

PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SAN PEDRO COORDINATED PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE

Port of Los Angeles
425 S. Palos Verdes Street
San Pedro, California

Minutes
August 13, 2008

ATTENDEES

COMMITTEE MEMBER/PCAC

June Burlingame Smith, Chair
Richard Havenick, Voting Member
Peter Warren, Voting Member
Kathleen Woodfield, Alternate Member

PORT STAFF

Jan Green Rebstock

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Carlos Garcia
Richard Pawlowski
Tom Politeo
Tom Welch

Meeting was held at the POLA Charter High School, 250 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA.

- A. Call To Order: 5:10PM
- B. Sign-In/Introductions
- C. Agenda Approved
- D. Approved Minutes of the April 9, 2008, May 14, 2008, June 11, 2008, and July 9, 2008 Coordinated Plan Subcommittee Meetings
- E. Public Comment:
Richard Pawlowski gave a brief explanation of a proposal he designed for the San Pedro downtown area, specifically closing off 6th Street, greening it, and reviving the old creek that used to be there. He asked the committee for their thoughts on submitting this project through the San Pedro Aesthetic Mitigation RFP? The Committee encouraged him to do so.
- F. Update from Port Staff
 - DEIR/DEIS Bridge to Breakwater (SP Waterfront)
The goal/intention of the Port is to have the DEIR out on August 29, 2008. At this point, there is a 60 day comment period. Staff will then respond to all the comments and make modifications to the final Draft/Alternatives, based on comments. The public scoping meeting will be scheduled for late September/early October.

Staff is presently working on the document. Jan Green Rebstock, from the POLA Environmental Management Division, stated that she did not have a project description to share with the committee. Staff had been asked to make changes to it, and those changes had not been completed yet. It was not ready for public review, and it had not yet been signed off by Executive Management.

Ms. Burlingame Smith expressed her dismay at not being able to see the project description as requested. She will e-mail both Tony Gioiello and David Mathewson letting them know that the reason for not having it available to the committee was not acceptable. In the meantime, she asked if any of the recommendations made by PCAC and the community were going to affect the Project Description. Ms. Green Rebstock stated that yes; recommendations were being incorporated into the revised description.

Ms. Green Rebstock facilitated a discussion on the following elements within the Proposed Project:

- Downtown Water Feature/between 5th and 6th Street (An interactive/civic fountain in front of the Maritime Museum, connecting it to City Hall. The fountain would simulate and extend the water from the Harbor up towards the Downtown (fountain size/12,000 square feet). Plans have not moved beyond the conceptual design phase. The committee wants to know to what extent the fountain would be “interactive.”
- Crowley (The proposed project shows all of the tugs being relocated to the north harbor, with a new building). The community is opposed to the proposed water cut.
- Bike path should be separate from the pedestrian path, except where it is very tight, in which case it would join the pedestrian path. The point is to have a bike path for the entire project area.
- Sampson Way Extension / Did the BHC approve the design concept? Ms. Green Rebstock responded that she did not know, but, that it would be possible for the Port Engineers to start on a conceptual design without Board approval.

The community concern was that contracting the design of Sampson Way as proposed would predetermine the outcome of the cruise ship terminal location (in the outer harbor).

The question was raised as to why the changes to Sampson Way would be needed if there was to be no cruise ship terminal at Kaiser Point. Ms. Green Rebstock responded that the design changes to Sampson Way were not necessarily determined by the traffic in the outer harbor. The design changes for Sampson Way were carried forward through Alternative Four. The Traffic Chapter in the DEIR will address the traffic associated with this project and the requirements for increasing the capacity of Sampson Way.

- Enhancements, Including the Swinford Fountain: Discussion Deferred

G. Other

- Cabrillo Marina Phase II
Ms. Burlingame Smith stated that it was her understanding that the Cabrillo Marina Phase II redevelopment project was not accommodating the need for the Youth Sailing Program. Ms. Green Rebstock deferred this discussion as she has not been actively participating in that aspect of the project. Ms. Burlingame Smith asked that Tony Gioiello please specifically address this issue during his presentation to the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council, on Monday, August 18, 2008.

Tom Politeo stated that the Sierra Club was not happy with how some of the most protected/ideal locations for Youth Sailing in the Marina were being utilized for other purposes.

H. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: September 10, 2008

- Sampson Way
- Interactive Water Feature
- Configuration of Harbor Boulevard

I. Adjournment: 6:20 PM

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June Burlingame Smith, Chair
San Pedro Coordinated Plan Subcommittee

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Debra Babcock-Doherty, PCAC Executive Assistant