



# RANCHO PALOS VERDES

## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RANCHO PALOS VERDES CITY COUNCIL**  
**FROM: CITY MANAGER** *Cfab*  
**DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2013**  
**SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT NO. 13-49**

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# December 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Brooks/Misetich)  6:00 pm—City Holiday Party @ PVIC	3 7:00 pm—City Council Meet- ing @ Hesse Park	4	5	6	7 6:00 pm—7:30 pm— Peninsula Holiday Parade @ Silver Spur & Deep Valley Drive
8	9 4:00 pm—7:00 pm - Rolling Hills Holiday Reception @ RH City Hall  7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Com- mission Meeting—Community Room	10 7:00 pm—Planning Commis- sion Meeting @ Hesse Park	11	12	13	14 9:00 am—10:30 am— Breakfast with Santa @ Hesse Park
15	16	17 7:00 pm—City Council Meet- ing @ Hesse Park	18 12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Brooks)  1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)	19 <del>7:00 pm—Emergency Pre- paredness Committee— Community Room</del> CANCELLED	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>Winter Holiday Break—City Hall Closed</b>						
29	30	31	1 January—New Year's Day			
<b>Winter Holiday Break—City Hall Closed</b>						

# January 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>New Years Day CITY HALL CLOSED</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 <i>7:00 pm—Adjourned City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	9	10	11
	<b>CA Legislative Tour - Sacramento, CA</b>					
12	13	14 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission @ Hesse Park</i>	15 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor's Lunch @ The Depot (Brooks)  1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)</i>	16 <i>7:00 pm—EPC Meeting @ Community Room</i>	17	18
19	20	21 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	22	23	24	25
26	27 <del><i>7:00 pm—Traffic Safety Committee @ PVIC</i></del> <b>CANCELLED</b>	28 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission @ Hesse Park</i>	29	30	31 <i>7:30 am—Mayor's Breakfast @ Coco's (Duhovic/Knight)</i>	

# February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park—</i>	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 <i>7:00 pm—Planning Commission Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	12 <i>1:00 pm—3:00 pm Oversight Board Meeting—Community Room</i>	13 <i>8:00 am—Regional Law Enforcement Committee Meeting—RH City Hall (Brooks/Misetich)</i>	14	15
16	17 <i>Clean up Day—Tentative</i>	18 <i>7:00 pm—City Council Meeting @ Hesse Park</i>	19 <i>12:00 pm—Mayor’s Lunch @ The Depot (Brooks)</i>  <i>1:30 pm—Sanitation District Meeting (Brooks)</i>	20 <i>7:00 pm—EPC Meeting—Community Room</i>	21	22
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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**  
**FROM: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER** *CL*  
**DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2013**  
**SUBJECT: WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

### RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM SENATOR LIEU REGARDING RANCHO LPG

As the City Council may recall from the October 1<sup>st</sup> Border Issues Status Report, Senator Ted Lieu sent a letter to the State Fire Marshal on July 31, 2013, asking her to investigate a number of issues related to the Rancho LPG facility (see attachments). Recently, *Rolling Hills Riviera* Homeowners' Association President Jeanne Lacombe forwarded to Staff a copy of the response from the State Fire Marshal (see attachments). The State Fire Marshal's letter states that bulk LPG storage facilities are not within that agency's "statutory and regulatory responsibilities," and referred Senator Lieu to the State Office of Emergency Services and the Los Angeles Fire Department.

Staff expects to provide the City Council with an update on issues related to the Rancho LPG facility as a part of the next Border Issues Status Report on February 4, 2014.

### FOLLOW-UP REGARDING PLUM COMMITTEE HEARING ON PONTE VISTA PROJECT

The Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee of the Los Angeles City Council considered the *Ponte Vista* project at its meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The Committee received the November 14<sup>th</sup> recommendation of the Planning Department Staff and the City Planning Commission (CPC), and public testimony from the project proponent, several supporters and one (1) opponent. Staff addressed the Committee and asked it to consider:

- Affording our Public Works Department the opportunity to participate in the annual review of the efficacy of the project's traffic mitigation measures; and,
- Obligating the project proponent to resolve any future traffic impacts that are found to be not fully mitigated, as described in the Final EIR.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the Committee directed the City Attorney to finalize the ordinances for the project. These will come back to the PLUM Committee again for review before they are forwarded to the Los Angeles City Council. The full City Council is

expected to take final action on the *Ponte Vista* project some time shortly after the first of the year.

Staff expects to provide the City Council with an update on issues related to the *Ponte Vista* project as a part of the next Border Issues Status Report on February 4, 2014.

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July 31, 2013

Chief Tonya Hoover  
State Fire Marshal  
PO Box 944246  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

Via fax and mail

Dear Chief Hoover:

I represent the 28<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which includes San Pedro and Rancho Palos Verdes. There have been longstanding concerns raised by constituents and government officials regarding the safety of a liquid bulk storage facility located at 2110 North Gaffey Street in San Pedro. Owned and operated by Rancho LPG Holdings, LLC., this facility stores more than 25 million gallons of hazardous material, including butane in two large 40-year-old tanks and propane in other tanks. The tanks are located across a street from homes, businesses, and schools. The recent explosions at the Blue Rhino propane plant in Tavares, Florida on July 29<sup>th</sup> show the potentially catastrophic dangers of large butane and propane tanks. Such tanks should not be located near densely populated areas.

In light of the recent propane explosions in Florida—and past explosions in Kansas, Texas, and other places—I am writing to respectfully request that the Office of the State Fire Marshal conduct an investigation and risk analysis of the Rancho LPG facility. After the Rancho LPG facility was permitted, a Los Angeles Times article stated at the time that an adequate safety and risk analysis was not conducted. I am also informed the amount of explosive propane at this facility is 50 times more than the Blue Rhino facility in Tavares, Florida. I am also informed that butane is as hazardous, if not more hazardous, than propane. Some of the issues I would like your office to investigate include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Should massive butane and propane tanks be located near homes, businesses, and schools? If not, how far away from densely populated areas should such a facility be located?
2. If the butane or propane tanks at Rancho LPG exploded, what is the worst case scenario?

3. What level earthquake could the Rancho LPG facility withstand without an explosion or other major catastrophe? What happens if an earthquake beyond the level of which Rancho LPG could withstand were to occur?
4. How susceptible is Rancho LPG to a terrorist attack?
5. What happens if the butane or propane tanks start leaking?
6. What type of insurance, and in what amount, does Rancho LPG carry, if any?
7. What recommendations, if any, are there that could make the facility safer?
8. Would relocating the facility to a further away location prevent loss of life or property should explosions or other catastrophic events occur at the Rancho LPG facility?

As you know, butane and propane accidents have occurred in other locations and have resulted in deaths, injuries, and significant property damage. Last October, a propane company in Kansas relocated its facility after a deadly explosion killed a worker and destroyed homes. In 1987, a butane explosion at a chemical plant in Texas killed three people and blew out windows in buildings six miles away. Butane and propane explosions have also occurred around the world, causing deaths and property damage.

Rancho LPG has already committed a series of environmental violations. The federal Environmental Protection Agency is handling those issues. I am requesting your office to address the safety, risk, and fire issues involved with having massive butane and propane tanks located near densely populated areas in San Pedro and Rancho Palos Verdes.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I am also happy to meet with you to discuss this issue. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (310) 318-6994.

Sincerely,



**TED W. LIEU**  
Senator, 28<sup>th</sup> District

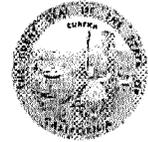
cc:

Rancho LPG Holdings, LLC.  
Congresswoman Janice Hahn  
Congressman Henry A. Waxman  
Assemblywoman Bonnie Lowenthal  
Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe  
Los Angeles City Councilman Joe Buscaino



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August 15, 2013

The Honorable Ted W. Lieu  
Senator, Twenty Eighth Senate District  
State Capitol, Room 4061  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Lieu:

Thank you for your letter requesting the CAL FIRE – Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) conduct an investigation and risk analysis of a Bulk Liquefied Propane Gas (LPG) storage facility owned and operated by Rancho LPG Holdings LLC., located at 2110 North Gaffey Street, San Pedro California. The OSFM has broad authority given to it under the Health and Safety Code, however bulk LPG storage facilities is outside of our statutory and regulatory responsibilities. I feel your request is more appropriate for the Office of Emergency Services (OES) which has statutory authority for Hazardous Materials Area Planning and the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) which is the authority having jurisdiction for community risk mitigation and emergency response.

I have copied the OES and the LAFD in this reply so that they are aware of your concerns. If you should have additional questions or if clarification is needed please contact CAL FIRE Deputy Director of Legislation, Caroline Godkin at (916) 653 -5333 or [caroline.godkin@fire.ca.gov](mailto:caroline.godkin@fire.ca.gov)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tonya L. Hoover" with "CAL FIRE" written in smaller letters to the right.

TONYA L. HOOVER  
State Fire Marshal

cc: Caroline Godkin, CAL FIRE  
Dawn Mehlhaff, OES  
Brian Cummings, LAFD  
Mark Storms, LAFD

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PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS EDWARD R. ROYBAL HEARING ROOM 350 - 2:30 PM  
200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

MEMBERS: COUNCILMEMBER JOSE HUIZAR, CHAIR  
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COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL ENGLANDER

(Sharon Gin - Legislative Assistant – (213)-978-1074 or Sharon.Gin@lacity.org)

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Note: For information regarding the Committee and its operations, please contact the Committee Legislative Assistant at the phone number and/or email address listed above. The Legislative Assistant may answer questions and provide materials and notice of matters scheduled before the City Council. Sign Language Interpreters, Communication Access Real-Time Transcription (CART), Assistive Listening Devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting/event you wish to attend. Due to difficulties in securing Sign Language Interpreters, five or more business days notice is strongly recommended. For additional information, please contact: Sharon Gin at (213) 978-1074.

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

(1)

13-1584  
CD 5

TIME LIMIT: 1/9/14; LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION: 1/8/14

Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Ms. Jaime L. Lee to the West Los Angeles Area Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 2017.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(2)

13-1612  
CD 5

TIME LIMIT: 1/16/14; LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION: 1/15/14

Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Ms. Janny H. Kim to the South Valley Area Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 2015.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(3)

13-1541  
CD 15

TIME LIMIT: 1/3/14; LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION: 12/18/13

Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Mr. Mitchell Harmatz to the Harbor Area Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 2014.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(4)

13-1646  
CD 15

TIME LIMIT: 2/19/14; LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION: 2/19/14

Environmental Impact Report, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and related California Environmental Quality Act findings, reports from the Mayor and the Los Angeles City Planning Commission, Resolution to amend the Wilmington - Harbor City Community Plan to change the land use designation from Open Space and Low Residential to Low Medium II Residential and to amend/add footnotes to the proposed Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan (PVSP), and proposed Ordinances to: 1) effect a zone change from R1-1XL and OS-1XL to the proposed PVSP zone, 2) establish the PVSP, and 3) amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish the PVSP, for the new construction of up to 700 residential units and a 2.42 acre public park at 26900 South Western Avenue.

Applicant: SFI Bridgeview, LLC

Representative: David P. Waite, Cox Castel and Nicholson, LLP

Case No. CPC-2012-2558-GPA-ZC-SP-CA

Fiscal Impact Statement: Yes

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(5)

13-1467  
CD 14

Negative Declaration and related California Environmental Quality Act findings, report from the Los Angeles City Planning Commission relative to the proposed Little Tokyo Community Design Overlay (CDO) boundaries and Ordinance establishing the CDO from those parcels within the proposed district from [Q]C2-3D to [Q]C2-3D-CDO, [Q]C2-3D-O to [Q]C2-3D-O-CDO, [Q]C2-4D to [Q]C2-4D-CDO, [Q]C2-4D-O to [Q]C2-4D-O-CDO, [Q]C4-2D to [Q]C4-2D-CDO, [Q]C4-4D to [Q]C4-4D-CDO, C2-2D-O to C2-2D-O-CDO, C2-4D to C2-4D-CDO, M2-2D-O to M2-2D-O-CDO, PF-2D to PF-2D-CDO, and R5-RD-O to R5-RD-O-CDO, for the area of downtown Los Angeles generally bounded by Temple Street to the north, Alameda Street to the east, Third Street to the south, and Los Angeles Street to the west. The Little Tokyo CDO provides guidelines and standards for

Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
Tuesday, December 17, 2013

development projects to provide design guidance, enhance the visual identity and appearance and reinforce the walk-ability of Little Tokyo.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

Case No. CPC-2012-3308-CDO-ZC

Fiscal Impact Statement Submitted: Yes

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(6)

13-1365  
CD 13

Motion (O'Farrell - Parks) relative to amending Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 5.530 to make it consistent with the goals of the Vermont-Western Station Neighborhood Area Plan pertaining to the provision of childcare facilities for project employees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(7)

07-1175

Director of Planning's oral status report relative to ongoing development of City planning policies, work program, operations, and other items of interest.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST  
WITHIN THIS COMMITTEES SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

If you challenge this Committee's action(s) in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk before the City Council's final action on a matter will become a part of the administrative record.

Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the committee after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office at 200 North Spring Street, Room 395, City Hall, Los Angeles, CA 90012 during normal business hours.

PL121713

To: The Council

Date: DEC 06 2013

From: Mayor

Council District: 15

Proposed General Plan Amendment,  
Zone Change, Specific Plan and Code Amendment on  
Property Located at 26900 South Western Avenue within the  
Wilmington-Harbor City Community Plan  
(CPC-2012-2558-GPA-ZC-SP-CA)

I herewith concur with the City Planning Commission's action  
approving the General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Specific Plan  
and Code Amendment, and transmit this matter for your consideration.



ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF  
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Date: **NOV 27 2013**

City Plan Case No. CPC-2012-2558-  
GPA-ZC-SP-CA  
Council District No. 15

Honorable City Council  
City of Los Angeles  
City Hall, Room 395  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmembers:

**PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONE CHANGE, SPECIFIC PLAN AND CODE AMENDMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26900 SOUTH WESTERN AVENUE WITHIN THE WILMINGTON – HARBOR CITY COMMUNITY PLAN**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 551, 555 and 558 of the City Charter, transmitted herewith is the November 14, 2013 action of the City Planning Commission recommending approval of a proposed General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation of the subject property from Open Space and Low Residential to Low Medium II Residential within the Wilmington – Harbor City Community Plan ("Community Plan"). The City Planning Commission recommended approval of a concurrent Zone Change from OS-1XL and R1-1XL to PVSP. The City Planning Commission also recommended approval of the Code Amendment and the establishment of the Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan.

The City Planning Commission, as evidenced by the attached Findings, has determined that the proposed land use designation and zone change will conform to the City's General Plan, will be compatible with adjacent land uses, and is appropriate for the site.

The proposed General Plan Amendment was submitted to the Mayor whose recommendation will be forwarded to you as specified by Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

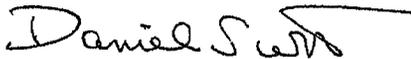
## RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council:

1. Certify that it has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Report ENV-2005-4516-EIR, SCH 2010101082 and Adopt the Statement of Overriding Considerations.
2. Adopt the attached Findings of the City Planning Commission as the Findings of the City Council; and
3. Concur in the attached action of the City Planning Commission relative to its recommended approval of the General Plan Amendment for the subject property; and
4. Adopt by Resolution, the proposed Plan Amendment to the Wilmington – Harbor City Community Plan as set forth in the attached exhibits; and
5. Adopt the ordinance changing the zone to PVSP as set forth in the attached exhibit; and
6. Adopt the Code Amendment to add the ordinance establishing the Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan; and
7. Direct staff to revise the Community Plan Map in accordance with this action.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL J. LOGRANDE  
Director of Planning



Dan Scott  
Principal City Planner

### Attachments:

1. City Plan Case File
2. City Planning Commission action, including Findings
3. General Plan Amendment Maps
4. Zone change and Specific Plan ordinance maps

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Date: NOV 27 2013

City Plan Case No. CPC-2012-2558-  
GPA-ZC-SP-CA  
Council District No. 15

Honorable Eric Garcetti, Mayor  
City of Los Angeles  
City Hall, Room 305  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mayor:

**PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONE CHANGE, SPECIFIC PLAN AND CODE AMENDMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26900 SOUTH WESTERN AVENUE WITHIN THE WILMINGTON – HARBOR CITY COMMUNITY PLAN**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 551, 555 and 558 of the City Charter, transmitted herewith is the November 14, 2013 action of the City Planning Commission recommending approval of a proposed General Plan Amendment to change the land use designation of the subject property from Open Space and Low Residential to Low Medium II Residential within the Wilmington – Harbor City Community Plan ("Community Plan"). The City Planning Commission recommended approval of a concurrent Zone Change from OS-1XL and R1-1XL to PVSP. The City Planning Commission also recommended approval of the Code Amendment and the establishment of the Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan.

The proposed General Plan Amendment is submitted to you for your recommendation, which is to be forwarded to the City Council as specified by Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. The Zone Change, Code Amendment and Specific Plan will be transmitted to you following City Council's action.

The City Planning Commission, as evidenced by the attached Findings, has determined that the proposed land use designation will conform to the City's General Plan, will be compatible with adjacent land uses, and is appropriate for the site.

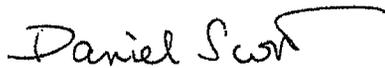
#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Mayor:

1. Concur in the attached action of the City Planning Commission relative to its recommended approval of the proposed General Plan Amendment for the subject property; and
2. Recommend that the City Council Adopt the attached Findings of the City Planning Commission relative to the General Plan Amendment; and
3. Recommend that the Council Adopt, by Resolution, the Plan Amendment to the Wilmington – Harbor City Community Plan, as shown in the attached exhibit; and
4. Recommend that the City Council direct staff to revise the Community Plan in accordance with this action.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL J. LOGRANDE  
Director of Planning



Daniel Scott  
Principal City Planner

Attachments:

1. City Plan Case File
2. Resolution
3. City Council Package

## TRANSMITTAL TO CITY COUNCIL

<b>Case No.(s)</b> CPC-2012-2558-GPA-ZC-SP-CA	<b>Planning Staff Name(s) and Contact No.</b> HENRY CHU 213-978-1324	<b>C.D. No.</b> 15
<b>Items Appealable to Council:</b> N/A	<b>Last Day to Appeal:</b> N/A	<b>Appealed:</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Location of Project (Include project titles, if any.)</b> 26900 S. WESTERN AVENUE		
<b>Name(s), Applicant / Representative, Address, and Phone Number.</b>		
SFI BRIDGEVIEW, LLC/ ISTAR FINANCIAL STEVEN MAGEE 4350 VON KARMAN AVE. 225 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	DAVID P. WAITE COX, CASTLE & NICHOLSON 2049 CENTURY PK EAST 2800 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067  310-284-2218	
<b>Name(s), Appellant / Representative, Address, and Phone Number.</b>		
N/A		
<b>Final Project Description (Description is for consideration by Committee/Council, and for use on agendas and official public notices. If a General Plan Amendment and/or Zone Change case, include the prior land use designation and zone, as well as the proposed land use designation and zone change (i.e. "from Very Low Density Residential land use designation to Low Density land use designation and concurrent zone change from RA-1-K to (T)(Q)R1-1-K). In addition, for all cases appealed in the Council, please include in the description <u>only</u> those items which are appealable to Council.)</b>		
<p>Establishment of a Specific Plan for approximately 61.5 gross acres to allow for the demolition and removal of 245 residential units, a community center, and commercial building (all a part of former U.S. Navy housing) for the new construction of up to 700 residential units and a 2.42 acre public park.</p>		
<b>Fiscal Impact Statement</b> <small>*Determination states administrative costs are recovered through fees.</small>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Environmental No.</b> ENV-2005-4516-EIR, SCH-2010101082
		<b>Commission Vote:</b> 6 - 0
 JAMES WILLIAMS, Commission Executive Assistant II		Date: <u>NOV 27 2013</u>



# LOS ANGELES CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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Determination Mailing Date: NOV 27 2013

**CASE NO.:** CPC-2012-2558-GPA-ZC-SP-CA  
**CEQA:** ENV-2005-4516-EIR (SCH. No. 2010101082)

**Location:** 26900 S. Western Avenue  
**Council District:** 15 – Buscaino  
**Plan Area:** Wilmington-Harbor City  
**Request(s):** General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Specific plan, Code Amendment

**Applicant:** SFI Bridgeview, LLC  
**Representative:** David P. Waite, Cox Castle & Nicholson, LLP

**At its meeting on November 14, 2013, the following action was taken by the City Planning Commission:**

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  - a. Change the land use designation from Open Space and Low Residential to Low Medium II Residential land use designation.
  - b. Amend Footnote No. 2 to read "Maximum height of 30 feet from adjacent grade except for the PVSP zone."
  - c. Add a footnote establishing the proposed Ponte Vista at San Pedro (PVSP) Specific Plan as the land use regulatory document for the project and provide correspondence of the Low Medium II residential land use designation with the PVSP zone.
2. **Approved a Zone Change** from R1-1XL and OS-1XL to the proposed **PVSP zone**.
3. **Approved a Code Amendment** to add the ordinance establishing the **Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan**.
4. **Approved** the establishment of the **Ponte Vista at San Pedro Specific Plan**.
5. **Certified** that it has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Report, and Supplemental Analysis, Environmental Clearance No. **ENV-2005-4516-EIR**, (SCH. No. 2010101082).
  - a. Adopted the Statement of Overriding Considerations setting forth the reasons and benefits of adopting the EIR with full knowledge that significant impacts may occur.
  - b. Adopted the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and adopt the related Environmental Findings.
6. **Advised** the Applicant that, pursuant to California State Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, the City shall monitor or require evidence that mitigation conditions are implemented and maintained throughout the life of the project and the City may require any necessary fees to cover the cost of such monitoring.
7. **Advised** the Applicant that pursuant to the State Fish and Game Code Section 711.4, a Fish and Game and/or Certificate of Game Exemption is now required to be submitted to the County Clerk prior to or concurrent with the Environmental Notices and Determination (NOD) filing.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS TO CITY COUNCIL:**

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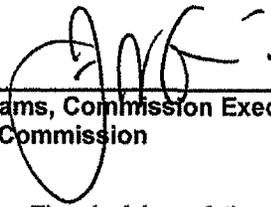
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- b. Adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and adopt the related Environmental Findings.

Fiscal Impact Statement: There is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

**This action was taken by the following vote:**

**Moved:** Dake-Wilson  
**Seconded:** Segura  
**Ayes:** Ahn, Choe, Katz, Perlman  
**Absent:** Ambroz, Mack

**Vote:** 6 - 0




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**James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II  
 City Planning Commission**

**Effective Date:** The decision of the City Planning Commission is effective upon the mailing date of the determination letter and is final.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the **90th day** following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

Attachments: Ordinances, Maps, Findings, Resolution  
City Planner: Henry Chu

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December 16, 2013

RE: AGENDA ITEM # 13-1646 COUNCIL DISTRICT 15  
PONTE VISTA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
Councilmember Chair: Jose Huizar  
Councilmembers: Gilbert Cedillo, Mitchell Englander

Dear Councilmembers,

It is **incredibly reckless** of the City of LA to have moved the Ponte Vista project this far through the approval process of development. While the City of LA, and in particular our own City Councilman Joe Buscaino, profess to embrace a stringent policy of “Public Safety First” the approvals of this project thus far prove a demonstrative disregard of that pledge.

Within ½ mile of this newly proposed housing lays a massive ticking time bomb, the Rancho liquefied petroleum gas storage facility (a limited liability corporation...meaning uninsured from liability to the City). This facility stores greater than 25 MILLION gallons of extremely explosive Butane and Propane gasses. The volume of gas in these tanks represents over 50 atomic bombs in stored energy. The facility originally located at this site in order to transport the majority of their gas by ship. Since the port has discontinued the use of its original pipeline to a wharf in the harbor, all gas is now being transported throughout the community and port by rail cars and trucks daily. This is an extraordinarily hazardous situation in such a densely populated and highly sensitive terrorist target area as the Port of LA.

Located at it's Gaffey St. location over 40 years ago under the name “Petrolane”, the facility (with significant political favor) was allowed to circumvent a proper CEQA/public and permitting process and also received an “emergency exemption” from the City of Los Angeles fire regulations. Also, this facility's huge and now antiquated tanks sit in an actual (LA City Planning Department designated) “Earthquake Rupture Zone”. (see SAFTYELT document LA City Planning) The CEO of Petrolane at the time (1970's) was R.J. Munzer, close friend and major campaign supporter of President Richard Nixon. The Middle East oil crisis was in full bloom. Liquid Petroleum gasses were perceived at the time to be a great energy source of the future with an expected broad range of uses associated with that optimism. Every effort was made to accommodate this facility. The spectrum of anticipated uses of these gasses were never realized, and Petrolane filed for bankruptcy in the 1980's. Subsequent owners have taken charge since with the Plains All American Pipeline subsidiary, Rancho LPG LLC being the latest.

