

PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
WILMINGTON WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

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

Minutes  
October 11, 2011

ATTENDEES

Subcommittee Members

Gary Kern, Co-Chair  
Olivia Cueva Fernandez, Voting Member  
Donna Ethington, Voting Member  
Arthur Hernandez, Alternate Member  
Frank Herrera, Voting Member  
Eleanor Montano, Voting Member  
Charlie Rico, Alternate Member

Port Staff

Chris Brown  
Angel Lim

Public Participants

Chuck Taylor, Butterfield Comm.  
Pearl Hsu, Vopak  
Enrique Gaytan, Vopak  
Richard Sandell, Vopak  
Alice Bean, Vopak

Location: Wilmington Senior Citizen Center, 1371 Eubank, Wilmington, CA 90744

- A. Call to Order: 5:35 p.m., Gary Kern, Chair
- B. Sign In/Introductions
- C. Agenda was approved as amended. (Added the Red Car Museum as a Regular Update Item)
- D. Minutes Approved for the September 13, 2011 Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee Meeting
- E. Staff Updates:
  - Avalon Triangle:  
At the September Subcommittee meeting Chris Brown had informed the Subcommittee that there were some issues with the Avalon Triangle Park that would set back the construction schedule. They found contaminants leaching into the ground water which needed to be cleaned up. The Port is working to implement a Plan to inject a chemical into the ground to break down the solvents. They are also working on a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the proposed injection/Plan. If the Plan is approved by July 2012, advertising for construction could begin July 2012, while simultaneously implementing the treatment plan (a three to four month process). Construction could begin in December 2012.

- **Wilmington Waterfront Project:**  
There were no new developments. Things were still moving ahead. Valero will be vacating the site, and the tanks will be removed.
- **Catalina Freight:**  
No new updates. Things are moving along.
- **Wilmington Youth Sailing Center:**  
The lawsuit with Colonial Yacht is still pending and POLA has not had access to the site to do the geotechnical study. The design process is still moving forward.

Donna Ethington asked about an orphan site (space 100) on the side of the sailing center, across the Channel, between the big storage yard and the water. She wanted to know if it was possible to get permission to use that site for storage? Chris Brown will look into it.

- **Internal Access Road:**  
POLA staff met with Crystal from the Department of Transportation (DOT) to talk about the Proposals that Ms. Ethington raised in September (see below: Proposed Congestion Reduction Measures) regarding access to Henry Ford Road intersection. Crystal will look into the right turn lane, but it could be very difficult.

Proposed Congestion Reduction Measures:

1. Install early warning signs on Anaheim Street, re-routing traffic onto Pier A Street to the terminal and the Terminal Island Freeway.
2. The southeastern most tracks that cross at the diagonal and basically cut off the entrance to the terminal and the Freeway leaves everything else open with no access. Is there any way to allow other movements to proceed in that intersection while a train goes through? From the Marina, we would very easily be able to make a left if the crossing arms didn't prevent us from entering an otherwise quiet intersection.

After speaking with the Department of Transportation (DOT), Mr. Brown reported that there wasn't anything that could be done about letting cars into the intersection when trains are going diagonally across.

3. Creating a dedicated right turn lane at Henry Ford and the TI Freeway ramps.
- **Plans for November Subcommittee Meeting to Focus on Wilmington Waterfront Park Issues:**  
The Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee will hold a meeting on November 8, 2011, at the Wilmington Senior Center, to focus on Wilmington Waterfront Park issues. What is and is not working in/at the Park? If necessary, what can be done to make things better? Ms. Ethington asked that staff from C&M and Port Police attend the meeting. This meeting will be held in place of the regular Wilmington Subcommittee meeting.

- Red Car Museum: Mr. Brown did not have an update. It was still moving along. It is still in the design phase.

F. Update from Vopak:

Halcrow, Inc. was contracted by the Port to do a study on some alternative plans for Vopak. Vopak has been working closely with Halcrow supplying them with the necessary information. Vopak is expecting the Draft Report of the study any time now.

Angel Lim, from the Port of LA, stated that there are two alternatives,

1. Switching over to Berth 191-194 from Berth 187-190
2. Move into Conoco Philips site, Berth 149-151. Conoco Philips tenant is merging with Exxon Mobil facility at Berth 230-235.

The Draft Report is expected to be complete by the end of the week. POLA will review it. They expect to finish the final Tariff Report by the end of October.

G. Amendment of Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee's Original Recommendation Regarding an Additional \$500,000 for the Wilmington YMCA Pool:

The Committee amended the recommendation that they had presented to the PCAC on September 20, 2011 as follows:

**AMENDED RECOMMENDATION:**

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee supports the request from the Wilmington YMCA for an additional \$500,000 for cost overruns on the swimming pool project that was funded by the China Shipping Mitigation. The overrun came from increased construction costs and the unanticipated remediation costs for methane gas.

The Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee is asking the PCAC to support their request for the Port to provide available funds to cover the \$500,000 shortfall for the Wilmington YMCA swimming pool.

The amendment was moved by Donna Ethington, Second by Frank Herrera and carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays and 1 Abstention.

H. Public Comment:

Mr. Brown announced that the public scoping meeting for the "C" Street ramps project is going to be at the John Mendez Youth Center, on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at 6:00 PM. This would be a good time to make your comments, i.e. the request to substitute the right turn only in place of the cul-de-sac at "C" Street and Figueroa.

Chuck Taylor, from Butterfield Communications, announced that the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad would be presenting their Southern California International Gateway (SCIG) Project to the Wilmington

Neighborhood Council at the next meeting on Wednesday, October 26, 2011, at 6:00PM.

Ms. Ethington stated that the Wilmington Neighborhood Council (WNC) Land Use and Transportation Committee would be addressing a couple of issues through the land use on October 17, 2011. They will also be considering a Resolution to make a Port Quiet Zone, which would affect all the railroads.

I. Non-Agenda Items:

Ms. Ethington stated that there were two more meetings for the Terminal Island Planning Process, one in November and the other in December. POLA expects to start developing the environmental document in January, (revising the Port's Master Plan). The Strategic Plan is the first part of the Port Master Plan which will go before the Coastal Commission. POLA has scheduled a public scoping meeting, on October 20, 2011, at the POLA Administration Building, at 5:30PM, to obtain community input on the Port's updated Strategic Plan.

J. Next Meeting Scheduled for November 8, 2011

I. Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.

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Gary Kern, Chair

Wilmington Waterfront Development Subcommittee

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Debra Babcock-Doherty, PCAC Executive Assistant