WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 14, 2008  7:00pm
Westside Pavilion  10800 W. Pico Blvd.
Meeting Room A (3rd Floor behind Food Court)

1. Meeting is called to order at 7:10 PM.

In Attendance: Douglas Butler (1), Lisa Morocco(2 alt.),
Steve Spector (4 ), Letty Bugarin (5), Barbara Broide (7 ),
Terri Tippit (8), Jerry Del Sol (9), Mike Eveloff (10 alt.),
Mary Kusnic (11), Stacy Antler (12),
Bob Guerin (13), Ron Stone ( 14), Charles Horwitz (15),
Melissa Kenady (16), Ty Vahedi (17).

Also attending:  Deanna Stevenson (DONE) and Jay Greenstein (CD5).

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Terri Tippit, Chair states there is a quorum - with
15 member seats represented.

2. Approval of January 10, 2007 minutes, as corrected.
Ty Vahedi motions to approve, (Stacy Antler notes correction),
Bob Guerin seconds.

All in Favor: Favor 15    Opposed 0    Abstaining 0

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA:

( ITEMS MAY NOT BE HEARD IN THE ORDER LISTED)

Let the minutes reflect that George Garrigues, of Palms NC, was disruptive at the
opening of the meeting and would not respect the wishes of the Chair to speak later
during the Public Comment Forum.
Further, Security was called into the meeting and Ty Vahedi assisted in controlling the
situation from becoming more disruptive.
As Mr. Garrigues aggressively persisted in being heard, the Chair granted his request to
speak; where after, Mr. Garrigues emotionally expressed his displeasure regarding the
WNC and Palms boundary issue and his view of his treatment at the meeting by the
WNC.
While speaking erratically as he left the meeting room, he also threw his cards onto the
table as he exited.
4. PUBLIC FORUM:

Annette reported on the LAPD Traffic meeting and Letty introduced her new Alternate, Erick Klafter, Senior General Manager of Westfield Century City.

Rodolfo Salinas, Director of Community Outreach for PATH (People Assisting The Homeless) spoke about the work that his organization does in the Community to assist the homeless in LA. Their facilities include one in the WNC area on Cotner which houses 40 individuals. Terri suggested holding a fundraiser and Karina said that the schools can also assist.

Charles Horwitz, school seat representative, announced that Overland Avenue School would be holding their Auction on March 1st and invited every one to attend. It is the school's largest fundraiser of the year and all proceeds go to improving the educational environment of the students.

5. AGENDA ITEMS:

New Business

a.) Terri Tippit, Chair, introduced Lisa Morocco, Chair of the Outreach Committee, who, in turn, introduced a musical barber shop quartet whose performance entertained all stakeholders and Board Members in attendance on Valentines Day.

Lisa updated that the Outreach Committee delivered over 1000 flyers and countless emails to local businesses and residences on the January 14th Town Hall Meeting. Over 400 were in attendance and discussed the Olympic Pico Proposal.

Lisa spoke of the need to upgrade the WNC web site which was state of the art at its creation 4 years ago. It needs features and capabilities including database, admin, and sign in. The upgrade will cost $4,250. Shlomo Fattell was recognized for his dedicated work for the WNC and he answered additional questions.

Ty Vahedi Motioned that the WNC approve up to $4250, including $200 hosting fee for 2 years, for the upgrade to the WNC Web Site.

The motion passed unanimously.

All in Favor: Favor 15 Opposed 0 Abstaining 0
Lisa also gave an update on the Pico Beautification Project, for which the WNC has allocated $50,000. Deanna stated that the funds could be encumbered for this purpose. Ms. Sample, CD5, and Ms. Cerra, landscape architect are planning to meet on the project.

Barbara discusses CF 05 – 1345 Affordable Housing Incentives Guidelines and Terri appoints committee regarding same.

b.) Michelle Sorkins, City Planning Department (213) 978-1199

The West LA Community Plan (1999) Update

The Department of City Planning is updating the Community Plan for West Los Angeles - an opportunity that presents itself approximately every 10 years. Betsy Weisman and Susan Robinson attended and presented an overview of the plan particulars.

They also stated that the plan had not been kept up due to budget cutbacks at the City, but in 2007 they had commenced working on the Community Plan update with respect to growth, infrastructure, traffic, community impacts and requirements. Mike Eveloff stated that many EIR’s which should do so, are not accurately reflecting true impacts on all areas.

When completed the plan will assist in determining the type of development that is compatible with the infrastructure, services and facilities need to properly sustain growth. Annette asked that the report include detailed data such as sidewalks and streets needing repair, affordable housing, etc. Ms. Robinson stated that we can make a list of questions that we would like to see addressed. Letty and Barbara stated that the plan data should include traffic mitigation and green energy conservation.

