

**WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 13, 2008 7:00pm**  
Westside Pavilion 10800 W. Pico Blvd.  
Meeting Room A (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor behind Food Court)

**1. Meeting is called to order at 7:08 PM.**

**In Attendance: Douglas Butler (1), Alice Campbell(3 alt.), Steve Spector (4), Erick Klaffer (5 alt.), Jerry Asher (6), Barbara Broide (7), Terri Tippit (8), Jerry Del Sol (9), Dick Harnitz (10), Mary Kusnic (11), Stacy Antler (12), Bob Guerin (13), Ron Stone (14), Charles Horwitz (15), Sarah Fitzsimmons (16 alt.), Shannon Burns (17alt.).**

**Richard Harnetz left at 7:45 PM**

**Alice Campbell left at 8:30 PM**

**Renato Romano arrived at 8:55 PM**

**Shannon Burns and Sarah Fitzsimmons left at 9:00 PM**

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

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

**2. February 14, 2007 minutes distributed, reviewed with corrections noted.**

**3. REVIEW OF AGENDA:**

(ITEMS MAY NOT BE HEARD IN THE ORDER LISTED)

**4. PUBLIC FORUM:**

**Terri introduced Captain Bill Eaton, LAPD, the Area Commanding Officer, West Los Angeles and Officer Matt Kirk, temporary SLO, West Los Angeles.**

**Captain Eaton** reviewed crime statistics for the area and noted the overall decrease in crimes year to date, noting the homicide rate as low as in 1968. Captain Eaton and Officer Kirk discussed the monitoring equipment and it's use and valuable applications.

**Charles Horwitz** commented on the situation with the homeless camps near Military And the 10 Freeway.

**Linda Kirstein** asked about the 'day workers' at Pico and Sawtelle.

Captain Eaton announced the Community Walk in the Palisades on March 16, 2008.

The Captain also announced the Community Walk in LaCienega Heights On March 30, 2008, 3 to 5 PM and invited everyone to attend in support of the community. He will forward an informational flyer with details.

**Frank Sedara**, owner and occupant of 1874 Benecia introduced himself. He is asking for a 2 unit parcel zoning adjustment. The property is currently a single family residence. He introduced Jerome Buckmilter, JBA , Inc., architect,developer who discussed the green and efficiency features of the project.

**JerryAsher** commented positively about the project.

**Barbara reported SB 1818** and commented that SB 1818 overrides all City, area planning and it actually destroys more affordable housing that it creates; as well as the potentially disastrous consequences if SB1818 is not amended/repealed. This may work in some other areas of California but it simply does not work here. The City needs more middle and affordable housing but this SB1818 in its present form is not the answer.

**Charles Horwitz**, school seat representative, announced that Overland Avenue School was nominated as a California Distinguished Award School. He stated that less that 5% of the schools are picked and it is a very prestigious award. He also stated that the science lab impressed the committee and it was noted that the WNC had donated funds the establish the school lab.

**Terri** commented that as the WNC is continuing the election to coincide with the DONE elections.

**Steve** commented that he is working on the recommended language required to amend the WNC By Laws and he stated that there will be a motion at next month's meeting in this regard.

## **5. AGENDA ITEMS:**

### **New Business**

**a.) Terri Tippit, Chair**, introduced **Paula Daniels, Department of Public Works**. **Ms. Daniels** gave a briefing on the services provided by the City. She discussed the 5 City Bureaus including, Contract Administration, Engineering, Sanitation, Street Lighting and Street Services.

Ms. Daniels presented an overview of the services of each bureau and also discussed the Zero Waste Plan, water recycling programs and pilot water and conservation programs. She noted that the City has serious budget issues which present challenges; however she is particularly focused on water conservation, recycling and water purification programs.

She will work with Terri to put together a tour of the Hyperian or Tilman Water Treatment Facilities.

### **b.) Proposed Changes To Preferential Parking**

Terri summarized the proposed changes to Preferential Parking.

**Motion** that **The WNC opposes any change to the preferential parking system that would:**

- a.) Increase non-residential parking in residential areas**
- b.) reduce the amount of parking for residential parking in residential areas**
- c.) Make preferential parking permits for an area available to non-residents of that area.**

**Moved by Stacy Antler**  
**Second by Gerry Del Sol**

**All in Favor: Favor 11   Opposed 3   Abstaining 1**

## **6. Reports**

### **Funding –**

**Stacy gave an update and will follow up with the LAPD and schools.**

### **Land Use -**

**Shannon summarized the Committee Report and the projects which are:**

**10700 – 10724 w Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025**

**2002 Cotner Ave. south/East Corner of La Grange**

### **Traffic Study Report –**

**Annette reported on and highlighted findings of the WNC Traffic Study.**

**She presented a detailed report and CD's to each of the WNC**

**Board Members, which included the complete results of the WNC's Traffic Study.**

**She explained that the material is divided into categories, residential, business and commuter; and additionally, it has been cross referenced.**

**She also summarized observations of interest on the traffic survey responses.**

### **Expo Light Rail –**

**Community Workshop Meetings will be held on March 26, April 1 and April 3.**

**Complete information is available on [www.BuildExpo.org](http://www.BuildExpo.org).**

### **Chair's Report –**

**Terri commented on and reviewed the correct and appropriate use of the WNC affiliation by Board Members and Alternates, the Palms Neighborhood Council invitation and the status of the Pico – Olympic Proposal.**

### **CD5**

**Jay Greenstein reported on the results of his site study regarding the placement of Street Furniture and the approaching March 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.**

**He also commented on the Supergraphic Sign issue and discussed the Zero Waste Program.**

### **DONE**

**Deanna briefly commented on the grievance and resolution process.**

**Jerry Moves to Adjourn, Stacy Seconds.**

**Meeting Adjourned 10:05 PM**

***Reviewed and Approved By Recording Secretary***