

Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Special Board Meeting

Thursday, September 29, 2021

Held via Zoom webinar

Present: David Matthews (Chair), Joan Jacobs (Vice Chairperson), Rosalie Preston (Secretary), Piers Fairclough (Treasurer), Keith Pitts (District 1), Rey Paduani (District 3), Arvie Powell (District 4), Jodette Spann (District 5), Joycelyn Montgomery (District 7), William Yates (District 8), Jackie Jackson (Community Organization Representative), Richard Lee (Youth Advocate), Elijah Thomas (Youth Representative), and Craig Kusunoki (At Large Representative)

1) Welcome/introductions/roll call of Board members: Vice Chairperson Joan Jacobs called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. This was followed by the roll call of Board members which established that a quorum was present. District 3 Representative Rey Paduani led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) General public comment on non-agenda items that are within the Board's jurisdiction: District 1 stakeholder Fred Nichols said that he was asking for a third time that unbiased presentations of HGNNC issues be posted on the website and in the Constant Contact emails.

(Richard Lee and William Yates entered the meeting at 6:42 p.m.)

Danielle Sandoval said that she is a candidate running for the Council District 15 seat which includes the Harbor Gateway, Harbor City, San Pedro, Wilmington, and Watts. She asked that the HGNNC support Wilmington on their issues with trucks and air pollution.

(6:45 p.m. David Matthews recused himself because of his Chamber of Commerce involvement; Rosalie Preston recused herself because she was one of two stakeholders who in May 2018 filed an appeal of the City Planning Commission approval of the Project with only a Mitigated Negative Declaration review of the environmental impacts and this lead to the full EIR review)

3) Review and possible adoption of a comment letter from the Planning and Land Use Committee on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Prologis warehouse 15116-15216 S. Vermont Avenue; 747-861 W. Redondo Beach Blvd. The proposal is for a 53-foot tall, 340,298 square foot warehouse/manufacturing/high-cube warehouse/distribution center with a total of 194 automobile parking spaces, 32 bicycle parking spaces, 36 dock high truck loading positions, parking for up to 71 trailers, in District 3: Planning and Land Use Committee member Micah Silver read out the draft letter which the Planning and Land Use Committee recommends for adoption as the HGNNC official comment letter on the Draft EIR. There were a number of Board and stakeholder comments on the letter and one from a member of LIUNA, which is the union that would build the warehouse. It was moved by Arvie Powell, seconded by Rey Paduani, and passed 10-0-0 to adopt the recommended letter and submit to Jivar Afshar in the Department of City Planning before the October 4 at 4 p.m. deadline.

4) Announcements: There were no announcements.

5) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston, Secretary