

NCWP Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, September 9, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.
Via Zoom

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

Absent: Brian Lockwood, Denny Schneider,

Excused: Paula Gerez,

1. **Call to Order** – Vice President Cooley-Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.
2. **Salute the Flag** – Vice President Cooley-Strickland 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.)*
 - a. Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2021 Board meeting
 - b. Receive and file the Treasurer's Report.
 - c. Motion to approve appointment of **Dave Mannix**, Community Member, to the Planning and Land Use Committee.
 - d. ~~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 previously approved in FY 2020-2021 for July 2021 Star of the Neighborhood Award that missed year end closing deadline.~~ **This Item was called special by Thomas and moved to the Discussion Calendar.**
 - e. Motion to approve NCWP Education Committee and Assignments:
 - Faneeza Mohamed**, Co-Chair
 - Heather Tuttle**, Co-Chair
 - Sylvia Wilson**
 - Denny Schneider**
 - Eric Davidson**, Community Member
 - Andy Sywak**, Community Member
 - f. Motion to accept NCWP Airport Relations Committee Re-Assignments:
 - Denny Schneider**, Chair
 - Chip Mallek**
 - Jennifer Kingshott**
 - Julie Ross**
 - Glenda Silva**
 - Dave Mannix**, Community Member
 - g. Motion to accept NCWP Community Services Committee Re-Assignments:
 - Sylvia Wilson**, Chair
 - Alexandra Reynolds**
 - Carey Begbie Westerfield**
 - Theresa Torrance**
 - h. Motion to approve the creation of a Community Plan Ad-Hoc Committee.
 - i. Motion to approve **Fred Puza, Theresa Torrance, Faneeza Mohamed, Jennifer Kingshott, Cord Thomas, Dennis Miller** to be appointed to attend "Civic U 1.0" It is offered in a series of three virtual sessions throughout the month of September: Thursday, September 9, 2021, 6:30–8:00pm: Power Structure at Los Angeles City Hall, Thursday, September 23, 2021, 6:30–8:00pm: The Guts of City Government, Thursday, September 30, 2021, 6:30–8:00pm:

Mobilizing for Influence. Everyone who attends Civic U must attend all three sessions in order to receive a certificate.

- j. Motion to approve Noble Hospitality as presented. Applicant is seeking a Master Plan approval under master case ZA 2013-742 MCUP to allow the full sale of a full line of alcohol for on-site consumption and limited entertainment in conjunction with the operation of a full service restaurant. The governing MCUP initially allowed 15 alcohol establishments within the Runway development. That case was later modified to allow 19 alcohol serving establishments under ZA 2013-742 MCUP PA1. The restaurant will occupy a 4,512 sq. ft. interior space with 195 seats and a 112 sq. ft. covered patio with an additional 20 outdoor seats located entirely within the tenant's parcel. The space was previously occupied by Hals Bar & Grill, which was permitted to sell alcoholic beverages under ZA 2017-0330 MPA. Hours of operation are 6:00 AM – 2:00 AM daily which are the hours of operation granted under the Master CUP. The tenant does not anticipate opening that early or closing that late, however they do wish to remain consistent with the already approved Master CUP.
- k. Motion to approve Triangle Wines project as presented. Applicant requests approval to allow the sale of beer & wine for off-site and on-site consumption in conjunction with the operation of a new wine shop and wine bar. The establishment will occupy a 905 sq. ft. tenant space within an existing commercial space located in the Westchester Triangle. There is an associated wine bar in the rear of the tenant space that covers approximately 300 sq. ft. and has 14 seats. The wine shop will operate with an ABC Type #20 License for off-site sales and an ABC Type #42 License for on-site consumption. Hours of operation are 10:00 AM – 12:00 AM daily.
- ~~l. Motion to approve request for a feasibility study of the other aspects necessary to assist the unhoused residing in Westchester, Playa del Rey, and Playa Vista in obtaining assistance for their welfare and that of the housed stakeholders of the NCWP. **This Item was removed from the Consent Calendar by President Gerez and will be heard at a special meeting later this month.**~~

M/S Ross/Thomas to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously. Silva abstaining.

5. Announcements from Government Representatives

- a. **Geoff Thompson** LAX Liaison of Councilman Bonin's Office provided an update and included information from **Hannah Levien** of Councilman Bonin's Office, who could not attend, regarding the following: Bluff Creek Drive speed bumps, new bike lanes on Arbor Vitae, new traffic signals that will be installed in September, Housing Now Proposal (Council Item 21-0863) approved by the City Council, potential LAWA sites where housing services could be provided, unhoused issue along Jefferson Boulevard, and the ATMP project – FEIR will go to BOAC in September (and will go to full Council after that).

