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# MONDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2015, 6:30PM BOARD MEETING MINUTES

#### 1. Welcome and introductions

Started 6:45 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

Present: Jim, Don, Sheila, Chona, Tom, Susan S., Erik, Susan P., Anji, Greg, Robert L., Cyndy and Margaret (13). Robert arrived at 7:00. Jennifer arrived at 7:04. (15 present) Nic excused.

**7. Report** by HSDNC representative on Lemon Grove Park Holiday party, complying with HUNC Board approval (November 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting) for \$200 support of event on condition of receiving an update

Bill Zide, HSDNC Chair, spoke about success of event and thanked Tom for his help. Mentioned that Target has been held up because of not following SNAP ordinance. They are challenging law. Spaghetti Factory has similar issues. Do you make them tear down already built structure?

# 3. Approval of Minutes

Motion Tom-Greg December minutes approved 13-0 with one modification (removal of Sheila's name as present). [Jim, Don, Sheila, Chona, Tom, Susan S., Erik, Susan P., Anji, Greg, Robert L., Cyndy and Margaret]

# 6. Nominations and appointments to vacant Board seats

A. Business Area B Representative Term: to 2018 Election

Business Seats – one (1) seat for each of three (3) business Areas (See Article III, Section 2B). To qualify for a business seat, Stakeholders must be owners, members or staff of an organization with an office or regularly scheduled meetings with at least ten (10) meetings a year within the Area whose members are engaged in for-profit activity, commercial activity; or business associations and business improvement districts.

Business Area # B - Includes Hollywood and Western corridors. From the middle of Hollywood Blvd. at Western Ave., proceed west to Gower Street. Continue north in the middle of Gower to just below Franklin Ave. Proceed east below Franklin to middle of Western Ave., then south to Hollywood Blvd.

**B**. Non-Profit Representative, 1 seat, Term to 2016 Election Stakeholder who is an owner, member or staff of an organization with an office or regularly scheduled meetings with at least ten meetings a year within HUNC including, but not limited to mission type organizations, social service advocates and providers, non- profit affordable housing development and management organizations, non-profit hospital and healthcare providers, social service counseling agencies, and life enrichment organizations and who is 16 years or older.

C. Update on other Board seat vacancies

Tabled for one month. Don announced that was stepping down due to conflict with position and new role with developer and fact that plans to move out of the area soon. Was announced that Nic Manzo (Homeowner Area 1) has also stepped down.

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

Ann DeBello- multiple problems with Villa Carlotta for last year and a half. Have worked with Housing Dept.

Aixa Fielder- wanted to meet with CES. Questions about lead abatement and how it was handled. Staff was not wearing masks. Parked in handicap spaces.

Silvie- should schedule discussion of Carlotta. Has petitioned for historic preservation for the building.

Tara Bannister- spoke about candidacy for Council.

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

22. Update on CD 13 Field office move and new location for Dan Halden

Dan Halden, CD13- now in Echo Park. Ground floor. Trying to improve management of street closures on Hwd. Blvd. Expanded membership to include CD4. Have a limit of 3 per venue for a full closure. Spoke about changes to parking rates at parking lots on Vine and Cherokee. FS82 Annex will be opening this Spring. Chief Joe Castro will be headquartered at old station, in charge of the Western Bureau. Mentioned that County courthouse will be closed for two years and may be opportunity for businesses to lease space.

**21. Update** on Griffith Park Advisory Board and current Park issues/concerns and proposals Erik congratulated Susan S. for being unanimously voted in as chair of Griffith Park Advisory Board.

Robert L.- a lot of accidents on Franklin near Canyon. Need traffic control. Erik suggested that we ask new CD4 rep to take a second look at Franklin and Van Ness light idea. Need to conduct traffic study.

**8 Update** on the proposed Mayor's Parking Reform Committee Recommendations to go to the City Council in February. Possible vote supporting recommendations.

Susan P. gave report on Mayor's parking reform committee.

**9. Update** on Jan 27<sup>th</sup> debate forum being presented by HHWNC and HUNC at Universal Studios (Globe Theater). Endorsement protocols.

Erik gave rundown of event and participation by 13/14 candidates.

**10. Update** and discussion of the DONE-mandated Code of Conduct submission by every NC Board member <a href="http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct">http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct</a>

Erik mentioned new Code of Conduct requirement.

