



CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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STAKEHOLDER MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014

Port of Los Angeles High School, 250 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting called to order at 6:32pm by President James Allen. (**Quorum of 15 Board Members**). Approximately 25-30 stakeholders present.

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
James P. Allen	Present
Frank Anderson	Present
Sue Castillo	Present
Karen Ceaser	Present
Donald Galaz	Present
Katherine Gray	Present
Jose Guerrero	Present
Alexander Hall	Present
Grant Hartwell	Present
Debra Hunter	Present
Collin King	Present
Kali Merideth	Present
Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu	Absent
Debbie Rouser	Present
Danielle Sandoval	Present
Carrie Scoville	Present
Vacant Board Seat	

2. **President's Report:**
 - a. **Support of Transportation Initiative:** James Allen provided the board with a copy of a Transportation Initiative (Connection of light rail from Los Angeles Airport to the Los Angeles Harbor) funded through Measure R. President Allen and Sue Castillo met with the Mayor's Deputy of Transportation about two and half weeks ago and received significant feedback and support for the initiative. The significance of connecting the Harbor to the airport is that it has important economic development ramifications.
 - b. **Meeting with Joe Buscaino.** The neighborhood council presidents got a chance to report on neighborhood council issues. All NC's are dealing with a lot of the same issues (trash in alleys, homeless, transportation, police response times, etc). The Councilman is very supportive of the transportation projects.
 - c. James Allen is encouraging all the NC Presidents and the HANC to meet often in a round table setting with LAPD Captain Woodyard.
 - d. Several weeks ago there was a forum with the Department of Transportation about the Road Diet on Pacific Avenue and details were provided. One of the LADOT engineers contacted James to answer questions about ATSAC. James hopes to have a meeting with additional engineers to provide a full explanation of how the system works.
 - e. James referred back to the document on light rail from LAX to the Harbor. Asking for a motion to approve a letter to Joe Buscaino. **Motion by Sue Castillo, second by Frank Anderson to**

approve the letter to Joe Buscaino asking for support of the Transportation Initiative (Connection of light rail from the Los Angeles Airport to the Los Angeles Harbor) funded through Measure R as presented. The motion passed with 11 yes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth); 0 no; 1 abstention (Allen). Carrie Scoville not yet present at time of voting. During discussion of the motion, the following comments were heard:

- i. Stakeholder Bob Gelfand asked questions and recommended a personal aerial transit system that he has presented in the past.
- ii. Sue commented that the MTA already has an existing right of way from LAX, all they need is an operating budget.
- iii. Stakeholder John (last name not provided) asked if anyone has spoken with the MTA about improving bus service from the Harbor to LAX. He feels that the MTA needs to buy more buses.

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

- a. **David Butkus** made a public declaration that he is the artist who designed the THREE EYED FISH at 38th and Gaffey. He holds a copyright on the art and he has an Abstract from the Library of Congress. He is willing to enter into a licensing agreement with the Council to allow the Council to use the Three Eyed Fish image at no charge as long as it is not used for financial gain. A copy of all the paper work is to be submitted to the city attorney.
- b. **Bill Keenan** of Toberman Neighborhood Center commented on upgrades to the exterior of their building on Grand Avenue. They would like to get diagonal parking put in there also. James suggested that they speak to Sue Castillo and to Ryan Ferguson of Joe Buscaino's office for assistance in getting the diagonal parking.
- c. **Bob Gelfand** – Gave an update on the funding for the film festival. Their goal was to double last year's box office. They came very close to their goal. He thanked the Council for their financial support and hoped they would be back next year to ask for continued support.
- d. **Robert Farrell** announced that on the San Pedro Democratic Club is having a meeting on Monday, October 20th, at the Whale and Ale at 7:00pm, and will be discussing the Fukushima Project. The Fukushima plant in Japan is still dumping radioactive water into the ocean. They will be asking Janice Hahn to bring this to her Special Committee on Ports to have a public hearing in San Pedro next year. He asked that in the future this issue be taken up by the Outreach Committee.
- e. **Sue Castillo** – gave some updates on Land Use items:
 - i. The Gaffey Street Conceptual Plan project is having a public meeting on Saturday, October 25th at 10:00 am at the San Pedro Public Library.
 - ii. Rancho San Pedro wants to expand their social hall by approximately 3,000 square feet to a building on 1st & Center streets. If there is interest in meeting on this item please let her know.
 - iii. Sue received a notice about the new high school on 9th Street. Their application is just now coming before the city for a charter high school. If there is interest in meeting on this item please let her know.
 - iv. The possible dates for a Land Use, Planning and Public Works Committee meeting are October 22nd or 29th.

