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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2015, 6:00PM
BOARD RETREAT MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2015, 7:00PM
FIRE STATION 82 ANNEX
1800 N. BRONSON AVENUE, L.A., CA 90028
Second Floor Conference Room**

BOARD MEETING

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1. Welcome and introductions

6:15.

2. Roll Call

Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, and Chona. 10 present 6:13. Greg, Ishmael, Jim and Karen excused. Robert A., Margaret and Sheila arrived after. 13 members total present.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion Erik-Susan S. approved 11-0-1 (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret and Chona). Sheila abstained.

4. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

None.

5. Comments from any City, County, State or Federal representatives in attendance (5 minutes each).

Dan, CD13, thanked HUNC for moving meetings to his district. Armenian Genocide walk this Friday. Hwd/Western intersection being named "Armenian Genocide Square." May 3 FS82 Annex dedication. Erik- not crazy about name of square, which HUNC was not briefed on. Also doing Hollywood Village.

6. Update on Griffith Park Advisory Board and current Park issues/concerns and proposals

Continued.

7. Ray Verches, SoCalGas Advanced Meter Team

Presented on findings around concentrations of alcohol vendors across Hollywood. Explained different codes. Hollywood oversaturated with onsale liquor. Susan S. suggested that Business Committee follow up with them.

8. Update on the negotiations with HHWNC over boundary issues, motion to submit adjusted Bylaws request to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Erik explained that while agreement was reached on HUNC northern boundary with HHWNC and they agreed to change their bylaws to reflect current map the negotiating teams were unable to reach consensus on what to do with Ford Theater property and DWP parcels west of Lake Hollywood Estates.

Recommendation for Ford is to seek partial overlap with HHWNC for those undeveloped portions to the east and north of Theater, similar to language that HUNC was originally certified with in 2001. Sharing of theater was not offered by HHWNC reps, who stated that this would be a big issue with them. On the matter of the DWP parcels, proposal on agenda was explained as a reasonable compromise. After hearing from Sheila on her preference to share all three parcels as well about HHWNC's vote to seek to include all of them within its boundaries an amending motion was made Sheila, seconded by Jennifer, to seek to share all of DWP lands (accepted as friendly). Argument was made that any future proposal around Fire Station 76, access to Cahuenga Peak, etc. that involved Parcel A or portion of Parcel B below Lake Hollywood Drive would be of interest to residents of Lake Hollywood Estates and the rest of HUNC. Motion (Sheila-George) to approve bylaws boundary change request and seek to share overlapping open space passed, as amended, 13-0 (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, Robert A. and Chona).

PROPOSED HUNC BYLAWS AMENDMENT (NEW LANGUAGE HIGHLIGHTED, LANGUAGE TO BE REMOVED CROSSED OUT)

ARTICLE III Boundaries

Section 1: Boundary Description - The HUNC will include the following geographic areas:

A. Eastern Boundary: Western Ave. to Fern Dell north **proceeding along the eastern rim of Western Canyon along the northern** ~~to the peak of Mount Bell.~~

C. Western Boundary: Cahuenga Ave. at Hollywood Blvd. to the 101 Freeway north **to the eastern edge of the John Anson Ford Theater property line, then proceeding northeast to Lake Hollywood Drive and proceeding north to Wonder View Drive, ultimately ending at Burbank Peak,** ~~through Lake Hollywood to include the Lake Hollywood Neighborhood Association and north to the Hollywood Sign. Note: this language will have to be replaced by earlier draft that~~

reflects desire by Board to incorporate all open space between Ford and Lakeridge Estates/Hollywood Knolls, including DWP parcels and any privately owned land that may at some point in the future be purchased by the City. HUNC boundary in this area may have to be periodically modified consequently. D. Northern Boundary: Hollywood Sign and adjacent area Beginning at Burbank Peak, proceed east along the imaginary line connecting Cahuenga Peak, Mount Chapel, and Mount Bell.

Section 2: Internal Boundaries -
Geographical Areas

Area #1 - Western-most hillside area, including the Hollywood Reservoir. Starting at the intersection of Franklin Ave. and Cahuenga Blvd.; north down the middle of Cahuenga Boulevard to the John Anson Ford Theater. Excluding From the northeastern edge of the John Anson Ford Theater, then continue to Lake Hollywood Reservoir Drive. Through the center of Lake Hollywood Reservoir, including the neighborhood of Lake Hollywood, to the top NW corner of Griffith Park. Proceeding north to Wonder View Drive up to above its terminus at Burbank Peak. Again, this language will have to be modified slightly.

Section 2B. Business and Renters Areas

1-3- Change "Business Area" to "Area" as boundaries are also used for renters.

NOTE: There is no regular map of HUNC under Attachment A. The two maps included in last draft bylaws should be titled "A1" and "A2" (Geographic areas and Business/Renter) We should add a third general map and label that "Attachment A."

ARTICLE VII: COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

All Standing and Ad Hoc committees shall be established by a vote of the Board. Suggestions for committees may come from Stakeholders or from members of the Board. All such suggestions shall be voted upon by the Board.

