

**NCWP Board Meeting  
DRAFT MINUTES**

*Submitted by Geoff Maleman and Erin Hanson*

**Tuesday, February 3, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.  
Westchester Council Community Room  
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045**

**Present:** Gregg Aniolek, Michele Cooley Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Erin Hanson, Harold Johnson, Andrew Kamm, Patricia Morrison Lyon, Geoff Maleman, Tim O’Connell, David Oliver, Matthew Parrish, Alan Quon, Mark Redick, Fred Smith, Garrett Smith, Jack Topal, John David Webster, Lance Williams, Grace Yao

**Absent:** Scott Carni,

**Excused:** Alex Eychis, Cyndi Hench, Nora MacLellan, Nick Middlesworth, John Ruhlen, Denny Schneider, David Voss,

1. **Call to Order – Vice President Redick called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by Patricia Morrison Lyon**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting (December)**

**M/S Webster/Johnson to approve the Minutes of the December, 2014 meeting. Motion passes unanimously.**

5. **Announcements from Governmental Representatives**

**Daniel Tamm** of Mayor Eric Garcetti’s Office spoke re: retirement of LAWA Executive Director Gina Marie Lindsay, \$330 million in transportation funding in the Obama proposed budget, Veterans Administration settlement and its impact on homeless veterans, Los Angeles Homeless Count, help for people preparing their taxes can be found at: [irs.gov/vita](http://irs.gov/vita) (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)

**Fred Sutton** of Councilman Mike Bonin’s office introduced District Director Debbie Dyner-Harris and spoke re: Los Angeles Homeless Count, Ballona Bridge sidewalk structural issues and public access, left-turn signals on Manchester Avenue, Scattergood will be temporarily ceasing operation for a short period of time

6. **General Announcements**

1. Code of Conduct policy for NC Board Members: The new policy requires all board members to either sign a Code of Conduct or take a training before April 3rd. You can review the policy and electronically sign the Code of Conduct at this link: <http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/>

2. Other announcements

1. **Grace Yao** announced the next LMU Neighborhood Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb 11 at 6:30 pm at the Westchester Senior Center
2. **Michele Cooley-Strickland** announced the NCWP Education Foundation will hold a Neighborhood School Expo in conjunction with the LAX Coastal Chamber from 4:30-8 p.m. on February 11

7. **Public Comment** - non-agenda items

**Roman Valentine**, Playa del Rey resident and Westchester High School student, spoke re: March 7 drought awareness and solutions summit at Westchester High School and invited the public to attend the full-day summit

**Eve Wight** spoke re: proliferation of medical marijuana dispensaries in Westchester and the number of people sitting in their cars and smoking pot near Westchester Golf Course. She urged the NC to reach out to the City Council and fight for more regulation of the dispensaries and their customers

## 8. Presentation

**Dr. Jan Green Rebstock**, Environmental Supervisor, City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Engineering re: the Venice Dual Force Main project and the planned extension of hours of construction from the permitted working hours of 8am-5pm to 7am-7pm on Pacific Avenue in Playa del Rey, south of the Channel and Ballona Creek. Information re: traffic controls and noise mitigation will also be provided.

## 9. Motions/Actions Items and Related Public Comment

### 1. Consent Calendar:

*Both Consent Calendar items were moved to the Discussion Calendar*

### 2. Discussion Calendar

#### 1. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report **Called special by O'Connell**

**M/S Cooley-Strickland/Williams to approve the December Treasurer's Report and table the January Treasurer's Report pending a math correction. Motion passes unanimously.**

#### 2. Motion to not support density change variance request from 2 to 3 dwelling units located at 6400 W. 86th Place. (PLUC) **Called special by Lyon**

**Carole Webb** spoke in opposition to the motion and in support of the property owner's request to grandfather his property

**Steven Green** spoke in opposition to the motion and in support of the property owner's request to grandfather his property

**Gus Vallejo** spoke in opposition to the motion and in support of his request

**John Richard Harris** spoke in opposition to the motion and in support of the property owner's request to grandfather his property

**M/S Quon/Maleman to approve the motion. Motion passes 16-2 (Kamm and Webster dissenting).**

#### 3. Motion to accept the planned extension of hours of construction from the permitted working hours of 8am-5pm to 7am-7pm on Pacific Avenue in Playa del Rey, south of the Channel and Ballona Creek.

**M/S Aniolek/Webster to approve the motion. Motion passes 13-1 (Cooley-Strickland) with 1 abstention (G. Smith).**

## 10. Committee Reports –

**Education Committee:** School Expo on Wed. Feb. 11; Working on grant writing instruction program

**Treasurer:** Waiting on additional funding requests for next meeting

**PLUC:** Next PLUC meeting – Feb. 17 – talking about the parcel on Century Blvd converting building to hotel; Feb. 23 – first public hearing on Chick-fil-A; there will also be a coastal commission first hearing on the Legado project

**Public Safety Committee:** creating an emergency reference sheet for the community; Capt. Johnson of the LAPD Pacific Division will be retiring as of March 2 and Capt. Alberca will be taking his place.

**11. Adjourn – Vice President Redick adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.**

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, March 3, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.