Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Local Business and Economy Committee Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2018
El Huarache Azteca
5225 York Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90042
7:30 - 8:30 PM

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Agenda
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A. Call to order
B. Roll call
C. Announcements
D. Public comments on non-agenda items (2 minutes per speaker, 5 speakers max)

Action Items

1. **Approval of agenda** - 2 minutes
2. **Approval of minutes** from November 2017 meeting - 2 minutes
3. **Confirmation of committee roster** - 2 minutes
4. **Discussion**: draft committee mission statement - 5 min

**Statement text:** This committee is devoted to ensuring the local economy benefits all Highland Park stakeholders, regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, nationality, or socioeconomic status. It seeks to promote an environment where industries of all types can succeed in a changing market, and to empower local businesses to identify areas of collaboration in the pursuit of long-term success and vitality. The committee will address these goals through regular community outreach, conversations with elected officials and other city resources, and regular reports to the stakeholder community. The committee will regularly coordinate activities with other committees within the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council, as well as other external groups with aligning missions.

5. **Discussion**: social media posts/poll to drive engagement, fulfill mission, and benefit the community - 10 min

**Proposed topics:**
- Discussion forums
  - Helping drive inclusive business practices
  - How to help small business succeed
  - How to help longtime businesses roll with changes, socioeconomically
  - Advise community on ways to help businesses be successful
  - CD1 forums - one on women business owners, one on grants
  - Making new folks aware of the value that exists in old businesses/culture
  - LA Mas nonprofit out of Frogtown, might be a good prototype/speaker
- Workshops
  - Creation of business directory
  - Social media 101

6. **New business**
7. **Adjournment**