This is in response to the front page article, the appeared in the Daily Breeze on Friday, 09/19/88, quote "Land wants to grow S.F. waterfront."

In and around 1973, the Harbor Commission was asked by Mayor Sam Yorty to see what could be done to recover the land at the lower reservation of Ft. McLarty, which the Harbor Dept. loaned to the U.S. Army, to build Army barracks on, during World War II.

The harbor dept. and commission, sent me to Wash, D.C. to meet with top army officials at the Pentagon, etc.

With help of our congresswoman Ellen Anderson, office and two trips later armed with charts, graphs, etc; I able to secure the return of the land to the Harbor Dept.

This then opened up the area for the development of the "Handel Tree," hotel complex, improvement to Cabrillo Beach and the 1st phase of the yacht marina. The second phase of development was an expansion of the Marina all the way to outer harbor, cruise terminals.

In the recent sessions of San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, Torrance, etc., have done a pretty darn good job over the last 80 yrs., in the development of the harbor. The harbor commission should be made up from persons who live in the areas & towns mentioned above. We do not need out of town "carpet baggers," telling us to shut up and they will do the thinking and taking decision making for us, what a winner! Some persons have a "Napoleonic complex" and enjoy telling us what's what. For me,
I approve of most of the designs & plans for the rest of the harbor, but no "Cruise Line" terminal, near Cabrillo Beach.

The land across from the 22nd street landing, should be developed into a "Multi-purpose Sports Complex, for all the harbor area children & young people, that's more important than a "rich man's" cruise line. When I was a kid, that area was the original area for kids to rise and play. At one time past of the area was developed into the "Babe Ruth" sport field, what happened to it? Last but not least, the people who will use the proposed new cruise terminal, spend no time or money in San Pedro, it's just in it for them.

Sincerely

John Royal - 80 yrz resident

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P.S. I think congratulations are in order for Geraldine Kryzy, the executive director of the port, who is doing a wonderful job.
Dear Dr. Appy:

I've read through the Public Notice re: Application for a Permit, Notice of Availability for a Draft EIS/EIR and a Public Hearing paperwork, and have comments:

1. Why is it necessary to put a "Conference Center" (otherwise known as a "Convention Center") in part of Ports O' Call parking lot? Every time some area is trying to redevelop itself better, "Convention Center" or "Conference Center" comes up as a strong suggestion - if each one did get built, do you realize how many monstrous complexes there would be crowding the L.A. Basin? The Terrenea development on the old Marineland site had one in its plans, too, until the Rancho Palos Verdes populace complained loudly enough that the developers removed it from their paperwork.

The traffic coming into San Pedro for that Conference Center needs to be studied - our streets clog up when just regular maintenance is done, like now with the intersections on Harbor Blvd. being redone to look like plazas. Multiply that numerous times for any exhibitions, or even LARGE family events (San Pedro has numbers of Italian & Hispanic families, especially, with many members and friends), and you've got gridlock all the way down Harbor Blvd. (or farther).

If the Port is absolutely determined to build a Conference Center at Ports O' Call, make sure it's smallish - a large one would take up the whole area, space needs to be left for landscaping, etc. (besides the rebuilding or moving of existing wharf-side structures now down there, as well as the planned shops/restaurant(s) over by Fisherman's Slip) In fact, when I first heard of a "Convention Center" going into the parking lot, and the acreage it would take up, my first thought was "if it's that large, where are they going to park? It'll take up the whole parking lot!!".

2. The specific details of the Downtown Harbor colored engineering drawing needs to be clarified - the north end of the wooden fencing (along the southern portion of Harbor Blvd. overlooking Acapulco Restaurant and Ports O' Call) comes into that area - would that northernmost portion of the fence be removed?

3. I used to agree with the idea of Cruise docks in the outer harbor, because of reading about monstrous liners being built, however, since then I've learned that even the merchants in town want the docking concentrated in the North Harbor area - one of the water cuts would be eliminated (closed to the Cruise terminal), but there would still be 2 others (Downtown Harbor and 7th Street Harbor). I mentioned the huge cruise liner problem to my neighbor, June Burlingame Smith, and she commented about visiting European cities and watching the harbor pilots "move those large ships around like you wouldn't believe". She convinced me it's possible to just have an extra docking space at the existing cruise terminal and leave the outer harbor alone for other plans.
October 21, 2008

Dr. Ralph G. Appy, Director of Environmental Management
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Dear Dr. Appy:

Please support the San Pedro Waterfront Project.

