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**CENTRAL SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
Governing Board & Stakeholder
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2003**

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at the Harry Bridges Community Labor Center, 350 W. 5th Street, Suite 209, San Pedro, California.

Notice of this meeting and its' agenda were posted at the following locations: YWCA, Toberman Settlement House, Boys and Girls Club of San Pedro, Los Angeles Public Library – San Pedro, Los Angeles City Hall – San Pedro and Rancho San Pedro Housing Authority Office, Harry Bridges Community Labor Center.

Present:

Howard Uller, President
Jim Whitt, Vice-President
Cathy Familathe, Secretary
Aphraim Khalbourji, Treasurer
Dan Pasley, Communication Specialist
Alfred DeLuna
Conrad Aguirre
Justine Arian
Ray Burch
Thelma Gatlin
Larry Henderson
Tom Villiger
Renee Simon

Absent:

David Beeman (AU)
Mike Hermann (AE)
Sal Pardo (AU)
Sharon Stewart (AU)

Governing Board Minutes:

Call to Order – Howard Uller, President

Roll Call – Cathy Familathe, Secretary

Meeting Minutes - M/S/C to accept minutes of Governing Board and Stakeholders Meeting of January 14, 2003 as written.

By Laws Committee Report by Ray Burch – After researching the “proxy issue” for the purpose of getting a quorum at an Executive Committee meeting, he stated that DONE advise him that there are no provisions that allow for proxies; however, the executive committee can meet via teleconferencing as long as the Brown Act requirements have been met. The issue of April elections was deferred until the stakeholders meeting following this meeting.

Communications Committee Report by Dan Pasley – He reported on the following issues:

- 1) That once the budget is established this council can begin to do community outreach in an effort to encourage participation and develop leaders for the council and/or its' subcommittees.
- 2) Suggests that we do a mailing as well as outreach to the media in order to inform stakeholders of the upcoming elections.

Financial Report by Aphraim Khalbourji – Reported on the following:

- 1) The council currently has \$1,294.00 - \$1,000 check from Janice Hahn and \$294 collected by passing the hat; however we have nearly \$900 worth of outstanding bills to pay; i.e., posters, postage, printing supplies, computer/web site, etc.
- 2) There was discussion regarding the first payment of \$12,500 coming to the councils.
He said that U.S. Bank will give the council a free checking account. The President, Howard Uller and Aphraim, Treasurer to go set up this checking account. Explained that the council is receiving a debit card with a certain amount of money in it as well as being able to submit invoices to DONE for payment.
- 3) Emphasized the need to establish a budget. A Budget Committee meeting was set for Thursday, February 20, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at 858 W. 9th Street, San Pedro. The following individuals were assigned and/or volunteered to be on the Budget Committee at the _____ meeting:

Officer & Governing Board Announcements

- 1) Cathy Familathe announced that due to health concerns she will step down from her position as secretary and governing board member at the April elections. She will complete a one-year commitment rather than the two as stated by the by-laws.
- 2) Howard Uller gave a verbal report regarding restructuring of the council for the purpose of increasing participation, efficiency and ensuring that we as a council are correctly representing the stakeholders. He presented an idea of establishing committees that are established along the lines of interest and that the council along with the other councils hold quarterly community forums where the individual committees could give reports and gather information. He feels that since this concept of Teamwork LA has been established that this particular restructuring is needed. After much discussion the following committees were established with the following individuals volunteering to be on the committees:

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| 1. | Arts/Cultural Affairs – | Dan Pasley, Marshal Astor |
| 2. | Education – | Ray Burch, Frank Anderson |
| 3. | Faith Community – | Thelma Gatlin |
| 4. | Healthcare | |
| 5. | Historic Preservation/Beautification – | Jim Whitt, Kara & John Matson |

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| 7. | Homeowners – | John Matson |
| 8. | Maritime – | Cathy Familathe, Molly Campbell,
Priscilla Aparicio |
| 9. | Merchants/Business/Professionals – | Aphraim Khalbourji |
| 10. | Planning/Transportation | |
| 11. | Public Works/Municipal Services – | Larry Henderson |
| 12. | Rancho San Pedro – | Alfredo DeLuna |
| 13. | Recreation & Parks – | Conrad Aguirre |
| 14. | Renters | |
| 15. | Safety | |
| 16. | Seniors – | Tom Villiger |
| 17. | Social Service/Non-Profits – | Howard Uller |
| 18. | Youth – | Justine Arian |

M/S/C to 1) approve the restructuring concept; i.e, committees of interest; 2) the Executive Committee will assist with the development, refining and coordinating of the committees that are established and 3) that this concept and restructuring is a work-in-progress and will be amended and changed as needed.

- 3) It was noted that the Council had received a letter from Avis-Ridley Thomas, Administrator for the Dispute Resolution Program in which she states that she is including a Dispute Resolution Pro-gram Referral Form which was customized for our Council. It is for the council and stakeholders use in making referrals that we deem appropriate.

M/S/C to adjourn.

Stakeholders Meeting Minutes:

Call to Order – Howard Uller

Recap of Governing Board Meeting – Cathy Familathe

Meeting Minutes - M/S/C (1 abstention) to accept minutes of Governing Board and Stakeholders Meeting of January 14, 2003 as written.