4. Reports from First Responders (LAPD): –

- a. Officer Lopez, Acting Senior Lead Officer for Harbor Division, was accompanied by her partner Officer Adrianna Bravo. Officer Lopez reviewed crime statistics for September 2013 compared to September 2014. She also commented that the officers get a lot of information from stakeholders at neighborhood council meetings. James Allen asked to have more information on crime trends and deployment strategies. Officer Bravo, Senior Lead Officer for Northwest San Pedro spoke about recent gang activity and enforcement strategies. The next CPAB meeting is Thursday October 16th at 6:00pm.
- b. **Board appointment of representatives to CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board):**
The Chair called for the board to ratify Central SPNC representatives to the CPAB meetings. The following board members volunteered to be representatives: Alexander Hall, Collin King,

Kathrine Gray and Debbie Rouser. Motion by Donald Galaz to approve the appointment of Hall, King, Gray and Rouser with the 4 board members rotating attendance at the meetings. Motion seconded by Kali Merideth and passed with 13 yes votes (Anderson, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 2 abstentions (Allen, Castillo).

- c. **Ad Hoc Parks Committee:** Motion by Frank Anderson to create an Ad Hoc Parks Committee to be Chaired by Debbie Rouser. Motion seconded by Alexander Hall and passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen)

5. **Report CD15 representative:** Ryan Ferguson presented a written report and highlighted the following items:

- a. A tentative schedule for slurry seal road work for the month of October.
- b. Update on Ponte Vista: For the remainder of 2014 iStar Financial will be completing on-site demolition and geological survey work prior to grading work beginning in the first quarter of 2015.
- c. Update on the feral cat issue: Jesse Castillo is the new officer for Animal Services in the area. He brings new energy to tackle the feral cat issue. Animal Services is working in conjunction with Lauren Halligan the Neighborhood Prosecutor to prove that some individuals are in violation of the Breeding Ordinance LAMC 53. 15.2a which is used to prove ownership.
- d. Lilyan Fierman Walkway: LANI has prepared the construction documents and they are on their way to the Office of Community Beautification for approval. The next steps are to receive permits and release the bid package.
- e. Legislative Updates were provided which included the Minimum Wage Ordinance for hotel workers.
- f. Donald Galaz asked if the Councilman's office could provide support for neighborhood cleanup efforts. The response was that the Council Office could provide tools and bags with at least one week prior notice.

6. **Port Report.** Augie Bezmalinovich, Community Affairs Advocate for the Port of LA reported:

