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<p>General Board Meeting Minutes September 22, 2020 6:04PM - 8:14PM Meeting</p>	<p>Zoom Virtual Meeting Meeting Access Information: Internet https://zoom.us/j/95648218428 Meeting ID: 95648218428 Password: no password required Telephone: 1-669-900-6833</p>

Boardmember	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category
Steven Contreras	Present	Yes	Residential Representative
Christina Dake	Present	Yes	Residential Representative
Adolfo Fermin	Present	Yes	Residential Representative
Gayle Fleury	Present	Yes	At-Large Representative
Nancy Luna	Present	Yes	Employee Representative
Gina Martinez	Present	Yes	Owner representative
Samantha Martinez	Present	Yes	Community Interest
Carlos Sanchez	Present	Yes	Owner Representative
Simie Seaman	Present	Yes	At-Large Representative
Santiago Sedillo	Present	Yes	Employee Representative
Barbara Zepeda	Absent	Yes	Owner Representative
Vacant			Employee Representative
Vacant			At-Large Representative
TOTAL: 11	PRESENT 10 ABSENT 1		

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired ** Advance notice given for absence

If a member of the public wishes to address the Board, we ask that you fill out a speaker card, download from our website. Please note the agenda item # or public comments on non-agenda items and submit by email to WilmingtonNC@empowerLA.org. 72 hours prior. Opportunity will still be given if you can't email prior. Public comments will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker and the Chair will call you up by name when it's your turn to address the board. This meeting will end at 8:45 pm. Any items not covered will be rolled over to our next meeting.

1. Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, opening remarks, Chair's report. **The meeting was called to order by G. Martinez. There are currently 15 participants in the meeting Ms. Martinez thanked the Previous President Valerie Contreras for all of the work she did for the community. There were six successful cleanups for illegal dumping that were done recently. The Wilmington Neighborhood Council now has 2,400 followers on Social Media and Boardmembers have been attending numerous meetings. Instruction were given about unmuting and participation.**

Roll Call by Secretary, Christina Dake Quorum of Boardmembers was reached.

WNC ITEM: 1. Roll Call		
Present –10	Absent -00	Excused-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	Zepeda

1. Reading of the meeting minutes- **any corrections? No corrections needed.**
2. Motion to approve the August 25, 2020 meeting minutes

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 1b. Motion to approve the August 25, 2020 Board meeting minutes Moved: Fleury Second: Sedillo			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

2. Presentation from the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation, **Wilmington Neighborhood Storm Water Project. The presentation for the Wilmington Greening Project was done by Blanca Calderon and Alfredo Magallanes. This project would use Measure W funds to capture and use recycled water to water the park at the Wilmington Recreation Center. Underground tanks will be placed under the Baseball Diamonds. Will be ADA compliant so park will be upgraded. No trees will be removed. There will be many upgrades. The parking lot will be changed to permeable. There will be street improvements along Bay Ave. This project has a \$12.18 Million Dollar Cost Estimate. The Project Presenters would like a letter from the Board in support of the project to help them get approval for the funds. questions were raised about the Departments ability to maintain the project when so many things across the city are not being maintained. A Boardmember stated they would like to see solar lighting included. If the project is improved, there will be more community meetings for input. The funding for this project includes maintenance which can be outsourced if needed. This project will help the city to meet Water Regulatory Rules for cleaner water for the Harbor. The Project will be digging about 14 to 16 feet deep. Recreation and Parks is requesting a batting cage.**
3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS The public may provide comments to the board on non-agenda items within the Wilmington Neighborhood Councils subject matter jurisdiction. Time is limited to 2 minutes per speaker unless otherwise adjusted by the Chair. Please fill out a speaker card and please clearly address the council. Emails received 72 hours prior.
 - a. **Lurdia Mesta- The Harbor City Community Job Center is providing hot meals once a week on Fridays. Is interested in getting a grant.**
 - b. **Gayle Fleury-reported on the Light up the Lighthouse Event will be this Saturday of FaceBook and Vimeo. It will be held as a virtual event.**
 - c. **Cecilia Moreno- Congratulations to the new President Gina Martinez and to Valerie Contreras for the great job she did as President. The Port has seen it's first monthly increase which made it the strongest month in the history of the Port. Many of the Harbor Employees are working from home. The Harbor Commission approved the Developer Sully-Miller to start the \$57 Million Dollar Waterfront Project. The Project will take about 2 Years to complete. The next Presidents Meeting is on Monday please attend and you are welcome to bring an additional Boardmember. The other big project (The Gateway Project) should start next year and the funding has already been set aside. It was mentioned that the Historical Society**

needs to be involved.

4. REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS OR REPRESENTATIVES: (3 minutes each) Please address the board. Q & A are facilitated by the Chair.