Having been a tour company owner/operator in Los Angeles for more than thirty years and now a freelance tour guide, I am well aware of the cultural, historic and recreational attractions available in the San Pedro Harbor area.

As a resident of San Pedro, I’m also well aware of our place in international commerce and the importance of our educational facilities especially in regard to environmental/ecological studies.

Unfortunately, most Los Angeles area residents are unaware of these same things and the percentage of international travelers who know, or care, “where they are when they’re in San Pedro” is understandably lower.

A comprehensive plan to develop the potential this area has is much needed. The commercial rewards for serving both the international tourist and the area resident who drives down for the day can be enormous.

Economics aside, as a proud local, I wish more people knew how interesting and fun the San Pedro Waterfront area is.

Please do what you can to support the San Pedro Waterfront Project.

Thank You,

Alan Bergman, Tour Guide

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RE: Public Hearing for “San Pedro Waterfront Project”

Dr. Appy,

I attended last night’s meeting and gave support for this project. I realize you are obtaining a massive amount of input, but I forgot to mention an item that I think is very important. In my opinion, it would be a bad decision to put a parking garage on the waterfront, especially for the outer harbor if that alternate was chosen. Residents, visitors and business should enjoy the view not that of parked cars and a permanent multi-story structure. Quite a few airports require a short shuttle for people needing rental cars and therefore I do not think it would be a negative impact for cruise passengers to be shuttled.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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DEIS/DEIR Public Hearing

Comments

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(Please use the reverse side if necessary.)
Enclosed is comments concerning the EIS/EIR regarding plans for improvements at the Port of Los Angeles:

In regards to figure 2A: "Salt Marsh and Cabrillo Beach Youth Camp". This plan shows a proposed promenade that cuts across the beach and ties into the Cabrillo boat launch. This is a bad proposal because the Youth Camp would lose control of security and it would invite vandalism.

I am also against the "Outer Harbor Cruise Terminal" (see figure 2B). I am assuming that the main reason for promoting this alternate cruise terminal is because there might be a need in the future for more cruise ships? This approach is "putting the cart before the horse", as the community needs to learn from qualified personal on what the projected forecast is for the expansion of the cruise industry. This information is important because any development off of 22nd street will have a big impact along Harbor Blvd. which will effect the quality of life for those that have to travel on this street. Taking in consideration all the pros and cons, it makes better sense to expand the facility at berth 91 rather than have the two separate cruise terminals.

An area that seems to inhibit park plans is at Harbor Blvd. and 22nd Street, where Warehouse No.9 & 10 are located. These warehouses have been there for many years and do not seem to be active. It does not make any sense to have these warehouses if they are not serving the common good. The warehouses should be removed and the park expanded.

In regards to the use of pedestrian bridges that could link downtown and adjacent neighborhoods to the waterfront, I feel it would be imperative that the theme of the bridges look like the Vincent Thomas bridge. The industrial design of the bridge should be carried over to reinforce the connection to the Harbor.

If the Port of L.A. wants to bring in business to San Pedro and use the "Red Car" as local transportation, then the Port needs to make some adjustments so that a route can go through the downtown area. Otherwise, all the traffic will be at "Ports O'Call" and the downtown area will feel little impact from tourists spending their money.

Geraldine Knatz the Executive Director of the Port of L.A. talks about a green port in terms of curtailing the effects of pollution from rail, trucks, cranes and ships, although as a community that suffers from the emissions on a daily basis, it is not happening fast enough. One area that the L.A. Port lacks are more incentives for Marine Terminals to make changes that would be less harmful to the environment, as we see little of this. Another area that needs to be addressed is the pollution from Marine terminal yard lights. The incandescent lamps should have shades so that the light does not reflect in areas that cause a distraction.

About five years ago the Port of L.A. had an opportunity to have another cruise line based at pier 91 in San Pedro, although it eventually went to Long Beach. The cruise line wanted more amenities to accommodate their needs, although the L.A. Port was reluctant to make any changes. Consequently a 40 million dollar cruise terminal was built using the Spruce Goose Dome. Perhaps you can tell me what has changed today concerning the Ports plan for the Cruise industry and why the L.A. Port let Carnival Cruise line go to Long Beach?

