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Stakeholder & Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 @ 6:30pm

Zoom Virtual Meeting

1. 6:30 pm. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Lou Caravella called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. There was not a quorum until about 6:45 p.m. The board took up non voting items including the reports.

Board Members:

Linda Alexander - Absent, gave notice

James Preston Allen - Present

Frank Anderson - Present

Eugenia Bulanova - Absent

Louis Caravella - Present

Stevan Casares - Absent

Charles Cooper - Absent

Caitlin Crommett - Present at about 6:50 p.m.

Matt Garland - Present about 6:45 p.m.

Tamra King - Present to 9 p.m.

Linda Nutile - Present

Matthew Quiocho - Present

Vicky Rodriguez - Present

Carrie Scoville - Absent

Maki Villacarillo - Present

2. Opening Remarks, Recognition of Dignitaries, and Special Recognitions - The President gave opening remarks.

3. The President gave a brief report.

4. Approval of April 2021 Meeting Minutes - Councilman Frank Anderson moved to approve the minutes for the April 2021 meeting; Councilman Matthew Quiocho seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 9 yes (Allen, Anderson, Caravella, Garland, King, Nutile, Quiocho, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 0 no and 0 abstentions.

5. General Public Comment - The council heard public comment from stakeholders.

6. Reports from Public Officials

Harbor Dept. Staff Augie Bezmalinovich gave notice of the next Harbor Commission meeting.

7. Discussion and possible action on \$3 million Council District 15 Community Grants process

The council discussed the purpose of the grants and the concern that it was originally a reallocation from the LAPD budget. The money was transferred out of the LAPD budget and meant to help disadvantaged communities. There was discussion on how well this new grant process would benefit the community. Some expressed skepticism, some thought the grants would do some good.

President Caravella gave the chair to Secretary Villacarillo and he introduced the motion to the assembly; Councilman James Allen seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 7 yes (Allen, Anderson, Caravella, Crommett, Garland, Nutile, Rodriguez), 1 no (Quiocho) and 2 abstentions (King and Villacarillo).

8. Public Safety Reports

- a. Los Angeles Police Department - Officer Dante P. gave a report on recent crime trends. He recommended that people lock their cars, and report illegal fireworks. Local homicide was probably due to internal gang activity.
- b. Port of Los Angeles Police - Officer Stacey K. reported about Port Police activity and gave notice of Fleet Week.

9. Public Safety & Transportation Committee Report – Frank Anderson and Stevan Casares, Co-Chairs

- a. Update on Digital Billboards
- b. Crime Report and Update on Crime Trends
- c. Update on Council File 20-0769, Unarmed Model of Crime Response - This was not taken up.

10. Land Use and Planning Committee

Javier Gonzalez-Camarillo, Chair gave a report on the committee and relevant information and events coming up.

11. Finance Committee Report - motions were out of committee

- a. Motion to approve April 2021 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)
Councilwoman Linda Nutile moved to table the Monthly Expenditure Report for April; Councilman Matt Garland seconded the motion. The item was tabled unanimously.

- The council chose to take up items b, d and e together.

The motion passed with 8 yes (Allen, Anderson, Caravella, Crommett, Nutile, Quiocho, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 1 not voting (Garland) 0 no and 1 abstention (King).

- b. Beacon House NPG: \$1500 for neighborhood beautification
- c. Bridge City Alliance NPG: \$1900 to purchase flags to be placed on poles acknowledging Gay Pride Month
- d. Grand Vision NPG: \$1800 to purchase recorders to be given to 700 5th graders for music classes
- e. San Pedro Arts Association NPG: \$1870 to support the arts competition for school children
- f. San Pedro Historic Society NPG: \$930 for the creation of 2 plaques acknowledging historic San Pedro Buildings

Item c passed with 8 yes (Allen, Anderson, Caravella, Crommett, Nutile, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 2 not voting (Garland and King) 1 no (Quiocho).

Item f passed with 8 yes (Allen, Caravella, Crommett, Garland, Nutile, Quiocho, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 1 not voting (King), 0 no and 1 recused (Anderson).

12. Reports from Board Liaisons

- a. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)
- b. Port Presidents' Meeting (Neighborhood Councils and Chambers of Commerce)
- c. Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (HANC)

13. Port Relations Committee Report – Frank Anderson, Chair

- a. Virtual Port Town Hall planning update - This has been postponed

- b. Presentation by Port Staff Augie Bezmalinovich. He talked about the move to less pollution and greenhouse gas emissions. This includes the deployment of zero and near zero emission technologies. There is also a forthcoming railroad project known as SCIG which could make rail transport more efficient. There was a discussion about the feasibility of using or not using port property to help house our unhoused neighbors.
- c. Potential letter to Chair of the State Lands Commission to place the homelessness encampment issue on the State Lands Committee agenda. The council discussed the pros and cons of voting on the item.
 - The motion failed with 4 yes (Allen, Anderson, Crommett and Garland), 5 no (Caravella, Nutile, Quiocho, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 1 not voting (King) and 0 abstentions.
- d. Letter to urge Los Angeles County Supervisor and three local congress members to emphasize South Bay loop extension of Metro Line to Los Angeles Harbor Area
 - The item was discussed but there was not a vote taken at this meeting. The harbor department is aware that with the completion of Harbor West and new waterfront residences, that tourist traffic will increase. The department is discussing ways to make getting around easier. This includes an EIR and Red Trolley with Rubber Tires (a bus).
- e. Letter urging the State Water Board for immediate cleanup of lots E and F
 - This item was not taken up.
- f. Resolution of Support Recommending Pacific Trade Relations with China, Not War – Presentation by Madison Tang, Code Pink
 - After the presentation, the council discussed the item, particularly if the council has jurisdiction or whether it should have direct input on this kind of matter.
 - The motion failed with 3 yes (Allen, Anderson and Garland), 3 no (Quiocho, Rodriguez and Crommett), 3 abstentions (King, Villacarillo and Caravella) and 1 not voting (Nutile).

14. Parks and Schools Committee – Frank Anderson, Chair gave report on the following:

- a. Update on KIPP Charter School Letter - There might be a group formed to discuss local education and schools. The group would be formed by the School Board, Seat 7.

15. Outreach & Communications Committee - Outreach Chairman Quiocho gave a brief report.

16. Community Impact Statement in opposition to Council File 21-0407 regarding Neighborhood Council Election Rules

The council discussed the item, and some expressed disapproval of other city entities infringing on neighborhood council sovereignty.

Councilman Caravella moved to file a Community Impact Statement in opposition of Council File 21-0407; Councilman Allen seconded the motion.

The motion passed with 7 (Allen, Anderson, Caravella, Garland, Quiocho, Rodriguez and Villacarillo), 0 no and 2 not voting (Crommett and Nutile)

17. Adjournment

Councilman Allen moved to adjourn the meeting at about 9:15 p.m. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion. President Caravella declared the meeting adjourned.