



CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 17, 2018

San Pedro Brewing Company, 331 W. 6th Street, San Pedro, CA

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call**: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, by President Christian Guzman. There was a quorum with 11 Board Members, and approximately 10 stakeholders present.

Board Members	Roll Call/Attendance
James Allen	Present
Frank Anderson	Present
Rachel Bruhnke	Present
Louis Caravella	Present
Jane Castillo	Present
Maria Couch	Present
Donald Galaz	Excused
Matt Garland	Absent
Jose Guerrero	Absent
Christian Guzman	Present
Alexander Hall	Present
Ryan Hemphill	Present
William Marmolejo	Excused
Claricza Ortiz	Absent
Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu	Present
Danielle Sandoval	Present
Vacant seat	

2. **Opening Remarks from the Chair**

- a. President Guzman reviewed protocol for board members and stakeholders to speak when recognized by the chair.

3. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

- a. Mike Cacavella regarding funding Music by the Sea, he has submitted an NPG application.
- b. Rebeca Traini has rescued a lot plants from Ports O' Call and is replanting them around town. She would like to call the garden area alongside City Hall the Jayme Wilson Garden.
- c. Karen Ceaser commented that the criminalization of the homeless in San Pedro is out of control. It is a humanitarian crisis.
- d. Allen Franz from the White Point Education Center announced they have volunteer work days on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, and in April they are having an Earth Day event. Also, they are hosting a free viewing of the National Geographic movie JANE, about Jane Goodall, on Saturday, April 21st at 5:00 pm. Please make a reservation to reserve a seat.

4. **Discussion of Board Member Retreat** – Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu

- a. The retreat will be at Ports O' Call Restaurant on Saturday, May 12th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
- b. Khixaan and Christian will create the agenda, with input from the board.

5. **Sustainability Committee Motion(s) and Report** – Rachel Bruhnke

- a. Resolution to support city, county, state and federal governments transitioning all government vehicles to be fueled by 100 percent zero-emission fuels.
Motion by **Rachel Bruhnke** to **AMENDMENT TEXT NEEDED**, second by **James Allen**, and passed with 9 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, Castillo, Hall, Hemphill, Obioma-Sakhu, and Sandoval), 0 no, and 2 abstentions (Couch and Guzman).
Motion from committee as amended passed with 9 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, Castillo, Hall, Hemphill, Obioma-Sakhu, and Sandoval), 0 no, and 2 abstentions (Couch and Guzman).
 - b. Possible action on budgeting an amount not to exceed \$2000 for canteens, plates, Central SP NC-branded straws, lunch boxes and containers.
Motion from committee passed with 9 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, Castillo, Couch, Hemphill, Obioma-Sakhu, and Sandoval), 0 no, 1 abstention (Guzman), and 1 out of room (Hall).
6. **Discussion on process for Requests for Proposals regarding Branding** – Khixaan and Jane did some research on line and presented 5 possible logo designs. Jane Castillo will be the point person to collect RFP responses.
 7. **Possible adoption of a standing rule to not have meetings on first Thursday unless of an emergency**
Motion by **James Allen** to adoption of a standing rule to not have meetings on first Thursday unless of an emergency, second by **Maria Couch**, and passed with 8 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, Castillo, Couch, Hemphill, and Obioma-Sakhu), 0 no, 2 abstentions (Guzman and Sandoval), and 1 out of room (Hall).
 8. **Possible adoption of a standing rule to have full board meetings at government-owned facilities, such as the Croatian Cultural Center**
Motion by **James Allen** to amend to motion to add ‘...at government-owned facilities, such as the Croatian Cultural Center, *when feasible or effective for the operations of the CeSPNC*’, second by **Maria Couch**, and passed with 5 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, and Hemphill), 2 noes (Hall and Obioma-Sakhu), 4 abstentions (Castillo, Couch, Guzman and Sandoval).
Motion by **Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu** to adopt a standing rule to have full board meetings at government-owned facilities, such as the Croatian Cultural Center, when feasible or effective for the operations of the CeSPNC, second by **Danielle Sandoval**, and passed with 8 yes (Allen, Anderson, Bruhnke, Caravella, Castillo, Couch, Hall, and Hemphill), 1 no (Obioma-Sakhu), 2 abstentions (Guzman and Sandoval).
 9. **Possible resolution to support Coalition for a Safe Environment’s application for a Port of Los Angeles Community Investment Grant and/or Harbor Community Benefit Foundation grant** – Item referred to port committee.
 10. **Possible resolution to urge the Los Angeles Harbor Dept. and LA Waterfront Alliance to respond to Central SPNC’s request for information** (May include letter to government officials.)
Motion by **James Allen** to refer to the Port Committee with power to act, second by **Danielle Sandoval**, and passed with 6 yes (Anderson, Bruhnke, Castillo, Couch, Hall, and Sandoval), 0 no, 3 abstentions (Caravella, Guzman and Hemphill), and 2 out of room (Allen and Obioma-Sakhu).
 11. **Discussion of Bylaws Committee and scheduling a committee meeting** – Will hold a meeting soon.
 12. **Possible approval of letter to Mayor Eric Garcetti and City Council President Herb Wesson** expressing concern about appointments of city commissioners and commissioner efficacy in accurately meeting the needs of stakeholders – Item not addressed.
 13. **Homelessness Committee Report** – Alexander Hall

- a. They held a meeting last month at which they discussed ideas to address the issue in San Pedro.
- b. The next meeting is Thursday, April 19th at 6:00 pm at San Pedro City Hall.

14. Planning Committee Report

- a. Frank Anderson gave a brief report about last joint Planning committee meeting with Northwest and Coastal San Pedro neighborhood councils.
- b. The next meeting is Thursday, April 26th.

**15. Possible Support of Harbor Regional Park Concert series in an amount not to exceed \$2500 –
Item not addressed**

16. Board member comment

- a. Khixaan Obioma-Sakhu is on the Board of Neighborhood Council Commissioners (BONC) Funding Equity Work Group, some of the proposals currently on the table in the work group, slash NC funding. He can provide copies of the proposals if anyone wants to see them.

17. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next regular meeting is May 15, 2018.

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