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March 27, 2013

Linda Alexander  
President, Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council  
1840 S. Gaffey Street, Box 212  
San Pedro, CA 90731

Dear Ms. Alexander,

I received your letter dated February 28, 2013 regarding the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council's request that the Board of Harbor Commissioner's meetings be held in the evening. The last year that the Commission Board held meetings at night was in 2009 where meetings were alternated between days and nights.. They did this to try to accommodate those who found it easier to come during the day and those that found it easier to attend at night. This practice caused confusion for the public and several people complained that they could not keep track of meeting times. The following year and thereafter, night meetings were discontinued due to a need to cut back on staff overtime costs.

It's within the purview of the Board President and other commissioners to decide when they meet. Each November the Board of Harbor Commissioners has an item on their agenda pertaining to the following year's Board meeting schedule. This Board scheduled daytime meetings. We do schedule special meetings of public interest at night, such as the LA Waterfront, SCIG public hearings, etc.

All Board agendas are posted at <http://www.portofla.org/commission/videos.asp> and they typically come out the Friday before the next Board meeting. As you probably know, you may watch Board meetings live from our website and they are uploaded the day after the meeting (the video can be found at the same link listed above).

Even though the meetings this year are during daytime hours, there are still many ways to contact members of the Harbor Commission Board without having to attend the meetings. You may e-mail them at [commissioners@portla.org](mailto:commissioners@portla.org), send a facsimile to 310-519-0291, call the Port's commission office at 310-732-3444 or send correspondence to the commissioners at Port of Los Angeles, 425 S. Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro, CA 90732.

I appreciate your interest in this matter. You may want to make a point of providing a comment to the Board at the end of this year when they set their meetings for 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Geraldine Knatz". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D.  
Executive Director

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