

**NCWP Board Meeting  
APPROVED MINUTES**

*Submitted by Geoff Maleman*

**Tuesday, June 1, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.  
Via Zoom**

**Present:**, Gregg Aniolek, Michele Cooley-Strickland, Tom Flintoft, Paula Gerez, Ted Grose, George Herrera, Jennifer Kingshott, Brian Lockwood, John Logsdon, Geoff Maleman, Chip Mallek, David Mannix, Dennis Miller, Fred Puza, Alexandra Reynolds, Julie Ross, Glenda Silva, Zach Siglow, Garrett Smith, Cord Thomas, Heather Tuttle, David Voss, Andrew Watkins, Naomi Waka, Sylvia Wilson

**Absent:** Scott Carni, Andrew Kamm,

**Excused:**

1. **Call to Order – President Gerez called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Gerez 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 April 29, 2021 Special and May Board meetings
  - b. Receive and file the Treasurer's Report and MER
  - c. Motion to appoint Naomi Waka to the Senior Citizens Director Seat and to Chair of Community Services Committee.
  - d. Motion to accept the resignation of Zach Siglow, Residential 3 Director Seat and the Education Committee.
  - e. Motion to appoint Alexandra Reynolds to the Residential 3 Director Seat and to the Government Affairs Committee. Zach made the suggestion to appoint Alexandra who grew up in this very neighborhood.
  - ~~f. Motion to appoint Trent Revic to the 90094 Business Director Seat and to the Budget and Finance Committee.~~
  - ~~g. Motion to approve authorize the expenditure of \$1,200 to be paid to the LAX Coastal Area Chamber of Commerce for Star of the Neighborhood entry in the 2021 Fourth of July Parade.~~
  - ~~h. Motion to approve The Education Committee recommends the Neighborhood Council express a land acknowledgment before the Pledge of Allegiance during our monthly meetings. The Land Acknowledgment recommended is as follows: "The Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa acknowledges the Tongva/Gabrielino/Aejachemen peoples as the traditional land caretakers of the Los Angeles basin and Southern Channel Islands."~~
  - ~~i. Motion to approve 6261 W. 87th St. Westchester~~
  - j. Motion to approve with conditions Buffalo Wild Wings/ 6801 Center Dr. Westchester (The Howard Hughes Center) ZA-2020-1396-MCUP/ENV-2020-1397-CE

*Items struck out initially appeared on the Consent Calendar, but were called special and moved to the Discussion Calendar or were removed from the agenda altogether by the President at the outset of the meeting.*

**M/S Kingshott/Mannix to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes  
unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.**

5. **Announcements from Government Representatives**

LAX Liaison for Councilman Mike Bonin: **Geoff Thompson** [geoff.thompson@lacity.org](mailto:geoff.thompson@lacity.org) spoke re: report on behalf of Hannah Levien of Councilman Bonin's Office and noted that the pool at Westchester Park will open on June 14.

**Armine Sargsyan** ([asargsyan@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:asargsyan@bos.lacounty.gov)) (213) 974-2222) of Los Angeles County Supervisor Holly Mitchell's Office introduced herself and spoke re: Juneteenth Celebration ([Mitchell.lacounty.gov](http://Mitchell.lacounty.gov) for more info)

**Mario Hernandez** of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment provided an update on Neighborhood Council happenings, recusal procedures, funding dates/deadlines for Neighborhood Councils, and L.A. City Council redistricting.

***Waka and Reynolds** were welcomed to their new seats and began participating in discussion*

## 6. Announcements/Committee Reports from Board Members

**Thomas and Cooley-Strickland** thanked the outgoing board members, who are participating in their final meeting, for their service to the Neighborhood Council.

**Puza (LMU)** spoke re: LMU summer camps; Loyola Boulevard gate reopening; the next meeting for the community regarding the master plan will be held on June 2, 6:30pm; and an upcoming neighborhood survey.

