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MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD
& STAKEHOLDER MEETING

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 - 6:30 p.m.
Phineas Banning High School
1527 Lakme Ave., Wilmington, CA 90744

Board Members	Roll Call
Ernesto (Ernie) Aguilar	Present
Nancy Anaya	Present.
Sylvia Arredondo	Present
Valerie Contreras	Present.
Moises Cortes	Present
Catherine (Cathy) Familathe	Present
Socorro Fimbres	Excused Absence
Sylvia Compos-Gordon	Present
Robert Jones	Present, Arrived 6:42 p.m.
Kim Luke	Present
Denise Martinez	Present
Roque Pech	Present
Carlos Sanchez	Present, arrived at 7:32 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance, roll call and opening remarks (5 mins)

The chair, Sylvia Arredondo, called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Welcome. The council is elected by local stakeholders. Packets with agenda item information are at the entrance. One person at a time speaking. We will follow the Brown Act and code of civility. If you have any questions, let me know. You may voluntarily fill out a speaker card before you make a comment.

Arredondo invited Denise Martinez to speak about domestic abuse awareness. Martinez is interested in creating a workshop for Wilmington Middle School and possibly Banning High School to create awareness for domestic violence and sexual abuse.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Approval of March 28, 2018 meeting minutes.

- b. Approval of April 17, 2018 Executive & Agenda Setting meeting minutes.
- c. Approval of April 17, 2018 Special Governing Board meeting minutes.
- d. Approval of April 17, 2019 Joint Land Use & Planning, Environmental, and Beautification Committees meetings minutes.
- e. Approval of mock-ups for already expensed payment for WNC branded outreach items through Maxx Graphics and Printing; t-shirts backdrop banner, 4x6 postcards, retractable banner.

The board discussed the text to be placed on shirts. Some might have volunteer and some might have a board member's name. 13 personalized. Board also wants to purchase items from a local vendor in the future.

M/S/C Familathe, Jones to approve consent calendar. 11 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No's, 1 not voting (Sanchez).

3. GOVERNMENT REPORTS

Fernando Naverrette of Councilman Joe Busaino's Office

Busaino introduced motion for the Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee to assess feasibility for protected bicycle lanes in Wilmington. There is some resurfacing being done in Wilmington. The City of Los Angeles is going to fund some job programs for people affected by a gang injunction. Will include job training, tattoo removal.

Board asked about community participation in planning for bicycle infrastructure; they also asked about what should be prioritized for making Wilmington sustainable.

Cecelia Moreno of the Port of Los Angeles

The Port of Los Angeles had an Earth Day chalk festival. Five hundred people came out. Board of Harbor Commissioners President Vilma Martinez resigned, there is now a new president, Jamie Lee. David Libatique is the new deputy director of stakeholder engagement. The attendees of the port presidents meeting discussed the Public Access Investment Plan. There is a new process for neighborhood councils to submit their intent to speak on resolutions with the Port of Los Angeles.

The Port of Los Angeles met with Russell Mohlberg to discuss what he and the Wilmington Neighborhood Council want in the development of the Wilmington Waterfront.

Victor Ibarra of State Assemblyman Mike Gipson's Office

Gipson urged for Governor Edmund G. Brown to allocate \$1 billion for homelessness resources. The general fund is more than \$160 billion. Cap and Trade workshop on May 10 in Wilmington. There will be a local hire component that comes from the implementation of SB 1. Gipson will organize a how-to-start-a-nonprofit workshop in June, to empower the community. Attendees will learn how to make non profits

sustainable. Applications are available for African American Leaders of Tomorrow. The California Department of Transportation (CalTrans) works on keeping freeways clean. You may contact them and support them at clean ups. Carson is hosting a Mother's Day breakfast, and the assemblyman will sponsor community members that want to attend the event.

Los Angeles Police Officer Perez

Police will walk and patrol the Avalon Corridor. Councilman Bucaino's Office helped secure a restroom to be used for homeless people. Jackie Lopez is the new Senior Lead Officer for the Westside of Wilmington. There was a five percent increase in violent crime and a seven percent reduction in property crime. Violent crimes are gang related. Officer Nua is reaching out to communities to prevent at-risk youth and adults from committing violence and crimes.

