

Wilmington Neighborhood Council

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GOVERNING BOARD & STAKEHOLDER MEETING Minutes

Wednesday, February 28, 2018 - 6:30pm

LOCATION: Phineas Banning High School

1527 Lakme Ave., Wilmington, CA 90744

Sylvia Arredondo	Present
Nancy Anaya	Present, 6:50 p.m.
Ernie Aguilar	Present
Valerie Contreras	Present
Moises Cortes	Present
Catherine (Cathy) Familathe	Present
Socorro Fimbres	Excused Absence
Sylvia Gordon	Present
Robert Jones	Excused Absence
Kim Luke	Present
Denise Martinez	Excused Absence
Roque Pech	Present
Carlos Sanchez	Present

1. CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance, roll call and opening remarks

Remarks from the chair - 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.

2. APPOINTMENTS Re-appointment and new appointments of Liaisons to City departments, agencies, and alliances.

1.a HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils) – Cathy Familathe & Sylvia Arredondo

1.b Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) – Sylvia Arredondo

1.c NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance – Cathy Familathe

1.d NC Budget Reps – Roque Pech & Valerie Contreras

1.e NC Budget Advocate – Roque Pech

1.f Public Works – Valerie Contreras as primary and Moises Cortes as an alternate.

- 1.g Animal Services – Robert Jones & Sylvia Gordon Compos
- 1.h Department of Water and Power – Carlos Sanchez
- 1.i Planning – Carlos Sanchez & Valerie Contreras
- 1.j Filming – Kim Luke
- 1.k Great Streets – Kim Luke and Ernie Aguilar as alternates & Valerie Contreras as primary.
- 1.l Employment – Robert Jones and Ernie Aguilar
- 1.m Vision Zero – Carlos Sanchez & Socorro Fimbres
- 1.n Transportation – Carlos Sanchez as primary and Moises and Valerie as alternates.
- 1.o Gender Equality – Sylvia Arredondo and Nancy Anaya
- 1.p Domestic Violence – Valerie Contreras and Cathy Familathe and Denise Martinez as alternates
- 1.q Affordable Housing – Ernie Aguilar as primary and Moises Cortes as alternate
- 1.r Homeless – Ernie Aguilar as primary and Nancy Anaya
- 1.s Aging – Ernie Aguilar as primary and Nancy Anaya and Kim Luke as alternates
- 1.t Port – Sylvia and Arredondo and Valerie Contreras as primary and Ernie Aguilar, Cathy Familathe and Nancy Anaya as alternates.
- 1.u Building & Safety – Carlos Sanchez as primary and Ernie Aguilar and Sylvia Gordon Compos Kim Luke as alternates.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Cathy moved, 2nd by Aguilar. Passes with one no from Arredondo.

- a. Approval of January 2018 meeting minutes.
- b. Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for January 2018
- c. Adopt WNC Standing Rules.

M/S/C Familathe/Aguilar to approve Consent Calendar with specification of community impact statement for Council File 17-1422 in minutes.

9 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Compos-Gordon, Contreras, Cortes, Familathe, Luke, Pech, Sanchez) and 1 No (Arredondo)

4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Laurie Jacobs announced Pathways to Employment, which is an event that all Harbor Area High School and Community College students are welcome to attend. See Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council website for details.

SBCC representative announced Dinners to benefit DACA recipients. 30 dollars March 16 7 -10 pm.

Historical Society Open House and Display of Wilmington History June 3rd from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Residents of Wilmington are welcome to submit. March 31st there will be a scanning day at the library. March 10, stuff the trunk. Participate at the Hojas parking lot to benefit June 3 event.

We are the next workshops are available to adolescents on community, gardening, self defense and historic places. Instructors can come to community organizations like the YMCA or the Boys and Girls Club to teach workshops.

Jasmine from the American Red Cross - On March 24 smoke alarms will be installed in homes. Alarms last 10 years and fire safety information will also be given out.

Susan Prichard - Please participate in the Big Read; read *The Citizen* for free. On April 4, at 6 p.m., there will be a review of that book. Open house at 4 pm tomorrow to get information to become a citizen, CPR Spanish class 19th of April.

Juan Gonzalez - On April 21, iHeart Wilmington anniversary at Green belt park from 10 am to 2 pm.

Gwen Henry - Announced Earthday events. Handouts provided to board members. A

Vincent Correa - How can we get a sign off the 110 freeway at PCH to announce that tours are available at the Banning Museum and Drum Barracks?

