

**WESTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, July 10, 2008 7:00pm
Westside Pavilion 10800 W. Pico Blvd.
Meeting Room A (3rd Floor behind Food Court)

1. Meeting is called to order at 7:05 PM.

In Attendance:

**Lisa Morocco (2alt.), Steve Spector,
(3), Letty Bugarin (5), Bess Hochman (6 alt.),
Joanne Dorfman (8alt), Gerry Del Sol (9),
Dick Harmetz (10), Mary Kusnic (11),
Stacy Antler (12), Jay Fuhrman (14alt.),
Charles Horwitz (15), Melissa Kenady (16),
David Ty Vahedi (17)**

Also attending:

**Annette Mercer (15 alt.)
Shlomo Fattal (Sketchfarm), Webmaster
Shannon Burns (17alt.)
Stephen Chueng, Liason – City of Los Angeles Mayor’s Office**

Letty Bugarin, Vice Chair states there is a quorum - with
13 member seats represented.

2. June 12, 2008 Minutes

Minutes were distributed. In the essence of time, Letty asked that the minutes be reviewed independently, for follow up and approval at the August 14, 2008 meeting.

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3. PUBLIC FORUM:

Steve discussed that the Westside Pavillion Parking Area is under consideration for future renovation and will keep us advised on the subject.

Letty announced that the first Westfield planning hearing on their Century City Shopping Center Expansion will be held at the Olympic Collection at 1PM on July 30, 2008.

4. REVIEW OF AGENDA:

(ITEMS AY NOT BE HEARD IN THE ORDER LISTED)

5.) AGENDA ITEMS

New Business

a.) Mike Eveloff (was unable to attend):

Mellissa read the following motion which Mike Eveloff had presented in the June, 2008 meeting public forum for consideration:

- “Motion to amend Bylaws to eliminate Article VI, Section 3D which states "No Chair or Vice-Chair shall serve more than two consecutive one-year terms in that office.”**

Per the following WNC Bylaw provision, the above item is on the WNC July 10, 2008 Agenda for discussion and vote today.

Reference Note:

**ARTICLE VIII
AMENDING BYLAWS**

“Any Board Member or any Stakeholder may propose amendments, changes, additions or deletions to these Bylaws during the public comment period of a regular meeting of the WNC.

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Reference Note Continued

A proposal to amend these bylaws, however, must then be formalized in writing and then lodged with the Recording Secretary or person responsible for preparing the agenda for the next regular meeting. The proposed amendment will be placed on the agenda for public discussion at a subsequent regular meeting of the WNC.

A recommendation for amendment or adjustment of these Bylaws must be made by a 2/3rds vote of the entire number of the Board Members. Thereafter, and within 14 days after a vote recommending adjustment or amendment to the Bylaws, a Notice of Proposed Adjustment of Bylaws shall be submitted to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment along with a copy of the existing Bylaws for review and approval by the Department all in accordance with Article V (3) of the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils.”

Dick commented and discussed that it may not be a good idea and that it would not be right to deprive other individuals from an opportunity to serve in this capacity. Letty said the motion does not deprive others from the opportunity to run. Ty commented that it takes time to develop working relationships on governing bodies and 2 years isn't always allowing enough time to effectively work as a body. Steve added that it seems to effect artificial limitations; he's generally in favor. Charles added that the By Laws can still be amended in the future; Stacy agreed. The motion was read again.

Motion By Stacy; Second By Lisa

Passed In Favor: 12 Opposed 1

2.) Melissa made a motion “To approve the 2008 preliminary budget as presented with the provision that it can be amended as deemed prudent to do so and if it is required.” (Item moved from the June 2008 Agenda)

Discussion noted that the Budget falls within DONE's guidelines.

Motion By Melissa; Second By Lisa

Passed In Favor: 13 Opposed 0

6. REPORTS

Funding, Stacy Antler

There was not a formal report; anticipate scheduling a meeting prior to the August WNC Meeting.

Outreach, Lisa Morocco

Lisa gave a brief update regarding the work in process on the WNC Website. Ty mentioned that we should plan for the Halloween candy give - away at the Westside Pavilion as time is passing quickly.

Land Use, Shannon Burns

Shannon did not have a formal report; she announced that there will be a meeting on the SM Pavilion Project at the Westside Pavilion on July 22 at 7 PM in Community Room B.

Also, Meetings on the Community Plan Update will be held on July 22, July 28 and August 7 – at Henry Medina Center, 6PM – 8PM. Annette stated that community input is very important and needed.

Stephen Chueng, Liason City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office

Discussed the work being done to provide jobs and internships for youth.

Complete details of the program are found at www.HireLAYouth.com.

Shannon noted that it is also important to provide programs and accessibility for the youth on the Westside as well.

- **DONE Report, Deanna Stevenson**
There was not a formal DONE report.

CD5 Update, Jay Greenstain

There was not a formal report.

Stacy Moves to Adjourn, Melissa Seconds.

All in favor.

Meeting Adjourned 8:40 PM

Reviewed and Approved By Recording Secretary