

NCWP Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 – 6 p.m.
Via Zoom

Present:, Gregg Aniolek, Scott Carni, Michele Cooley-Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Paula Gerez, Ted Grose, George Herrera, Andrew Kamm, Jennifer Kingshott, John Logsdon, Geoff Maleman, David Mannix, Dennis Miller, Fred Puza, Julie Ross, Glenda Silva, Zach Siglow, Garrett Smith, Cord Thomas, Jack Topal, Heather Tuttle, David Voss, Naomi Waka, Sylvia Wilson

Absent: Andrew Watkins,

Excused:

1. **Call to Order – Vice President Cooley-Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – Vice President Cooley-Strickland led the flag salute**
3. **Board Member Introductions**
4. **Consent Calendar:** *(The following items will be treated as one item and enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Discussion Calendar.)*
 - a. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting
 - b. Receive and file Treasurer's Report and MER for August 2020.
 - c. ~~Motion to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant request from Marina del Rey Anglers for \$1,000 as recommended by the NCWP Budget and Finance Committee.~~
 - d. Motion to support the applicant's request to perform the following upgrades to the property: New site landscaping, re-face existing wall signs, exterior facade upgrades including new awning, new drive thru canopy, new exterior lights, new interior finishes (dining service area), new restroom fixtures and finishes. (Applicant: KFC/Taco Bell 8500 Lincoln Blvd)
 - e. Motion to support the applicant's request for a CUP per section 1224-U, 24 to permit the conversion of an existing 2 story building into a private school serving grade 3-12 with approximately 15 students and a maximum of 25. CUP per 12.24 S to permit 14 parking spaces in lieu of 17 in conjunction with the establishment of a private charter school. Applicant is seeking relief from Section 12.37.A.6 as it applies to a 3 foot dedication and street improvements along 83rd. With hours of operation Monday - Friday from 7:15AM - 2:30PM. (Applicant: Sterling West School 5450 W 83rd Street)

M/S Maleman/Smith to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

5. **Announcements from Governmental Representative** (limit to 3 minutes please)
 - a. LAPD, Pacific Division: SLO Officer **Sophia Castaneda** and SLO Officer **Luis Pinell** shared the following written update on local crime/police issues:

A73 Crime stats :

Burglary and Thefts from motor vehicle (BTFV'S) (19% increase - from last year) continue to be occurring primarily between Pershing and Lincoln south of Manchester. this same area is also experiencing an increase from last year in

(GTA's) Grand Theft Autos (33% increase) - vehicles being targeted are primarily: early model Chevy, ford and GMC trucks - Please remind community to not leave keys in vehicle!!! most of the GTAS in 73's area this continues to be the case.

Stolen Catalytic converters from Honda elements and Ford Econoline vans

continue to be targets.

A67 CRIME STATS:

Robberies and Aggravated assaults: (R 25% & A 18% INCREASE): Primarily along the Century corridor - we believe this is due to the dramatic drop in rates at the hotels - most of the Robberies are drug related and most of the aggs are domestic or where susp and victim know each other. And all victims in most of our cases are uncooperative and unwilling to work with detectives.

(GTA's) Grand Theft Autos (27%) - vehicles being targeted are primarily: early model Chevy, Ford and GMC trucks. **Catalytic converters from Honda elements and Ford Econoline vans.**

***Parking moratorium continues to be in place until October 15th - it will have restrictions when its lifted as it pertains to vehicle dwellers - CD 11 can elaborate with further detail.**

- b. City of Los Angeles, Department of Recreation & Parks: **Kortley Norris**, kortley.norris@lacity.org spoke re: Safer at Parks program (alternative learning center) \$100/week for helping students monitor distance learning and providing after-school care; playgrounds will open this week (face coverings / social distancing required, 30-minute usage limit; and no food/drink is allowed); field usage permits are now open for youth sports practice; and film permits are continuing to be issued.
- c. Councilman Mike Bonin's Office: **Matthew Tecele**, matthew.tecele@lacity.org spoke re: parking relaxation will begin to be enforced again beginning October 15 (vehicles being used a domiciles, however, will not be towed although they will still be cited if they are in violation); Community Plan Update comment deadline is October 15; upcoming November 3 election process (Playa Vista Library and Westchester Library opened October 5 as ballot drop-off locations in addition to a number of voting centers throughout the district that will open on October 30); and the LAPD Basic Car Study is being prepared to go to the City Council for approval (Patrol proactivity percentages are way below the optimum 40% target, report suggests several new basic cars should come to CD11 – that is up to LAPD to implement, however).
- d. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: **Octaviano Rios**, octaviano.rios@lacity.org spoke re: 2021 NCWP Elections and board member training.
- e. Assembly member Autumn Burke's Office: **Ari Ruiz** spoke re: Assembly member Burke's six bills signed by governor, processing EDD claims to cut red tape for those impacted by the pandemic.