6. Presentation

- a. Airport Metro Connector Project presentation by **Brett Roberts** of Metro Community Relations LA Metro More info: robertsbr@metro.net

7. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

- a. The CAO's report is out on CF 21-0350: [Report Back on Evaluation of Site Feasibility and Identification of Funding for Potential Homeless Interventions in Council District 11](#). ~~What do our stakeholders want from our Councilman? From our City? From our Mayor? From our City Attorney? From our Recreation and Parks Organization? From LAWA? From our County Supervisors? From LAHSA? From PATH? From our LAPD? From our LASD? From our LAFD? From our County Health Department? From our LADOT? From our LA Sanitation & Environment? LA Bureau of Engineering? What other Council Files are currently pending that we, as a Board of Stakeholders need to be actively monitoring? Stakeholders, we want to hear from you. Email us at NCWP@empowerla.org or attend this meeting so that we can hear from you. **This Item was removed from the Discussion Calendar by President Gerez**~~
- b. [CF 21-0863 Expanding Housing Options to Help More Homeless Individuals Transition from](#)

[the Streets through a Housing Now Fund](#) This was presented by our Councilman Mike Bonin, CD 11 along with Councilman Mark Ridley Thomas, CD 10 and Councilman Curren D. Price, Jr, CD 9, seconded by Councilman Paul Koretz, CD 5. Is a new Housing Fund the best use of our city resources? How many housing funds do we already have? What accountability or Data Metrics are built into existing or proposed new funds in order to see what works, what doesn't and hold our city accountable? What do our stakeholders want? **This Item was removed from the Discussion Calendar by President Gerez**

- c. [CF 21-0929 Unlawful Sitting, Lying, Sleeping / Unlawful Personal Property Storage, Use, Maintenance / Schools / Signage](#) This was presented by Councilman Joe Buscaino, CD 15, seconded by Councilman Paul Koretz, CD 5. What do our stakeholders want? **This Item was removed from the Discussion Calendar by President Gerez**
- d. Board discussion of repercussions from DOT proposed/recommended bollards on Manchester Avenue from Sepulveda to Georgetown on the north side of the roadway and on Manchester Avenue from Emerson to Sepulveda on the south side of the roadway.

Liz Kane spoke in favor of the bollard installation project

This item was referred to PLUC without any board action.

- e. 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 previously approved in FY 2020-2021 for July 2021 Star of the Neighborhood Award that missed year end closing deadline.

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

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

Liz Kane spoke re: a Land Acknowledgement motion from the Education Committee and asked that it be brought back to the board

9. **Committee Reports**

Thomas (Budget & Finance) reported that the Committee would like to explore a focus of Neighborhood Purposes Grants on a theme such as the environment, youth, etc.

Logsdon (LMU) spoke re: next meeting at 6 p.m. on 9/14 and will include LAPD Senior Lead Officers and a Battalion Chief of LAFD. Pacific Division front desk is now open 24 hours a day. He also provided a brief crime report for the area.

Ross (PLUC) said the 9/21 meeting agenda will include Manchester bollards, Dinah's project, new project proposed for Culver City adjacent to the NCWP area

Puza (LMU) said on August 30, students were welcomed back to campus and are required to have vaccinations (medical and religious exceptions will be allowed). The Campus continues to be closed to the public. In the case of a cluster of an outbreak (three or more individuals), the LMU community will receive notification – that has not yet occurred.

Silva (LAWA) gave the following airport update:

The Labor Day holiday weekend marks the unofficial end of the busy summer travel season at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), and we expected this weekend to be about twice as busy as last year with more people returning to the skies.

From Thursday to Monday, we saw an average of 79,600 guests at the TSA screening areas each day, which is about 73% compared to the same days in 2019. Friday was particularly busy, with 91,699 people at the checkpoints – the second-highest number since spring 2020, and just barely below the record set during the Independence Day

holiday weekend. These numbers are very positive news, especially when considering that, one year ago, our Labor Day weekend passenger numbers were only about 31% compared to 2019.

Plan Ahead

We encouraged travelers to plan their trip ahead of time based on current parking availability, traffic and their scheduled flight time. The airport provides real-time updates on current parking availability on its [website](#), as well as updates on parking and traffic around the airport every 30 minutes on the automated Twitter account [@FlyLAXstats](#). Passengers are urged to consider alternative ground transportation options including the [LAX FlyAway](#) bus service, municipal buses, taxis, ride app services or rides from family and friends.

