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MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD
& STAKEHOLDER MEETING

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 - 6:30 p.m.
Wilmington Senior Center

Board Members	Roll Call
Ernesto (Ernie) Aguilar	Absent, Excused
Nancy Anaya	Present.
Sylvia Arredondo	Present
Valerie Contreras	Present
Moises Cortes	Absent, Excused
Catherine (Cathy) Familathe	Present
Socorro Fimbres	Present
Sylvia Gordon	Present
Robert Jones	Absent, Excused
Kim Luke	Present
Denise Martinez	Present
Roque Pech	Present
Carlos Sanchez	Absent, Excused

1. Call to Order

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

The chair, Sylvia Arredondo, called the meeting to order at 6:36 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.

2. Report from U.S. Congresswoman Nanette Barragan

M/S/C Familathe/Contreras to suspend the rules and hear from Barragan.

8 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No's, 1 not voting (Fimbres).

Barragan gave an overview of the spending bill that congress passed. Border security spending is now \$3 billion. More investigative agents will go into businesses and ask workers for documentation. There was a \$610 million increase for head start funding. \$1

billion increase in TIGER grants that could go to light rail and transit programs. Funding will also go to testing water for lead.

Barragan got a bill passed to direct homeland security areas to places where they are needed most.

She also helped an undocumented constituent be released from imprisonment that was arrested in Las Vegas. He avoided being transferred to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

3. Public Comment on Items not on the Agena

Victim Service Coordinator- Victims of violent crime might be eligible for recovery funds. Visit [help crimevictims.org](http://helpcrimevictims.org) for more information.

Claricza Ortiz with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti's Office - Summer Night Lights program. There will be activities at parks throughout the city including Wilmington. Starts Jun 27. You may provide me with requests for activities. Free food will be available as part of the program.

Uncle Carlos- I don't want Wilmington to be divided. Our schools are effective in educating students.

Albert Ramirez - I have seen devastation of education due to charter schools. Ask for a community impact report on attendance for schools. How will it change if charter schools are introduced?

Student Working on a voter registration event that will be on April 14.

4. Presentation by Climate Resolve

Board was provided with digital presentation.

Bureau of Street services is thinking about converting one of its asphalt plants to integrate materials that will reflect sunlight back to outer space.

5. Government Reports

Los Angeles Department of Transportation

66 percent of injuries are on six percent of streets. Anaheim Street is a priority corridors for improving safety. Flashing beacons have been added.

In a few weeks work will begin to install a water tunnel on several streets in Wilmington. Half of the street will be under construction at a time. The other half will have traffic in two directions. There will also be a pilot to introduce safety measures. Lower speeds and a center turn lane.

Cecelia Moreno of the Los Angeles Harbor Department

There was a Los Angeles Waterfront Town Hall this past week. The port will be give boat tours in May. There will also be a native plant giveaway on Earth Day.

Los Angeles Councilman Joe Buscaino

Fernando Naverette gave report. Board expressed concerns on increasing population density, providing lights for walkways at night and providing Americans with Disabilities Act compliance for dog parks in Wilmington.

Los Angeles Unified School District

Geralyn Busaino - Banning High School STEAM magnet installation. A new laboratory was setup to benefit Wilmington Students. STEAM GALA April 28th at Banning High School.

Octaviano Rios of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment - Empower Los Angeles Awards are tomorrow. You may tailor Standing Rules to add order and specify procedures. Please prepare to evaluate budgetary needs and submit a community impact statement on the Los Angeles City budget. Current city council committees include Economic Development, public safety, public works and gang reduction, trade travel tourism committee, 2028 olympics.

6. Presentation on Los Angeles Waterfront Visioning

Russell Mohlberg - Gave presentation on ideas for waterfront development.

Robert McCoy- Ports current plans lack visions. There should be more history integrated into the Port of Los Angeles. This site should draw people not just from Wilmington but from around the Los Angeles Harbor and beyond.

Cindy Ceeman - Unions and the community should support the ideas detailed in the presentation. If implemented, Wilmington will be a tourist attraction and connect to Long Beach and San Pedro.

7. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of February 2018 meeting minutes.
- b. Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for February 2018.
- c. Approve \$350.00 for Senior Center Room rental for 3/28 board meeting.
- d. Amend 2017-18 budget to move \$4,000.00 from Office/Outreach to Neighborhood Purpose Grants.
- e. Approve office supplies at an amount not to exceed \$200.

Valerie Contreras requested that item d be removed from the consent calendar.

M/S/C Familathe/Luke to approve a,b,c and e of consent calendar.

8 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech);
0 No's, 1 abstention (Fimbres).

M/S/C Familathe/Pech to approve item d. 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Familathe, Fimbres, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 1 No (Contreras), 1 abstention (Fimbres).

8. Discussion and Action Items

- a. Recommendation to approve Neighborhood Purpose Grants for the following organizations at the amounts listed:
 - i. I Heart Wilmington at an amount not to exceed \$3,000.
 - ii. San Pedro Arts Association at an amount not to exceed \$3,000.

- iii. We Are The Next at an amount not to exceed \$500.
- iv. Wilmington Historical Society at an amount not to exceed \$3,000.
- v. Wilmington Soccer Club at an amount not to exceed \$3,000.
- vi. The Wilmington Wire at an amount not to exceed \$900.

Treasurer Pech gave an overview of the goals of the neighborhood purpose grants that organizations applied for. The Finance Committee made the recommendations that Pech spoke on.

M/S/C Familathe/Compos-Gordon to award neighborhood purpose grants to the organizations above for the amounts listed. 7 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Familathe, Fimbres, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Pech); 1 No (Contreras), 1 abstention (Martinez).

b. Appointment of board members, other than Chair and Vice-chair, as spokesperson on behalf of the board as it relates to recognizing sports, academic, arts, leadership, and civic teams, schools, organizations, groups and individuals during neighborhood council meetings and at outside events.

c. Approve recognition certificate and certificate folder at an expense not to exceed \$1000 for the remainder of the FY2017-2018.

M/S Familathe/Luke to approve stock of certificates and folders in an amount not to exceed \$1000.

M/S/C Pech/Luke to amend amount to \$600; 9 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Fimbres, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No.

Amended motion passed with 9 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Fimbres, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No.

9. COMMITTEES

- Beautification: April 8 to 12 Community Clean Up E Street and Banning Blvd. There will also be planting. The next meeting is on 2/13/18 at 6:30pm.
- Environmental: There is a survey on a remediation site in east Wilmington. Meeting with Assemblyman Gipson's office on April the 5th on sustainable energy jobs.
- Budget & Finance: Report from 1/10: Encourage non-profits to apply for neighborhood purpose grants and complete applications correctly. The next meeting is on 2/14 at 6:30pm.
- Land Use & Planning: there was a cleanup every weekend in March. Next meeting April 9. McDonald's is going to be rebuilt.
- Public Works: No report.
- Publicity & Communications: No report.
- Transportation: No report.
- Liaison announcements and other committee business

10. Board Member Comments

Catherine Familathe attended active shooter training by LA Port Police. It was interesting and it inspired her to be alert.

Sylvia Arredondo - Went to visit city councilmembers and encouraged the council to move forward with discussing a human health and safety buffer from neighborhood oil drilling. We want council committees to take up the item. Worked with the department of neighborhood empowerment to gain access for our council to our office at the Wilmington Municipal building.

Valerie Contreras - Working with Clean Up Green Up program to evaluate how Wilmington can be improved. I am assisting the council chair to work with committee chairs and encourage them to be more effective and empowered.

Roque Pech - new funding representative Angela Piekini.

Nancy Anaya- homeless outreach occurred this past weekend. Red Cross installed smoke alarms around the neighborhood.

Socorro Fimbres - Want board members to reference rules of order and use rules in meetings.

11. ADJOURN

M/S/C Familathe/Luke to adjourn the meeting. 9 Yes (Anaya, Arredondo, Contreras, Familathe, Fimbres, Compos-Gordon, Luke, Martinez, Pech); 0 No.