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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2013--6:40PM to 9:40PM LA CITY FIRE STATION #89, COMMUNITY ROOM 7063 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, North Hollywood, CA 91615

The President called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and gave words of welcome to everyone attending. The President led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our U.S. Flag.

The Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum existed. The eleven present included: Ernie Moscoso, Zeke Barragan, Sarah Ramsawack, Jeffrey Garner, Ruben Borges, Marlene Cardozo, Ronald M. Cross, Chuck Loring, Ben Moore, Inez T. Morin, and Tina Sunderland. The four absent were: Florence Dorick, excused due to illness, Judy Harris, and Edan Harris, both excused for schedule conflict, and John Basteghian, unexcused.

There were less than 20 persons attending.

The Minutes for October 17, 2013, were approved as written. The vote was 10-yes, 1-no, and 0-abstain.

Item #5 on the Agenda--Comments from government representatives

Lorraine Diaz of CD#6 spoke about the CD#2 Holiday Open House from 5pm to 7pm on Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013. Caesar Huerta from CD#6 spoke about the new office space for Nury Martinez to be at 9300 Laurel Canyon, upstairs in the former space for CD#6.

Item #6 on the Agenda--Comments from Stakeholders on non-agenda items

Richard Valdez is concerned about the safety issue of school children crossing a very busy intersection of Camellia Avenue and Saticoy Street where there are no stop lights and no stop signs. Mr. Valdez had been speaking to residents in the area and had obtained signatures and addresses of thirteen neighbors who are also interested in some safety control for the intersection. Lorraine Diaz from the office of CD#2

explained how the Department of Transportation would have to make a study to support the installation of some safety control or painted crosswalk at the intersection, and that she would help on this matter.

Alisa Smith, our IEA Independent Election Administrator for the SFV Region #4 spoke about the upcoming Elections for 2014.¹ Zeke Barragan, our Vice President, will be attending the Regional Elections meeting on December 5, 2013.

Item #7 on the Agenda--LA By-Product 11501 Strathern St., N.H. Ca.

President Moscoso allowed seven minutes for Stakeholder Karl Kunak to make his case concerning the large area or the former dump now with partial land used as a Golf Driving Range. Deputy Caesar Huerta from CD#6 with the support of City Council Member, Nury Martinez, had conducted an investigation of the way the vacant property is being used, and the findings showed that there are nine code violations for the two addresses on the East side of the property.² According to the B&S Property Activity Reports provided to the Council the compliance date for all items is for December 8, 2013 to avoid fines or penalties.

Caesar Huerta stated that the property owner did not have the required permits and received an Order to Comply within thirty days, after which there is no grace period. Ben Moore asked about the Land Fill.³

Mr. Kunak gave a brief history of the subject land: in 1953 the land provided gravel to build and extend the City of Los Angeles. In 1973 the open pit was used to collect city trash. By 1978 the pit was filled to capacity. The property owner promised a regulation nine-hole golf course, with plans for completion in 1985. No more trash was accepted after 1985. There were big plans to convert the land to recreational uses. Mr. Kunak said it was in the 1990s that the site was officially closed.

Item #8 on the Agenda--Presentation Neighborhood Legislature

Scott Crawford, Coordinator for NEIGHBORHOOD LEGISLATURE spoke about how California Citizens can influence the reduction of political power of special interest groups.⁴

Item #11 on the Agenda--Treasurer's Report

¹The IEA, Alisa Smith can be contacted at hotline #818-293-8683.

² Locations: 8101and 8201 Tujunga Avenue found total of nine violations per the LADBS.

³ About the Penrose Landfill go to <u>www.use.com/frs/penrose-landfill-gas-conversion-lic.html</u> to learn more and go to **chipjacobs.com/articles/environmental/par-for-the-landfill/** for PENROSE current details.

⁴ Contact S. Crawford at ph# 323-663-1664 or at Email scott@NeighborhoodLegislature.com

Treasurer Jeffrey Garner provided the expenses for October (to date) with a Budget Balance of \$25,208.58.⁵ Sarah Ramsawack made the motion to approve the report and the second was by Ruben Borges. The vote was 11-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstains. The treasurer also stated that certain items had been voted on but the payments have not cleared as of yet, such as \$750 for the North Hollywood Police Division holiday toys, the \$750 for the Foothill Police Station holiday toys, the \$200 for bus bench advertising, and \$1000 for clothing for needy students at Korenstein Elementary School.