Sincerely yours,
John Winkler

[Signature]
I find it very odd that the picture of the plans for 'OUR WATERFRONT' was printed in the paper so little it took a magnifying glass to read it. This project has been waiting for years. San Pedro came to many meetings and most were against many things planned...so they tabled it. It is like they thought if they waited long enough people would lose interest, which has been the case.

I see no need for a new Harbor north of the Fire Station, or the so called 7th Street Pier. This is a Working Harbor, so why would they put those water cuts in there? that will effect our freighters coming and going. It also takes away of any enlargement of our Cruise Ship Docks, in that area... That area should be left alone, and the Cruise Ship Docks extended to the Fire Station. Do they realize the traffic and confusion it will create to have the Cruise Docks at the southern end of San Pedro which will effect the Cabrillo recreation area...and probably would eliminate. The way it is now the Cruise traffic comes right off the freeway into the Cruise Lines......We have the Fountain that greets them and is suppose to improve the area...All these BIG ideas are certainly not to improve San Pedro. This was an outside Company [with no interest in San Pedro] that just sat down and created what they thought looked like a good idea on paper. It is money in there pockets.

Our promenade will be effected also. We need to leave what is there alone and improve it. Port's O Call Village use to be a place everyone in San Pedro visited, and took friends, because of the quaint Shops........These could be remolded and improved. The promenade could go right through it. It makes more sense to do that than spend all that money on moving the water around.

There are several Restaurants down there that also need to be left alone. People like to sit and watch the goings on in the Harbor while eating... We also do not need a Convention Center in that area. This will also take away the Harbor from the people... With all the high rise building near the Harbor surely there is room for a Convention Center away from the Water....

For what it is worth this is my thinking, and I am not alone. Not all will respond.

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4. It would create an eyesore with aircraft carrier sized cruise ships docked in a recreational area.
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Let's do the right thing and keep the cruise ships in their existing location and improve upon those facilities. The waters near Cabrillo Beach should be maintained for the public's recreation rather than the interests of a few large cruise ship companies. The continues land grab of what precious space that's left in San Pedro is not right! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lauren Litchfield

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Sincerely,

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Joanna Welsh
2/16/2004
San Pedro
Nov. 7, 2006

Dear Sirs:

With regard to the construction of a second terminal for large ships in the outer harbor, I would like to offer my emphatic opposition. Please do not allow it! With the Port of Los Angeles as large as it is now, we are already doing enough for the nation, and the increase of rates of cancer and other
Obstacles around the port show how much we are suffering because of it. Surely there must be other ideas along our huge coastline that could be developed to accommodate the large tankers. I believe Seattle has also been considered for such a port. But wherever it is built it should not be near a large population center. Let's think about the future and develop long-range planning for the benefit of all — not just the few! 

Sincerely, 
Margaret Litman
 Comments

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We are behind the proposed project for the San Pedro Waterfront project - let us know what we can do to help!

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Dear Dr. Appy:

I support the waterfront development plan of the Sustainable Harbor Development Working Group. Some positive aspects of this plan include pathways for pedestrians and cyclists, green spaces, garden roofs, and the extension of the Red Car Line, along with footpaths and bike lanes, to connect the waterfront with downtown. Let's keep development human-scaled!

Please do not allow a parking structure on or near the waterfront. I think it is important to discourage automobile driving not only to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gases, but also because of traffic congestion, excessive paving, aesthetic considerations, and the need to share open space with plants and animals.

Very sincerely yours,

Anna Greenleaf

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As a resident of Harbor City, I would love to have more local attractions. My family frequently visit Long Beach, The Grove, and Pasadena. I think the port's proposed development project will not only draw commerce to the South Bay, but most importantly provide an opportunity for residents to recycle our local dollars to support our community.

The San Pedro Port Complex is not very attractive for activities. Additionally, it isn't currently a place I would take out of town visitors or friends.

Please expelite this development.

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Gentlemen:

As input to your project EIR, Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) is a far better alternative for this project than the "New Red Cars" which are the designated transit connector system for the Waterfront area.