Maricela Victims, Service Coordinator with the Los Angeles Police Department

If victims have expenses, they can apply for reimbursement. People in crisis can get support from the advocates for victims.

4. PRESENTATION BY CARLOS MADRIGAL ON MCDONALD'S REDEVELOPMENT

Most older McDonald's restaurants in Southern California are being refurbished. The one in Wilmington will be completely rebuilt. There will be an indoor play place. Energy efficient hardware will be installed. Once it is rebuilt, the operators will maintain the existing hours of operation.

Board asked about contractors and if workers will be paid a living wage.

5. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Alfred Colera - Pursuing Seat #4 seat for Judicial System. Attorney for Los Angeles. I enjoy being in the courtroom and care about your community. I am a grand jury adviser.

Dan Hoffman - The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce will most likely support bike lanes, but it might be concerned on parking and lane reductions. There is a better way to go about road diets than what might be implemented.

Steve Salas - Wilmington has a community that are 36 percent low income. \$12 billion for LAX people mover. Please write a letter for another people mover. Please thank former Harbor Commissioner Vilma Martinez. There should be more lighting on the Pacific Coast Highway and Anaheim St. Bike lanes might not be the best way to improve our community.

Fernando Naverrette - Soccer Tournament with the Los Angeles Police Department and community. Nine a.m. to three p.m.

Eli Romero - Pacific Gateway will help deliver employment services for Rodriguez settlements. There will be an information session at 6 p.m. at Banning's Landing.

6. Actions, Discussion and Resolutions

a. Recommendation to the Governing Board from Land Use & Planning, Environmental, and Beautification Committees to approve filing WNC Resolution on the Port of Los Angeles' Avalon Promenade & Gateway project.

M/S/C Luke, Contreras to adopt resolution on the Port of Los Angeles' Avalon Promenade & Gateway project.

12 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech and Sanchez); 0 No's.

Board discussed funding and whether the port should look for grants.

b. Discussion and possible action to file a CIS in favor of Council File 18-0600: Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

M/S/C Familathe, Luke, Contreras to file a Community Impact Statement in favor of Council File 18-0600: Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2018-2019. 12 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech and Sanchez); 0 No's.

Board discussed the importance of funds to support neighborhood councils.

c. Recommendation from the Executive Board to approve the transfer of \$4,631.00 earmarked for Welcome to Wilmington Sign project under Community Improvement Projects to Neighborhood Purpose Grants.

M/S/C Pech, Contreras to transfer \$4,631 from welcome sign budget to Neighborhood Purpose Grant budget. 11 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Luke, Martinez, Pech and Sanchez); 0 No's; and 1 abstention (Jones).

d. Approval of Adhoc Winter Holiday & WNC Anniversary Committee creation and appointment of at least two board members.

Contreras is interested in chairing holiday committee. Cortes and Luke signed up also. Without objection, Arredondo created the committee and appointed members above.

e. Recommendation to the Governing Board from Land Use & Planning committee to send a letter to County Supervisor Janice Hahn on Measure A funding for projects outlined, but not limited to, Wilmington section of the County Needs Assessment.

Board discussed the need for better parks and the failure of the county to accurately analyze the status of parks and need for improvement. Letter should be addressed to Supervisor Hahn: we are writing to inform you about the lack of accurate. In section 7 change to “therefore, banning park...”

Steve Salas - In favor of the board's letter and resolution. The status of parks is worse than the county thinks.

M/S/C Pech, Jones to adopt letter. 12 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech and Sanchez); 0 No's.

f. Recommendation to the Governing Board from Environmental Committee to send a letter to South Coast AQMD in support of a strong Rule 1410, to require that Hydrofluoric Acid (HF) and Modified HF (MHF) at Los Angeles County Oil refineries be replaced with a safer alternative within 4 years, with additional language calling for monitoring and enforcement.