This ultra hazardous facility was located and approved by the City of LA in the early 1970's despite knowing the existing vulnerabilities of it. Residents have **always** been located within a mere 1,000 ft. of this extreme source of danger, with 4 schools that also fall between 900 ft. to 1/2 mile from it. Adding greatly to an influx of potential victims is the new busy Home Depot, well within 250 feet of the facility and within another block or so a large and bustling "Target" store.

LA City Council itself has acknowledged the unacceptable risk posed to the local population and has introduced motions in the past to seek relocation of the facility. However, fears of lawsuits, costs and legal red tape have terrified the LA "leadership" from doing what they all know is the wise and prudent thing here. That is to **remove** the threat in the interest of public safety. One way to begin that process simply is to "discontinue" the monthly roll over rail permit that the Port of LA approves to Rancho. During that moratorium, the *long absent* proper risk analysis could be performed on the facility to establish the level of its risk, along with a demand for insurance from Rancho commensurate with that risk, to be provided to the City of LA and its residents.

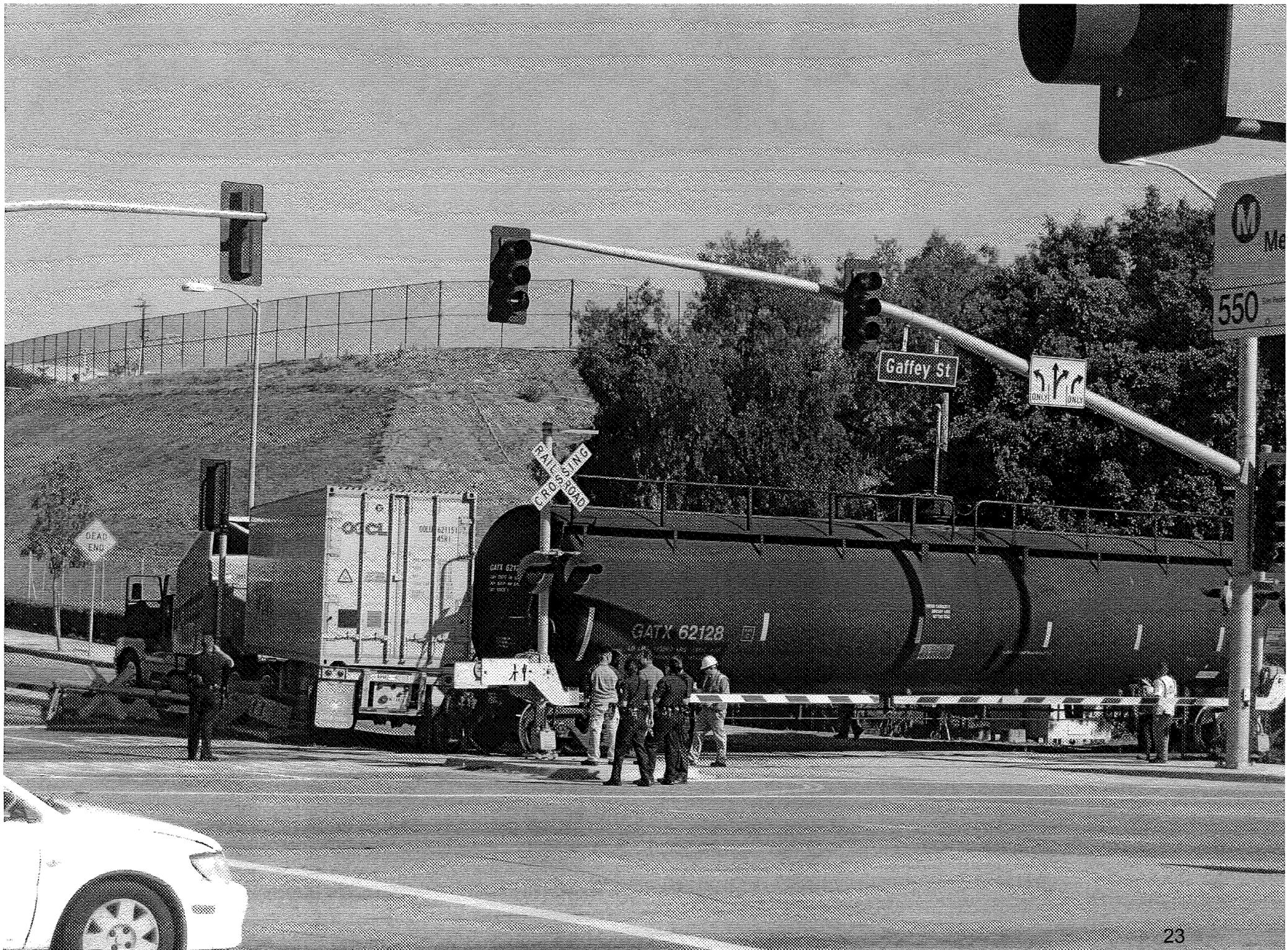
The greatest offense of all of this is the sheer audacity reflected by the City of LA in continuing the abuse and neglect of public safety by embracing, even through the concept, the introduction of more innocent potential victims into this menacing situation. And in this particular case that is over 2,000 people! This is the height of irresponsibility.

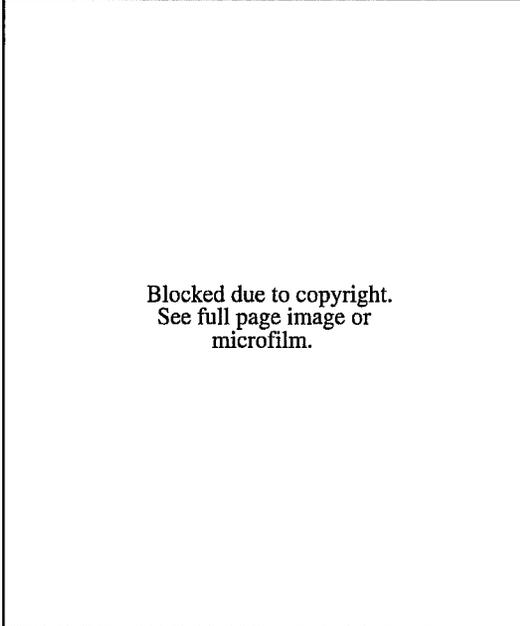
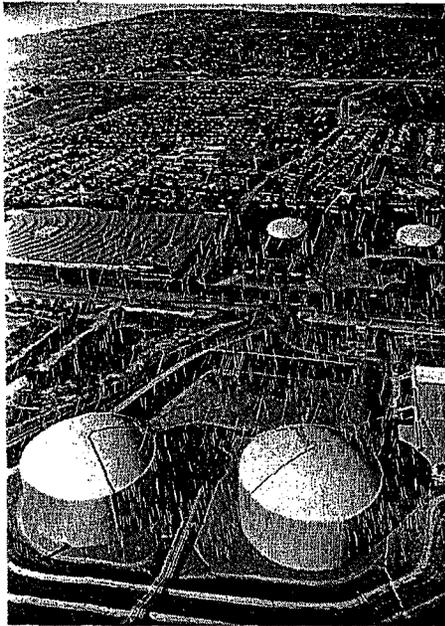
A thought for you to consider is that the serious explosions that took place only a few months ago at The Blue Rhino LPG facility in Florida, that demanded a one mile evacuation of a sparsely populated area, represented approximately 1% of the volume of gas held at Rancho LPG! For God's sake, STOP the insanity and take care of LA constituents BEFORE the catastrophe is allowed to happen. Then, and only then, can you think **responsibly** about building more homes in that area for our LA families.

Sincerely,

Janet Gunter  
Homeowner  
Member: San Pedro Peninsula Homeowners United

Attachments: Railcar accident Mar. 2013 (narrowly escaping car rupture)  
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**'ONE OF OUR GRAVEST CONCERNS'** —The two LPG tanks in San Pedro and map showing their close proximity to the Palos Verdes Fault. Times photo by Steve Fantasia from KMPC helicopter Times map by John Snyder

# Two San Pedro LPG Tanks Worry Officials

## Liquefied Petroleum Gas Facility Was Built Without Risk Analysis

**BY LARRY PRYOR**  
 Times Staff Writer

Two storage tanks containing a highly hazardous substance, liquefied petroleum gas, are operating near a densely populated area in San Pedro, although the facility was built without a risk analysis or comprehensive safety review, *The Times* has learned.

The \$9 million fuel storage and distribution facility, built by Petrolane, Inc., of Long Beach in 1973, suddenly has come under official scrutiny as a result of increasing controversy over the safety of port operations.

"This facility is one of our gravest concerns," said Los Angeles Fire Marshal John C. Gerard. "LPG has some of the same properties as LNG (liquefied natural gas) and should be treated on the same level of discipline."

But in contrast with the intense review and planning now going into the location of proposed LNG terminals for California, the San Pedro LPG terminal went through a fragmented permit process and much of its operation is unregulated.

As a result, state and local officials now believe the Petrolane facility has serious safety problems. For example: —The storage tanks, which have a capacity of 26 million gallons, are in the immediate vicinity of a potentially active geological fault, the Palos Verdes Fault. The tanks were built to

**The nearest home is about 1,000 feet away from the tanks.**

an earthquake design criteria far below that of a proposed LNG terminal for Los Angeles Harbor.

—The Los Angeles Fire Department believes the wooden offloading wharf, where Petrolane intends to bring in as many as 20 LPG tankers a year, is inadequate. The LPG wharf also is within 150 feet of other combustible materials—a lumber yard and an oil-storage area.

—The storage facility is unguarded, and its personnel are unlicensed. No standards are in effect to regulate the 6,000-foot pipeline from the wharf to the storage tanks or the operation of the LPG distribution facility.

The pipeline from the wharf to the storage tanks goes under the Harbor Freeway and along Gaffey St. The storage area at 2110 N. Gaffey is a complex of offices and equipment, including the large, white storage tanks, pressure vessels, compressors

and a loading area for trucks and railroad tank cars.

There is a drive-in movie theater across Gaffey about 500 feet away. The nearest residence is about 1,000 feet to the west. One school is about 2,000 feet from the facility and two others are slightly more than a mile away.

The site is zoned by the city of Los Angeles for heavy industrial use but is adjacent to residential zoning.

"This doesn't make any more sense than building an outhouse upstream," said one fire official. "There should be a general plan for the Harbor District that addresses itself to safety and isolates hazardous cargoes."

Part of Petrolane's predicament is both a growing awareness of hazardous materials and new information that has come to light since the project was conceived.

"We asked ourselves if this was a good safe place for the facility and we believed it was," said John May, an investment officer and spokesman for Petrolane. "We designed it and constructed it in excess of the requirements. That was a voluntary act . . . We complied with the law."

When it comes to hazards, safety experts class LPG—which in its commercially marketable form is mostly propane—in a category of its own. And its use is becoming more widespread.

Since the 1930s, propane has been used as a fuel in rural areas not served by natural gas lines. It is still a favored fuel for cabins and farms. But in recent years, it has been increasingly used in urban areas as a motor fuel and as a supplement for industries faced with natural gas curtailments.

When refrigerated to 44 degrees below zero or kept under pressure, the propane turns into a liquid, which makes it convenient to transport and store.

A state Energy Commission report on LPG estimated that about 570 million gallons were sold in California in 1974 and that demand for the efficient, clean-burning fuel is rising about 5% per year.

But the increased demand means LPG companies no longer can rely on domestic sources of LPG, which so far have met all but about 10% of demand. They are planning to import large quantities from Venezuela and the Middle East.

Some energy analysts predict there will be a worldwide surplus of LPG in 1980, which would tend to drive the price down and make it competitive with fuel oil. Imports would then increase substantially.

The trend toward large-scale im-

portation of LPG in specially designed tankers began on the East and Gulf coasts and has spread westward. Petrolane's San Pedro terminal, the only one in the state capable of storing LPG imports by ship, received its first delivery last November.

A second large distributor, California Liquid Gas Corp., is planning to build a similar facility in Contra Costa County in the Bay Area, although that project has been delayed because of adverse public opinion.

For the most part, Petrolane was able to build and operate its facility with remarkably little attention. Because of the peculiar regulatory status of LPG compared with other substances, the company had to seek a minimal number of permits.

One was from the regional Coastal Commission, which in October, 1973, unanimously voted to approve

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revisions to the berth and construction of the pipeline. (The storage tanks were outside the coastal zone.)

But the public notice of Petrolane's hearing made no mention of LPG, saying only that the permit involved "installation of a permanently mounted marine arm, with two connecting buried steel pipelines."

The commission's staff, relying on the analysis of the Los Angeles city Engineering Department, recommended approval of the permit. "We didn't have any idea of what that facility was all about," one staff member said.