Section 1: Standing Committees – The Standing Committees of the Council are: Arts, Beautification & Culture; Executive; Planning & Land Use Management; Education & Non-Profit Social Services; Renters' Issues; Business Issues; Outreach; and Public Safety, Works & Transportation.

Note- the above were modified slightly based on further reflection by board leadership. Education & Non-Profit was changed to reflect the name of the position as changed in the last round of bylaw changes, "Issues" was added after "Business" to conform with "Renters Issues," and "Works" was added to Public Safety & Transportation to reflect the fact that this committee also handles Public Works related issues. See "HUNC Committee Descriptions 2015" for more information.

ATTACHMENT B- Governing Board Structure and Voting

Add line under "Board Position" for each column indicating next election date.

Business Area C- Term should state 4, not 2 years.

Youth Issues Representative- Change from 4 years to 1 year.

Change election date for non-profit/faith-based seat held by Karen Wiener from 2018 to 2016 so that the two positions are staggered (other scheduled for 2018).

Recessed special meeting and returned to regular agenda. 9:05. Erik explained and moved. Jennifer seconded. Approved 12-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila and Chona).

Erik presented on status of negotiations with HHW. Tom asked to include Ford Theater. Was explained that this was one issue HHW was adamant about- not sharing theater, though HU negotiators responded by saying would seek to share open space to east of it. Sheila-Jennifer motion to ask for Parcel A and all of B to be shared in addition to C. Accepted as friendly amendment. Motion Sheila-George to approve changes listed above and seek to share adjacent open space adopted 11-0 (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, George, Margaret, Sheila, and Chona). May 1 application deadline.

9. PLUM Committee

A. Discussion and possible motion pertaining to Recirculated Draft EIR and updated Mobility Plan, which is expected to go before the City Planning Commission in May. Plan would create protected bike lanes along major N/S and E/W corridors across City and Hollywood and eliminate current Board of Engineering requirements for street widening in many places. Motion to seek exemption for Hollywood from 2035 Mobility Plan as the City is in the process of redoing our Community Plan and any discussion about transportation and land use should take place as part of this larger discussion. Submittal of a CIS to this effect. Motion Erik-Susan S. approved 9-1-3. (Margaret, Jennifer, Robert L., Susan S., Erik, Anji, Susan P., George, and Robert A. yes, Sheila voted no, Tom, Chona and Cyndy abstained).

B. 2121- 2127 N. Vine Street: The below requests for variances are approved for the following reasons:

1. There is no change in the footprint of the structure.
2. There is no net deletion of parking and the unit will have a designated parking space.
3. There will be no altering of the structure and the view of the building from any angle will not change.
4. The total passage between the two building structures is at the required 10 feet. The tree in the passageway does not impede progress through the passageway and adds to the overall quality of life for the residence.
5. This will add one low cost housing unit in compliance with the city's plan for the preservation of and encouragement for the development of low cost housing.

APPROVE: To allow a third dwelling unit on a 4348 sq ft lot in lieu of the required 6000 sq ft lot in an RD2-1XL zone (ZY).

APPROVE: To allow compact in lieu of the required standard parking for the 3rd unit (ZV)

Condition: If the tree is removed in the future for any reason, the compact parking space will convert to a standard parking space.

APPROVE: To Allow a reduced passage in lieu of the required 10ft. (ZAA).

George gave an overview of PLUM discussion. Motion George-Ismael to approve PLUM conditions adopted 9-1-3. (Margaret, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Erik, Tom, Susan P., George, and Chona yes, Jennifer voted no, Anji, Robert A. and Cyndy abstained).

C. For the upcoming revised Hollywood Community Plan: motion to downzone the lots on the 1700 and 1800 blocks of Canyon Drive from R-4 (high density apartments) to R-3, which still allows for densification but reflects the fact that much of the area is R-1.5 or R-3. Erik S. recused self as lives nearby. George gave background on committee discussion. Motion George-Ishmael approved 12-0 (Margaret, Jennifer, Robert L., Susan S., Anji, Susan P., George, and Robert A., Sheila, Tom, Chona and Cyndy). Erik recused himself on advice of City Atty as he lives on the 1800 block of Canyon and owns property.

10. Approval of letter to CA Mike Feuer regarding NC participation in Town Halls

Susan S. and Erik presented argument as to why Town Hall was appropriate. City Atty later said City Council vote on Commission recommendation itself was advisory, making it seem likely that NC advisor was not aware of his own office's position on this matter. Motion Cyndy-Erik approved 13-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, Robert A. and Chona).

11. Treasurer

A. Approval of Monthly Expense Reports

Tabled

B. Approval to reimburse Susan P for \$14.96 for purchase of utensils and plates for HUNC Board Meeting March 16.

Susan P. recuses. Tom-Jennifer 11-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, George, Margaret, Sheila, and Chona). Robert A. not certified for financial matters.

