Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Notice of Regular Board Meeting and Agenda
Thursday, September 07, 2017
Highland Park Senior Center
6152 N. Figueroa St., Los Ángeles, CA 90042
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

A. Call to Order
B. Roll Call
C. Elected Officials (Mayor’s office, CD1, CD14, AD51, SD22, BOS1)
D. DONE
E. President’s Report
F. LAPD Report
G. LAFD Report
H. LAPL Report
I. Board Announcements
J. Committee Reports (Executive, Rules, Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Family Youth Education, Public Safety, Housing and Homelessness, Beautification, Culture and Equality, Arts)
K. Budget Advocates Report
L. Liaisons (Grievance Panel, Animal services, Homelessness, Legal, Public Works, DWP)
M. Alliances (ARC, LANCC, NC Sustainability Alliance, NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance, PlanCheck NC)
N. General Public Comments On Non-Agenda Items—Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda.
2. Approval of August 03, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
3. [Previously Tabled] (5 min.) 5137 N. Figueroa Street (DIR-2017-847-SPD-CCMP) - Discussion and possible action for a request to construct a self-service car wash at the exiting Shell gas station. A. Castillo/S. Huerta
4. [Previously Tabled] (8 min.) A presentation for the board to learn more information about Community Impact Statements (CIS) by John Darnell from DONE. J. Tijerina
5. (6 min.) Motion to approve an NPG for an amount up to $2000 requested by the North Figueroa Association in support of the Highland Park Independent Film Festival. Funds needed for rental of the Highland Park Theater for 3 days in October. J. Potter/ Marita De La Torre (HPIFF)
6. (6 min.) Motion to approve an NPG for an amount up to $500 requested by Avenue 50 Studio to repair the Mexico-Tenochtitlan mural at Avenue 61 and Figueroa Street. Funds go for art supplies and payment of two artists. J. Potter/Kathy Gallegos, Ave. 50
7. (10 min.) Discussion and possible action to consider the mobility and safety of Figueroa Street in Highland Park, including but not limited to, lane reconfiguration, traffic lane removals, road diets, and bicycle lanes. S. Huerta/A. Castillo
8. (2 min.) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for July 2017. J. Potter
9. (2 min.) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for August 2017. J. Potter
10. (5 min.) Motion to authorize up to $100 to pay for flyer and distribution of flyers for RecycLA Sustainability Committee event on the 27th of September. S. Brantner
11. (2 min.) Motion to reimburse Board Member Antonio Castillo $143.11 for items purchased: notebooks from 99¢ Only Store. A. Castillo
12. (3 min.) Motion to request no more than $1500 to purchase outreach items of bags, stickers, notebooks and brochures with new logo. Y. Nogueira
13. (3 min.) Motion to request no more than $550 to print Housing and Homelessness NELA Directory. Y. Nogueira

14. (2 min.) Motion to create a Local Business & Economy Committee and appoint Marcus Moché as the chair. M. Moché

15. (2 min.) Motion to appoint SuzAnn Brantner as HHPNC’s liaison to the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Association (NCSA). L. Amsden

16. (5 min.) Discussion and motion to submit a CIS and take a stance as a board against the proposed Grayson Power Plant in Glendale which will affect our community. S. Brantner

17. (5 min.) CIS calling for a hold on implementing the waste collection franchise system until the City and/or franchisees can provide suitable education to those affected, the City amend the rate sheet to remove unnecessary fees, and the City provide a complaint line where issues such as lack of service, removal of bins, no provision of green recycling, etc. can be addressed on a timely basis. L. Amsden

18. (5 min.) CIS in strong support of Councilmember Nury Martinez’s motion to have the DWP report on the Bay Delta project’s history and alternatives, as well as requesting an analysis of projected costs, funding and financial impact to the ratepayers from the Office of Accountability/Ratepayer Advocate. L. Amsden

19. (6 min.) CIS to reopen CF 09-0969 raising the fees on certain land use appeals for individuals opposed to developer’s actions from $89 to $13,538 (denied in 2009 but pushed through without notice to NC, CEQA and other groups) until NCs are provided with documentation on how these costs were determined and NCs and interested parties are given an appropriate 60-day comment period BEFORE this is brought to a vote again. L. Amsden

20. (5 min.) CIS on LAPD drone use to ensure privacy, community safety and freedom from the militarization of our police department. L. Amsden

21. (5 min.) CIS on the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners including that the City set specific qualifications as well and obligations and responsibilities that should be met or a replacement appointed. This comes from LANCC, which has not had quorum in the past few meetings, and the Valley representatives feel that the new appointee is political and not qualified. The parameters should be set up to ensure appropriate involvement and conduct. L. Amsden

22. New Business

23. Adjournment