Petrolane also needed, and received, the approval of the Los Angeles Harbor Commission to build the terminal. An environmental impact report filed with the commission as part of the permit process made no mention of the existence of the Palos Verdes Fault and avoided discussing hazardous aspects of LPG.

"Control measures are so stringent during ship unloading operations that a large-quantity spill is extremely unlikely," the EIR said. "If by chance liquid propane contacted harbor area water, intense boiling action would occur converting the propane into gaseous form which would then quickly disperse."

But interviews with safety specialists and a review of the literature on LPG accidents failed to confirm such a prediction.

LPG is such a powerful explosive

that it is used by the Defense Department in concussion bombs. These weapons were employed in Vietnam to create, among other things, instant helicopter pads in the jungle and are now being sought by the Israeli government because they are the only bomb that can penetrate Egypt's underground jet hangars.

So far, the largest events involving commercial LPG have been a result of accidents to 10,000-gallon tank trucks and railroad cars. The fires and explosions from these incidents are among the worst industrial accidents on record.

What would happen if 25 million gallons of LPG were released to the atmosphere or were subjected to intense heat while still in their storage tanks is not known.

LPG is more easily stored and transported than LNG because it does not have to be kept as cold. But unlike LNG, which is mostly methane and tends to rise when it vaporizes, LPG is a heavy gas and hugs the ground, making it difficult to disperse.

LPG is highly flammable and there is evidence that an unconfined propane air cloud will explode. LPG tanks exposed to fire can detonate with enormous force, a phenomenon known as a "BLEVE," which is pronounced "bleevy" and stands for "boiling liquid expanding vapor explosions."

One such explosion in Kingman, Ariz., in 1973, for example, involved the rupture of a railroad tank car that killed 13 persons and injured 95 others. The fireball rose several hundred feet in a mushroom cloud and was 800 to 1,000 feet in diameter.

One evaluation of fragments from 84 LPG tank car accidental explosions showed that at least 20% of the fragments traveled more than 1,000 feet. Another study showed that 41% of the tank car accidents involving a release of LPG resulted in an explosion and 25% in a fire.

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# Gas Tanks Worry Officials

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Data on the accident rate of fixed storage facilities is sparse because no federal agency has responsibility for these facilities, and accident reports are not required. One study done last year by the IIT Research Institute of Chicago concluded: "There are as many explosions and/or serious fires at fixed installations as there are LPG transportation accidents."

There also is evidence of an increase of accidents involving fixed facilities. An article in Fire Command pointed out that "in the five years since 1970 there has been a dramatic increase in the number of fatalities and injuries as the result of BLEVEs." Twelve incidents reported resulted in the death of 18 fire fighters and six civilians, with injuries to 300 persons.

The January issue of LP-Gas, a trade journal, said "several major accidents over the past two years, resulting in extraordinary claims, have left the insurance companies jittery and skeptical of the risks involved in issuing LPG dealers coverage."

As a result, the journal said, liability insurance costs have escalated sharply, amounting to 29.5% of one dealer's total 1977 projected costs and only two major insurance companies are now quoting a price for LPG liability.

Petrolane's spokesman, John May, said the company had been handling LPG for 50 years and "we can't see propane as an onerous material. It isn't unusually difficult to handle and we've been handling it safely."

The safety of the Petrolane facility in San Pedro has been questioned at the state and local level recently for a number of reasons, not the least being the explosion of the oil tanker Sanisena last fall, which reminded the public that the Port of Los Angeles was indeed there.

An application by Pacific Lighting Corp. to locate an LNG terminal in the harbor has stirred further interest in port safety, including an investigation by a multiagency Hazardous Cargo Task Force.

But Petrolane, itself, is forcing the issue by proposing to import about 120 million gallons per year of propane through its San Pedro facility, starting the third quarter of next year. The company expects to offload a large LPG tanker in the harbor every 19 to 23 days.

The main customer for this fuel would also be Pacific Lighting, which plans to take the propane to Wilmington by pipeline, put it in a proposed air-mixing plant and inject it into its gas system. This propane would be about 2% of Southern California's gas supply.

To do this, Pacific Lighting's subsidiary, Southern California Gas Co., applied to the state Public Utilities Commission for a certificate to build the mixing facility, a step that would ordinarily require an environmental impact report.

The examiner in the case, however, concluded that safety questions involved were "insignificant" and proposed issuing a "negative declaration," which would exempt the gas company from having to prepare an EIR and address questions of vessel safety or the operation of the storage facility.

However, on March 15, the state Coastline Commission filed an exception to the proposed PUC action, expressing "strong concerns" about the safety of the LPG terminal complex.

The Coastline Commission said the examiner's decision appeared to have been due "primarily to the unfamiliarity with the potential

hazards involved" and a reliance on other regulatory bodies to handle safety problems.

Among concerns raised by the coastal commission's staff:

—The increase in LPG vessel traffic that will result from the project.

—The suitability of the berth at the terminal.

—The potential land use conflicts and safety hazards presented by the project's "proximity to open flame sources, lumber storage yards, petroleum storage and residential activities."

Although the Los Angeles Fire Department initially approved the Petrolane project in 1973, an internal department memorandum dated January 26 raises a number of problems connected with the marine terminal and recommends that the wharf be rebuilt, this time out of concrete.

It also pointed out that all electrical installations in the terminal should be surveyed by the Department of Building and Safety's electrical division.

The Petrolane terminal, because of the way the city's building-safety and fire codes are written, received piecemeal inspection from the Department of Building and Safety. The two large storage tanks, for example, were built without a city building permit, according to public records.

The building code exempts a storage tank for flammable fluids from the permit and inspection

## Published maps show the fault running adjacent to the San Pedro property.

process if the tank is built with a dike around it. The dike is supposed to contain the fluid if the tank ruptures.

The storage tanks at the Petrolane facility are not diked, but a section of the National Fire Protection Assn.'s (NFPA) LPG code says that a dike is not necessary "where spillage of hydrocarbons can be adequately contained by topography."

Therefore, the Petrolane tanks, if ruptured, would flow into a catchbasin built below them. But both the NFPA code and the city Fire Code state that the capacity of the basin need only be sufficient for the contents of one tank.

Although the Petrolane tanks can hold 25 million gallons of LPG, documents show that the basin below the tanks has a capacity of 13 million gallons. One fire official explained that it was considered highly unlikely that both tanks would rupture simultaneously.

Petrolane's May pointed out that the nature of the storage tanks provide a conservative measure of protection, since they are double-walled and have a layer of insulation between the two shells.

Storage tanks also are known for their ability to withstand destruction during severe earthquakes. This was proved during the Alaska quake of 1964 and the San Fernando earthquake of 1971.

Since no risk analysis was done on the Petrolane facility, there is no way to determine the likelihood of various events in addition to earthquakes, such as the effects on the storage tanks from a fire or "BLEVE" in a nearby tank truck or railroad tank car.

A seismic study was done for Petrolane in

1972 by Converse, Davis & Associates, but the study was not made part of the public record by the regional Coastline Commission, the Harbor Department or the PUC.

Robert A. Reid, manager of engineering services for Petrolane, said the consulting firm calculated that the Palos Verdes Fault was about a mile to the north of the facility. It was therefore built to withstand an earthquake of 6 magnitude on the Richter scale and a peak ground force acceleration of .35 of the force of gravity.

Reid said these values were considerably above what was required by the city's Uniform Building Code and the company had decided to use conservative assumptions on seismic activity.

Moreover, Reid said, the storage site, which is carved into a hill below a Union Oil Co. refinery, had "foundation conditions that are the best in the South Coast Basin. That is San Pedro sandstone, which is a very hard structure and had construction advantages."

But published maps by the U.S. Geological Survey, the state Division of Mines and Geology and the Los Angeles Planning Department indicate the fault is closer to the Petrolane facility than one mile. Although the scale of these maps is not precise enough to be site-specific, they show the fault running immediately adjacent to the property.

The fault does not break the surface at this point and slopes at an angle about 2,000 feet down. Geologists therefore refer to it as a fault zone and the Petrolane facility is shown on the city's seismic map as lying within that zone.

The Palos Verdes Fault is considered "potentially active," which means it has showed no sign of movement in recent times, or within about the last 11,000 years.

Geologists, nevertheless, treat it with respect. Pacific Lighting's proposed LNG plant also would lie within the Palos Verdes Fault zone, but Dames and Moore, the seismic consultants for the LNG project, have recommended anticipating a 6.5 magnitude earthquake on the Palos Verdes Fault and ground accelerations totaling .7 of the force of gravity, counting both vertical and horizontal movement.

One seismic consultant, Dr. Jim Slosson, former state geologist and now with Engineering Geology Consultants, Inc., of Van Nuys, considers the maximum credible earthquake for the Palos Verdes Fault to be 7 magnitude. On a project he worked on recently, Slosson estimated peak accelerations to be .6 Gs at three-fourths of a mile from the fault.

"This (Slosson's prediction), is a credible event," said Dr. Roger Sherburne, a seismologist with the state Division of Mines and Geology.

Because of the way state laws and regulations are written, an existing facility not subject to a seismic safety review and containment of hazardous materials has been given a low priority.

"The state is just getting into this whole business," said Peter Stromberg, a seismic safety specialist with the state Seismic Safety Commission. "For some reason, we just haven't gotten into the energy field."

Each local, state or federal agency contacted by The Times said it had either no jurisdiction over the Petrolane facility or jurisdiction over only a particular aspect of it.

An official with the federal Office of Pipeline Safety, for example, said the 6,000-foot pipeline from the wharf to the storage area did not fall under federal jurisdiction because it carried liquefied propane. If the propane were in its gaseous form, it would be covered by federal regulations, he said.

The U.S. Coast Guard has jurisdiction over the facility from the time the LPG tankers enter U.S. territorial waters to the point they are

unloaded. A Coast Guard spokesman said the agency does not now consider that it has jurisdiction over the inland storage facility.

The Coast Guard is circulating a draft of a permit procedure for marine terminals handling hazardous materials. This procedure would regulate all aspects of new LPG tidewater facilities, including inland storage areas. It also would apply retroactively to facilities such as Petrolane's if "reasonable improvements" were required "at the discretion of the commandant."

Under the proposed permit procedure, the Coast Guard would inspect the design, construction and operation of terminal facilities and require that operators and supervisory personnel be required to hold licenses.

A terminal applicant would have to supply a chart of all areas within 5,000 feet showing various structures such as schools, hospitals, buildings with more than 100 persons, recreation areas and other facilities handling flammable, explosive or toxic materials.

"No specific guidelines are implied in this listing of structures and zones of human activity," the Coast Guard said, "but the applicant would have the burden of proof using professional risk analysis techniques to show that the site and waterway route chosen presents no more risk than (the) population is exposed to in that area from such natural risks as hurricanes, earthquakes, fatal heart attack and death by cancer."

# Gas Facility Quake Safety Questioned in PUC Report

BY LARRY PRYOR

Times Staff Writer

A liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) storage facility in San Pedro was not designed to withstand the maximum credible earthquake from two nearby fault zones, the staff of the Public Utilities Commission said in a draft safety report.

The facility, which can hold up to 25.2 million gallons of the hazardous fuel, was built on the assumption that the maximum earthquake on the Newport-Inglewood Fault would be 5.5 magnitude and the Palos Verdes Fault would be 6.0 magnitude.

Recent studies, the report said, indicate a maximum earthquake for the Newport-Inglewood of 7.0, and for the Palos Verdes, 7.0 to 7.2 on the Richter scale. Both are considered by geologists to be active faults.

The conclusion that could be drawn, the PUC draft report said, is:

"Within their lifetime, the LPG tanks may experience an earthquake of such magnitude as to severely

damage both tanks, spilling their contents.

"The actual effects of such an occurrence . . . depends on a number of factors, but mostly upon the amount of LPG actually in the tanks at the time of rupture and whether the escaping liquid vaporizes and is ignited.

"Certainly if the tanks were empty, little impact would result other than the loss of the tanks, but if both were full or nearly full and both ruptured, the impact could be disastrous, especially since the catch basin can only hold the contents of one tank."

The PUC staff recommended that the reservoir at the base of the LPG tanks be expanded to hold the volume of both tanks. If the impoundment were deepened, the report said, the chance of spillage of LPG onto nearby Gaffey St. "would be minimized in the event the dike cracked."

The report said that if the LPG

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tanks rupture while full, the propane-based liquid would flow into an adjacent drainage channel and exceed its capacity.

"The liquid would flow southward along Gaffey St. and would accumulate in a large pool around the intersection of Gaffey and Battery Sts.," the report said. "From there it would enter the storm sewers which flow into the harbor about 800 feet away."

