

NCWP Special Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.
Via Zoom

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Carey Begbie Westerfield, Michele Cooley-Strickland, Thomas Flintoft, Paula Gerez, Al Hernandez, Jennifer Kingshott, Jana Koppula, Brian Lockwood, John Logsdon, Geoff Maleman, Chip Mallek, Greg Melton, Dennis Miller, Faneeza Mohamed, Fred Puza, Alan Quon, Alexandra Reynolds, Denny Schneider, Glenda Silva, Garrett Smith, Cord Thomas, Theresa Torrance, Heather Tuttle, Andrew Watkins, Naomi Waka, Sylvia Wilson

Absent:

Excused: George Herrera, Julie Ross,

1. **Call to Order – President Gerez called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Gerez led the flag salute**
3. **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.)*
 1. Approval of Minutes of previous Board meeting.
 2. Receive and file the June 2021 & July 2021 MER.
 3. Motion to approve FY 2021-2022 budget including FY 2020-2021 carryover of \$10,000.
 4. Motion to approve NCWP Inventory Report.
 5. Motion to approve Moore Business Results invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for website and NCWP communications in the month of April 2021 \$540.26 that missed year end closing deadline.
 6. Motion to approve Moore Business Results invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for website and NCWP communications in the month of May 2021 for a total of \$550.59 that missed year end closing deadline.
 7. Motion to approve Moore Business Results invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for website and NCWP communications in the month of June 2021 for a total of \$399.05 that missed year end closing deadline.
 8. Motion to approve Moore Business Results invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for 2021 Election Outreach in the month of April 2021 for \$328.44 that missed year end closing deadline.
 9. Motion to approve Mailchimp invoice previously approved in FY 2020-2021 for 2 / 5 emailing service in the month of May 2021 for \$35.99 that missed year end closing deadline.
 10. Motion to approve Mailchimp invoice previously approved in FY 2020-2021 for emailing service in the month of June 2021 for \$35.99 that missed year end closing deadline.
 11. Motion to approve Hometown News invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for May 2021 NCWP Newsletter in the amount of \$875 that missed year end closing deadline.
 12. Motion to approve Hometown News invoice previously approved in FY2020-2021 for June 2021 NCWP Newsletter in the amount of \$875 that missed year end closing deadline.
 13. Motion to approve emailing service for NCWP agenda distribution provided by Mailchimp for FY 2021-22 with expenditure not to exceed \$36 monthly.
 14. Motion to approve the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) Motion to Facilitate Greater Use of 5150 Holds and Conservatorship. Information and background can be found here: <https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/motion-to-facilitate-greater-use-of-5150-holds-and-conservatorship/>
 15. Motion to approve the the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) Motion for a Station Located Directly on the UCLA Campus as Part of Metro's Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project. Information and background can be found here: <https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/support-for-station-at-the-ucla-campus-for-metros->

[sepulveda-pass-corridor-project/](#)

16. Motion to approve the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) Assembly Constitutional Amendment 7 (Muratsuchi/Glazer), which would place on the ballot for voter decision a Constitutional amendment to restore local governmental control over land use, zoning and planning decisions. WRAC has expressed support for local land use control in five of its adopted positions (Oppose SB 827, SB 50, SB 9 and SB 10; Support SB 15). Information and background can be found here: <https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/support-for-aca-7-muratsuchi-glazer/>
17. Motion to oppose the City's use of Specific Plans that would result in upzoning open space and/or low-density residential neighborhoods. The use of Specific Plans in this manner creates significant negative impacts for all residential communities, the environment and natural resources. We urge our city Councilmembers to reject land use applications for individual development 3 / 5 projects that represent misuse of the Specific Plan process. We ask that the city Council inform Planning not to process these types of requests.
18. Motion to urge the City Council to postpone the consideration of the pending proposed Processes & Procedures Ordinance. This Ordinance has the potential to render Stakeholder input to Councilmembers in effectual by putting all land use decisions in the hands of appointed not elected decision makers. The Director of Planning for the City of Los Angeles is appointed by and answers to the Mayor, not constituents/stakeholders.
19. Motion to approve disbursement of \$800 for outreach event Westchester Arts & Music (WAM) Block Party on September 18, 2021, to include a Vendor Booth, 4'x 8' Signage on Garden Fence (along Emerson Ave.) and Logo on Website, Social Media
20. Motion to approve appointment of Alexandra Reynolds, primary and Theresa Torrance, alternate to the WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC)
21. Motion to approve appointment of Julie Ross, primary and Paula Gerez, alternate to the WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC)
22. Motion to approve appointment of Tracy Thrower Conyers, Community Member, to the Planning and Land Use Committee.
23. Motion to approve appointment of Cory Birkett, Community Member, to the Planning and Land Use Committee.
24. Motion to approve appointment of Stacey Travis, Community Member, to the Government Affairs Committee.