Officer & Governing Board Announcements

Restructuring Concept presented by Howard Uller as described and discussed at the Governing Board Meeting earlier. Stakeholders were given the opportunity to comment and/or sign up for various committees.

“Song for LA” by Dr. Scotti

M/S/C to support the “Song for LA.” Letters to be sent to Mayor Hahn, Councilwoman Hahn.

Vote was as follows: Governing Board – 7 Yes; 5 Abstentions - Stakeholders – 9 Yes; 2 Abstentions

USC Neighborhood Participation Project by Mark Elliott

Gave the council an update on this project and advised that they would ask each governing board member one more time to participate in a survey in order to determine how the NCs are doing in terms of what works and what doesn't.

By-Laws Committee Report by Ray Burch

The governing board and stakeholders were asked to participate in survey in which they are to choose to keep this NC name as is or to vote for three (3) possible names. At the end of the meeting the following was noted:

A detailed explanation was given regarding the nomination and election process which commences in March. Elections must take place in April. Article VI of the By-Laws along with a brief history of the last elections was passed out to everyone in attendance. Advised the Board and Stakeholders that we must have a nomination and election committee. These committees can not be comprised of anyone wishing to run for one of the seats; therefore, a tentative committee was established: Howard Uller, Priscillas Aparicio and Dan Pasley. They will also meet on Thursday, February 20th at 2:30 p.m. at 858 W. 9th Street, Suite 203, San Pedro.

Communications Report by Dan Pasley

1. Encourages a name change in order to have our name reflect a more "cultural" aspect of our area; however, he obviously with present whichever name is chosen by way of communications.
2. Presented again the concept of having a "store-front" office that would be used by the three councils. He stated that the other two council has already established a budget which included this concept. He stated that we need to do the same in order to move forward.
3. Wants to see the council meetings be enlarged with more attendance by stakeholders; therefore, more participation.
4. He went over the idea of block walking in order to notify stakeholders regarding the upcoming elections. Seats available are the 12 At-Large Governing Board Members and the Secretary position.
5. Reiterated that the Budget Committed meeting has been set for Thursday, February 20th at 1:00 p.m. at 858 W. 9th Street, Suite 203, San Pedro. This meeting will be noticed.

CPAB Report by Frank O'Brien – None given; not in attendance.

Officer Dumaplan Report – None given; not in attendance.

PCAC Report by Renee Simon

1. The last PCAC meeting celebrated the one-year anniversary of the PCAC. Harbor Commission President, Nick Tonsich and Executive Director for the

- Port of LA, Larry Keller spoke. This was the first time that Mr. Keller attended a PCAC meeting and one of a handful that Mr. Tonsich has attended.
2. A focus group to work on the EIR for China Shipping Phase 1-3 has been formed. This is the PCAC's input in the process.
 3. The Cabrillo Phase II focus group is close to making a final recommendation to the PCAC on minimizing the impact of the development and input in the revised EIR.
 4. The Wilmington Parkway sub-committee's work has been expanded to include the entire Wilmington Waterfront Committee.
 5. The Coordinated Plan sub-committee is now known as the San Pedro Waterfront Development sub-committee. The committee has hired a consultant to evaluate the many existing plans for waterfront development and help move specific plans and proposals forward.
 6. There will be a presentation to the PCAC at the Thursday, February 20th meeting by the Gateway Cities Program. This is a joint program to provide incentives to replace older, more polluting trucks. This is working toward the idea of recommending to the POLA that it participate financially in the program.

Teamwork LA Report by Tom Villiger & Howard Uller

Tom and Howard attended the February 6, 2003 meeting of the Harbor Federation of Neighborhood Councils – One of seven LA Federations of TEAMWORK LA. A detailed written report was given the board and stakeholders. The next meeting of the Harbor Federation of NCs is scheduled for March 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Informational Presentation of Union Square Project by Mr. McCormick - He presented a project that he is currently working on as a developer that would be on Centre, 6th and 7th Streets. He stated that there would be 55,000 sq. ft of site and basically would be comprised as follows:

Street Levels – Retail & Restaurant

2nd Floor – Office Space; he stated that he had already spoken to the following unions: MMP, SUP, MEBA and MFOW and that they had already expressed an interest in relocating to this building.

3rd and 4th Floors – Condos.

It seems that several proposals would be up for consideration on March 5th. No action pro or con was taken by this Council at this time.

Stakeholder/Governing Board Comments:

It was noted that a resolution opposing war with IRAQ had been presented to the LA City Council for approval.

Discussion occurred around the issue of the many locations shoots that take place in our city. It was noted that we need to retain the fees that are collected for these shoots in our community. **This issue will be agendasized for the next meeting.**

A meeting at which a presentation will be made on how to apply for grants for Beautification of LA will be held at 544 N. Avalon Blvd., Wilmington at 6:00 p.m. on

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Executive Committee (Expanded) will be held on Monday, March 3rd at 6:00 p.m. – Location to be determined.

Governing Board/Stakeholders meeting will be held on March 11th at 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. respectively.

M/S/C to adjourn.