Unlike liquefied natural gas (LNG), which is liquefied methane that is kept at minus 260 degrees, LPG is stored at minus 45 degrees, or even higher temperatures if it is under pressure. When it turns into a gas, however, LPG hugs the ground and is more volatile than LNG vapors which rise.

The PUC report declined to speculate on the possibility of ignition or explosion of an LPG spill at San Pedro, noting that results from experiments by federal agencies are not available.

A spokesman for the U.S. Coast Guard said further experiments with large-scale LPG spills would be carried out at China Lake in about four weeks, but he said a great deal of research on LPG spills already had been done.

"It's a matter of confirmation of the behavior (of propane vapor clouds) rather than going into a new area," he said.

Numerous reports by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) document open-air detonations of LPG in transportation accidents, several with devastating results.

An explosion of unconfined vapor from a railroad tank car at Decatur, Ill., in 1974, for example, set off a

## **Some accidents have resulted in devastating LPG explosions.**

shock wave that was felt 40 miles away, damaged 700 homes and 11 schools. Losses totaled \$18 million. Seven railroad employees were killed.

Another explosion in Franklin County, Mo., in 1970, caused by a ruptured LPG pipeline, "extensively damaged 13 homes within a 2-mile radius, sheared telephone poles, snapped tree trunks, smashed windows 12 miles away, and registered on a seismograph in St. Louis, 55 miles distant," the NTSB report said.

The fatality rate would have been high, the NTSB said, except the rural area had been swiftly evacuated.

The San Pedro LPG facility, operated by Petrolane, Inc., of Long Beach, is on industrially zoned land but is within 1,000 feet of a residential street. The adjacent area also has schools, apartment houses and a drive-in theater.

A spokesman for Petrolane said Chicago Bridge and Iron, Inc., which built the plant for Petrolane, is reviewing its specifications to see if the tanks can withstand greater shaking than anticipated.

"The preliminary numbers they are willing to stand by indicate the tanks will not fail even if a .7g force is exerted on them," said Frank Maple vice president of the LPG Gas Division of Petrolane.

The plant was designed to sustain a peak acceleration of .45g, or slightly less than half the force of gravity.

Maple said these studies would be turned over to the PUC. "If somebody said those tanks were not safe, we wouldn't want to operate them," he concluded.

The facility is coming under increasing scrutiny because the Southern California Gas Co. has proposed buying 5 to 6 million barrels per year of propane from Petrolane, mixing it with air in a facility in Wilmington and injecting the gas into its distribution system.

This requires approval of the PUC. An examiner in the case initially recommended that an environmental impact report, which would include a safety analysis, was not necessary. This ruling is being contested by a number of agencies, including the state Coastal Line Commission and the city of Los Angeles.

The city attorney's office has filed a petition with the PUC pointing out that compressors at the Petrolane facility are creating noise and vibration problems in the adjacent residential area in violation of the city noise ordinance.

Petrolane's Maple said the company had installed a muffler on one of three compressors and was evaluating the results.

Critics of the facility argue that noise, seismic and other problems—such as the adequacy of the design of a 6,000-foot pipeline from the harbor to the storage facility—should be evaluated.

The LPG demand created by the gas company project would require 21 to 23 shiploads of LPG into the inner Los Angeles Harbor per year, but the Coastline Commission staff has argued that a risk analysis and risk management plan for Petrolane's operations should be done "before another LPG tanker is permitted to berth at the LPG terminal."

"The existing unloading and transfer facility appears to be poorly sited and equipped for receiving LPG tankers," the Coastline Commission staff said in comments in the PUC study. It said the terminal is adjacent to petrochemical transport and storage facilities and to a large lumber yard.

"An LPG accident with major consequences could result not only from direct LPG operations, but also from accidents occurring at these nearby

facilities," the Coastline Commission staff said.

A recent report by the city's Hazardous Cargo Task Force commended the safety procedures at the facility as being "very adequate," but recommended that the offloading berth "be considered for relocation to the outer harbor."

The task force said the city's Building and Safety Department had "evaluated the seismic design of the storage facility and found design and construction to be adequate and is in the process of issuing permits approving the installation."

Although the storage tanks were put in operation in 1974, they were built without a building permit. Petrolane officials said they applied for permits but were told by the city the tanks were exempt.

The Building Department revised that ruling after a story appeared in the April 4 edition of The Times

## **City evaluations of facility found seismic design adequately safe.**

pointing out that the tanks had been built without a building permit.

John Robb, a seismic safety specialist with the department, said the original consultants in the project, Converse Davis Dixon Assn., had been asked to reevaluate the Petrolane project on the basis of more complete seismic data.

Considerable study has been devoted to the Palos Verdes and Newport-Inglewood faults recently because of a proposal to put an LNG facility on Terminal Island, which is in the same area.

The PUC staff also said the seismic safety design of the storage tanks "should be reviewed in light of recent studies indicating the potential activity of the Palos Verdes Fault."

This leaves open the possibility that the \$9 million facility will be found to be obsolete only three years after it started operations.

**TO:** CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER  
**FROM:** LES M. JONES II, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS  
**DATE:** DECEMBER 18, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT



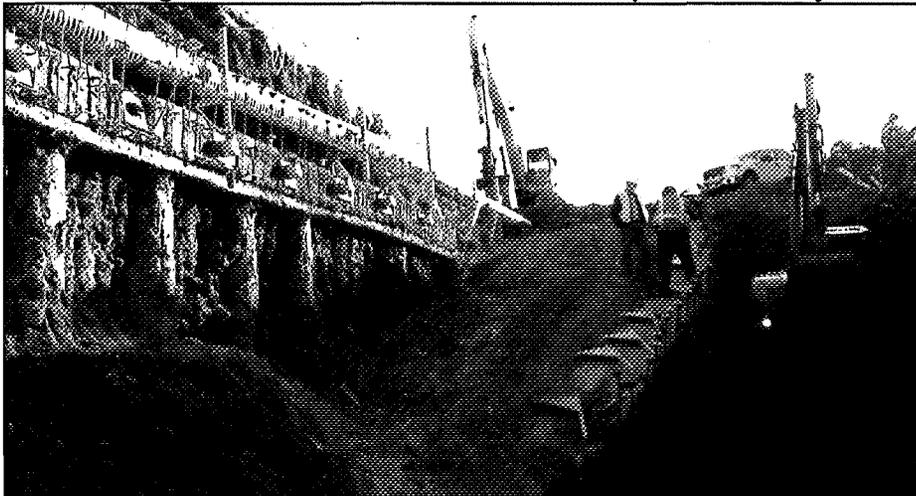
**SAN RAMON CANYON PROJECT UPDATE**

The contractor is nearing the end of excavation and construction of the rib and lag (upper) tunnel. Breakthrough, when the tunnel daylights at the upper end of the project, is expected this week, assuming weather does not interfere. The tunneling work is carefully and regularly surveyed to ensure that the daylight opening will occur at the right location within the inlet structure. All indications are that the tunnel is on target to do just that. Once the tunneling is complete, the contractor will begin the process of installing the 54-inch carrier pipe within the tunnel.

At the top of the project, the contractor continues with construction of the inlet structure that will direct runoff into the pipeline. The contractor has installed foundation piles, grade beams and tie backs. These will support the wing walls and head wall which protect the canyon walls and train the flows into the pipe opening. See photo below.

Now that the slant drain is finished and the carrier pipe secured within it, the contractor is making the connection between the cut and cover portion of the pipeline and the slant drain. This process involved excavation and laying of three 25-foot pipe segments, followed by back fill and restoration of the surface. When completed later this week, the slant drain pit will be filled and the crane at the bluff top removed. The pipeline installation will be complete from the beach to just below PVDS.

At the beach, the contractor is installing reinforcing steel that will support the end wall and wing walls of the outlet structure. Structural reinforcement steel for the discharge apron is also being installed. These should be completed in early January.



## **RPV CALIFORNIA COASTAL TRAIL (CCT) PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

With the installation of way finding signs and interpretive panels, the RPV CCT project is now complete.

The City's segment of the CCT extends the entire length of the City's coastline between the boundary lines of the City of Palos Verdes Estates and the City of Los Angeles. The total length of the RPV segment of the CCT is approximately 9 miles. This project has improved 2.5 miles of this segment. The rest of the trail length has either been improved previously or is part of the naturally compacted surface trails which exist in the City's Preserve.

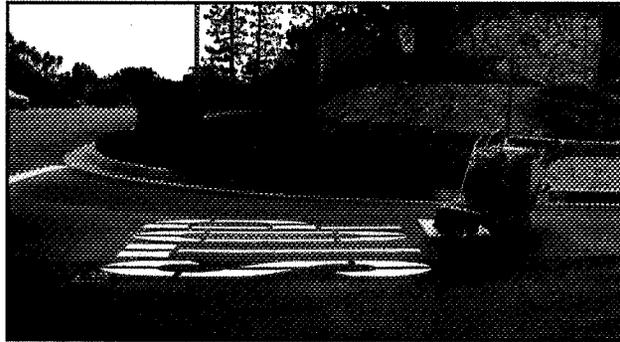


## **SUNNYSIDE RIDGE TRAIL SEGMENT GRANT APPROVAL**

Staff is pleased to share that last week the City received notification that the 2013 competitive trail grant application for its proposed Sunnyside Ridge Trail Segment Improvement project was approved. The grant in the amount of \$300,000 is offered from Supervisor Knabe's office. Staff expects to receive a formal letter of approval and agreement documents from the County in early 2014. (See attached email) Furthermore, staff has notified the affected neighbors and other interested parties of this new development. Finally, staff plans to prepare a staff report with the project scope of work, and request the City Council for grant acceptance and project budget authorization in 2014.

## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE ON PHASE II OF THE FY11-12 RESIDENTIAL STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AREAS 3 AND 5**

Work continues this week with the placement of permanent pavement striping, markings, and legends on the recently resurfaced streets. No work will be performed on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013, and January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 in observance of the holidays. Any questions or concerns should be directed to the Public Works Department.



**Placement of a Thermoplastic Pavement Legend at Le Blanc Pl and Sattes Dr Intersection**

## Lauren Ramezani

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**From:** Malaisha Hughes <mhughes@parks.lacounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 12, 2013 3:43 PM  
**To:** Lauren Ramezani  
**Subject:** Sunnyside Ridge Trail Segment Improvement  
**Attachments:** Proposed Projects.pdf

Hello Lauren,

Congratulations! The City's Sunnyside Ridge Trail Segment Improvement has been approved for the 2013 Competitive Trails Grant Program. You will soon receive a formal letter from our director. Please note that the tentative agenda date is February 2014. I will follow up with you on project details and grant requirements so that we can get everything ready to execute the agreement.

In the meanwhile, let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

*Misha Hughes*

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*This office is closed on Fridays*

**SUPERVISOR DON KNABE  
2013 COMPETITIVE TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM  
Proposed Projects**

The following projects have been approved for the 2013 Competitive Trails Grant Program.

<b>Proposed Project</b>	<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1 Urban Forest at Camp Shiwaka	Camp Fire Long Beach Area Council	\$ 300,000.00
2 Historic District Recreation Area	City of Artesia	\$ 300,000.00
3 Avalon Canyon Fit Trail	City of Avalon	\$ 299,700.00
4 Trail Development at H Bryum Zinn Park	City of Bellflower	\$ 203,900.00
5 Installation of Citywide Bike Paths	City of Cerritos	\$ 220,000.00
6 Grand View Trail and Link	City of Diamond Bar	\$ 300,000.00
7 Apollo Park Walking Trail Project	City of Downey	\$ 300,000.00
8 Furman Park Walking/Jogging Trail	City of Downey	\$ 300,000.00
9 West San Gabriel River Parkway Improvement	City of Lakewood	\$ 218,380.00
10 Drake/Chavez Greenway Trail	City of Long Beach	\$ 300,000.00
11 Red Car Greenway Project	City of Long Beach	\$ 300,000.00
12 Wrigley Greenbelt Trail	City of Long Beach	\$ 300,000.00
13 Manhattan Beach Veterans Parkway	City of Manhattan Beach	\$ 297,825.00
14 Paseo Del Sol Turnaround	City of Palos Verdes Estates	\$ 75,000.00
15 All American, Progress & Paramount Parks	City of Paramount	\$ 300,000.00
16 Sunnyside Ridge Trail Segment Improvement	City of Rancho Palos Verdes	\$ 300,000.00
17 Ernie Howlett Park Perimeter Pathway	City of Rolling Hills Estates	\$ 249,800.00
18 Trail Renovations	City of Signal Hill	\$ 109,000.00
19 Whittier Greenway Trail East Extension	City of Whittier	\$ 300,000.00
20 Peter F Shabarum Trail Improvements	Department of Parks and Recreation	\$ 275,000.00
21 SD4 East Trail Mapping & Signage Project	Department of Parks and Recreation	\$ 300,000.00
22 SD4 West Trail Mapping & Signage Project	Department of Parks and Recreation	\$ 300,000.00
23 South Coast Botanic Garden Trail Improvements	Department of Parks and Recreation	\$ 153,000.00
24 Dockweiler RV Park Bicycle Path Bypass	Department of Public Works	\$ 135,000.00
25 Zedler Marsh Urban Trails System	Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority	\$ 105,600.00
26 Ballona Creek Regional Gateway	Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority	\$ 300,000.00
27 Connecting the Community to Nature	Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy	\$ 80,250.00
28 Puente Hills Preserve Trails Improvements	Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority	\$ 300,000.00
29 Puente Hills Preserve: Hellman Park Trailhead	Puente Hills Habitat Preservation Authority	\$ 300,000.00

The Board of Supervisors must officially allocate project funding before the District can execute project agreements. The tentative approval date is February 2014. For additional information, please contact Misha Hughes at mhughes@parks.lacounty.gov or (213) 738-2119.