LAX remains under heavy construction as part of its \$14.5 billion modernization, which includes an Automated People Mover train, a Consolidated Rent-A-Car facility and modernizing every terminal. When coming to LAX, passengers should look for and follow wayfinding signage near all construction sites to ensure their safety and to enhance mobility. LAX is also under much heavier construction within the Central Terminal Area compared to the same time last year, which means there will be additional road work and detours around certain areas. We ask everyone visiting to drive slowly and with caution around work zones.

Introducing NomNom

Last week, LAX launched a robotic ambassador for its popular online food and beverage ordering service, [www.LAXOrderNow.com](#).

In partnership with Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield (URW), the [LAX Order Now](#) delivery service will begin using help, in a pilot program, from a two-wheeled, semi-autonomous robot helper the airport has affectionately named NomNom.

NomNom is a cargo robot that will carry up to 40 pounds of food at a time as it follows behind delivery staff from AtYourGate, which delivers food ordered via LAX Order Now. The robot can move at speeds up to 6 mph and uses a series of cameras and sensors to recognize and follow its handler throughout the airport.

The robot is another way LAX is tapping into new technology and innovations to support the overall passenger experience.

LAX Order Now offers contactless order pickup from LAX restaurants, with optional delivery available directly to the gate areas in select terminals. Guests can scan QR codes throughout the terminals or visit [LAXOrderNow.com](#) to browse menus, place an order and pay.

When checking out, guests in eligible terminals who want delivery will select that option at checkout for an additional small delivery fee. Guests will be notified on their mobile device when orders are on their way and when they arrive in the designated gate area, and each participating restaurant will provide an estimated delivery time to help ensure food arrives prior to departing.

COVID-19 Vaccines and Testing

In partnership with the Los Angeles Fire Department and LA County Department of Public Health, LAX is offering free, one-dose Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccinations for those 18 and older. The vaccine clinic is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday (closed Sundays). There are three vaccination locations:

- Across from LAX's Terminal 6 next to Parking Structure 6 and adjacent to the existing COVID-19 rapid test laboratory on the Lower/Arrivals level.

- Post-security inside the Tom Bradley International Terminal, departures level, in the Great Hall near the clock tower. This location is for ticketed passengers only.
- Pre-security inside the Tom Bradley International Terminal, arrivals Level 1, near information booth.

Those interested in receiving the vaccine can walk from any of the terminals or parking structures, which cost \$5 for one hour. No appointment is needed and no insurance is required. Learn more [here](#).

Additionally, LAX offers multiple types of tests for COVID-19, including rapid PCR tests. Appointments are recommended and can be [booked online here](#). Tests will be available on a walk-up basis, depending on demand.

Travel Safely Reminders

Wear a face mask at all times at LAX. Face masks remain required under federal law for everyone at LAX, even those who are completely vaccinated. This requirement extends to buses, taxis and shared rides.

Remain physically distanced. While LAX has installed signage at security screening, along jet bridges, at baggage claims and other locations to help guests remain physically separated, it is everyone's individual responsibility to maintain a distance of six feet from one another to the greatest extent possible. LAX requests that those who are able to take an escalator or stairs do so, so the elevators can be reserved for those who need them.

LAX and Sofi Stadium Hiring Fair

Employers at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and SoFi Stadium in Inglewood are looking to fill more than 5,000 jobs at an upcoming hiring fair in which some positions will be offered on the spot. The hiring fair will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9 at SoFi Stadium, located at 1001 Stadium Dr., Inglewood, CA 90301. For more information you can visit <https://bit.ly/3yruujc>. Please share this information with anyone looking for work.

More than 45 employers based at the airport and stadium will be on hand to provide information to job seekers. An incredible variety of jobs are available, including airlines, concessions, food services, hospitality, retail, administration, construction and security. Interviews will be conducted on-site.

Release of Final Environmental Impact Report for the Airfield and Terminal Modernization Project

Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the LAX Airfield and Terminal Modernization Project ("Project") pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In accordance with CEQA, the Final EIR includes written response to comments on the Draft EIR that pertain to environmental issues and corrections and clarifications to the Draft EIR.

The Board of Airport Commissioners is scheduled to consider certification of the Final EIR and related actions at a Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. The Final EIR is available at www.lawa.org/ATMP under "Documents."

10. Announcements from Board Members

Kingshott announced that the Playa Vista Yard Sale will be held from 8 am to 2:30 pm on November 6 in Concert Park

Miller announced that he met the representatives from the new Assemblymember's Office and that the Office is open to hear from the public

Cooley-Strickland said the Board will hold its Board Retreat in October

11. **Adjourn – Vice President Cooley-Strickland adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.