Two meetings are scheduled: Wednesday, February 27 and Thursday, February 28 at 7pm in Community Room A at the Westside Pavilion.

c.) Terri Tippit

LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS/LADWP MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE RESOLUTION REGARDING PROPOSED LADWP RATE ACTIONS FOR 2008-2010
Terri commented and introduced Karina, who updated as follows:

At it’s duly noticed general membership meeting on January 5, 2008, the NC/LADWP Oversight Committee, representing 74 Neighborhood Councils, moved, seconded, and unanimously approved the following resolution:

“WHEREAS City Charter Section 266a requires an Industrial, Economic and Administrative (IEA) Survey of proprietary departments be completed at least every five years; and

WHEREAS the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power is such a proprietary department; and

WHEREAS the last such LADWP IEA Survey was completed in 2002; and

WHEREAS the Mayor, Controller and Council, as required by the City Charter, have not ensured the timely completion of the required IEA Survey by November, 2007;

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the NC/LADWP Oversight Committee requests that the City Council ensure the expeditious completion of said IEA Survey AND that the City Council not approve any LADWP rate increase actions until the information and recommendations of the IEA Survey can be considered by the Mayor, Controller, City Council and general public so as to allow all to make informed decisions.”

Soledad Garcia, Chair

Motion that the Westside Neighborhood Council NOT recommend a DWP Rate Increase until receipt of the IEA Survey to be considered by the Mayor, Controller, City Council and the Neighborhood Councils.

Stacy motioned; Melissa seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

All in Favor: Favor 15  Opposed 0  Abstaining 0
Terri appointed Stacy Antler as Chair of the Funding Committee and Steve Spector of Ad Hoc Policies and Procedures Committee. She also appointed Melissa Kenady Representative to the Mayor’s Budget Meeting.

Update on Mayor’s Pico/Olympic Proposal

Discussion with Board Members including Mike, Barbara, Bob regarding the various issues and the many unanswered questions by stakeholders with respect to the proposed Olympic/Pico traffic plan. (Refer to the Olympic West Pico East attachment for details.)

Mike stated that he had just been informed that the Mayor’s office was authorizing DOT to immediately implement the Olympic/Pico Plan despite the community input and suggested WNC pass the motion as follows.

Stacy motioned; and Bob seconded (including Douglas Butler’s amendment Items 6 & 7):

The Westside Neighborhood Council hereby moves:

1- That the Olympic West Pico East Plan as proposed is unacceptable and not fully studied.
2- That the City provides a written rationale for not performing a full environmental review.
3. That the City not implement the Olympic West Pico East Plan unless and until the City of Beverly Hills agrees to participate in the plan in its entirety.
4. That the City complete a full and proper study which includes but is not limited to the issues raised in the attached questions and that the City provide written answers to the attached questions.
5. That the plan not include any reliance on the removal or modification of preferential parking in those communities that abut Pico and Olympic.
6. That the plan and implication not include the reliance on the removal of or modification of parking on Pico Boulevard without first providing reasonable and easily accessible parking for businesses.
7. That the City not use parking meter funds to take away parking on Pico Boulevard.

All in Favor: Favor 14  Opposed 0  Abstaining 1
d.) Steve Spector: WNC Election Options under Revised City Rules

Vote to postpone WNC elections until 2010.

Discussion to extend terms and hold the elections in 2010 with DONE. The alternative is that a volunteer is found that chairs the Elections Committee which must submit procedure to DONE in the spring and follow DONE procedure to hold elections in December, 2008. Deanna stated that whether we vote or do nothing, the By Laws are in need of amendment to properly reflect WNC terms. Bob questioned procedure in the event of a resignation. Steve clarified that an alternate may sit in for 2 months to allow time to fill the Seat as per our current By Laws.

Charles motioned; and Mike seconded

All in Favor: Favor 13 Opposed 1 Abstaining 1

e.) Stacy Antler, Funding Committee

Stacy outlined that the Funding Committee reviewed the specifics of the Trammell Crow Mitigation Agreement and is recommending to the WNC Board that the remaining $120,000. be funded as follows:

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* Use to be determined by the Mobility Committee. (This money was originally designated for the Pico Traffic Pre-emption Device. However, Jay stated that the City was installing one in the very near term.)
Stacy motioned; Mike seconded.

All in Favor: Favor 11  Opposed 3  Abstaining 1

f.) Francois Nion
    Coordinated Street Furniture Program
    CBS/Decaux City Contract

Francois was joined by Jay in leading the discussion regarding the Street Furniture Contract. The street furniture consists of bus shelters, advertising kiosks and street pillars. Although CD5 had originally voted against this, the City contract dating to 2001 is in place. CD5 is obligated to take 150 pieces. A long discussion took place; and while there are numerous concerns, the only form of mitigation at this time is to have input on the locations where the items are placed. Jay will be meeting with small groups to view sites, expedite the situation and coordinate the suggested placement locations back to the City through CD5. Terri appointed Annette, Barbara, Mary and Marilyn Cohen to work with Jay.

Most of the bus shelters proposed are along Santa Monica Blvd. Most of the PAKS and Pillars are in Century City. The groups will include residential and business seats from the impacted areas.

The City Bureau of Street Services website has information regarding this program at http://www.lacity.org/BOSS/engineering/csf/.

• DONE Report, Deanna Stevenson

There was not a formal DONE report for the month of February. Deanna made the suggestions and gave input on the various items discussed throughout the meeting.

• CD5 Update, Jay Greenstein

Jay contributed on the various topics discussed throughout the meeting and actively took part with François Nion in the CBS/Decaux Street Furniture and Fixture Contract discussions.

Additional information about events in the district can be found in the January, 2008 Weiss Wire.

Ty moves to adjourn, Stacy seconds.

Adjourned 10:50PM

Reviewed and Approved by Recording Secretary