**TO: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER**

**FROM: JOEL ROJAS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

**DATE: DECEMBER 18, 2013**

**SUBJECT: WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**RPV/PVPLC Monthly Meeting Minutes**

Attached are the minutes from the December 5, 2013 monthly meeting between City and the PVPLC Staff related to management of the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve. These minutes will also be posted on the City's website on the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve homepage.

**RPV Coast Vision Plan Amendment – Lower Point Vicente Update**

As a result of the withdrawal of the Annenberg Foundation's development application for Lower Point Vicente, at its November 20, 2012 meeting, the City Council amended the Vision Plan by removing the Annenberg Foundation's proposal and substituting it with a public green area. The Council also directed Staff to initiate a public outreach process to develop an updated plan for Lower Point Vicente that would eventually be incorporated into the Council adopted Vision Plan.

Given this direction, prior to conducting public workshops on this matter, Staff formed a focus group of community stakeholders (including one councilmember) to help develop a base plan that would be presented to the public. Over the past year, the focus group regularly met and has come up with a base plan that intends to strike a balance between the various community stakeholders, complies with the property restrictions, and adheres to various City documents. However, prior to vetting the base plan at a future public workshop and at a future City Council meeting, City Staff previously reported that officials from the National Park Service (NPS) and State Parks were asked this past summer to affirm that the base plan for the proposed park improvements at Lower Point Vicente comply with the property's deed restrictions and Program of Utilization. The base plan delivered to the NPS and State Parks can be found on the City's website (under the Vision Plan homepage) at the following link:

<http://palosverdes.com/rpv/planning/planning-zoning/RPV-Vision-Plan.cfm>

**Community Development Department  
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On December 10, 2013, City Staff heard back from David Siegenthaler with the NPS on the proposed base plan for Lower Point Vicente (see attachment). According to Mr. Siegenthaler, the proposed plan appears to be consistent with the public outdoor park and recreation requirements established when the property was transferred to Los Angeles County (and subsequently to the City) from the Federal government.

The next step is to refine the base plan for the public outreach process. As soon as the base plan has been refined, City Staff will initiate the public outreach by conducting a public workshop, meeting with neighboring HOAs, CHOA, and other community groups to garner as much input as possible before taking the updated site plan to City Council. This is estimated to occur in spring 2014.

Staff will continue to update the Council, the public (via list-serve messages), and officials with NPS and State Parks on the development of the park improvement plan for Lower Point Vicente.

**Applications of Note**

Attached is a table with a summary of the Applications of Note that were submitted to the department between Wednesday, December 11, 2013 and Tuesday, December 17, 2013.

**Attachments**

- December 5<sup>th</sup> RPV/PVPLC Monthly Meeting Minutes
- December 10, 2013 email from Mr. Siegenthaler
- Applications of Note

**PVPLC/RPV Preserve Management Team  
December 5, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance**

Ara Mihranian, Joel Rojas, Cory Linder,Carolynn Petru, Danielle LeFer, Andrea Vona, and Chris Ortiz

**Action Items from August 2013 Meeting**

- **Port-o-potty mapping (Joel)** – this item was removed and placed under GIS Planning Topics
- **Jim York Permissive Use Agreement (Ara)** - It was reported that Mr. York recently contacted Staff to see if talks on an agreement between the City and Mr. York can resume. While the City and the PVPLC continue to explore an alternative trail route on City land, City Staff intends to resume pursuing an agreement with Mr. York. In the interim, “trail closed” signs will be installed at the trail junctions.
- **Peppertree area Trail Easement follow-up (Ara)** – After the holidays, Ara will reach out to these property owners, using the Permissive Use Agreement that was originally drafted for Mr. York as the template, to initiate discussions to obtain permission to allow a portion of the Peppertree Trail to traverse their private property.
- **Installation of “Walk bikes” signs at Filiorum Reserve (Ara)** – The signs have been ordered and will be installed by Public Works with Ara’s assistance based on the GIS mapping conducted by the PVPLC during a field visit with Councilman Knight.
- **Packsaddle trail “Trail Closed Sign” (Chris)** – Two signs (Trail Closed and Trail Closes within 300-feet) have been ordered and will be installed by Public Works with Ara’s assistance.
- **Cave Trail: remove railing for trail access (Chris)** – After a site visit to delineate the project scope, Chris reported that this project should be completed by week’s end.
- **Ocean Front Estates: No wildlife feeding signs needed (Chris)** – The team identified the sign locations that will be installed within the next few weeks.

**PVPLC Topics**

- **Ongoing trail project update:**
  - **Coastal trail connector with PV Drive (Smuggler’s Cove)** – Danielle reported that aside from the trail markers that are being provided by the City as part of the California Coastal Trails project, construction of this project has been completed.
- **Preserve Rules Sign** – Two additional signs will be installed at the following locations:
  - **Intrepid (Forrestal)**
  - **Calle Entradero (Vicente Bluffs)**
- **Preserve Decal Replacement Project Update** – It was reported that the next location for the decal installation is planned for Vicente Bluffs Reserve.
- **Volunteer Trail Watch Update** – A report was given on the recent quarterly meeting. It was also reported that orientation for the next group of volunteers is scheduled for February/March 2014.
- **Annual Report Update** – the City Council received and filed the Cumulative and Annual Reports at its December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
- **Abalone Cove Restoration Project** – Work on this project continues to move along and is anticipated to be completed early next year.
- **Abalone Cove Rodent Control** – Chris reported that the City is no longer using a rodenticide.
- **Sacred Cove (West) Trail Closure** - The team agreed that the western segment of the Sacred Cove View Trail should be closed due to recently observed steep drops in the trail grade resulting from land movement. The City and PVPLC will look into closing all or portions of the trail until repairs can be made to the trail.
- **2014 Trail Hike Schedule** – The schedule was approved.
- **Grant Contracts / Agreements**
  - **USFWS Coastal Program Grant** – Danielle will provide Ara with a signed copy of the agreement for the City Clerk’s files.

**City Manager Topics**

- **2009 Edison litigation status update (RPV)** - No new information has been received and the City and the PVPLC are still waiting for the new trial date.

### Public Works Topics

- **San Ramon Stabilization Project Update** – It was reported that construction continues to move forward and a more detailed update will be provided at the next meeting.
- **GIS overlays:**
  - **Dewatering wells (Public works)** - It was agreed to table this item until funding can be identified to cover the associated costs of creating a GIS layer with this information
- **Portuguese Bend Reserve Eucalyptus Tree** – After much discussion, it was agreed that Public Works will revisit the location of the trees in question to determine if hazardous condition exists, and if so, then the appropriate trees will be cut to eliminate the hazard.
- **Calwater Trail Damage on Burma Road** – Public works will determine how to repair the trail caused by the runoff and to determine if this is a recurring problem that should be addressed by Calwater.
- **PVDS Road Realignment Project Update** – It was reported that the project is being refined to address comments raised by the public during October's workshop. The next workshop is tentatively scheduled for January 2014.

### RPV Planning Topics

- **SCE Pole Replacement Project** – Ara reported that SCE will be replacing four aging power poles three of which are located in the Preserve. A helicopter will be used and the staging area will occur at the upper portion of Gateway Park. The replacement is scheduled for December 10<sup>th</sup> and the City will issue a list-serve message to the Preserve and Breaking News subscribers. It was also reported that work on this project cannot occur until an encroachment permit is obtained from Public Works, as intermittent traffic closures on Palos Verdes Drive South are needed as part of the project.
- **RPV / PVPLC Public Forum Meeting**
  - **November 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting Update** – The team recapped the meeting and reviewed the action items.
  - **February Meeting Date** – The next meeting is scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the City Hall Community Room.
- **NCCP/IA (Joel)** - There was no update provided at this time aside from discussions continue with the Wildlife Agencies.
- **Conservation Easement update** – Joel reported that he forwarded the conservation easement language to the PVPLC for review before submitting it to the Wildlife Agencies for review and approval.
- **Malaga Purchase Agreement Update** – Joel reported that the City was awarded the funds by the WCB for the purchase and that escrow needs to close by February 2014. Discussion ensued on when the PVPLC will present to the City Council its desire to enroll the property into the Preserve.
- **Abalone Cove Park Improvement Grant**
  - **Bid Documents** – the City Attorney's office is reviewing the document with a bid release date scheduled for the end of the year.
  - **Section 106 Compliance** – Ara is working with the State Parks Rep and hopes to have the criteria letter submitted to the Office of Historic Preservation by the end of the year. A Phase I cultural study is being completed under the guidance of Public Works.
- **California Coastal Trail Update** – the majority of the project is constructed, with the exception of the directional markers and the interpretive and trails map panels, which will be completed and installed by the end of January.
- **City Wide Park Signage Inventory Update** – the team will be meeting later this morning to review updated Park Rules Signs.
- **Agua Amarga Reserve Encroachments (Danielle/Joel)** – Joel will draft a letter to property owners adjacent to the Preserve who have improvements that encroach onto city property.
- **GIS overlays** – The following GIS layers will be completed by a future intern:
  - **Port-o-potty mapping**
  - **Archaeology site**
- **"No Access" signs along PVDS at Archery Club** – It was agreed that the City should move forward with installing these signs in advance of the road realignment project. This will be an action item for Ara.

### Recreation and Parks Topics

- **Grad Student Study at Pelican Cove** – a student from Cal State Fullerton is requesting to conduct a research project at Pelican Cove. The team requested more information to determine what approvals, if any, need to be obtained.
- **Ranger Interpretive Programs** – Cory reviewed the upcoming events scheduled for December.

<b>Conservancy Activity Schedule</b>	
Ongoing through <b>December</b>	Portuguese Bend NCCP planting Planting at Abalone Cove Planting at Agua Amarga Decal installation Spur trail closure
PVPLC activities through <b>December</b>	<b>Outdoor Volunteer Day:</b> Dec. 7 9-12 Agua Amarga Dec. 14 9-12 Portuguese Bend  <b>Nature walk:</b> Dec. 14: 9-11 La Rotunda/Ocean Trails East

<b>Status of Projects and Grants</b>			
NCCP Plans/work		Amount	
	TERPP		Ongoing
	Alta Vicente Restoration		Planting completed
	Portuguese Bend Restoration		Planting ongoing
<b>GRANTS</b>			
	Coastal Conservancy Grant		Coastal Trail
	HCF Grant 1		Portuguese Bend trails and associated restoration
	REI		Outdoor volunteer workday assistance
	LAWA		Three Sisters
	LACSD		Lunada Canyon
	NFWF		Abalone Cove
	SMBRC		Abalone Cove
	California Trails & Greenways		Abalone Cove (near Coastal Trail)
	USFWS		Abalone Cove
	HCF Grant 2		Preserve-wide
	DM Mitigation		Lunada Canyon

**Next meeting date – January 16, 2013**

## Ara Mihranian

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**From:** Siegenthaler, David <david\_siegenthaler@nps.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 10, 2013 5:46 PM  
**To:** Ara Mihranian  
**Cc:** Sims, Karen@Parks (Karen.Sims@parks.ca.gov)  
**Subject:** Re: Lower Point Vicente - Vision Plan Update

Hi Ara,

It was good to talk with you yesterday (in the context of the FLP call regarding Upper Point Vicente) and to discuss briefly the City's preliminary ideas and future planning for Lower Point Vicente Park. I'm glad the City has started the process in conversation with local citizens on this and it's good to hear that you plan to further open up the planning process to public input. Hopefully the result will be solid support from the community for whatever plan results.