C. Approval to reimburse George S for \$19.36 for purchase of soft drinks for Renters Rights Forum March 26.

George S. recused. Tom-Jennifer 11-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., Margaret, Sheila, and Chona).

D. Re-approval of up to \$2000 for trifold HUNC brochure for outreach

Tom-Jennifer 12-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, and Chona).

12. Outreach

A. Recommend Board approve up to \$500 for purchase of most recent voters registration addresses within HUNC boundaries zip codes.

Motion Tom-Sheila approved 11-0. Sheila mentioned that has reached out to Political Research about buying lists of local voters.

(Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, and Chona).

B. Recommend Board approve up to \$700 for printing 10 additional bus bench ads to keep HUNC visible in community.

Sheila recommended dropping item.

C. Recommend and approve up to \$500 for floor standing directional signs for use at Board/Committee Meetings and HUNC supported events.

Motion Tom-Susan P. approved 11-0. (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, Robert A. and Chona).

D. Update and discussion about April 30 Council District 4 Neighborhood Council debate, to be held at Forest Lawn Memorial in Liberty Theater.

Erik gave overview. All NCs in CD4 except Sherman Oaks. Trying to find a way to get a bus or shuttle to pick up folks from Metro stop at Lankershim.

13. Update from Board attendees of Pat Brown Institute Training

Robert L.- Dr. Raph Sonenshein gave background on event. Good networking experience.

14. Renters Committee

A. Renters' Day L.A. event at City Hall 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 22

Billie from Thai CDC explained purpose of event and expected attendance.

B. Support for Renters' Day L.A. legislative priority items 1-3 (development of public education campaign on renters' rights), 1-4 (institute a Rent Stabilization Ordinance rent registry for L.A.), 32-3 (establish no net loss zones around transit stations), and 32-4 (pass a high standards for repairs ordinance). Cyndy and Erik gave background. Sheila expressed concerns about language around repairs. Motion Cyndy-Erik 9-4 (Cyndy, Robert L., Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, George, Sheila, Robert A. and Chona) Tom, Susan P., Margaret, and Anji, voted no.

15. Recommendations for intersection of Bronson Ave. And Hollywood Blvd., including shaving sidewalk along Hollywood Blvd., possible southbound left turn arrow

Erik gave overview and asked for shaving of sidewalk in front of Tommy Burger. Asked for cutting of half a block of Hollywood Blvd. so that it matches with area to the east and allows for parking of tour buses or LAX shuttles, or perhaps new dedicated right turn lane for westbound traffic onto Bronson. 12-1.

(Cyndy, Robert L., Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, Robert A. and Chona). Jennifer voted no.

16. New Business

Susan P.- Book Store Day May 2.

17. Old Business

None.

Adjournment

8:07

BOARD RETREAT

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1. Welcome and introductions

8:07.

2. Roll Call

Cyndy, Robert L. Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Chona, Anji, George, Sheila, Susan P., Robert A., and Margaret. 13 members present.

Susan P. had to depart at 8:15. Robert A. had to leave at 8:35.

3. Public Comment on items not on the agenda (2 minutes each)

Billie from CDC spoke about Renters Day event on 4/23 at City Hall. Thai Town Marketplace will be happening soon. Expect it to open late 2015, early 2016.

Erik mentioned Armenian Genocide Square, proposed new artwork for Hollywood/Western.

4. Fiscal Year 2014-15 status, remaining funds, list of encumbered items not yet expended, ideas for use of remainder of funds, timeline.

A. Report on new forms for Request for Funding and NPGs.

Tom walked group thru the paperwork in their packets on budget requests. Mentioned rules around events, 30 day notice, give aways, sponsorships.

Sheila- ask people to give us e-mail in order to get emergency kits at May 3 LAFD event. Jennifer- bring laptop to events so folks can sign up there.

Robert R. offered to bring hot spot to event to assist with this effort. Sheila- we need to make it easier for local nonprofits to apply for NC's funds.

B. Discussion of draft design for proposed new tri-fold HUNC brochure.

Continued.

5. 2016 HUNC Election Committee formation and selection, timeline

Was agreed by verbal consent that Executive Committee would handle paperwork.

6. Motion regarding online voting proposal currently being considered by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. Online Voting Presentation at LANCC: <http://youtu.be/QnAD6G7Hlvs> https://prezi.com/Odi46duembxv/journey-to-online-voting/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy

Motion Susan S.-Robert A. to opt out of this round of online voting. Passes 11-0-1. (Cyndy, Jennifer, Susan S., Erik, Tom, Anji, Susan P., George, Margaret, Sheila, and Chona). Robert L. abstains. Susan S.- we'll do it if the City Council tries it out first.

7. Mission of HUNC for 2015, formation of committees, board member responsibilities and requirements, required trainings.

8. New Business

Agreed to continue retreat an finance portions of special agenda on Thursday, May 7 after an abbreviated PLUM meeting, with committee at 6:30 and Board at 7. Board members were asked to communicate with Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer about their funding ideas prior to meeting to flesh them out further.

9. Old Business

None.

Adjournment

9:15