



Minutes General Meeting November 1, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by the Presiding Officer Jill Hill. Also present were Board members Joan Greenwood, Maria Norvell, Joan Pizzato, Nancy Risch, Timothy Risch and Jim Trout.

Welcome and Opening Remarks: Following the flag salute, Ms. Hill welcomed new members and first time attendees. Harvey Cochran, a Second District resident and new Associate member addressed the audience with a few words of inspiration.

Announcements: The Quarterly Wrigley Cleanup is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 10, 2007. Sign-in would be underneath the Pacific Coast Highway Bridge. In addition to picking up trash in the alleys, volunteers will help spread mulch on a newly acquired parcel for the Wrigley Landscape Project north of 19th Street and will stencil addresses on properties abutting the alleys. The collection box for the Long Beach Toy Patrol will still be available for donations at the Holiday Party scheduled for December 6, 2007.

Police Report: Sergeant Coy has been assigned as the community representative for WANA meetings. He can be contacted at 570-3413. He reported on the continuing investigation being conducted by the West Division on the recent shooting off of 16th at Martin Luther King Avenue. This area is viewed as a "hot" spot for ethnic gang rivalry. Halloween was uneventful. There was a strong police presence throughout the City. He announced that Commander Quach would be transferring from West Division to North Long Beach. He commented that Wrigley crime statistics are pretty good. Auto thefts are down slightly. He reminded everyone not to leave nice things in cars.

Sixth District Council Report: Chief of Staff John Edmond made several announcements. He informed us that Pat West and the Redevelopment Agency have put together a 10-year plan for infrastructure improvements.

Seventh District Council Report: Tim Patton made several announcements. He reminded everyone about the upcoming Veterans Day Parade on November 10th, that council action of the RV ordinance was pending and that there is internet access to current and past Council Meetings on the internet.

Community Planner Report: Steve Gerhardt stressed that information from his department is available through the City E-notify program. The work on the General Plan is proceeding. He explained that the General Plan is a document that would provide guidance on priorities through the Year 2030. He announced that the California Department of Toxic Substances Control had sent a notice to the Eight District Council Office stating that it would be conducting an investigation of the former Oil Operators site north of the 405 Freeway.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 4, 2007 General Meeting were approved without any corrections except for minor typographical errors noted by the Secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Nancy Risch reported that WANA had a balance of \$1,440.40 in the checking account. Donations totaling \$650 had been received for Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane by Friends of WANA.

Membership Report: Maria Norvell reported that membership applications have been received from 75 addresses and now exceeds 100 people.

Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane Report: Maria Norvell updated the membership on the status of donations to Friends of WANA Daisy Avenue Christmas Tree Lane. Ed Van of Vanco Properties has pledged \$5,000. Two \$100 donations have been received from Marilyn Glumace and Dorothy Dupuis. Fund-raising letters were mailed to long-time sponsors in late October without a cover letter from the Mayor or Councilmembers. There will be only one Entertainment Night this year. The savings will be put toward installation of the new electrical system. Santa will still be on the Lane for four nights.

Program: Steve Patton of Melendrez, a Southern California-based landscape and architectural design firm, gave a brief presentation on the status of the Community Livability Plan for Long Beach I-710 Corridor Neighborhoods. Workshops sponsored by the Department of Public Works had been held in August, and a series of follow-up meetings on the results are scheduled for late November and early December. Plan concepts will be used to seek funding from outside agencies. The strategy is to include the improvements identified by members of the community in ongoing infrastructure work plans. Money for the Willow Street improvements has already been secured by the Department of Public Works.

50/50 Opportunity Drawing: The holder of the winning ticket (John Edmond) donated his share in the amount of \$29.50 to Christmas Tree Lane.

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan V. Greenwood, Secretary

Approved Without Corrections: January 3, 2008