As I mentioned on the call, the direction the City is headed (as presented in the conceptual site plan) looks good to me. From what I saw it appears to be consistent with the public outdoor park and recreation purposes of the Federal Lands to Parks transfer of the property, and I believe it is also consistent with LWCF requirements (i.e. it is public outdoor recreation and it does not significantly contravene the intent of the previous LWCF grant, nor does it propose a public facility [It would be good to have Karen weigh in on this as well]). The concept plan is a bit more elaborate than the FLP program of utilization in effect for the park, but I believe it is still consistent with it. As long as the general character remains consistent, the details that you work out locally regarding what facilities (trails, interpretive displays, restrooms, picnic areas, parking) and how they are placed, is really a local management decision. As your plans develop more specifically, please let us know what they are. We can then respond with our concurrence that they are consistent with the POU, or amend the POU if it appears warranted (e.g. if we have not deleted the stairway down to the beach, we may want to document that in a letter).

I hope this is helpful for now - please let me know if you need more information, etc. Best wishes for your planning meetings for Lower Point Vicente.

Thanks,  
David

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## Applications of Note as of December 18, 2013

<b>Case No.</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Submitted</b>
<b>ZON2013-00510</b>	MANJU AGRAWAL-GUPTA	29926 AVENIDA ANILLO	2,504SF 1st and 2nd story additions.	12/13/2013

*Height Variation*  
*Site Plan Review*  
*Foliage Analysis*

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER   
**FROM:** CORY LINDER, DIRECTOR, RECREATION AND PARKS  
**DATE:** DECEMBER 18, 2013  
**SUBJECT:** ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

**Breakfast with Santa Brings Holiday Cheer!**

A sold out crowd attended this year's Breakfast with Santa event last Saturday morning, December 14<sup>th</sup> at Hesse Park. The Palos Verdes Strings serenaded the crowd as they awaited Santa's arrival, and Thom Stansell from Circosthesia thrilled them with his expert juggling skills. When Santa tried his hand at juggling, a young child exclaimed, "Santa is a magician!" The City thanks LAFD Station #106 and all the local businesses that generously donated food and gift cards to support this wonderful annual event! Happy Holidays!



## **Junior Ranger Graduation**

On Saturday morning, December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Ladera Linda Community Center, the MRCA Interpretive Rangers awarded certificates to youngsters who met the graduation requirements for the Junior Ranger Program. The next session of Junior Rangers will begin in spring 2014.

## **Extended Park Hours During School Recess, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Abalone Cove Shoreline Park	Daily	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Fred Hesse Jr. Community Park	Mon. - Fri. Sat. & Sun.	9:00 am - dusk 10:00 am - dusk
Ladera Linda Community Center	Mon., Wed., Fri. Sat. & Sun.	1:00 pm - 5:00 pm 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Point Vicente Interpretive Center	Daily	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Robert E. Ryan Community Park	Daily	10:00 am - dusk

Park grounds are open dawn to dusk. Facilities will be closed Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Fred Hesse Jr. Community Park**

Recreation Class Rentals (December 16<sup>th</sup> – December 22<sup>nd</sup>)

- Aerobic Dance Lite Class (McTaggart Hall): Monday, Wednesday
- Kuk Sool Martial Arts Class (Fireside Room): Monday
- Duplicate Bridge Classes (McTaggart Hall): Monday, Friday
- Fit 4 Moms Stroller Strides Classes (Walking Path, Field): Tuesday, Thursday
- Mommy & Me Classes (Activity Room): Thursday
- Suika Preschool Class (Activity Room): Friday
- Basics of Fine Arts (Activity Room): Saturday

Community Groups/Private Rentals/City Programs (December 16<sup>th</sup> – December 22<sup>nd</sup>)

- Peninsula Seniors Weekly Lecture (McTaggart Hall): Wednesday
- Peninsula Seniors Mah Jong Class (Fireside Room): Wednesday
- Private Rental (McTaggart Hall, Kitchen): Saturday
- Girl Scout Troop Bake Day (Activity Room, Kitchen): Sunday

## **Ladera Linda Community Center**

Recreation Class Rentals (December 16<sup>th</sup> – December 22<sup>nd</sup>)

- Mommy and Me Classes (Room A, Room C): Monday, Wednesday
- Adult Tap Dance Class (Multipurpose Room): Tuesday
- Youth Ballet/Tap/Acrobatic Dance Class (Room G): Saturday
- Persian Music Class (Room J): Sunday

## **Point Vicente Interpretive Center**

### **Los Serenos Docent Activities**

Staff attended a Grants Oversight Committee (GOC) meeting on Tuesday afternoon, December 17<sup>th</sup>. The main focus of the meeting was the approval of schools that applied for the Whale of a

World (WOW) program. WOW provides busses for Title I elementary school field trips to Abalone Cove, Forrestal Reserve, or PVIC. To date, eleven schools have been approved for funding that will provide educational opportunities for over 700 children during the 2013-14 school year.

On Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, members of the newest docent class met with the chairmen of the various Los Serenos docent committees to learn about other docent activities.

### **Robert E. Ryan Community Park**

Recreation Class Rentals (December 16<sup>th</sup> – December 22<sup>nd</sup>)

- Suika Preschool Class (Activity Room): Monday, Wednesday, Friday

### **REACH Program**

On Wednesday night, December 18<sup>th</sup>, REACH participants and staff will stop for dinner at Five Guys, and then head to Palos Verdes Bowl for some friendly bowling competition.

On Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, REACH participants and staff will travel to the IMAX Theatre to see *Flight of the Butterflies*, a film about the incredible year-long annual migration of Monarch butterflies. After the movie and lunch, participants will go see the Endeavour Space Shuttle at the California Science Center and learn about a different kind of flight.

## TENTATIVE AGENDAS

**Note:** Time Estimates include 45 mins. for the first section of the agenda (Mayor's Announcements, etc. through the Consent Calendar) and 15 mins. for the last section (Future Agenda Items through Adjournment).

### January 7, 2014 – Adj. Reg. Meeting in Sacramento (Legislative Tour)

#### **Regular Business**

Public Records Act Requests  
Southern California Edison Fire Safety and Reliability  
MS4 Regulations  
RDA Succession/Clean-Up Legislation

### January 8, 2014, Wednesday - (Time Est. – 3 hrs 30 mins) (City Council Goals & Priorities Workshop)

**Closed Session:** Conference with Labor Negotiators

**Mayor's Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

#### **Consent**

Notice of Completion – RPV California Coastal Trail Improvement Project

#### **Public Hearings**

#### **Regular Business**

Update of City Mission, Vision Statement, and Core Values (60 mins)  
Discussion of City Council Goals and Priorities for 2014 (90 mins)

### January 21, 2014 - (Time Est. – 3 hrs 5 mins)

**6:00 pm** – Planning Commission &/or Storm Drain Fee Oversight Comm. Intervs.

**Study Session:**

**Mayor's Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

#### **Consent**

#### **Public Hearings**

Public Comments-Marymount Reconfiguration of Athletic Field Mit. Neg. Dec. (60 mins)  
Introduction of Ord. – Reduced Construction Hours (15 mins)

**Regular Business**

Banking Services Agreement – Bank of the West (20 mins)

Review & Adoption of City Mission, Vision Stmt, Core Values; Goals & Priorities for 2014 (30 mins)

**February 4, 2014 – (Time Est. – 3 hrs 35 mins)**

**6:00 pm** – Planning Commission &/or Storm Drain Fee Oversight Comm. Intervs.

**Closed Session:**

**Mayor’s Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

**Consent**

Border Issues Status Report

**Public Hearings**

St. John Fisher Review of Lighting and Bells (20 mins)

Adoption of the Final Housing Element (15 mins)

**Regular Business**

Foliage Analysis at Time of Property Sale (1 hr)

Matrix Report Status Update (60 mins)

**February 18, 2014 – (Time Est. – 2 hrs 20 mins)**

**6:00 pm** – Planning Comm. &/or Storm Drain Fee Oversight Comm. Intervs. (if necessary)

**Study Session:**

**Mayor’s Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

**Consent**

Award Consultant Contract for Residential Solid Waste Performance Audit

**Public Hearings**

Marymount California University – 6 Month Review of Parking Lot (1 hr)

**Regular Business**

Placement of Surveillance Cameras at City Entrances (20 mins)

**March 4, 2014 – (Time Est. – 3 hr)**

**Closed Session:**

**Mayor's Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

**Consent**

Sunnyside Ridge Trail Grant and Project

**Public Hearings**

Marymount California University Athletic Field Reconfiguration (2 hrs)

**Regular Business**

**March 18, 2014 – (Time Est. – )**

**Study Session:**

**Mayor's Announcements:**

**City Manager Report:**

**New Business:**

**Consent**

**Public Hearings**

**Regular Business**

**Future Agenda Items (Identified at Council Meetings):**

**July 3, 2012** – Consideration of Implementation of a Wireless Master Plan (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

**August 21, 2012** –City Maintenance Yard – View, Location and Safety Issues (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

**March 19, 2013** – Explore outreach program to residents to incorporate 100% participation in Neighborhood Watch Program (Misetich) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

**April 2, 2013** - Transparency regarding Labor Negotiations (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

Revisit Policy regarding Naming of Public Facilities and establish a protocol for acknowledging the passing of former City officials, civic leaders, and military personnel (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

Revisiting the Skateboarding Ordinance (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilwoman.]

**April 30, 2013** – Council Allocations & Expense Reimbursement (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilwoman.]

**June 4, 2013** – Clean-up language regarding the City Council Rules of Procedure (Campbell) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilman.]

**July 16, 2013** – Policy regarding use of the City Attorney’s time (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilwoman.]

**October 15, 2013** – Policy regarding responses to significant correspondence received by Council (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilwoman.]  
Road kill pick-up procedures (Brooks) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Councilwoman.]

**December 17, 2013** – Senior Management hires – Council to have an advise and consent role (Duhovic) [Pending receipt of memorandum from Mayor.]

**Future Agenda Items Agendized or Otherwise Being Addressed**

**November 6, 2013** – Feasibility to Incorporate the Private Storm Drain on Rockinghorse Road into the City’s Storm Drain System (Misetich) [Staff to address.]

**November 19, 2013 (Study Session)** - City Street Tree Maintenance Practices (To be placed on a future agenda.)

## RPVtv Channel 33 Programming Schedule Guide

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Week of 12/18/13 - 12/24/13  
Wednesday through Tuesday

6:00 AM - 6:30 AM	Cardio Jazz Fitness	3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach
6:30 AM - 7:00 AM	Peninsula Fitness with DeDe Daniels	4:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013
7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach	4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	RPV City Talk - RPV Mayor Susan Brooks December 2013	5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Cardio Jazz Fitness
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	RPV City Talk - RPV Mayor Susan Brooks December 2013	5:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Peninsula Fitness with DeDe Daniels
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach	6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013	6:30 PM - 7:00 PM	RPV City Talk - RPV Mayor Susan Brooks December 2013
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013	7:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Peninsula Seniors: Private Pierre Cruzatte - Daniel Sincern
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden	7:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Peninsula Seniors (continued)
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden	8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden	8:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden	9:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach	9:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Peninsula Seniors: Foreign Service Officer - David Conforti	10:00 PM - 10:30 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes - City Council Meeting December 17th, 2013
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Peninsula Seniors (continued)	10:30 PM - 11:00 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes - City Council Meeting December 17th, 2013
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Peninsula Beat 28 - RPV Mayor Duhovic, PV Juniors, LA Challenge, Breakfast with Santa, Terranea Tree Lighting, Cancer Support Community Redondo Beach	11:00 PM - 11:30 PM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes - City Council Meeting December 17th, 2013
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	RPV City Talk - RPV Mayor Susan Brooks December 2013	11:30 PM - 12:00 AM	The City of Rancho Palos Verdes - City Council Meeting December 17th, 2013
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013	12:00 AM - 1:00 AM	Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Holiday Concert at the South Coast Botanic Garden
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Around the Peninsula - Holiday Shopping on the Hill 2013	1:00 AM - 6:00 AM	Community Announcements
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	RPV City Talk - RPV Mayor Susan Brooks December 2013		



**PVPTV35 Programming Schedule Guide**  
**Week of 12/23/13 to 12/29/13**

**Monday, December 23**

**3:00PM** Palos Verdes Library Dist.  
**6:00PM** PVP Coordinating Council  
**7:00PM** PVPUSD Board Meeting

**Tuesday, December 24**

**Wednesday, December 25**

**7:30PM** City of PVE Council Meeting , 12/24/13

**Thursday, December 26**

**7:00PM** City of RHE: 2013 Holiday Parade

**Friday, December 27**

**6:00PM** PVP Land Conservancy Nature Walk

**Saturday, December 28**

**10:00AM** City of PVE Planning Commission, 12/17/13  
**7:00PM** City of RPV Planning Commission, 12/24/13

**Sunday, December 29**

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT- LOMITA STATION  
REPORTED CRIMES & ARRESTS BETWEEN 12/01/2013 - 12/07/2013**

