

Draft Minutes for May 13, 2013 Nwana General Meeting

by Joan Rubin

Bill Koontz called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

Introductions (name and location)

Approval of April minutes by acclamation vote

Nwana motion regarding the Martin Expo Center project passed. * see motion below

Lorraine Wells discussed the upcoming block party

Bill Koontz gave a quick report regarding crime; basically good

Martin Rubin reported on a meeting he had with State Senator Ted Lieu regarding Santa Monica Airport.

Kami Turrou reported on Richland Avenue School

Election results:

President - Martin Rubin

Vice President - Tony Sanelli

Secretary - Joan Rubin

Treasurer - Wayne Matsuyama

Adjournment - 7:40 PM

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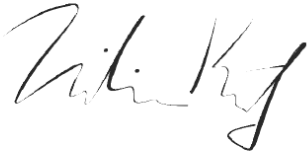
North Westdale Neighborhood Association

The North Westdale Neighborhood Association is opposed to the Martin Expo Center project as proposed. The Project is out-of-scale and out-of-character with the current Community Plan and will cause excessive cumulative negative impacts on the health, safety, traffic and infrastructure of West Los Angeles and the neighboring communities including North Westdale and Mar Vista. We request that prior to the City Planning Commission, Planning Department or their Advisory Agencies issuing any approvals or recommendation of approvals regarding the Martin Project (and its proposed Tract Map adjustments and zoning variances) that the Planning Department reconsider the proposed Project's impacts to the surrounding North Westdale area and adjacent communities in relation to CEQA; Community Redevelopment Agency guidelines; and the Community Plan for the area.

A representative from North Westdale was offered and sat in on the original pre-scoping meeting with the developer and several other westside community leaders. Most if not all of the recommendations made by the panel concerning overall square footage, number of units, added car trips in an otherwise overcrowded intersection, access for delivery trucks, excessive advertising, overall project height and future Santa Monica development were either ignored or insufficiently addressed.

We urge the city Planning Department to fully consider the needs of the surrounding communities and the negative impacts associated with this project as they move forward with the EIR process.

Thank You,



William Koontz

President, North Westdale Neighborhood Association