Notes for the Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meeting 05.29.2024

Attendees:

NAC Members: Liz Kane, Linda Kokelaar, Chip Mallek, Dave Mannix, Terry McAllister, Fred Puza, Fred Smith, Trevor Wiseman

LAPD: no officers present

Community Members: Cindy Reyes

LMU Representatives: Tobias Egold

Notes

1. Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m.
2. Student Affairs report
   a. NAC Chair Fred Puza presented numbers of complaints and conduct cases from the '22-'23 and '23-'24 academic years.
      1. 2023-24 had 37 complaints and 8 conduct cases, while 2022-23 had 26 complaints and 7 conduct cases.
      2. NAC Chair Puza shared that not every complaint becomes a conduct case. There are times when several complaints come in for the same event, complaints come in the next day so there is no evidence of the event from SSS, SSS does not find any evidence of the complaint.
   2. NAC Member Dave Mannix asked for the timing of the complaints be added to the reports. NAC Chair Puza said he would include this info when and if possible. He will adjust the dates on the incident reports when there are noise complaints.
3. L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer report
   a. No officers present or reports sent.
4. Department of Public Safety report
   a. NAC Member McAllister highlighted that the university conducted the last two commencement ceremonies on-campus and that the partnership with the L.A. Department of Transportation to mitigate traffic and parking worked effectively.
   b. NAC Member Chip Mallek mentioned that the LAPD have been very helpful after a meeting several months ago to address the more problematic areas in the Westchester neighborhood. He also said that he has been received fewer calls and complaints since the last meeting.
c. NAC Member Liz Kane asked if off-campus crimes should be reported to Public Safety in addition to reports being made to the LAPD for the university’s awareness. NAC Member McAllister responded yes, Public Safety should welcome the information, though he reiterated that they have no authority off-campus and would not be able to respond.

d. NAC Chair Puza shared that a neighbor reported the issue with her neighbors who are LMU students has been resolved. LMU Student Conduct had worked with the students to find an appropriate solution.

5. Community Incidents Report  
a. n/a

6. Master Plan Compliance Officer report  
a. NAC Compliance Officer Trevor Wiseman shared that the annual City reports will be released and posted on the Community Relations website as soon as the City Planning department signs off on them.

b. NAC Compliance Officer Wiseman provided an FTE update.

7. Community Relations report  
a. NAC Chair Puza announced that the university hired a new Director of Public Safety.

b. Construction updates  
1. Construction on Gersten West is anticipated to start in July.
2. The LMU letters and the bluff still have plastic over them. There is a short- and long-term plan for the letters. The short-term plan is to stabilize the letters. It will be a multi-year and multi-million dollar project.
3. Parking lots F, G, and H are open during the summer.
4. There are no updates on the Sports Pavilion.

c. Housing Property Update  
1. There have been no new residential purchases since the last NAC meeting.

d. Leaf blowers: All Facilities Management workers are provided with and asked to wear PPE equipment that is provided by LMU.

e. LMU Noise Protocols: NAC Member Puza outlined the noise protocols in place for the people in attendance.  
1. NAC Chair Puza will include sound measurement numbers on the incident report when there are complaints when and if possible.

f. NAC Members feedback  
1. NAC Member Kokelaar said that she is unhappy with the current meeting dates because some of them take place when the school is not in session. NAC Members Fred Smith and Chip Mallek said that any complaints about the dates should have been raised at the time
they were proposed, and that this can be taken into consideration when the next planning session comes around.

2. NAC Member Mallek also said that he appreciated that LMU is trying their best to be a good neighbor and that working with the university is the most effective means of getting things done.

8. Upcoming events
   a. LA Rams training camp
      1. LMU will be hosting the Rams training camp from July 27 – August 8.
      2. More info [here](#).
   b. Ignite your summer events.
      1. Shakespeare on the Bluff
      2. Summer Movie Nights.
      3. LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce 4th of July parade.
      4. The KXLU salsa fest has been pushed into the fall semester on Oct. 13.
      5. More info [here](#).

9. Public comment
   a. Ms. Reyes made comments about the FTE update, noise complaints, and access to NAC meetings.

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.