Steve Salas - Wilmington was considered one of the “worst” neighborhoods in a journalism article. On March 15, there is a port meeting at night at Bannings Landing. Check Recreation and Parks for a board agendas and go to meetings.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Great Public Schools Now report- LAUSD Marketing Group, Mr. Isaac
Special interest groups spent \$20 million on LAUSD school board elections. Candidates friendly to charters took over the LAUSD. Outside forces want to turn 50 percent of schools into charter schools. This is one aspect of the privatization of government functions. We are in an era of declining enrollment and charter schools are not as necessary. Hold a forum on GANAS. Are charter schools performing better than public schools?

School LA students deserve highlighting UTLA demands, Reclaim Our Schools LA, and decision-making and community relationships. Esperanza Martinez, United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA), Parent Community Organizer. Presentation handout provided to all board members.

Tio Carlos- Charters are trying to divide the community. We want the best for our children. I have volunteered here for many years and it has improved significantly.

Board discussed the need for the community to get a balanced point of view.

M/S/C Familathe/Contreras for the council to host a town hall on the status of charter schools and their impact on the community and on the Los Angeles Unified School District. .

10 Yes (Arredondo, Aguilar, Anaya, Compos-Gordon, Contreras, Cortes, Familathe, Luke, Pech, Sanchez) and 1 No.

6. REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCY OFFICES

M/S/C Aguilar/Contreras for the council to hear government reports before public comment.
9 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Compos-Gordon, Contreras, Cortes, Familathe, Luke, Pech, Sanchez), 0 No and 1 Abstention (Cortes)

44th Congressional District, Congresswoman Nanette Barragan- Field Rep. Morgan Roth One hundred and sixty four members of congress including Barragan co-sponsored a bill banning sales of assault weapons to people younger than 21 years. Barragan is also supporting the Federal Contractor Harassment Training Act. It would provide for harassment training. She sponsored the STOP Homelessness Act, which allows taxpayers to check a box on their federal tax return and donate money for homelessness that will be distributed to Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The money donated would be matched one for one from the national government. Barragan supports the Safe Coast Act that would protect regulations started in the President Barrack Obama administration; there are 70 cosponsors.

Assembly District, Assemblyman Mike Gipson, Field Rep. Victor Ibarra - The Assemblyman went to El Salvador to see how a partnership can be established with that country. Gipson hosted a gun legislation hearing. He supports one billion dollars from the California general fund to battle homelessness. Gipson is also working on legislation for the department of education to maintain a certain number of employees for trades. AB 1795, gives paramedics the ability to transport inebriated and people needing mental health to transport them to non emergency facilities. Contact Victor Ibarra for details. March 1, Gipson is sponsoring a DACA healing circle at Charles Drew University. April 8, Cap and Trade workshop in Wilmington.

Mayor of Los Angeles, Mayor Eric Garcetti, Manuel Lopez
Look for new speed limits on certain streets to be consistent with Vision Zero. Mayor Garcetti supports legislation being discussed that will address the homeless crisis. Funds would be dispersed to cities based on percentage of homelessness living in the city. Mayor want to promote diverse hiring in the Our LAPD campaign. Visit joinlapd.com
The mayor's office partnered with Loyolla Law school to provide free law services to angelinos. The program benefits citizens coming out of the prison system and 150 paid internships for students from LAUSD and Los Angeles Community Colleges for film industry. Gryd foundation website. Aguilar commented that there should be oversight and coordination of homelessness funds and LAHSA's role

Council District 15, Councilman Joe Buscaino, Field Representative Fernando Navarette - Pitstop pilot program to combat hepatitis epidemic. Starting on March 8. Facilities will be open 7 days out of the week and there will be a security officer to make sure the facilities function well. March 7 to January 2019. Dept. of Sanitation will collect data.
Aguilar commented that he is glad this is coming. Commented on another company that has portable showers. Navarette noted it.

Los Angeles Unified School District, Dr. Richard Vladovic, Joseph Geralyn Busaino discussed school safety. Some are anxious LAUSD has dedicated police officers protecting students. Everyone also needs to say something if they see something. Make sure students know that threats will be investigated seriously. Monitor texts and social media. Keep firearms secured properly and report suspicious activity. On March 14 there will be a LAUSD sanctioned opportunity for students to express themselves on the dangers of weapons. Many magnets have been implemented in the area. The red cross gives free fire alarms and installation. Students also have the opportunity to volunteer with the red cross. On March 21st, the LA Port police will have a training on active shooters at the Tzu Chi Community Clinic in Wilmington

Port of Los Angeles Officer Algo Morales - Violent Crimes have increased 2.3 percent, property crimes decreased. Call the police if you see something 310 732 3500. Call 211 to speak to a live operator and obtain resources that might be able to help homeless people. Try to call the appropriate law enforcement for illegal truck activity.

