Grants for MySafe:LA**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Sylvia Arredondo to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to fund \$1,000 for operations of MySafe:LA.

Motion by Nancy Anaya and seconded by Valerie Contreras to amend the amount to fund to \$1500.

Motion by Roque Pech and Seconded by Valerie Contreras to amend the amendment to fund to \$1000.

Amendment to the Amendment passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez), 1 no (Fimbres), 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting (Jones)

Amendment passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez), 1 no (Fimbres), 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting (Jones)

Original motion passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Ortiz, Pech, Sanchez), 1 no (Fimbres), 0 abstentions, and 1 not voting (Jones)

**g. Neighborhood Purpose Grants for San Pedro Art Association:**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Sylvia Arredondo to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to fund \$1,500 for San Pedro Art Association's Harbor Area wide art competition. Passed with 4 Yes (Arredondo, Cruz, Fimbres, Pech), 2 no (Contreras, Ortiz), 2 abstentions (Anaya and Sanchez), and 1 not voting (Jones).

Members and one stakeholder discussed concerns for San Pedro Art Association, that a grant would fund an event that is outside of the district and in part benefit a organization based in San Pedro.

**h. Neighborhood Purpose Grants for SBCC:**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Nancy Anaya to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to fund \$1,000 for SBCC. Passed with 6 Yes (Anaya, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres Pech, Ortiz), 2 no (Arredondo and Sanchez), 0 abstentions , and 1 not voting (Jones).

Members discussed concerns for SBCC, that a grant would fund employees of the organization, the event is not until october and the event is outside of the district.

**i. Neighborhood Purpose Grants for YMCA:**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Nancy Anaya to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to

fund \$3,000 for YMCA summer swimming lessons. Passed with 8 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres Pech, Ortiz and Sanchez), 0 no , 0 abstentions , and 1 not voting (Jones).

**a. Motion to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of February**

Motion by Sylvia Arredondo and seconded by Carlos Sanchez to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of February. Passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres Pech, Ortiz and Sanchez), 1 no (Contreras), 0 abstentions , and 1 not voting (Jones).

**b. Motion to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of March**

Motion by Socorro Fimbres and seconded by Sylvia Arredondo to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of March. Passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres Pech, Ortiz and Sanchez), 1 no (Contreras), 0 abstentions , and 1 not voting (Jones).

**c. Motion to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of April**

Motion by Sylvia Arredondo and seconded by Socorro Fimbres to approve monthly expenditure report for the month of April. Passed with 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres Pech, Ortiz and Sanchez), 1 no (Contreras), 0 abstentions , and 1 not voting (Jones).

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDA ITEMS**

Steve Salas - There will be a Port of Los Angeles Workshop on Wilmington Waterfront Project. The workshop is on June 6, 6 p.m. at Banning's Landing Community Center.

The Board of Water and Power Commissioners meets regularly on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. Please attend and let them know you want the tanks to change ownership.

Banning Park needs a new director and coordinator. Please call Jacob Haik at council district 15 office to bring Jerry Iarte, to the Banning Park from South Central. There is precedence for this.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS**

Sylvia Arredondo – Please remember to check your emails if you are a liason. If we have a retreat, let's have a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment facilitator.

Valerie Contreras – Let's work on the Strategic Plan and decide if we will have a regular board meeting or a retreat.

Socorro Fimbres – Bylaws and rules committee is reviewing the Bylaws and Standing Rules. Let's have roll call votes for any and all financial matters.

**5. ADJOURN**

Motion by Valerie Contreras to adjourn meeting, seconded by Robert Jones and passed with 8 yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cruz, Fimbres, Ortiz, Pech and Sanchez), 0 no, and 0 abstention(s) and 1 not voting (Jones).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be focused on the Strategic Plan. It will meet on June 28. More information will be posted on the website.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christian L. Guzman,  
for the Wilmington Neighborhood Council