

PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
LIGHT, AESTHETICS AND NOISE SUBCOMMITTEE

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

Minutes
November 10, 2008

ATTENDEES:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS/PCAC

Peter Warren, Chair
Chuck Hart, Voting
Carrie Scoville, Alternate

PORT STAFF

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS

Lou Baglietto

Meeting Location: Banning's Landing, 100 E. Water Street, Wilmington, CA

- A. Call to Order: 5:10 PM
- B. Sign-In / Introductions
- C. Agenda Approved
Peter warren noted that at the September 8th, LAN Subcommittee meeting, Dr. Appy stated that he would provide a report back to the Subcommittee on whether the Glare and Noise Study could be extended to Pier 400. He also stated that he would invite Vahik Haddadian to the next meeting to facilitate a discussion on lighting technology as well as a discussion on whether we could establish metrics for current noise and light levels (so as to have a baseline for the future).
- D. Draft Minutes Approved, as Amended, for the September 8, 2008 LAN Meeting
- E. Public Comment: None
- F. Discussion/Potential Action:
- San Pedro Waterfront DEIR
The Subcommittee adopted the following resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

Whereas, the Port plan for a Cruise Ship Terminal at Kaiser Point will introduce new and increased levels of traffic, noise and intrusive lighting to south San Pedro, and;

Whereas, industrial uses such as the cruise business should be kept contiguous, and;

Whereas, existing and future San Pedro business and job development will benefit by improving and expanding the cruise ship berths near downtown and modernizing the cruise terminal there, and;

Whereas, Ports O' Call should also be expanded and modernized but not on a scale that would threaten existing downtown business and future development near and in downtown,

Whereas, the outer harbor berthing will proliferate noise, light, traffic and air quality impacts more than a single downtown alternative, and;

Whereas, the outer berthing options add up to 600 bus trips, and hundreds of car and truck trips a day through San Pedro to Kaiser Point with attendant noise, light, air pollution and traffic, and;

Whereas, the area south of 22nd Street should be a limited noise and light impact zone and should be developed for lower impact uses, and;

Whereas, this area should be dedicated to science, education, research, recreation, habitat preservation, people-friendly and compatible business uses.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Light Aesthetics and Noise Subcommittee supports the Sustainable Waterfront Plan and strongly opposes any permanent berthing of cruise ships in the outer harbor.

The recommendation was moved by Carrie Scoville, Second by Chuck Hart and passed with 2 Ayes, 0 Nays and 0 Abstentions.

Peter Warren stated that he had received a response to his comment letter that he wrote regarding the San Pedro Waterfront DEIR. He stated that the biggest deficiency in terms of following CEQA, was the failure to analyze the Sustainable Waterfront Plan, which was submitted to the Port as an alternative.

He inquired from the Subcommittee as to whether there was a need for a separate motion to address this issue. It was the sense of the Subcommittee that the San Pedro Coordinated Plan Subcommittee should consider such a motion.

- Pacific LA Marine Terminal, Pier 400 SEIR (Super Tanker)
There was no action taken on this Item.

G. Plans for Lighting Retrofits at Berths 118-131, Kinder Morgan and West Basin Container Terminal/Yang Ming Facilities – Discussion was postponed, as there were no Port staff members in attendance. Dr. Appy communicated that he would be traveling and unable to attend, but that he would send another staff member in his stead.

H. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: December 8, 2008

- The Glare and Noise Study
- Plans for Lighting Retrofits at Berths 118-131, Kinder Morgan and West Basin Container Terminal/Yang Ming Facilities
- Update on the Metrics for Noise and Light Levels
- Update on Getting Consultants for the Subcommittee

I. Adjournment: 5:45 PM

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Carrie Scoville for Peter Warren, Chair
Light, Aesthetics, and Noise Subcommittee

Signature on File

Debra Babcock-Doherty, PCAC Executive Assistant