



WEST LOS ANGELES SAWTELLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

DWP Committee -- Meeting MINTUES [draft]

Mon., Jul. 29, 2019 -- 7:00 PM

DWP Plant - Corner of Nebraska Ave. and Carmelina Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif. 90025

1. Call to Order: J. Handal, J.Ross (quorum of 2 achieved).
2. Public Comment: None.
3. Ex parte communications and disclosures: None.
4. Discussion of neighbor complaints of noise generated at the DWP Plant at Nebraska Ave. and Carmelina Ave.:
 - a. Attendees: Neighbors - Eric Kraft, Stephanie Kraft, Raffi Jahilian, Ted.
 - b. DWP: Michael Ventre (213) 367-1381 Michael.Ventre@LADWP.com.
 - c. From 2004-2010, few loud noises were emitted from the site, possibly because demand/loads were less.
 - d. RJ complained for three years, and said that neighbors had given up complaining since the DWP did not decrease the noise.
 - e. During the summer of 2018 (last year), extra loud noises were emitted for three weeks, possibly because of increased heat and increased demand.
 - f. During this summer of 2019, fans constantly run and emit a moderate to loud level of noise. These may be for cooling during hot months when equipment runs hotter. EK considers this unacceptable.
 - g. The extra loud noises were last emitted during the weekend of Jul. 20-21. They only are emitted during the summer. They came from fans underneath the large white tanks south of Carmelina Ave. (north central portion of site) and also south of Nebraska Ave. (northwest corner of site).
 - h. EK conferred with DWP representatives on Jul. 20, when the extra loud fans activated, and Martin Adams, COO, was able to get the fans turned off. His staff includes Andrew Kendall and Reiko Kerr.
 - i. Ideas to mitigate include a tall, solid soundwall on the north property line (currently has a porous chain-link fence with green sheeting), or sound walls on the north side of the fans (which face the houses).
 - j. Action items:
 - i. Mr. Ventre to investigate dates and determine source of noise.
 - ii. Invite Deborah Hong, the Westside community affairs officer, to next meeting. She has had discussions with the plant manager and will report back.
 1. Mr. Adams was promoted to director, so he is not in a position to directly help this task.
5. Member announcements: None.
6. Adjournment.

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