There will be a homeless cleanup on March 8.

Public Affairs Rep. Cecilia Moreno- not present. Chair made comments on the LA Waterfront Town hall meeting on March 20, 6pm at Warner Grand theater.

Los Angeles Police Department

Valerie Contreras did ride along with Senior Lead Officer Andrew Gonzales. Community can help on various issues that will be covered in committees. Thursday March 8, 6 to 7 pm City Attorney Town Hall.

ACTION ITEMS

- a. Send Letter of Support to Sharefest for Adopt-a-Median project on Pacific Coast Hwy between Sanford and Blinn. Resolve to support sharefest Aguilar moved and Luke seconded support. Abstention from Arredondo and Pech.

M/S/C Aguilar/Luke for council to resolve to support Sharefest project and send letter.

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8 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Compos-Gordon, Contreras, Cortes, Familathe, Luke, Sanchez), 2 abstentions (Arredondo and Pech) and 0 No.

- b. Send Resolution on design elements for the Avalon Promenade and Gateway project to Port of Los Angeles

M/S Familathe/Luke for council to resolve to support specific design elements (See page 25 of your agenda packet for 2/28 meeting) for the Avalon Promenade and Gateway project for the Port of Los Angeles.

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Board discussed integrating historical elements and planting appropriate.

Russell Mulberg - I have been working on projects such as this in Wilmington. I think there should be a comprehensive plan. Wants it to be designated as a national park.

Steve Salas - Please formally amend the resolution to fit all of your ideas in.

M/S/C Luke/Sanchez for council to refer the resolution back to the environmental committee.


6 Yes (Anaya, Contreras, Cortes, Familathe, Luke, Sanchez), 2 No (Compos-Gordon and Pech) and 2 abstentions (Arredondo and Aguilar).

COMMITTEES

- a Bylaws: Report, next meeting 3/8/2018, 12pm-1pm at WNC office.
- b Beautification: Report, next meeting on 3/13/18, 6:30pm at Wilmington Library
- c Environmental: Report, next meeting on 3/19/18, 6:30pm at Wilmington Library
- d Budget & Finance: Report, next meeting on 3/14, 6:30pm at Wilmington Library
- d.i Review and discuss Neighborhood Purpose Grant Applications
 - d.i.1 SBCC I Heart Wilmington
 - d.i.2 San Pedro Arts Association
 - d.i.3 John Stinson, support project that benefits the youth for the area.
 - d.i.4 We Are the Next
 - d.i.5 United Wilmington Youth Foundation
 - d.i.6 Wilmington Historical Society
 - d.i.7 SBCC Thrive L.A.
 - d.i.8 Wilmington Junior Futbol Club
German -support sports in Wilmington. Your funds can got to maintenance fields and provide equipment. Steve Salas - ask Port to provide land for youth sports. San Pedro has a field for Youth.
 - d.i.9 Wilmington Wire
- e Land Use & Planning:Report,next meeting 3/12/18, 6:30pm at Wilmington Library
- e.i Welcome to Wilmington entryway sign update
- f Public Works: No report.
- g Publicity & Communications: No report.
- h Transportation: No report.
- i Liaison announcements and other committee business
- j Oublic Safety Fair - Nancy Anaya and Catherine Familathe are exploring a resource fair at the Wilmington Waterfront Park in May or July.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND GOVERNING BOARD-

- a Chair: Correspondence updates and other announcements. Attended Harbor Alliance and port presidents meetings and thanks to all audience members.
- b Vice-chair: Correspondence updates and other announcements. Street Services is doing a survey on what streets should get pothole repair. Talk to us for input.
- c Treasurer: Informational updates about budget and finances.
- d Secretary: Office updates and other announcements. Sylvia Arredondo reached out to Los Angeles city government to try to get access to the office after 5 p.m. or on the weekend.
- e Additional announcements: Valerie Contreras and Kim Luke took David Hackney from Clean Up Green Up around Wilmington to identify businesses that can benefit from Clean Up Green Up.



Octaviano Rios - see monthly profile.

ADJOURNMENT

M/S/C Familathe/Aguilar to adjourn the meeting. 10 Yes (Aguilar, Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Cortes, Campos-Gordon, Familathe, Luke, Pech); 0 No's.