- a. The next Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting will be October 16th and November 6th at 8:30am at the Port Admin. Building. The October 2nd meeting was cancelled.
- b. Ports o' Call development team update - The feasibility study is complete in draft form and ready for the Board of Harbor Commissioners to review. They are planning to review it at their next meeting in closed session. The LA Water Front Alliance's 180 day extension expires in early November.
- c. Cruise season began September 20th and runs through June 22nd, 2015. The Port expects approximately 124 vessel calls in that time. The complete schedule is available at www.portsamerica.com
- d. At the next Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting they are expected to vote on the final EIR for the Berth 212 & 224 White EI Container terminal development.
- e. There will be dredging at the Cabrillo Beach boat launch probably at the beginning of next year. Accordingly the boat launch will be closed for approximately 3 weeks. They are trying to get the word out well in advance, not only to boaters here locally but throughout the city of Los Angeles and surrounding communities.
- f. There will be temporary closure of a portion of Avalon Blvd. starting on October 15th at 6:00 am until Friday October 17th at 6:00pm.
- g. The STEAM Carnival at Crafted is happening Saturday and Sunday, October 25th and 26th.
- h. Happy Harbor Halloween is on Saturday October 25th from 11:00am to 2:00pm on Harbor Blvd. Promenade between 3rd and 5th streets.
- i. Veteran's appreciation festival at the USS Iowa is on Saturday November 8th from 10:00am to 4:00pm.
- j. There was a stakeholder comment that on the agenda for the next Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting there is an item related to the Strategic Plan update. This includes six or seven objectives with a number of initiatives in each one which will form the blue print for the

next 5 years or so for the Port. He is concerned about the complete absence of any community involvement based initiatives.

7. **Presentation:** Neighborhood Justice Program. Peter Borenstein was not in attendance to give a presentation.

Note: Chair James Allen recused himself and gave chair of the meeting to Vice President Debbie Rouser. Bill Keanin of Toberman Neighborhood Center said a few words about the program, which will be conducted at Toberman.

8. **Consent Calendar:** Motion by Karen Ceaser to approve items A through C of the Consent Calendar. Motion seconded by Katherine Gray and passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen). Items A-C follow:

- a. Approval of September 9, 2014 Board and Stakeholder Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of letter of support Re: Re-entry Job Fair sponsored by the Department of Mental Health. (Brought forth from Outreach Committee)
- c. Motion to Support Free Parking in downtown San Pedro during the Holiday Season. Letter of support to be sent to the Council Office.

9. **Port Committee Report.** Frank Anderson presented the following Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council's Resolutions requesting board action from the Central SPNC Board:

- a. **Resolution concerning the ongoing discussions between the Port and Proposed Developer to secure a master lease:**

WHEREAS, many ports in the United States and around the world have developed their waterfronts with attractive and actively used visitor- serving facilities, and

WHEREAS, there is and has been substantial public support for a revitalized waterfront and a redeveloped Ports O'Call [POC]; and

WHEREAS, to improve its waterfront, the City of Los Angeles through its Board of Harbor Commissioners [Port] has devoted significant time and effort for more than 30 years, spending more than \$12 Million in public funds on project consultants; and

WHEREAS, as a further effort to improve its waterfront, the Port approved a Master Plan for the redevelopment of the waterfront [Project] in an EIR certified on September 29, 2009, with the support of the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council; and

WHEREAS, in July 2012, the Port solicited a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for development of the POC portion of the Project area; and

WHEREAS, based on the RFQ selection process, the Port entered into an exclusive negotiating agreement [ENA] with The Ratkovich Company and Jerico Development, Inc. (Developer); and
WHEREAS after more than 544 days of negotiations there is still no agreement between the Port and Developer, and

WHEREAS, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council (NWSPNC) has been involved with the Ports O' Call Master Plan and redevelopment for many years with many volunteer hours and provided a number of resolutions concerning the project, many of them being resolutions of support; and
WHEREAS the NWSPNC is concerned that the two parties will not be able to agree and that the POC redevelopment schedule will be at risk in both the short and long term, thereby threatening the jobs and employment benefits that could result from the Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, the NWSPNC reaffirms its support for redevelopment of the Ports O'Call area, and for construction of the infrastructure improvements.

Motion by Sue Castillo, seconded by Jose Guerrero to support the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council resolution as presented. Passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen).