PRT is an elevated, monorail-like system designed for private, secure and individualized transport using small 2.5 to six-person vehicles. It is characterized by:

- **Elevated Guideways** – Lightweight track, built into a looped grids, permits high capacity non-stop usage with no interaction with at-grade surface traffic. Guideway is also designed to be built to second floors and on the roofs of structures, enabling station portals to directly access building interiors. Standalone stations are equipped with elevators to be ADA-compliant.

- **Offline Stations** – PRT trips are point-to-point, not stopping to pick up or drop off other passengers as rides need not be shared. Vehicles not destined for a station pass it by. Non-stop direct computerized routing means shorter trips and more productive use of the vehicle fleet.

- **On Demand Service** – In sufficient quantities, vehicles wait for riders, not vice versa. There are no schedules or timetables. Software balances vehicle distribution, re-arranging them for most efficient peak-hour utilization. Without drivers, PRT can operate 24/7/365.

- **High throughput, safe, secure** – Vehicles operate non-stop at 35-45 mph on uni-directional guideways, sharing no space or causing additional congestion with autos or at-grade transit. An Internet-like wireless network controls the system and allows camera surveillance at stations and in vehicles.

- **Environmentally friendly** – Vehicles are emission-free, using practically no energy when waiting. They operate noiselessly and meet ADA wheelchair requirements. PRT can also use non-traditional right-of-ways: e.g. river banks, flood control channels and bike paths. PRT guideways could also be mounted with photovoltaic panes for solar generation of electricity. As well, they could also be used to enclose and conceal electric transmission cabling, and as well, CATV and telephone cable distribution networks.
PRT will prove far more flexible than any at-grade system, and lessen congestion in your project area. It offers the opportunity to build and exploit remote parking, freeing more area for development. Instead of being restricted to a linear street routing, PRT guideway is built in a grid which can be routed closer to your retail vendors and parking structures. At less than $30 million/mile, PRT should also prove FAR LESS EXPENSIVE to implement than any at-grade trolley or streetcar technology.

PRT would also prove a major draw for your project. My firm is planning to recommend PRT for the redevelopment of the Queen Mary area. This will connect the ship and the new hotels to be built around it with the downtown area, Convention Center and their Transit Mall near the Blue Line terminus.

PRT systems are being implemented in the Middle East and at London’s Heathrow Airport now. This state-of-the-art transit system could prove a significant advantage to your project, and be built as a public-private partnership if your retailers and any hotels might participate in funding station portals at their buildings. As well, if Measure R is successful, it presents an opportunity to fund a system at the Waterfront.

As you have an opportunity to review a variety of solutions to transit within your project, we’d urge you to articulate your requirements to the vendor community via a Request for Proposal. This would cost little, and you’d have the ability to fairly evaluate any number of ideas which could be freely obtained from the private sector.

We’d be happy to discuss this with yourselves or your project staff. We’ve given numerous presentations in the area and would be happy to visit the Port if you’d like to go over the videos in the enclosed, or learn of our plans for Long Beach.

Thank you for your consideration and interest.

Best regards,

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- Private, 3 person vehicle
- ADA-compliant
- Very minimal footprint
- 24/7, no timetables, solves “last mile” problem
- Elevated -- non-competitive with roadway, no added traffic congestion
- Construction, operational costs far less than LRT, HRT, competitive with BRT
- No eminent domain issues
- Fully computerized and monitored
- Equivalent to a 136mpg automobile
- Scaleable – additional off-line stations do not decrease overall throughput
- Solar power potential from trackway

PRT requires no preset routes or timetables. It takes you directly to your destination without stopping – the ride may be unshared and secure. The electric vehicle emits nothing.

PRT offers speed and flexibility exceeding an automobile. Metaphorically, it is a 24/7/365 private taxi, hired and computer-routed by the rider only as it's needed. PRT is capable of enticing commuters away from cars.

PRT is driverless, and so efficient to run that it could likely earn a operational profit. The system provides substantial capacity, demonstrably equivalent to mass transit, while using a fraction of the space that light rail uses, and it can share rights-of-way.

Elevated trackways install quickly and use minimal space, at a fraction of the cost of other systems ($16-20M/mile with dozens of vehicles vs. $100-$300M/mile for LRT). Stations are offline, so vehicles stop only to deliver riders, and then wait for new riders unless they're needed elsewhere. Waiting vehicles consume no energy.

