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Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council Report  
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## **I. Neighborhood Council Requests:**

### **a. 8<sup>th</sup> Street Townhomes**

1. The City Council's Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered this project on February 24, 2015 and recommended approval of the project to the Los Angeles City Council.
2. The Los Angeles City Council considered this project on March 04, 2015 and it was approved unanimously.
3. Next steps are to move forward with building/grading permits.
4. Construction timeline:
  1. September 2015: submit for first plan check
  2. May 2016: Receive permits
  3. June 2016: Begin construction

## **II. Animal Control Officers**

- a. Councilman Buscaino is frustrated with the lack of communication and is asking for no change right now.
- b. Councilman Buscaino is asking that Animal Services visits all the Neighborhood Councils in the Harbor Area.

## **III. Special Olympics**

- a. San Pedro is one of over 100 host towns for the Special Olympics, this coming summer. We will be hosting over 100 delegates from Croatia and Kazakhstan for a few days prior to the start of the games in late July. There will be community events to help welcome and celebrate these athletes. Stay tuned for more information.

## **IV. Rancho San Pedro Feasibility Study**

- a. The consultant team comprising Economic & Planning System (EPS), CSG Advisors, and Quattro Design will carry out the feasibility study for Rancho San Pedro. EPS will be the prime consultant under this contract and has expertise in market & development feasibility while CSG Advisors will provide their expertise in financing and strategic planning. Quattro, a design firm, has expertise in zoning & regulatory planning framework and will prepare conceptual site plans of feasible options.
- b. This study is expected to take four months with an anticipated completion date of mid-late August.

**V. Legislative Update**

**a. Council, 04.29.15**

1. City Council considered a Public Works & Gang Reduction Committee Report relative to initiating the street name change process for N. Center Street between Viewland Place and Knoll Drive in San Pedro to be changed to Eastview Little League Drive.
  1. Approved unanimously.
  2. *CF 15-0366*

**b. Council, 04.28.15**

1. Council President Herb Wesson introduced a Motion requesting Board of Neighborhood Commissioners and DONE to report on City agendas having the full texts of NCs' Community Impact Statements with background links and if it's removed, for the Clerk to notify the NC; for additional public comment time for NC Board or Alliance; for NCs to be able to give money to City Departments via MOU, and for the CAO and CLA to report on a rollover budget policy for NCs; and for DONE and NCs to be able to receive gifts; and for CLA, CAO and DONE to analyze job roles of DONE.
  1. Pending before the Education & Neighborhoods Committee
  2. *Please see attached Motion for further information.*
  3. *CF 15-0524*

**c. Council, 04.22.15**

1. City Council considered the reappointment of Mr. Jeremy Irvine to the Cultural heritage Commission
  1. Approved unanimously. *CF 14-0485*

**d. Council, 04.15.15**

1. City Council considered an Ordinance relative to establishing a reward program for hit-and-run crimes. Rewards would be given for information leading to the apprehension of hit-and-run offenders.
  1. \$50,000 reward for fatal injury; \$25,000 reward for permanent, serious injury (as defined in 20001(d) of the CVC); \$5,000 for injury other than a "permanent, serious injury"; and \$1,000 for no injuries (property damage only)
  2. Approved unanimously
  3. *CF 13-0025-S1*

**e. Council, 04.14.15**

1. Councilman Buscaino introduced a Motion for LAPD to report on the feasibility of installing FasTrak transponders in vehicles used to transport arrestees from the Harbor Area to the 77<sup>th</sup> Street regional Jail, as this would allow LAPD to utilize the toll lanes on the 110 Freeway, ensuring that officers are not out of service for an extended period of time while dropping off arrestees at the 77<sup>th</sup> Street Regional Jail.
  1. Referred to the Public Safety Committee.
    - a. LAPD reached out to us and stated that all LAPD vehicles assigned to Operations South Bureau

(including Harbor Division), Operations Central Bureau, Metro, FID, RHD are exempt. They do not need transponders to utilize the toll lanes. When they use the FasTrak Lanes, their violations get checked against the exempt list LAPD gives to the MTA, and no fees are assessed. This has been in place for about 18 months. The Office of Operations is reiterating this policy with Operations South Bureau.

**2. CF 15-0447**

2. Councilman Paul Krekorian introduced a Motion instructing CLA, Planning, LADBS, BSS Urban Forestry Division, DOT, BOE to report on policies to consider parkway trees before approving plans for garages, driveways, curb cuts, redesigning to relocate curb cuts; For BSS Urban Forestry Division to revise tree replacement policy for driveway cuts: 1 new 15 gallon tree or fee per diameter inch of removed tree, and for BSS Urban Forestry Division and City Attorney and others to report on how to increase penalties and fines.
  1. Referred to the Public Works & Gang Reduction Committee.
  2. *Please see attached Motion for more information.*
  3. *CF 15-0448*

## **VI. Upcoming Events**

- a. Project-Planning Community Meeting for SPHS
  1. Monday, May 18, 2015; 6pm
  2. San Pedro High School Auditorium, 1001 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, San Pedro, CA 90731
  3. The LAUSD Board of Education has identified San Pedro High School to be one of the initial 11 new comprehensive modernization projects.
  4. Come learn and participate in this next phase of the District-Wide Facilities Bond Program: Approximately \$1 Billion in Comprehensive Modernization Project.
- b. Leland Park Spring Fling Fundraiser
  1. Saturday, June 6, 2015; 12pm – 6pm
  2. 863 S. Herbert Ave, San Pedro, CA 90731
  3. The Leland Park Advisory is putting together a fundraiser in hopes to raise money for programming (details still to be determined). There will be food trucks, face painting, rock wall, live music, dunk tank, bounce house, booths and a softball game between LAPD and LAFD with our very own Councilman Joe Buscaino!
- c. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual San Pedro Shred: Festival of Skate
  1. Sunday, June 7, 2015; 10am – 4pm
  2. Gaffey Street Lookout
  3. More details to come. Stay tuned!