- b. **Resolution concerning spending on community waterfront infrastructure projects:**

WHEREAS commencing in 2004, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council [NWSPNC] has adopted resolutions supporting waterfront redevelopment and supported the EIR for the Waterfront Redevelopment [the Project]; and

WHEREAS, one objective of the Project is to improve public access to the waterfront and another is to provide connections with the downtown San Pedro area and surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, the EIR found that the physical connection between downtown San Pedro and the waterfront was lacking due to a number of visual and physical barriers that currently inhibit access to the water's edge (http://www.portoflosangeles.org/EIR/SPWaterfront/FEIR/feir_spwaterfront.asp. Click on FINAL mitigation list); and

WHEREAS, the Waterfront EIR certified on September 29, 2009, included the improvements listed on the attachment to this Resolution designed to meet the objectives of the Project, including a pedestrian waterfront promenade, realignment and improvements to Sampson Way and Harbor Boulevard, a downtown plaza at Sixth Street, new parking structures, parks and public use areas, and improved and extended Red Car routes; and

WHEREAS as a part of the EIR process, the implied promise of increased construction jobs and sustained future employment were used by the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) and the Board of Harbor Commissioners (BOHC) to gain the support of the community for the Project and have since been used to attract businesses and developers to San Pedro; and

WHEREAS, some of the Project elements were presented as mitigation for other Port projects such as the third passenger terminal berth at Berth 47-49 ; and

WHEREAS, during the last annual Waterfront Update to the community, the Executive Director reiterated and confirmed the Port's promise to prioritize constructing the Project elements that would facilitate the development of Ports O'Call and

WHEREAS, many of the Project elements had projected completion dates from 2009 to 2015 but in its current Capital Improvement Program, it appears that the PORT has not budgeted nor approved funds for these elements with the exception of the engineering studies for Sampson Way realignment; and

WHEREAS, in his recent interview in San Pedro Today, the Mayor also indicated that the Port would delay funding for non-revenue producing Project elements

(<http://www.sanpedrotoday.com/2014/07/31/dodownload-the-august-2014-issue-now/>);

NOW THEREFORE, the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council urges the Port, the City Council, and the Mayor to immediately follow through with their promises of funding for the already-approved Project elements, and to furnish the community with an updated schedule for their commencement and completion.

Motion by Katherine Gray, seconded by Debbie Rouser to support the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council resolution concerning spending on community waterfront infrastructure projects as presented above. Passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen).

- c. **Red Car Motion:** The following resolution brought forth from the Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council was presented:

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE RED CAR

WHEREAS, the Red Car and the Fanfare Fountains are the iconic images representing visitor attractions and potential redevelopment of the San Pedro waterfront; and

WHEREAS, the Waterfront Redevelopment EIR approved in 2009 promised expansion of the Red Car to Cabrillo Beach and also included relocating the Red Car line to accommodate the other improvements included in the EIR; and

WHEREAS, the Port has anticipated expansion of the Red Car service to Wilmington by providing space for the necessary rails along Bridges Blvd.; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Board of Harbor Commissioners will consider cutting and possibly eliminating the Red Car at its first November meeting; and

WHEREAS, the potential cuts in service from 27 hours per week to 10 hours per week means that access by Red Car from the cruise lines to downtown San Pedro will be lost, dinnertime access to downtown and to Ports O'Call will be lost, weekend after-five access to overflow parking at 22nd street will be lost, Friday access for school groups and also special needs children groups will be lost, and rides to and from the water shows in the evening; and

WHEREAS, the NWSPNC realizes that the Port is concerned about cutting costs, but that the Red Car was never intended to make money and is instead iconic and is intended to draw visitors to downtown San Pedro and to the waterfront; and

WHEREAS, there has only been one company that has ever bid on operating the Red Car for the Port and it seems unlikely that the company will operate it on a reduced schedule, including the only mechanic whose work is vital to the operation of the Red Car.

NOW THEREFOR, the NWSPNC requests the Port to not cut Red Car service along the waterfront, and further requests that the Port place the administration of the Red Car service under its community relations department so as to better coordinate visitor serving attractions at the waterfront

Karen Ceaser moved to approve and support the Northwest Motion, seconded by Danielle Sandoval.