**11. Update** on proposed 10-acre lease between DWP and City (Recreation & Parks) to establish a parking lot on paved area near Cahuenga and trail from Lake Hollywood Drive past Toyon Tanks up to trailhead for Coyote Canyon Cahuenga Peak. Motion to recommend study of alternative trail access point.

Cahuenga Peak. Erik suggested opening up gate at top of Wonder View for park users to access Cahuenga Peak trail during daytime. Sheila said should speak to Knolls as they are the ones impacted. Mentioned letter of opposition by that HOA. Jim spoke about impact of tourists wishing to see Hollywood sign on area. Erik stated that Cahuenga Peak hikers are not tourists. Robert L. mentioned support for vans for tourists to allow for access to Hollywood sign viewing areas. No action taken.

14. Update on Greek Theater RFP, Arts, Parks Committee report

Erik mentioned that Arts Committee voted 4-1 to reject Rec & Parks Commission recommendation to approve contract with Live Nation to operate Greek. Next step is matter will be heard by Council.

**15. Proposal** to restart Hollywood Coalition, with each member (HHWNC, HUNC, LFNC, EHNC, SDNC, CH core members with GWNC, MCWNC and BABCNC invited when issues involve them) hosting every other month and selecting items for discussion. Request by DONE to include Coalition on their website as Active.

Susan S. mentioned history of Hollywood Coalition and founding of NCs across Hollywood. Cyndy, Tom, Erik and Susan S. expressed interest in participating in new incarnation.

**16. Update** on proposed Hollywood Gateway monument at NW corner of Hollywood and Western. Motion to approve up to 250 for design of potential monument for application

Susan S.-Jennifer moved spending \$250 for concept drawings. Sheila suggested a contest. Jennifer- can work with security guard at Franklin/Bronson to come up with some mock ups of potential designs. Susan S.- can ask other NCs to chip in as it's on border. Erik- approach HSDNC about matching our funds. Anji- place on website/FB site. Motion Erik-Anji approved 14-0-1. [Jim, Don, Sheila, Chona, Tom, Susan S., Erik, Susan P., Anji, Greg, Cyndy, Margaret, Robert A. and Jennifer. Robert L. abstains]

# 17. PS&T Committee

**A**. Update on timeline for re-opening for old Fire Station 82 and dedication of new training facility/annex, and timeline for moving HUNC meetings to the facility

Opening of old FS82, new Annex to take place sometime in February. HUNC hoping to hold meetings there starting soon.

# **18. Renters Issues Committee**

**A.** Update on working group meeting/ town hall on renters' rights Cyndy said have to pick a date. P,S&T slot a possibility. Erik mentioned Thai CDC initiative, need to find third renters' rep.

# **19. Outreach Committee**

**A.** Update on Newsletter and timing, and call for submissions Sheila- newsletter articles submitted.

# 20. Business Committee

**A.** Update on proposed Business Watch District Greg- manager of Gelsons came to last meeting.

**23. Update** on development on south side of Hollywood Blvd near St Andrews Place Cyndy- 280 rental units are being constructed, will connect to Mayer Building.

**13**. **Discussion** of possible Board retreat in March, location, items to cover etc. Susan S.- will try to get people up to speed.

# 12. Finance Committee

A. Approval of monthly expense reports

Motion Sheila-Erik approved 11-0-2 with one correction. Update on what NC has been allocating funding for. Have \$11k left. [Jim, Don, Sheila, Chona, Tom, Susan S., Erik, Anji, Greg, Cyndy, Margaret, Robert A. and Jennifer. Robert L. and Don abstain]

**B.** Report on recovery of \$3446 from FY 2013/14 budget and \$960 from CD4 held for inclusion in HUNC FY2014/15 budget Funds available for next five months of fiscal year.

C. Champion Fund, request to fund up to \$1000 for at-risk youth sports uniforms

Tabled.

**D.** Report on first 6 month DONE audit of HUNC Monthly Expense Reports, some missing documentation needed. Tom gave update.

**E**. Report on new and improved forms for Funding Request, vote counts, NPG, MER, etc. New administrative rep for Cheremoya.

# 24. New Business

None

# **25. Old Business** None

26. Adjournment

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