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

5. Announcements from Government Representatives

- a. **Hannah Levien** of Councilman Bonin's Office reported to the board regarding an upcoming meeting with NCWP representatives regarding issues in Playa del Rey. Basic Car Study (Council file: 17-0860) has been released. Bluff Creek Dr. speed tables are being installed. The Councilman made a motion on the Hyperion sewage spill (Council file: 21-0840) asking BOS for a full report on the spill. Interventions Report has been released (Council file: 21-0350) exploring the feasibility for safe camping/sleeping locations. Still considering four locations: the Marina del Rey Boat Ramp Lot, a parcel owned by Culver City, a LAWA-owned site and RV Park at Dockweiler (12001 Vista del Mar). She provided an overview of local homeless issues.
- b. **Mario Hernandez** of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment provided an overview of conflict-of-interest processes for the board members, Civic U for Neighborhood Council is operational again, and the Roberts Rules Made Simple portal is now available for board members.

6. Announcements/Committee Reports from Board Members

WRAC Mobility & Transportation Committee (MTC) availability of a primary and alternate position. Please attend their next meeting on Wednesday, August 19. Please contact Nancy Matson (nancyloum@gmail.com) or Selena Inouye (selenainouye@gmail.com) for meeting information.

Silva (LAWA) spoke re: RSX Station update on Westchester Parkway, including land closures and addressed the following:

BOB HOPE USO AT LAX EXTENDS HOURS ON THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Starting yesterday, the Bob Hope USO at LAX (located on the bottom floor of the iconic Theme Building) has extended its operations on Thursday and Fridays. The new hours are: Monday - Tuesday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Thursday - Friday, 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. As shared by our partners at the USO, they are happy to be able to accommodate our service members and their families, practicing a very safe and healthy protocol due to COVID-19. Learn more about the Bob Hope USO at LAX [here](#).

FLIGHT PATH MUSEUM NOW OPEN

Following a year-long closure, we are excited to announce that the new and improved Flight Path Museum will reopen to visitors on a reservation basis as of this past Saturday, Aug. 7. Visitors can now book weekend reservations at <https://flightpathlax.com/timed-visit/>. The available openings are on weekends from noon to 4 p.m., with additional days to be added based on demand. During the pandemic-related closure, the Flight Path team, alongside LAWA and other supporters, was able to refurbish the museum, with the goal of providing a safe and memorable visit for all guests. The revamped Flight Path includes enhanced landscaping, new paint, new carpet, new signage and more. For more information and updates, please visit www.flightpathlax.com.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES TRAVELER FORM

To help stop the spread of COVID-19, Los Angeles requires all travelers entering the city from another state or country to fill out this online form, acknowledging that they have read and understood the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Travel guidance. All travelers over the age of 16 must submit this form online prior to or upon arrival at Los Angeles International Airport, Van Nuys Airport, or Union Station. Learn more at travel.lacity.org

VACCINATIONS AT LAX

Free J&J vaccine, stations are open to the public and employees Monday-Saturday, from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., at Terminal 1 (arrivals level, west end), Tom Bradley International Terminal (arrivals level, near the information booth) and across from Terminal 6, next to our COVID-19 testing lab. Next week, the Terminal 1 location will close, and we will open up a new station in Tom Bradley International Terminal, past security near the Clock Tower in the Great Hall. Learn more about our LAX on-site vaccination options [here](#).

LAX Official Site | Travel Safely (flylax.com)

Puza (LMU) spoke re: Commencement on July 31 celebration at So-Fi Stadium with Viola Davis. On August 30, students will be welcomed back to and they will be required to have vaccinations (medical and religious exceptions will be allowed). The next Neighborhood Advisory Committee will be held at 6:30 p.m. on September 21. The Campus continues to be closed to the public.

7. Presentation

- a. **Tam Nguyen** with LADOT presented regarding the next phase of the Manchester Avenue repavement project from Lincoln to Sepulveda.

8. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

- a. Update on the current status of Westchester Park, discussion and possible motion.
- b. The Hyperion sewage spill on July 11, 2021 led to the release of 17 million gallons of sewage into the Santa Monica Bay discussion.
- c. Motion to approve FY 2021-2022 budget including FY 2020-2021 carryover of \$10,000 with the movement of \$500 out of the Miscellaneous Expenses category and into the Office Supplies/Expenses.

(called Special by Waka)

M/S Waka/Thomas to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously. Puza and Silva abstaining.

- d. Motion to approve scope of work for website and NCWP communications provided by Moore Business Results for FY 2021-22 with expenditure not to exceed \$600 monthly.

(called Special by Begbie Westerfield)

M/S Waka/Quon to approve the motion. Motion passes 17-1 (AYES: Cooley-Strickland, Hernandez, Kingshott, Koppula, Lockwood, Maleman, Mallek, Melton, Quon, Schneider, Smith, Thomas, Torrance, Tuttle, Watkins, Waka, Wilson. NAYS: Begbie Westerfield.) Aniolek, Flintoft, Miller, Mohamed, Puza, Reynolds and Silva abstaining.