- a. Congresswoman Nanette Barragan, Field Representative Francisco Lopez- Francisco.Lopez@mail.house.gov **This we had a loss to our Nation Ruth Bader Ginsburg. The Congresswoman will fight to continue her legacy. The House has approved Government Funding so the Government will not shut down. It now moves to the Senate. The wildfires are a horrible thing with people dying. Ms. Barragan is at the forefront in fighting climate change. Last week she introduced The Future Generations Act which will expand fossil fuel protections. We are hosting a Virtual Service Academy Day on October 10, 2020 for perspective students, and parents to get free tuition. He discussed the Census deadline. Encourage your family and friends to do the Census.**
- b. Victor Ibarra, Senior Deputy for Assemblyman Mike Gipson- **No report**
- c. Mayor Eric Garcetti, Johanna Rodriguez- johanna.rodriguez@lacity.org- **No report.**
- d. EmpowerLA- Octaviano Rios **Unemployment is at a high. Under employment is a major problem, please refer people to the Economic and Work Force Development Department. (ewdd@lacity.com)** Mr Rios reminded everyone to do the Census and get others to do it. This weekend is the Annual Congress of Neighborhoods. It will be held virtually. He shared the information on the event and the sign-up information was given. The Election Date for the Harbor Neighborhood Councils will be Tuesday June 15, 2020. Mr. Rios explained the Neighborhood Council Reforms that were approved by the City Council. There will be a Funding Training next month and there will be a digital training tools meeting on Wednesday, September 30, 2020. He will send the information. The Council File for Anti-Bias Training is CF 20-0990. Planning 101 Trainings will be coming soon. The DONE website is being revamped. There will be a Virtual Training on September 29, 2020 from 6:00PM to 9:00 PM. You can contact Mr. Rios at: octaviano.rios@lacity.org or Phone number 213-978-1462.
- e. LA City Councilmember Joe Buscaino 15 District, Field Representative, Fernando Navarrete- Fernando.Navarrette@lacity.org- **No Report**
- f. LAPD- Senior Lead Officer Nick Ferrara-Crime Report Q&A is up to the chair as time permits. **Loves the Clean Water Project. Wilmington crimes dropped 60% and violent crimes are low. Burglaries are through the roof especially at the Storage Facilities. Report anything you see. Problems at Frigate and PCH have been addressed but problems South of there. He is working on the problems and helping the homeless. He is working on other areas. Food Giveaway at Lomita and Avalon on September 26, 2020 24910 S. Avalon at 10:00AM. On October 11, 2020. (Road to Recovery) They will be giving food to the Homeless and provide homeless services at John Mendes Park at 11:00 AM. Halloween free candy come on Halloween 4-6PM Wilmington Athletic Complex. Take a picture in the Police car. He is trying to get more people to fill out the Census. His Cell Phone # is 213-218-1059.**

5. TREASURER'S REPORT-Gina Martinez

- a. Motion to approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MERs) for August 2020.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 5a. Motion to approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MERs) for August 2020. Moved: Dake Second: Sedillo			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

- b. Motion to approve invoice from ADVANCED OFFICE in an amount not to exceed \$258.88 for unpaid taxes on purchase of copier.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 5b. Motion to approve invoice from ADVANCED OFFICE in an amount not to exceed \$258.88 for unpaid taxes on purchase of copier. Moved: Sedillo Second: Luna			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

- a. Motion to approve WNC Inventory list. **Some Items were stolen from the office. This is the updated inventory list.**

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 5c. Motion to approve WNC Inventory list Moved: Sedillo Second: Dake			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

- 6. Action Items- Discussion & Possible Action to Approve:
 - a. Motion & possible action to maintain our current boundaries on Terminal Island and oppose making it a shared asset.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6a. Motion & possible action to maintain our current boundaries on Terminal Island and oppose making it a shared asset. Moved: Sedillo Second: Dake			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

- b. Motion & possible action to approve sending a letter to local leaders and businesses requesting support for our current NC boundaries.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6b. Motion & possible action to approve sending a letter to local leaders and businesses requesting support for our current NC boundaries. Moved: Dake Second: Sedillo			
Yes –10	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	Zepeda

- c. Motion & possible action to approve a letter of support in making SLO Ferara a permanent Senior Lead Officer for Wilmington.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6c. Motion & possible action to approve a letter of support in making SLO Ferara a permanent Senior Lead Officer for Wilmington Moved: Dake Second: Fleury				
Yes -10		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo		None	None	None	Zepeda

- d. Motion and possible action to approve a letter of support for the City of Los Angeles, Department of Sanitation, Wilmington Neighborhood Stormwater Project.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6d. Motion and possible action to approve a letter of support for the City of Los Angeles, Department of Sanitation, Wilmington Neighborhood Stormwater Project. Moved: Sedillo Second: Fleury				
Yes -10		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-01
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo		None	None	None	Zepeda