There was extensive discussion on the motion by both the board and stakeholders including having the Red Car moved to the Port's Community Relations Dept. to better coordinate when the Red Car runs for special events and cruise ships being in port. Port Representative Augie Bezmalinovich explained that the Port looked at ridership data and the cost to run the Red Car (1.1 to 1.2 million dollars per year). After discussion the board voted in favor of supporting Northwest's motion as presented. **Passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen).**

- d. **Motion Re: Future of Boy Scout Property at Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Complex:** A motion was brought forth from the NCPAC and the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council for support by the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council. Stakeholder Bob Gelfand gave some background on the Boy Scout Camp and stated that the RFP came out on October 8th which leaves very little time for the public to make comments on the issue. Northwest San Pedro NC stakeholder Pat Nave also gave some background.
- Motion by Sue Castillo, seconded by Frank Anderson to add a 5th approve the following motion with the additional Whereas clause as shown below. Motion passed with 14 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Gray, Guerrero, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter, King, Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen).**
- Whereas, the community of San Pedro has for years made clear its interest in opening to the public the area known as the Cabrillo Beach Youth Watersports Center, at 3000 Shoshonean Road,*
- Whereas, the Port of Los Angeles has just released (Oct. 8, 2014) a Request for Proposal for the property without previous announcement or a public discussion of what the land's future use should be,*
- Whereas, the port will hold a "Mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting and Site Tour: Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.",*
- Whereas, responses from the developers, which are due next month (Nov. 20), will be assessed by an "evaluation committee" yet to be selected,*
- Whereas, the Central San Pedro asks the port to delay any action for 120 days to give time for a public meeting to be held on the subject,*
- Resolved, the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council calls on the port to open the pre-proposal meeting to the public,*
- Resolved, the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council asks for a community representative on the evaluation committee, who would be selected by the neighborhood councils via the Neighborhood Council Port Advisory Committee,*
- Further Resolved, the Central SPNC calls on Councilmember Joe Buscaino and the Harbor Commissioners to assist the Neighborhood Councils in securing port cooperation with this community initiative.*
- e. **Report on Meeting with Cynthia Ruiz, Port of LA.** James Allen attended the Meeting with Port Representative Cynthia Ruiz and gave a brief overview. At that meeting the NC Presidents were not told that the Boy Scout Camp RFP was coming out the next day. Augie stated that neither he nor Cynthia had been informed that it was being released the next day after the Ruiz meeting
- f. **Motion Re: Funding for minute taker at NCPAC meetings:** The NCPAC approved a motion that asked each of its creating neighborhood councils to by motion approve making periodic payments to support the administrative work being done for NCPAC. The cost is about \$125 a month and the billing would be rotated monthly among the NC's so that no NC paid the fee more than four times a year. There currently are three members (Coastal, Central and Harbor City Neighborhood Councils). If the Northwest San Pedro NC joins then the commitment for each NC would be reduced to three times a year.
- Motion to approve up to \$125 to be paid by the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council a maximum of four times per year for administrative costs associated with the Neighborhood Council Port Affairs Committee. Costs to be shared by all participating neighborhood councils. Motion passed with 11 yes votes (Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Hall, Hartwell, Hunter,**

Merideth, Rouser, Sandoval, Scoville); 0 no votes, 3 ineligible (Guerrero, King, Gray); 1 abstention (Chair, James Allen)