- e. Motion to approve monthly NCWP newsletter provided by Hometown News for FY 2021-22 with expenditure not to exceed \$875 monthly.

(called Special by Begbie Westerfield)

M/S Waka/Wilson to approve the motion. Motion passes 22-0 (AYES: Aniolek, , Cooley-Strickland, Flintoft, Kingshott, Koppula, Lockwood, Logsdon, Maleman, Mallek, Melton, Miller, Mohamed, Quon, Reynolds, Schneider, Smith, Thomas, Torrance, Tuttle, Watkins, Waka, Wilson. NAYS: None.) Begbie Westerfield , Hernandez, Puza and Silva abstaining.

- f. Motion to approve the Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa letter drafted by Tuttle to City Offices and City Officials demanding action and holding the Hyperion Water Treatment Facility accountable in an effort to mitigate the environmental and financial costs that have burdened our community since the July 11th, 2021 sewage spill and take the appropriate follow-up actions.

(called Special)

Liz spoke in support of the motion.

Stacey Travis spoke in support of the motion.

M/S Maleman/Miller to approve the motion. Motion passes 21-3 (AYES: Aniolek, Begbie Westerfield, Cooley-Strickland, Hernandez, Kingshott, Koppula, Lockwood, Maleman, Melton, Miller, Mohamed, Puza, Quon, Reynolds, Schneider, Thomas, Torrance, Tuttle, Watkins, Waka, Wilson. NAYS: Flintoft, Mallek, Smith.) Aniolek, Puza and Silva abstaining.

- g. Motion to recognize and support Trashroots by featuring the Hometown Article and photo on our website, Facebook Page and posting the upcoming trash pickup dates for the remainder for 2021: 8/20/21, 9/17/21, 10/15/21, 11/19/21, upon approval of the City Attorney's Office.

(called Special by Waka)

M/S Maleman/Flintoft to approve the motion. Motion passes 24-2 (AYES: Aniolek, Begbie Westerfield, Cooley-Strickland, Flintoft, Hernandez, Kingshott, Koppula, Lockwood, Logsdon, Maleman, Mallek, Melton, Mohamed, Puza, Quon, Reynolds, Schneider, Smith, Thomas, Torrance, Tuttle, Watkins, Waka, Wilson. NAYS: Miller and Waka.) Puza and Silva abstaining.

- h. Motion to approve the request that Councilman Mike Bonin clarify the discrepancy between the Motion 21-0350 and his website with respect to "Cabin Communities", which is a major change to an "Approved Motion" by the Los Angeles City Council. "Cabin Communities will

require a large and permanent space commitment on a key recreational area, used by Westchester residents.

(called Special by Gerez)

This item was removed from the agenda by President Gerez.

- i. Motion to approve NCWP Committees and Assignments

(called Special by Gerez)

Liz spoke in favor of keeping a NCWP Education Committee in place as a standing committee

M/S Maleman/Miller to approve the committees and committee assignments as presented by President Gerez on attached document. Motion passes 21-2 (AYES: Aniolek, Cooley-Strickland, Flintoft, Hernandez, Kingshott, Lockwood, Logsdon, Maleman, Mallek, Melton, Miller, Puza, Quon, Reynolds, Schneider, Smith, Thomas, Torrance, Watkins, Waka, Wilson. NAYS: Tuttle and Mohamed.) Begbie Westerfield, Koppula, Puza and Silva abstaining.

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

There were no public comments for items not on the agenda

10. **Committee Reports**

There were no committee reports.

11. **Adjourn – President Gerez adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.**

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

Public Safety Committee

John	Logsdon	Chair
Theresa	Torrance	
Dennis	Miller	
Chip	Mallek	
Cyndi	Hench	Community Member

PLUC Committee

Julie	Ross	Chair
Garrett	Smith	
George	Herrera	
Andrew	Watkins	
Alan	Quon	
Dennis	Miller	
Tracy	Thrower Conyers	Community Member
Cory	Birkett	Community Member

Outreach Committee

Al	Hernandez	Chair
Geoff	Maleman	
Garrett	Smith	
Jana	Koppula	
Michele	Cooley-Strickland	
Fred	Puza	

Budget & Finance Committee

Cord	Thomas	Chair
Geoff	Maleman	
Garrett	Smith	

Community Services Committee

Alexandra	Reynolds	Chair
Carey	Begbie Westerfield	
Sylvia	Wilson	
Theresa	Torrance	
Faneeza	Mohamed	
Heather	Tuttle	

Government Affairs Committee

Gregg	Aniolek	Chair
Brian	Lockwood	
Greg	Melton	
Thomas	Flintoft	
Naomi	Wakia	
Stacy	Travis	Community Member

Airport Relations Committee

Chip	Mallek	Co-Chair
Jennifer	Kingshott	Co-Chair
Julie	Ross	
Glenda	Silva	
Denny	Schneider	
Dave	Mannix	Community Member