

NCWP Board Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Council Community Room
7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

Present: Ali Bissonette, Sibyl Buchanan, Scott Carni, John Casey, Craig Eggers, Kathryn Evans, Alex Eychis, Tom Flintoft, Clarence Griffin, Gregory Heffernan, Cyndi Hench, Andrew Kamm, Pat Lyon, Nora MacLellan, Geoff Maleman, Booker Pearson, Alan Quon, Paul Radke, Mark Redick, Denny Schneider, Jack Topal, David Voss, John David Webster

Absent: John Loizeaux, Matthew Parrish, Lance Williams

Excused: Cheryl Burnett, Ted Kroeber, Lori Kuhn, Sheryl Thomas-Perkins

1. **Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Hench** led the flag salute
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of Minutes of previous Board meetings – Approved by acclamation**
5. **Announcements from Governmental Representatives:**
 - a. **Matt Stauffer** – Assemblymember Bradford’s Office spoke re: state budget town hall meeting on May 11
 - b. **Nate Kaplan** – Councilman Bill Rosendahl’s Office spoke re: Councilman Rosendahl’s health, vote on LAX runway move, Planning and Building and Safety Departments looking at consolidation, mayor’s budget update re: Neighborhood Councils, Metro extension to LAX and stop in Westchester and presented a city certificate to Craig Eggers congratulating him on becoming a grandfather
 - c. **Chad Molnar** – LAX Community Liaison spoke re: the vote on LAX runway move and next steps in the process, including the federal Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. This was a programmatic approval of the Specific Plan Amendment Study (SPAS) plan, but it does not entitle anything at LAX. A project-level environmental review must be approved by the Board of Airport Commissioners and the City Council for each project that is part of SPAS before it can proceed.
6. **LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Crime Update**

Senior Lead Officers Tony Ramos (Westchester SLO – 310.622.3978) and **Gregg Jacobus** (Playa Vista SLO – 310.622.3971) gave a crime update. Ofcr. Ramos said division-wide, crime is down 17%. Westchester east of Sepulveda crime is down 16%. Westchester west of Sepulveda crime is down 11%. Property crime and car break-ins are the most prevalent types of crimes in our area. The SLOs reiterated their campaign – “Hide it. Lock it. Keep it.” Home burglaries are down. The SLOs reminded the community to take precautions to protect their belongings, including locking your car doors, removing property from your car, being aware when using ATMs and reporting suspicious activity. To set up a Neighborhood Watch, call your Senior Lead Officer (at the numbers above) and the officer will help you set up your Neighborhood Watch group.
7. **Public Comment - non-agenda items**
 - a. **Gregg Aniolek** spoke re: leaking sprinkler and lighting issues adjacent to the Municipal Building
8. **Presentations**
 - a. **So Cal Gas Advanced Meter Project** – Ray Verches – <http://www.socalgas.com/innovation/advanced-meter/>
 - b. **Pacific Graffiti Solutions** – Yvette Neal – spoke re: graffiti abatement in our community

- c. **People Assisting the Homeless (PATH)** - Tomasz Babiszkiwicz, Regional Manager – re: on going outreach to homeless individuals in our community
- d. **Westchester Enriched Sciences Magnet** – Bobbie Carr, Principal – re: Westchester Urban Farm project

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

- a. **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.)*
 - i. Motion to approve letter re NCWP support Assembly Bill 128 giving LAWA Police Officers 830.1 status and a fair compensation contract for these same officers (ARC)
 - ii. Motion to support the application for a conditional use permit by Los Angeles Meeting Rooms, Inc. for a project at 5701 78th to transition a single file house to a prayer center for L.A. Meeting Rooms, subject to the following conditions: (1) Total number of occupants not to exceed 30 or what is allowed by the fire code and approved pursuant to inspection, whichever is less. (2) No overhead lighting outdoors. (3) No signage allowed. (4) Hours of operation will be 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (5) No amplified music is allowed. (PLUC)
 - iii. Motion to approve request up to \$4,000 from Westchester Enriched Sciences Magnet (WESM) for supplies and related materials to complete the Aquaponics project (B&F)
 - iv. Motion to approve funding of uncommitted funds to support the Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods. Amount to be determined by May 30, 2013

M/S Redick/Eychis to approve the Consent Calendar. Approved unanimously

- b. **Discussion Calendar**

Motion to approve revised Bylaws. (Ad hoc) *(Called Special by Eggers)*

M/S Voss/Eychis to approve. Approved unanimously

10. **Treasurer's Report, including board member reimbursements (if any)**

M/S Eychis/Redick to receive and file the Treasurer's Report. Approved by acclamation

M/S Buchanan/Quon to approve the reimbursement of up to \$320.00 to board member Geoff Maleman for printing of NCWP banners. Approved unanimously

11. **Committee Reports**

Sibyl Buchanan (Outreach Committee) announced that nominations are open for the annual Stars of the Neighborhood awards and requested that board members provide information to be included in the monthly NCWP ad in the Hometown News, results of the NCWP booth at Race for Success, and asked for volunteers to man the NCWP booth at ChamberFest on June 6.

Mark Redick (Government Affairs) announced his committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. on May 20 at Del Rey Hills Church in Playa del Rey. On the agenda will be the digital billboard issue, Bradford's bill regarding bicycle safety and LMU parking concerns.

12. **Committee Assignments**

13. **Announcements**

14. **Adjournment** – in memory of Nan Schneider **President Hench adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 4, 2013 - 6:30 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order – President Hench called the meeting to order at 8:17 p.m.**
2. **Motion to support the following Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' motion:**
 1. Resolved, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners recommends that sections of the city's Administrative Code which touch upon neighborhood council stakeholders be amended as follows:
 - (1) remove the requirement that neighborhood councils provide governing board positions for factual basis stakeholders;
 - (2) allow each neighborhood council to determine the number, if any, of governing board seats that will be allocated to factual basis stakeholders;
 - (3) remove the current definition of factual basis stakeholder; and
 - (4) allow each neighborhood council to adopt its own definition of factual basis stakeholder.

M/S Redick/Schneider to approve the Consent Calendar. Approved unanimously

3. **Adjournment – President Hench adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.**