Steve Contreras left the Meeting at 7:37PM

- e. Motion & possible action to hold a Community event in lieu of our December Governing Board and Stakeholder meeting.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6e. Motion & possible action to hold a Community event in lieu of our December Governing Board and Stakeholder meeting. Moved: S. Martinez Second: Seaman				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo		None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

- f. Motion & possible action to discuss the date of our November Governing Board and stakeholder meeting. **The item was discussed.**

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6f. Motion to move the November Governing Board and stakeholder meeting to November 17, 2020 Moved: Sedillo Second: Dake				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo		None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

- g. Motion & possible action to approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for drive-thru food giveaway for Thanksgiving.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

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WNC	Item 6g. Motion & possible action to approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for drive- thru food giveaway for Thanksgiving. Moved: S. Martinez Second: Seaman			
Yes -09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

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- h. Motion & possible action to approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for Holiday Drive-thru toy give away. **The event may include: toys, music, snow, and fliers to hand out. This is an Outreach event to help with the Holiday Spirit.**

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6h. Motion & possible action to approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for Holiday Drive-thru toy give away. Moved: Seaman Second: Sedillo			
Yes -09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

- i. Motion and possible action to approve the purchase of WNC branded reusable tote bags in an amount not to exceed \$400.00 from previously encumbered funds for Maxx Graphics.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 6i. Motion and possible action to approve the purchase of WNC branded reusable tote bags in an amount not to exceed \$400.00 from previously encumbered funds for Maxx Graphics. Moved: Sedillo Second: Seaman			
Yes -09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo	None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

7. Motion to Declare two vacant Board Seats-discussion and action. Candidates will serve on the WNC board for the remainder of the two-year term 2020-2021. Board Vacancies are:
- (1) At-Large Seat, candidate must live, work or own real property in the Wilmington Neighborhood Council boundaries.
 - (1) Employee Seat, candidate must work within the boundaries of the Wilmington Neighborhood Council.
 - Vacancy to be filled at the next WNC governing board & stakeholder meeting.
 - The vacancy and candidate application will be posted with directions for the application process. Applications will only be received via email to WilmingtonNC@empowerla.org. No hand deliveries to Boardmembers by mail.
 - Discuss application process opening date to begin on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 and end at 7:00 pm on October 16, 2020. The Items were presented by Ms. G. Martinez.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 7. Motion to Declare two vacant Board Seats-discussion and action. Candidates will serve on the WNC board for the remainder of the two-year term 2020-2021. Moved: Sedillo Second: Seaman				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
S. Contreras, Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo,		None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

8. Discussion and possible action to appoint a new Treasurer. Please refer to the Wilmington NC By-laws for a description of the position located at: <http://wilmingtonneighborhoodcouncil.com/bylaws/> Ms. Martinez nominated herself.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 8. Motion to appoint Samantha Martinez WNC Treasurer. Moved: Dake Second: Seaman				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo,		None	None	None	S. Contreras Zepeda

9. Discussion and possible action to appoint the following board positions. Please refer to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program Policies & Guidelines located at <https://clerk.lacity.org/neighborhood-council-funding/documents-and-forms> G. Martinez was nominated by Sedillo.
- a. 1st Bank Cardholder- G. Martinez was nominated by Sedillo.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 9a. Motion to Approve Gina Martinez as 1st. Bank Cardholder. Moved: Sedillo Second: Dake				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo,		None	None	None	S. Contreras. Zepeda

- b. 2nd Bank Cardholder-S. Martinez was nominated by Sedillo.

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 9b. Motion to Approve Samantha Martinez as the 2nd Bank Cardholder Moved: Sedillo Second:				
Yes -09		No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo,		None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

- c. 2nd Signer- Ms. Fleury nominated Santiago Sedillo as the 2nd Signer

Public comment: none

Motion passed

WNC	Item 9c. Motion to Approve Santiago Sedillo as the 2nd Signer Moved: Sedillo Second: Dake			
Yes -09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-02
Dake, Fermin, Fleury, Luna, G. Martinez, S. Martinez, Sanchez, Seaman, Sedillo,	None	None	None	S. Contreras, Zepeda

10. GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Ms. Fleury-Angel Downs in South Bay will be holding a Holiday Drive-thru Halloween on Halloween from 13:00 PM to 5:00PM Message her for a map.
- b. Ms. G. Martinez -There continues to be Illegal Dumping and they reopen the Tickets and complain.
- c. Ms. G. Martinez and Ms. S. Martinez have been doing Illegal dumping reporting trips.
- d. Ms. Fleury- suggested a Billboard to stop littering.
- e. Stakeholder Helena Zuvich- stated that trash was picked up at Figueroa and Anaheim but more trash was dumped.

11. ADJOURN **Motion to adjourn; Moved: Sanchez Second: Zepeda. No vote was taken Meeting was adjourned at 8:14PM.**

The Next Wilmington Neighborhood Council Meeting to be announced.