

**Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council
Ad hoc Environmental Justice Committee
555 West Redondo Beach Boulevard – Room 205
May 16, 2023**

Members Present:

Miguel Vazquez; Arvie Powell; Nita Stonehocker; Lu Watson.

Member Not Present: Joan Jacobs.

(1) Welcome/call to order/roll call: Miguel Vazquez calls the meeting to order at 6:50pm, followed by roll call. {Quorum, established}

(2) General public comment on non-agenda items that are within the Neighborhood Council’s jurisdiction. None.

(3) Approval of April 21, 2023, Ad hoc Environmental Justice Committee Minutes: Nita Stonehocker, moves; Arvie Powell, seconds.

{Motion passed: 4-0-0.}

(4) Reports set forth in April 21, 2023 Minutes, Discussed:

[a] Nita Stonehocker: *(Compatible/Non-Compatible developments)*

Compatible: {Others can be included under this “umbrella” that meet criteria.}

Non-Compatible: {Others can be included under this “umbrella” that meet criteria.}

[b] Arvie Powell: *(Cumulative Impacts of pollution on Stakeholders/Community)*

[c] Joan Jacobs: *(Effects of pollution on public health)*

[d] Lu Watson: *(Welfare Impacts on Stakeholders/Community)*

[e] Miguel Vazquez: *(Social Costs of pollution on Stakeholders/Community)*

[Resources: Harbor Gateway Community Plan Update (CPU); South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD): *Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (WAIRE)*; California Attorney General: *Warehouse Best Practice Document 9/22*; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): *Asthma and Outdoor Air Pollution*; “FAQ” sheet *Tools and Products for Environmental Justice Action*; *Clean Air Act Overview* – updated 3/10/23;

Wikipedia; California Air Resources Board (CARB): website

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/diesel/diesel-health.html>

<https://hms.harvard.edu/magazine/viralworld/effectsofnoiseonhealth>

American Hospital Association: *Societal Factors That Influence Health.*

www.aha.org/societalfactors]

{Miguel Vasquez: *Nunc Pro Tunc* (then for now) Addendum to Report (4)[el

of April 21, 2023, Minutes: A social cost of carbon is the cost of the damage created by one extra ton of carbon dioxide emissions.

When calculating the social cost of carbon, the main components are what happens to the climate and how these changes affect economic outcomes, including changes in agricultural productivity, damages caused by sea level rise, and decline in human health and labor productivity.

Policymakers use the social cost of carbon to quantify the extra costs associated with carbon emissions that are not automatically reflected in market prices. This helps them better compare the costs and benefits of specific environmental policies.}

(5) Tools Agreed Upon to Engage/Educate Stakeholders:

(a) Town Hall meeting(s). **(b)** Flyers. **(c)** Door-to-door engagement(s).

(d) Neighborhood Council General (*hybrid virtual*) and/or In Person Board and/or General Membership Meeting(s) with environmental/air quality professional(s) as “presenter(s)/speaker(s).

>>>>Additional Tools Agreed Upon at Meeting<<<<<

(e) (i) Social Media, **(ii)** YouTube a “*Virtual*” *Toxic Tour of HGNorth*,

(iii) Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council web site, **(iv)** Video.

(6) **Create Flyer** which (personally) grabs attention of stakeholders to **Engage** and **Educate** them on environmental pollution and its impact financially and socially upon the health, safety, welfare, and well-being of themselves, personally as individuals, and upon their family:

- (a) Make it personal; (b) Colorful/eye-catching; (c) Understandable/clear;
- (d) Keep it simple; (e) Include Indirect Sources; (f) Include graphics of:
 - (i) a “Dirty Air Party,” (ii) Toxins Invisible to the Naked Eye; (iii) “Catchy” slogan such as, ***Can’t See It--Just Breathe It.***

(7) **Nita Stonehocker** recommends EJC request Board write letter to Councilman McOsler asking him to make inquiry into the ***San Fernando Valley River Water Reclamation Project***; its status; and where in the *que* is Harbor Gateway (North) in obtaining reclaimed water.

Announcements: None

Adjournment: 8:15pm. Next meeting: June 16, 2023, 6:30pm.
Minutes taken by **Lu Watson**, Secretary.

Ad hoc EJ Committee Mission:

{Recommendation(s) to HGNNC Board}

Engage: (Stakeholders); **Educate:** (Stakeholders); **Advocate:** (On behalf of Stakeholders to local/state/federal government); **Oppose:** (Non-Compatible developments); **Support:** (Compatible developments)}