

## **Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Special Board Meeting**

Tuesday, January 17, 2018

Harbor Gateway Community Center, 802 W. Gardena Blvd.

Present: Pamela Thornton (Chairperson), Saira Cooper (Vice Chairperson), Rosalie Preston (Recording Secretary), Hannah Woods (Corresponding Secretary), Joan Jacobs (Treasurer), Clyde Noguchi (District 2), Rey Paduani (District 3), Betty Hawkins (District 4), Llewyn Fowlkes (District 5), Janet Mitchell (District 7), Larry Morrison (District 8), and Richard Lee (Youth Representative)

**Welcome/introductions:** Chair Pamela Thornton called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**General public comment on non-agenda items:** Youth Representative Richard Lee is working with a colleague to set up a focus group meeting at the Los Angeles County A. C. Bilbrew Library on a date to be determined. The topic will be whether community members prefer having chain liquor stores, such as 7-Elevens or independently owned liquor stores.

District 3 Representative Rey Paduani noted that the Bureau of Street Services is very slow in removing tree stumps, making sidewalk repairs, and other of their mandated services.

Vice Chairperson Saira Cooper reported on a very loud party in her neighborhood where the LAPD when called did not respond.

**3) HGNNC position letter on the Mitigated Negative Declaration and request for public comment extension, as recommended by the HGNNC Planning and Land Use Committee, for a proposed 54-foot tall, 466,402 square-foot warehouse/manufacturing/high cube warehouse/distribution center at 15116-15216 S. Vermont Avenue and 747-761 W. Redondo Beach Blvd. in District 3 (CPC-2017-1014-CU-ZAA-ZAD-SPR; ENV-2017-1015-MND), with 45 large truck bays, 246 vehicle parking spaces, 24 bicycle parking spaces, and 24-hour operation; public hearing set for Wed. December 20 at 12 noon:** The Planning and Land Use Committee prepared a recommended new position letter for the HGNNC Board to consider and approve for submission to the Department of City Planning before Commission.met for a Special meeting on December 11, 2017, and has received input for its position from a technical advisor and a planning and land use advisor.

(Janet Mitchell entered the meeting at 7:12 p.m.)

Because of its size and number of large trucks and vehicles entering and exiting the site from both Orchard Avenue and Vermont Avenue the project would have a major impact on air quality and noise pollution on nearby and adjacent sensitive uses and extensive traffic impacts on nearby intersections.

(Richard Lee entered the meeting at 7:20 p.m.)

After discussion, it was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Joan Jacobs, and passed 11-0-0 to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Land Use Committee to request a full Environmental impact Report for the project and to request an extension of the time for public comment on the project until January 26, 2018.

### **4) Committee appointments**

**a) Ad Hoc Homeless Issues Committee – Nancy Trojan:** It was moved by Joan Jacobs, seconded by Richard Lee, and passed 11-0-0 to appoint both Nancy Trojan and Dexter McLeod to the Ad Hoc Homeless Issues Committee.

7) Reports and updates:

**a) Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (HANC) meeting of December 6, 2017:** HGNNC HANC representative Lu Watson reported that the Alliance discussed how to use

the Department of City Planning's ZIMAS website for property information about your Neighborhood Council area, the Commercial Cannabis Signage Ordinance, an ordinance to regulate collection bins which have become the focus of illegal dumping near them, the DONE Funding Equity Working Group (two representatives from each Neighborhood Council are needed to attend the four meetings in January 2018 and Joan Jacobs expressed interest in being one for HGNNC), the Regional Budget Day on January 20 at Harbor City Branch Library, with each Neighborhood Council designating their top three budget issues, the online City Budget Survey at , Resuming the Council District 15 meetings with the Councilmember and Presidents of Neighborhood Councils, and the Ryu motion to support Council File 09-2564-S1 which would require the Los Angeles Public Library to install filtering software on library computers to prevent the viewing of lewd content in view of the public.

**b) Clean Streets LA Challenge report:** In the absence of Vice Chair Saira Cooper, who had headed the Clean Streets Challenge for 2017, this report was tabled. Youth Representative Richard Lee, who had assisted with the Challenge efforts, reported that the principal for 116<sup>th</sup> Street School had indicated that their school would like a 311 presentation in the new year.

**c) District 7 Community Garden spruce up on November 24 and 25:** District 7 Representative Janet Mitchell said that the trash and weeds were removed and new plants put in, though there was some minor vandalism of signs and walls by a paint ball after the Spruce Up.

**d) LAPD Santa sleigh throughout HGNNC area on December 13:** A map of the route provided by Senior Lead Officer Carmen Gutierrez was given out and has been sent out via email to HGNNC stakeholders.

**e) District 7 Santa sleigh and toy give away on December 23, with possible HGNNC participation:** District 7 Representative Janet Mitchell reported that there will be a Santa Sleigh around the District 7 area from 12 to 1 p.m. on Sat. December 23, with a toy give away at Charity Mission Church after the sleigh ride.

#### **8) Consent calendar (items 8a through 8d)**

**a) Approval of the November 14, 2017**

**b) Approval of the November Monthly Expenditure Report**

**c) Approval of \$140 to reimburse Rosalie Preston for the HGNNC office carpet cleaning**

**d) Approval of \$276.11 to reimburse Janet Mitchell for refreshments and garden supplies for the November 24 and November 25 Community Garden spruce up event**

It was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Joan Jacobs, and passed 11-0-0 to approve the Consent Calendar items 8a through 8d.

**9) Announcements:** L.A. South Chamber Dexter McLeod announced that on Fri. December 29, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. there will be a Kwanzaa celebration and marketplace at the Los Angeles County A. C. Bilbrew Library

**10) Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston, Recording Secretary