10. **Outreach Committee Report:** Donald Galaz reported that approximately 8 people attended the Outreach meeting and there was many suggestions to improve outreach which included:
- a. Looking into the Nation Building project that Debbie Rouser learned about at the BONC congress.
 - b. Submit articles to local newspapers to let people know how the Council is working for the community.
 - c. Find out what other Neighborhood Councils are doing for outreach that is working for them.
 - d. Advertising on Social Media and have board members post articles to various websites.
 - e. Donald went to the last First Thursday and passed out magnets and flyers/brochures.
 - f. Participate in neighborhood cleanups to help our community and for the council to be more visible.
 - g. Donald Galaz has checked with some local vendors about getting Central SPNC t-shirts to make board members more identifiable when out at public events. At least one vendor is working on a draft design. It was noted that there would be both male and female style shirts.
 - h. There was discussion about doing outreach to local schools. Members of the committee are contacting some schools to see what kinds of things can be done.
 - i. New name tags have been ordered from Office Depot.
 - j. Sue Castillo suggested that perhaps the meeting agenda could be made to look less serious and maybe more like marketing to get peoples interest and attention.
 - k. There was discussion about creating a calendar both in print and on various social media and websites.
 - l. Board member asked if the Council had a Twitter account (hash tags). At one point the hash tag 'that's so pedro' has being used by a stakeholder. At the next Outreach committee meeting they will discuss this further and report back.
11. **Finance Committee Report.** Danielle Sandoval reported:
- a. **Approval of August Bank Statement and August monthly expenses:** Danielle has finally received the P-Card from DONE. A copy of the Union Bank statement was distributed showing expenses from 8/19/14 through 10/10/14. Each item was reviewed. **Motion to approve by Kali Merideth, seconded by Karen Ceaser. Motion passed with 9 yes votes (Allen, Anderson, Castillo, Ceaser, Galaz, Hall, Hartwell, Merideth and Sandoval); 0 no votes; 3 ineligible (Gray, Guerrero, King), 1 abstention (Rouser). (Scoville no longer present)**
 - b. **Update on Outstanding Funding Requests:** Danielle stated that the LAPD and the San Pedro film festival funds have not yet been disbursed pending action by DONE. Donald Galaz asked what the status of the reimbursement to him for Little Caesars. Danielle stated that she had paper work she needed him to fill out.
12. **HANC (Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils) Report:** Alexander Hall reported: There were three motions from the BONC congress. All three passed unanimously by the HANC. These motions will be brought forth for approval by the Central SPNC Board in November. They include the following:
- a. Currently NC Board members are only allowed 2 minutes when speaking before the LA City Council, the motion was to increase the time to up to 5 minutes.
 - b. Currently any unspent funds at the end of the fiscal year are returned to LA City Cooffers, the motion was to have all unspent funds roll over into the next fiscal year.
 - c. Requesting that LA City Departments be required to have designated liaisons for Neighborhood Councils.
- Mr. Dave Roberts the Councilman's new Economic Development Planning Director introduced himself at the HANC meeting.
- The full HANC written report is available on the Central San Pedro website under the HANC section.
13. **Secretary's Report.**
- a. Due to the absence of the Secretary, Debbie Rouser stated no report would given and the new motion forms were not available for review.

- b. **Announcement of Vacant Board Seat and process for new Board Member Appointment.** Per the by-laws anyone interested in filling the vacant seat has 30 days to submit their application for the vacant seat. Kristina Smith will post the application on the web site. Nominations must be submitted within two weeks.
- c. **Report on Congress of Neighborhood Councils** – Tabled.
- d. **Announcement of October 11, 2014 Los Angeles Regional Budget Day.** A flyer was distributed.

14. **Other Committee Reports:**

- a. **PBID Report:** Katherine Gray reported on the following: The PBID presented their budget at the meeting. They are cutting approximately \$200,000 from their budget. This is due to funds carried over from prior year's budgets being exhausted. James asked that Katherine bring the minutes from the PBID meetings to the Stakeholder meetings for her report. They approved new insurance. Then went into closed session to review specifications for a new director.
- b. **ACE Report:** Linda Alexander talked about the Arts Culture & Entertainment District which was funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency from the City for 5 years and \$500,000. Of those original funds approximately \$80,000 remains and the 5 years have expired. Accordingly, they are transitioning to a 501c3, they are renaming it The Arts District San Pedro Water Front. It will be a different organization focusing on publicity, education, advocacy for all the arts. They have an e-news letter that goes out approximately every 2 weeks with a food blog. They have put out an RFP for a Managing Director and a grant writer. They have selected 6 artists for the public art on electrical boxes.

15. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Akerblom & Kristina Smith
for the Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council