PRT is modular and can be upgraded or changed quickly, with a minimum of disruption. Implementation time and right-of-way requirements will be far less than light or heavy rail.
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Great San Pedro! Keep growing we love it, approve it and celebrate it. The best of lucks!!
we need the train in San Pedro

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To: Rachel Struglia
Subject: PCAC Traffic Subcommittee Meeting (ref. 1825)

The PCAC Traffic Subcommittee meeting yesterday morning went well, Rachel. That group included only one community member that I'd seen before, Mr. John Schafer. They were remarkably uninformed about the project so the discussion was at a very broad level. Outside afterward Jan explained that they've been busy with other things, and I believe it.

Only one comment I heard seems worth recording now.

During the presentation after ours, the woman beside me (Jan knew her name, and that of everyone else there) looked at the traffic study and commented that it didn't analyze two intersections on Western that she's interested in, which she doesn't think is a big deal, but that it also omits Gaffey Street & Channel Street. She said she thought that it should have been studied. I've done an initial check and found that we don't have any turning movement counts in our own database for that intersection. With that, we could fully assess the project impact there. Based on the amount of project-added traffic there, though, I doubt that there would be one. This will likely be among her/their written comments.

Also, outside afterward, Jan said that there's a chance we may have to fully analyze the community's Sustainable Development alternative, as described in a written comment that will surely come in. It'll propose to share some parking in the downtown San Pedro. I explained to Jan why cruise terminal parking isn't well-suited for sharing, but maybe some of the Ports O' Call parking could move over there. At least that concept might make sense. Before analyzing it, though, we'd need to provide a cost and schedule. We've already talked about this, so it was not a surprise.

- Netai
To whom it may concern:

Enhancing the Port of LA is the economic and environmental boost that we need! This wonderful, deep-water port can be enjoyed by residents, business travelers or tourists if the San Pedro Waterfront Project materializes.

As a Small Business and resident of Los Angeles/Orange County since 1968, I feel that it is time for Los Angeles to create beauty, clean commerce and worthwhile jobs to compete with San Diego, San Francisco and other large port cities. Los Angeles has the ability to "clean up and move forward." Something on the news instead of gangs and violence, homeless people and traffic jams!

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I have looked at the drawings and think it would be great seeing cruiseships at the outer harbor.

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We at Kreit Mechanical (a team of 65), all value the POLA project. We believe it is exactly what Los Angeles needs to secure its rank as the number one city in America. Los Angeles has always been a leader in entertainment, commerce, and luxury. This project is the perfect compliment to such a city. Count us in.
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Hi,

We are in full support of the above referenced project.

Thank You

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Dear Patriot's,

I want to show my support for all the future construction in Long Beach Port. It will create new jobs and enhance the overall city's appearance and functionality. So please consider these needed times for change and growth. Americans do not back down from our future dream, and vision. We must not let a crisis on WallStreet decide our plans to keep building. We must build for reason and purpose. Take care of our future as proud free Americans that built a nation from dreams, ambition, talent and war sprinkled with an unknown mixture that amplifies our drive as people.

Good Day,

Justin M English
It is a green light for me as the port should be renovated and upgraded and beutified...
The waterfront area of any urban port area is a wonderful resource. As a former resident of San Pedro, I can attest that POLA has done a good job managing the port complex.

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To whom it may concern,

I can think of no down side to the undertaking of a project such as this. Not only would it elevate the city's standing to the rest of the world for those who enter/exit the harbor for cruise trips, it would also create many jobs in construction and increase the number of jobs in support positions for new businesses as the area grows, rather than just a port of exit. Not to mention an upscaling of the port area for locals to enjoy.

It is my hope that this endeavor becomes a reality.

Thank you for your time.

Bill Dosh
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To whom it may concern;

We fully support the development of the San Pedro Water Front project. The timing of project like this could not have been timed better than right now. The positive economical impact of this project will be valuable to everyone in the Los Angeles community.

Thank you in advance for you consideration and support of this project.

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Gentlemen,

I whole heartedly support the construction of the proposed "LA Waterfront" project. This project will add another dimension of appeal to the already fabulous allure of Los Angeles and the surrounding areas. The addition of jobs and future economic growth potential will be the icing on the cake. Full steam ahead! Thank you.

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Great proposal. Would love to see change in the port. Would like cruise guests to stay a few days in San Pedro if they have something fun to do. Right now - they only board & use as a port to travel through.

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