Arredondo recused herself from the discussion of this item.

Stakeholder - Torrance Refinery Action Network assembled a panel of scientists that concluded that hydrofluoric acid and modified hydrofluoric acid are an unnecessary danger. There are safer alternatives.

AI from Sierra Club - I urge you to support a phase out of the acid.

M/S/C Pech, Luke to adopt a resolution supporting a strong Rule 1410. 11 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech and Sanchez); 0 No's; and 1 recused (Arredondo).

7. COMMITTEES (15 mins)

- Beautification: Community Clean up on Broad and E Street. Filled up dumpster. Then planted red apple ground cover near banning, Anaheim and Opp st.
- Environmental: Edrick on Citizens Climate Lobby presented. There might be future resolutions on Los Angeles Department of Water and Power using more renewable sources of electricity.
- Budget & Finance: Neighborhood Council might spend all of its money.
- Land Use & Planning: Attended PlanCheck. There should be more open space. In the future there might be more buildings with mixed use. Commercial on the ground floor and residential above. Talked with Fernando Naverrette on cleaning up the community and keeping abandoned buildings from causing a nuisance.
- Publicity & Communications: Still working on Community Fair. At SBCC, there will be a workshop to help community members hear from government representatives on safety.

8. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arredondo - Public Hearing to hear comments on Space Exploration Technologies May 3rd, at the next Harbor Commission meeting. The port of long beach is updating the port

master plan. You may give comments to that port. Assemblyman Gipson will sponsor people for a Mother's Day Brunch. On April 30, there will be a workshop sponsored by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to maximize outreach for neighborhood councils. Comments can be given for the Environmental Impact Report on the proposed Shell Oil Terminal installations. There was a survey to vote for your favorite park. May 2, there is a board meeting for the Wilmington Cemetery. Attended Harbor Community Benefit Foundation workshop on off-port activities. Less than 17 percent of local residents work at the port of Los Angeles and related industries in the surrounding areas. May 2nd, Planning 101 training at the Kaiser Permanente facility that hosts the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils. Tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m, there is a Social and Environmental Justice Fair.

Contreras - Los Angeles Police Department will host National Day of Prayer on May 3rd. Saturday April 28, soccer tournament and fundraiser. I am requesting a master calendar for the board to coordinate meetings.

Treasurer Pech - Went over expenses and added descriptions for expenses in the Monthly Expenditure Report.

M/S/C Familathe/Cortes, Luke to approve Monthly Expenditure Report. 11 Yes (Arredondo, Aguilar, Anaya, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No's; and 1 abstention (Sanchez).

All of the funds are committed and it would not be recommended to spend more money. Board discussed Straight from the Heart and any funds that need to be used by that organization.

Secretary Familathe - The council had a meeting at the municipal building, but there was no security guard. The president filed the paperwork to be able to obtain security and have more meetings at the municipal building.

Nancy Anaya- There was a meeting with Mayor Eric Garcetti. He wants the community to help identify city owned or vacant lots for emergency shelters. On May 5th there will be a carnival and an art walk.

Carlos Sanchez- There is a council facebook page. Please help us identify areas that need asphalt repairs. There will be resurfacing in September.

Octaviano Rios of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- The library is available for you to have meetings. However the department of neighborhood empowerment is working to help the board. The board can advocate for a safe space for the community to meet in. The city budget is a great thing to give input on. The city clerk asks you to be mindful of monetary deadlines. Harbor City library there will be a council 101 on May 2. Congress of Neighborhood Councils will be in September. You have an opportunity to give input on what topics you want to be featured. For your elections, get ready to partner with the city clerk. The board will review ballots. There will be a three

prong approach, awareness campaign, candidate recruitment campaign and elections campaign. The council is welcome to formulate ideas on how to increase election participation.

Board suggested that each committee bring one area that it would like to input on in the city budget; this will be discussed at the next meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/C Familathe/Luke, to adjourn. 12 Yes (Arredondo, Aguilar, Anaya, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Cortes, Jones, Luke, Martinez, Pech, Sanchez); 0 No's.