The treasurer also provided to each board member a set of the papers needed for completion for Demand Warrants.

Jeffrey Garner also asked for some other board member to order and arrange for the pizza for the meetings. President Moscoso volunteered to order the pizza for each meeting.

9;00pm Inez T. Morin and Tina Sunderland left the meeting early. That meant that a quorum remained of nine members.

9:07pm Judy Harris arrived. That meant that a quorum exists with ten members.

Item #12 on the Agenda--Purchase of lateral file cabinet to store speaker timer and two chairs

Zeke Barragan moved to spend up to \$250 for a lateral file cabinet⁶ and 2 chairs, and the motion was seconded by Chuck Loring. After discussion the vote was 10-yes, and 0-no, 0-abstain, and 5-members absent.⁷

Item #13 on the Agenda--Discussion of Council File #11-1017-51 & motion by Council Member Nury Martinez CD#6

Sarah Ramsawack moved to table this item until January 16, 2014 and the second was by Zeke Barragan. The vote to approve was unanimous by a show of hands with 10-ves, 0-no, and 0-abstains.

Item #14 on the Agenda--The eight BONC motions

Ben Moore gave feedback for the motions and he found that he opposes motion #2 regarding the further training requirements for all NC board members goes too far.

(9:15pm Ruben Borges leaves the meeting and that means that quorum remains with nine board members present.)

⁵ Attachment #1 for current Budget with Balance of \$25,208.58.

⁶ To be used to store the Speaker Timer inside a locked cabinet.

⁷ (After the meeting was adjourned the treasurer tested the length of the existing file cabinet and found that the Speaker timer fits in the top drawer perfectly.)

Ben Moore continues review of the eight BONC motions and approves the item #3 concerning Early Notification System. BONC item #4 was mentioned that each NC has the right to open Council Files without the requirement for filing financial disclosures to apply.

Item #5 of the BONC motions still seems rather ambiguous.

Ben Moore finds that Item #6 about the NCs providing Community Impact Statements can be placed on the City Council agendas and can be helpful to show that the NC and stakeholders express their position on a matter.

BONC motion #7 comes from the closing of the 2013 Congress where the motion was made that if a designated representative of a NC comes to present a prepared official position to the City Council that they be grated up to five minutes of presentation time that is separate from the time for the general public comment time.

And, that Item #8 concerning the Recommendation for Funding and Grants, that "unexpended NC funds should be kept in the NC System, received and administered by DONE"

Each Board Member on our NC is encouraged to go online to read and review these eight motions presented by BONC for future discussion and use.8

Item #9 on the Agenda--NC cleanup on Monday January 20, 2014 MLK Day

Marlene Cardozo gave each Board Member a copy of plans for the "Community Beautification Committee." Marlene said she had about 250 students for this day of service President Moscoso said Marlene would be the ChairPerson for the AD HOC committee, and that Jeffrey Garner would be the Co-Chair, and they would have a meeting on Monday, December 9, 2013, at 6pm at the Fire Station Conference Room.⁹

Due to time restraints, President Moscoso said that we will have a Special Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 10, 2013, at 6pm in the Fire Station Conference Room to vote on money matters.

Item #17 on the Agenda--Items for the next regular meeting Agenda

(9:40pm) 1. Zeke Barragan will report on the status of the Elections for 2014.

- 2. To have a DOT speaker regarding the parking availability and restrictions in our area and permit parking.
- 3. To consider the safety crosswalk for the intersection of Saticoy St., and Camellia Avenue.
- 4. The AD Hoc Committee to plan the NCs next Retreat that develops the next Strategic Plan.

⁸ Attachment #2 is the list of 8-motions proposed by BONC

⁹ Attachment #3 is the list of needed expenses or this event on January 20, 2014 for \$3,000.

(9:50pm) The motion to adjourn was approved by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH RAMSAWACK, Secretary