**Silva (LAWA)** announced the following:

- West Gates Opening at Tom Bradley last Monday. You can view the event here: [Celebrate the Grand Opening of LAX's New West Gates at Tom Bradley International Terminal - YouTube](#)
- LAWA released the Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA), and Draft General Conformity Determination (Draft GCD) that have been prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Clean Air Act, on May 27, 2021 and is seeking your comments on the content of both documents. Both documents will be available for public comment until 5 p.m. on July 12, 2021. LAWA also invites you to join a virtual public meeting to hear about the Proposed Project, Draft EA and Draft GCD and to join a virtual public hearing to provide formal oral comments to LAWA. VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING AND HEARING will take place Tuesday, June 29, 2021 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Pacific Time. Register for the virtual public meeting and hearing on LAWA's website after May 27, 2021 at [www.lawa.org/ATMP](http://www.lawa.org/ATMP).
- LAWA will host an interactive open house for the Draft EA, which can be visited online at your convenience. The interactive open house will include stations with summary information about the Proposed Project and the analysis and conclusions in the Draft EA and Draft GCD. Check [www.lawa.org/ATMP](http://www.lawa.org/ATMP) for updates on the launch of the interactive open house.
- Application Period Now Open for Aviation Careers Education (ACE) Academy Aviation Careers Education (ACE) Academy is a week-long motivational program for middle school and high school students that is designed to provide them with a basic understanding of the many career opportunities within the aviation industry, as well as general knowledge about LAX. For more information about the program, which is open to students around the world, visit <https://www.lawa.org/ACE>. The application is open until June 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The HireLAX Apprenticeship Readiness Program is taking applications for a special summer youth class, which will be for participants 18 - 24 years of age. A mandatory, in-person orientation is scheduled for June 18 at 7 a.m. at Los Angeles Southwest College. Pre-registration is required. The summer training program starts July 12, 2021, and ends September 3, 2021, with classes Monday through Friday, 7 am to 2 pm. Participants will receive a stipend to attend the training. For registration and more information, visit <https://hirelax2021-06-18.eventbrite.com/>.

**Voss** spoke to reflect on his 20+ years serving on the NCWP board

**Siglow** announced that he has to leave the board because he is moving, thanked the board for

their service and said he wished everyone all the best for the future.

**Mannix** thanked the board for its work and its help during his time on the NCWP. He wished everyone all the best for the future.

## 7. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

- a. Certification of the Airfield & Terminal Modernization Project EIR. I have attached a letter with attached Mitigation Measures for review regarding the Airfield & Terminal Modernization Project EIR. We will allow time for both Public comment and Board Member discussions. This is coming straight to the Board for discussion with permission from Dave Mannix's, Chair, Airport Relations Committee.

***Flintoft** announced that he had a conflict of interest on this item and recused himself and did not participate in discussion*

**LAWA CEO Justin Erbacci** spoke re: the airport's commitment to collaborate with and update the NCWP about all airport-related issues going forward and the variety of mitigations hammered out between the committee and the airport

**Mannix** (Airport Relations) spoke re: the long history of collaboration and discussion between his committee and the airport on this project and the list of mitigations that were achieved as the result

**Denny Schneider** thanked Dave Mannix for his stewardship of the NCWP Airport Relations Committee, thanked LAWA staff and added the community will continue to be engaged in airport issues.

**Shelly Barber** spoke re: traffic at Sepulveda and Lincoln.

**Liz** spoke re: traffic and necessary wayfinding signage

**Jess Echeverry** spoke re: southbound traffic at the entrance just south of Lincoln and Sepulveda and pedestrian access to the airport

- b. Motion to approve authorize the expenditure of \$1,200 to be paid to the LAX Coastal Area Chamber of Commerce for Star of the Neighborhood entry in the 2021 Fourth of July Parade.

***(Called Special by Flintoft)***

***Flintoft, Voss, Puza and Smith** announced that they had a conflict of interest on this item and recused themselves and did not participate in the discussion or the vote.*

**M/S Cooley-Strickland/Thomas to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Silva abstaining.**

## 8. Presentations

- a. **Jose Morataya**, Battalion 4 Coordinator, **Patrick Botz-Forbes**, Central Bureau Coordinator, and **Chin Thammasaegsri**, South Bureau Coordinator will join us to share about the CERT program, and what can be done with The Neighborhood Team Program which is going strong in other parts of the city.

## 9. Public Comment (*non-agenda items*)

**Shelly Barber** thanked the board for addressing the issues at Westchester Park and thanked Gerez for her recent letter to the City Council regarding the homeless issue

## 10. Committee Reports

**Thomas (Outreach)** said the committee has identified a number events at which the NCWP can

engage the public

**Logsdon (Public Safety)** provided a brief crime update on behalf of LAPD

**Tuttle (Education)** said the committee is working to create a parent collaboration network throughout the schools in the community and said the committee will be celebrating seniors who are taking alternative paths after graduation.

**11. Adjourn – President Gerez adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.**

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, July 7, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.