**LOMITA:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-04158	1710	12/1/2013-12/2/2013	1800-1000	1800 BLK LOMITA BL	KEYS	2013 WHI HYUNDAI SONATA	1 SUSPECT ARRESTED. VEH RECOVERED.
PETTY THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	13-04182	1710	12/4/2013	1230-1245	1900 BIK LOMITA BL	N/A	PAIR OF CAR LIGHT BULBS	SUSPECT: MW/40's/600/180lbs/BRO HAIR ENTERED LOC AND ASKED WHERE THE BULBS AT. SUSP GRABBED LIGHT BULB PAIR AND LEFT THE LOC.
ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON	13-04191	1711	12/4/2013	2200	256TH ST / NARBONNE AV	N/A	N/A	SUSPECT: MH/30-35/600/220lbs/WRG BLK BEANIE/BLK JACKET/DK PANTS CROSSED STREET HOLDING A REVOLVER TOWARD VICT. VICT FEARING FOR HER SAFETY BEGAN SCREAMING. SUSP SAID "SHUT UP." VICT RAN HOME. SUSP L/S RUNNING N/B ON NARBONNE AND OUT OF VIEW.
GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-04145	1712	11/30/2013-12/1/2013	1500-0745	25300 BLK ESHELMAN AV	UNK	2006 WHI 2DR FORD E-350	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
ATTEMPT GRAND THEFT (AUTO)	13-04194	1751	12/4/2013-12/5/2013	2230-0730	1800 BLK PV DR NORTH	FRONT PASSENGER WINDOW SHATTERED, REAR CAB WINDOW SHATTERED	NOTHING TAKEN	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN ATTEMPTED TO STEAL A 2007 GLD CHEVY AVALANCHE SUV.
GRAND THEFT	13-04226	1713	12/6/2013-12/7/2013	1200-1600	1800 BLK 261ST ST	N/A	(2) CONCRETE PLANTERS	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
<b>ARRESTS: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE-1, DRUGS-3, GTA-1, ID THEFT-2, SUSPENDED LICENSE-1, VANDALISM-2</b>								

**RANCHO PALOS VERDES:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-04174	1730	12/1/2013	0000-0500	5300 BLK BAYRIDGE RD	OPEN GARAGE	"TITLIST" GOLF CLUB SET, "KAGEN" 2ND DRIVER, "BUSHNELL TOUR B-3" RANGE FINDER, "NIKE" GOLF SHOES, "IPHONE 5S", \$20, GOLD RING	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN. SUSPECT(S) ALSO ENTERED VICT'S VEH PARKED IN HIS GARAGE.
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-04203	1739	12/5/2013	0900-2100	31400 BLK MARNE DR	UNK, NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY	"HEWLETT PACKARD" LAPTOP, "BLACK SABBATH" CD	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-04223	1739	11/28/2013-12/7/2013	1739	30100 BLK MATISSE DR	UNK, NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY	GOLD PENDANT, GOLD WOMEN'S RING W/PURPLE STONE, GOLD EARRINGS W/PURPLE STONE, \$3,300, CHECKS, MISC WOMEN'S JEWELRY	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-04186	1744	12/3/2013-12/4/2013	2200-0600	VIA SUBIDA	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	ID, "MOTOROLA" RAZOR CELL PHONE, DENTIST UNIFORMS, "HURLEY" BAG, GRY SWEATER	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN

PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-04187	1744	12/3/2013- 12/4/2013	1800- 0815	30100 BLK TARAPACA RD	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	SUB WOOFER, SUB WOOFER CASE	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
<b>ARRESTS: ID THEFT-1</b>								

**ROLLING HILLS:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BURGLARY (RESIDENTIAL)	13-04217	1761	UNK	UNK	RINGBIT RD	UNK	UNK	UNK DURING TIME OF SUMMARY
<b>NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME</b>								

**ROLLING HILLS ESTATES:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-04168	1720	12/3/2013	0130- 0245	SILVER SPUR DR	UNLOCKED VEHICLE	"SUNDANCE" PURSE, "VERSACE" SUNGLASSES, "COACH" WALLET, CDL, DEBIT CARD	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN. 2 SUBJECTS EXIT AND ENTER A PICK UP TRUCK AROUND THE TIME OF THE THEFT.
PETTY THEFT (UNLOCKED VEHICLE)	13-04177	1722	12/3/2013- 12/4/2013	2130- 0200	2200 BLK CARRIAGE DR	FRONT DRIVER SIDE UNLOCKED	"BOSCH" LASER MEASURER	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN.
BURGLARY (VEHICLE)	13-04173	1724	12/3/2013	1300- 1400	500 BLK DEEP VALLEY DR	UNK, NO SIGNS OF FORCED ENTRY	"NIKE" GYM BAG, "RALPH LAUREN" WALLET, \$168, CDL, MISC CREDIT CARDS, "APPLE" IPOD,	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN
BURGLARY (COMMERCIAL)	13-04207	1724	12/5/2013- 12/6/2013	1850- 0800	400 BLK SILVER SPUR RD	REAR DOOR PRIED AND BENT THE LATCH	\$200	SUSPECT: MW/505-509/BRO HAIR. SUSP PRIED THE CASH REGISTER DRAWER AND TOOK CASH.
ROBBERY (BANK)	13-04210	1724	12/6/2013	1513	500 BLK SILVER SPUR RD	N/A	SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS	SUSPECT: MW/25-30/511-602/180-200lbs/BRO HAIR/BLK FITTED CLOTH CAP/BLK SUNGLASSES/WHI SHIRT/BLK PANTS/DK JACKET HANDED TELLER NOTE TO GIVE HIM THE MONEY.
<b>ARRESTS: SUSPENDED LICENSE-1</b>								

**SAN PEDRO:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
GRAND THEFT (PURSE SNATCH)	13-04178	1750	12/4/2013	918	900 BLK 1ST ST	N/A		1 SUSPECT ARRESTED. VICT WAS PUTTING ITEMS FROM CART INTO HER VEH. SUSP CAME FROM BEHIND ON A BICYCLE AND GRABBED HER PURSE FROM THE CART.
<b>ARRESTS: BATTERY-1, DRUGS-1, GRAND THEFT-1</b>								

**WESTFIELD:**

CRIME	FILE #	RD	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	METHOD OF ENTRY	LOSS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
NO CRIMES DURING THIS TIME								
NO ARRESTS DURING THIS TIME								

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**From:** Lu, MyMy (CCI-California) <MyMy.Lu@cox.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 12, 2013 4:53 PM  
**Cc:** Zimmerman, Lori (CCI-California); Engel, Ileana (CCI-California); White, Doug (CCI-California); Mendoza, Adriana (CCI-California); Attisha, Sam (CCI-California)  
**Subject:** Cox Product and Services Update - Rate Change  
**Attachments:** Palos Verdes.pdf



Dear Franchise Administrator,

Please note that effective January 14, 2014, the price of Cox's video, phone and Internet services will change. The change is due to the escalating fees Cox must pay programmers, as well as the cost of maintaining a highly reliable network.

The primary reason for the increase in the retail price of cable television – what we charge our customers – is the rising wholesale cost of television programming that we must pay. This year alone, NBC expects to generate \$200 million in fees paid by cable and satellite operators for its TV programming – an increase of about 400% compared to the fees that NBC collected in 2012.

Despite rising programming costs, the retail cost of watching digital cable TV remains a great value for consumers. This past year, we conducted extensive customer research to ensure our investments are in line with customer desires and interests. As a result, we expanded our OnDemand library and launched Contour, a unique video experience that includes innovative new features such as the ability to record 6 shows simultaneously and store up to 1,000 hours of programming on one receiver, remote DVR Scheduler and a free app that enables our customers to access live TV anywhere in their house via their iPad or Android device.

We also increased our Internet speeds this past year, and provide access for our customers to the nation's largest WiFi network as we continue to respond to the growing demand for fast, reliable high speed Internet. Customers now have access to more than 200,000 cable wifi hotspots nationwide, including the Los Angeles area. Internet usage is doubling every two years and people are consuming more data than ever, with the average household having more than six devices connected to their home network. We've increased our Internet speeds by more than 800% over the last 12 years, delivering some of the fastest residential Internet service for our customers in Palos Verdes.

Attached is a list of new prices for the affected services. Customers will be notified via messages on their bills.

Please feel free to contact me at (858) 836-7315 or our Government Affairs Director, Ileana Engel at (858) 836-7309 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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**VIDEO**

	Current	New
Starter	24.99	26.99
Economy	34.99	38.99
Essential	63.99	69.99
Advanced	63.99	72.99
Preferred	75.49	84.49
Premium	85.99	96.49
Ultimate	150.99	156.49
Latino Pak	7.00	11.50
1 Premium	15.00	15.99
2 Premiums	23.00	24.99
3 Premiums	32.00	34.99
4 Premiums	42.00	45.99
Paquete Latino	26.24	37.99
El Mix	44.99	49.99
Super Mix	70.99	84.49
2-Tuner DVR service	9.99	11.99
Record 6/Whole Home DVR service	14.99	19.99
Contour Fee	10.00	0.00
Seasonal Service Discount Rate	12.99	9.99

**INTERNET**

	Current	New
(Bundled) Starter	26.99	29.99
(Bundled) Essential	41.99	46.99
(Bundled) Preferred	55.99	61.99
(Bundled) Premium	67.99	73.99

**PHONE**

	Current	New
Starter	18.99	19.99
Essential	22.99	23.99
Additional Line	17.99	18.99
Limited Basic Telephone	7.50	8.50
Seasonal Service Discount Rate	7.50	9.99



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**NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION**

*NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN* that at their meeting of November 18, 2013, the City Council of the City of Lomita reorganized as follows:

Michael Savidan, Mayor	Term expires November 2015
Henry Sanchez, Mayor Pro Tem	Term expires November 2015
James Gazeley	Term expires November 2017
Ben Traina	Term expires November 2017
Mark Waronek	Term expires November 2017

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month, commencing at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Address:	24300 Narbonne Avenue, Lomita, CA 90717
Telephone:	(310) 325-7110
Facsimile:	(310) 325-4024
Website:	<a href="http://www.lomita.com/cityhall">www.lomita.com/cityhall</a>
Business Hours:	Monday through Thursday: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Every other Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The following is the list of current City Officials:

Michael Rock, City Manager/City Clerk  
Gary Sugano, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director  
Christi Hogin, City Attorney  
Patsy Chavez, Administrative Services Director  
Greg McPherron, Community Services Director  
Vince Damasse, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
Cameron Harding, Parks and Recreation Director

Dated this 20th day of November, 2013

  
Lena Shumway, CMC  
Assistant City Clerk



**CITY OF LAWNDALE**  
 14717 Burin Avenue, Lawndale California 90260  
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**NOTICE OF**  
**CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION**

Notice is hereby given that an unexpected vacancy occurred on the Lawndale City Council on November 16, 2013 with the passing of longtime Mayor Harold E. Hofmann. On December 3, 2013, the City Council elected not to fill the vacancy. The current membership of the City Council is as follows:

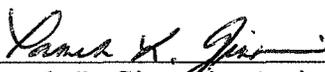
		Term Expires:
Mayor Pro Tem:	Pat Kearney	April 2014
Councilmember:	Larry Rudolph	April 2014
Councilmember:	Robert Pullen-Miles	April 2016
Councilmember:	James H. Osborne	April 2016

Our other officials are:

City Clerk                      Paula Hartwill, term expires April 2014

- Stephen Mandoki, City Manager
- Tiffany J. Israel, City Attorney
- Nasser Abbaszadeh, Public Works Director/City Engineer
- Pamela L. Giamario, Assistant City Clerk
- Otis Ginoza, Deputy City Manager
- Ken Louie, Finance Director/City Treasurer
- Dan Bartelson, Assistant to the City Manager/Human Resources Director
- Mike Estes, Community Services Manager
- Deborah Holland, Municipal Services Manager

Dated this 9th day of December, 2013

  
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 Pamela L. Giamario, Assistant City Clerk

Regular meetings of the Lawndale City Council are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lawndale City Hall council chamber. The Successor Agency to the Lawndale Redevelopment Agency, Lawndale Public Financing Authority, Lawndale Cable Usage Corporation and Lawndale Housing Authority may meet concurrently on the same schedule.