

DRAFT MINUTES

Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, November 3, 2009 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Stephen Bentley, Sibyl Buchanan, Cheryl Burnett, David Coffin, Craig Eggers, Doug Ehlers, Tom Flintoft, David Gray, Clarence Griffin, Cyndi Hench, Andy Kamm, Geoff Maleman, Nora MacLellan, Terry Marcellus, Nancy Niles, Booker Pearson, Ron Rader, Paul Radke, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, Frances Stronks, Mary Taylor, David Voss, John David Webster

Excused: Steve Donell, Patricia Lyon, Jack Topal,

Absent: Terry Issac, John Ramey,

1. Call to Order **President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.**
2. Pledge of Allegiance by **David Gray**
3. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings **M/S Schneider/Stronks to approve. Motion passes unanimously.**
4. Public Comment - non-agenda items (limited to 2 minutes per speaker)
 - a. **Nick Karno** of the Venice Neighborhood Council spoke regarding campaign to deal with the discarding of cigarette butts on beaches and elsewhere and the Bin Your Butts campaign.
 - b. **Los Angeles City Councilman Bill Rosendahl** spoke regarding a variety of issues facing the City of Los Angeles, including:
 - i. The hiring of new LAPD Police Chief Charlie Beck and whether LAX police, paid for by LAWA, would be patrolling and working in the Westchester area.
 - ii. Negotiations with LAFD to close the budget gap.
 - iii. Councilman Rosendahl's belief that city employees should put more money in their own pension funds.
 - iv. An update on LAX, including modernization of the Bradley Terminal, Midfield Terminal, Consolidated Rent-A-Car facility. By February or March, the final NASA study should be complete. Need to add more certified controllers to the LAX Tower (now have just 35, when it previously had 47). Runway status lights should be installed as soon as possible. LAWA will be adding three new holes to Westchester Golf Course in February. Waiting for a final determination from FAA on the sale of airport land adjacent to Otis College to the school.
 - v. Councilman Rosendahl is chair of the council's Transportation Committee. The \$30 billion raised by Measure R needs to be supplemented by federal money. Councilman Rosendahl wants to expedite all of the MTA projects in the pipeline and galvanize the county's Congressional delegation to bring back federal dollars to implement a variety of bike, subway and light rail projects.
 - vi. Howard Hughes project still moving forward.
 - vii. Playa Vista Phase II ... there are 6,000 people living there, and we need to work together to finish the project in a way that's sensitive to the community.
 - viii. Scattergood/Olympic Line 1 project that would install new underground power cables along 20 miles of roadway from the Westside, through Westchester and Playa del Rey, to the Scattergood Power Plant. – health issues need to be addressed to make the wiring as safe as possible, route needs to be defined so that it has the least impact on the community and is the safest, January 15 is the new deadline for comments on the project.

- ix. Ed Czucker projects in Playa del Rey ... wanted to create an ad hoc committee of people near the proposed projects so they could comment to the developer. Councilman Rosendahl wants to maintain the character of the neighborhood and is hopeful that, working together, a middle ground can be found.
 - x. LMU Masterplan – 20-year, \$1.6 billion project proposed
 - xi. Councilman Rosendahl presented a proclamation to architect Arturo Fribourg, who donated his time to design the new door from the Community Meeting Room to the building's courtyard.
5. Announcements from Governmental Representative (limit to 3 minutes please):
 - a. **Lisette Covarrubias**, *DONE Project Coordinator* spoke re: Congress of Neighborhoods, regional Neighborhood Council training for board members and the department's funding procedures for Neighborhood Councils.
 - b. **Jim Kennedy**, *Field Deputy/Councilman Bill Rosendahl* spoke re: the Playa del Rey CDO options.
 - c. **Chad Molnar**, *LAX - Community Liaison* spoke re: implementation of runway status lights, FAA denied authorization for LAWA to spend money on streetlights that were promised under the settlement agreement and LAWA is working with Congressional representatives to address the issue, and potential increase in passenger facility charges at LAX, which might encourage more regionalization.
 - d. **Jennifer Zivkovic**, *Field Representative - 53rd Assemblymember Ted Lieu* spoke re: the 10 Lieu-authored bills signed by the governor.
 - e. **Amir Johnson** *Field Representative - 51st Assemblymember* spoke to introduce himself and announce that on Nov. 21 at LMU from 9-11 a.m., Assemblyman Bradford will host a Town Hall meeting to address a variety of issues, including the budget, healthcare and new technology.
 6. Presentations: (limited to 5 minutes unless prior approval for additional time given)
 - a. **Presentation re Election Procedures by Sandra Mendoza, Los Angeles Office of City Clerk**, who provided an overview of the procedures, indicating that documentation will be required of stakeholders who want to vote in the election to prove that they do live, work or own property. She added that the Playa Vista CenterPointe Club was selected as the polling location from three options provided to the city by the NCWP because it is ADA accessible, meets parking requirements and has previously served successfully as a polling location for city elections. Mendoza also said, due to budget constraints, the City Clerk will not allow vote-by-mail in the 2010 election.
 7. Motions/Actions Items: Public comment on agenda items limited to 2 minutes
 - a. **Discussion Calendar:**
 - i. Motion to approve Treasurer's report (Schneider/Finance) **M/S Schneider/Taylor to approve. Motion passes unanimously.**
 8. Committee Reports:
 - a. Highlighted Committee Reports
 - i. Culver Blvd CDO - John Ruhlen
 - ii. Homelessness and Vehicular Living - Booker Pearson
 9. President's Discussion Items or Comments
 - a. Creation of new ad hoc committee - **DWP Scattergood-Olympic Line 1**. President Hench created this new committee to work with other Neighborhood Councils to review the proposed project. Hench nominated the following people to serve on the committee: Schneider, Rader, MacLellan and community members Dave Knapp and Bruce Chudacoff.
 - b. President Hench assigned the following board members to the following committees: **Education:** Burnett (replacing Coffin), Kamm (replacing Niles) **Outreach:** community Richard Beban **Elections:** Hench (chair)
 - c. **M/S Schneider/Bentley to approve all the nominees. Motion passes unanimously.**
 - d. Current board vacancies Residential Districts #6 and #13
 10. Other Items:
 - a. Ethics and Conflict of Interest On-line Training: www.lacityneighborhoods.com
 11. Announcements:

- a. Donations for LAX Food Pantry
 - b. Next NCWP Board meeting: December 1, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
 - c. Other announcements
12. Adjournment **President Hench adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.**

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