6. Announcements from Board Members

Silva announced that LAWA will be reaching out to NC for one-on-one meetings regarding the DEIR for Terminal 9 and that LAWA is implementing a variety of pilot programs to enhance safety and security in the wake of COVID.

Thomas spoke re: LANC Coalition meetings and the Congress of Neighborhoods.

Kingshott spoke re: cancellation of the Playa Vista yard sale and the census.

Puza announced that LMU will serve as a voting center, LMU will start responding to neighborhood complaints going forward (responses had been limited due to COVID cutbacks), LMU Master Plan Amendment, LMU also started a competition venue workshop group and is continuing to provide information through its Neighborhood Advisory Committee meetings.

Ross announced that PLUC will have several projects on its agenda on October 20 – Rindge, Medical Building next to Loyola Theater, LMU Master Plan Amendment

Waka announced that Budget and Finance Committee is asking the full board to review the NCWP budget and seek additional funds for Neighborhood Purposes grants, and that the NC's first virtual event was streamed live – and a number of lessons were learned that will improve future events.

7. Presentations

- a. **Matthew Teclé**, Deputy District Director, CD 11 - Relocation and Redefinition of Safe Parking program in Westchester Park

Julie Zaller spoke re: Safe Parking Program and including more children/women in program and getting more statistics about how the program is working

Tracy Thrower Conyers spoke re: Safe Parking Program and expressed concerns about how the program has been managed and why the process has not been transparent and why there is no case management

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Booker Pearson spoke re: Safe Parking Program and said it has been successful and he supports the increase from 5 to 25 spaces. He said he supports new affordable housing to help ease the homeless problem.

The board discussed the Safe Parking program issue.

8. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

- a. Motion to approve letter requesting that the NCWP be included in and have a seat on the Safe Parking Task Force for Westchester/Playa and the Task Force working to address Homelessness in our parks.

M/S Maleman/Grose to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

- b. Discussion and possible motion Safe Parking, Westchester Park, Senior Center.
- c. Discussion and possible motion to call upon the Mayor and City Council to allow rules that affect our neighborhood's quality of life to become enforceable once again and return enforcement of laws relaxed during the pandemic period and have the NC send the appropriate letter.

M/S Voss/Miller to approve the motion. Motion passes 17-4 (AYES: Aniolek, Carni, Flintoft, Gerez, Grose, Herrera, Kamm, Kingshott, Logsdon, Maleman, Mannix, Miller, Ross, Siglow, Smith, Topal, Voss. NAYS: Thomas, Tuttle, Waka, Wilson opposed). Puza and Silva abstaining.

- d. Discussion and possible motion regarding the transparency of Basic Car Study. Motion to ask the City Council to publicly release the current version of the Basic Car Study, include NCWP in plans to formulate the final version of the study, and publicly support an additional Basic Car for the NCWP area.

M/S Voss/Smith to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

- e. Motion that the NCWP submit a California Public Records request requesting all drafts of the

Basic Car Study and emails and communications between Council members related to the Basic Car Study since its inception.

M/S Voss/Smith to approve the motion. Motion passes 15-6 (AYES: Aniolek, Carni, Flintoft, Gerez, Grose, Herrera, Kamm, Kingshott, Logsdon, Maleman, Ross, Siglow, Smith, Topal, Voss. NAYS: Mannix, Miller, Thomas, Tuttle, Waka, Wilson). Puza and Silva abstaining.

- f. Motion to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant request from Marina del Rey Anglers for \$1,000 as recommended by the NCWP Budget and Finance Committee. **(Called Special by Topal)**

Topal announced that he had a conflict of interest regarding this item and did not participate in the vote or the discussion.

M/S Maleman/Voss to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

9. **Public Comment** - non-agenda items *(limited to 2 minutes per speaker unless otherwise declared by the President or presiding director. Public comment on agenda items will be called as each agenda item is brought forward.)*

There was no public comment

10. **Committee Reports**

Committee Reports were provided during the announce

11. **Adjourn – President Gerez adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 3, 2020 – 6 p.m.