Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Notice of Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday July 17, 2018
Highland Park Senior Center
6152 N. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90042
7:00-9:00 PM

AGENDA

A. Call to Order – 7:00 P.M.
C. Public Comments – No public comment.
D. Chair’s Report –
   - Board decided to take a position of support for repeal of Costa-Hawkins repeal.
   - Neighborhood by Laws have been amended and adopted to officially identify this committee as a “standing committee”, updates available online. By-laws recognize no more than 5 board members can be on the committee, and a max of 10 members can sit on the committee. Antonio will review wording for accuracy and share with this committee.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action to adopt the agenda.
   - Charlie moves to adopt this months Agenda, Jesse seconds, all in favor. Motion passes.
2. **Discussion and possible action to approve minutes from June 19, 2018.**
   - Antonio moves to table June meetings minutes to next months meeting. Boo seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

3. **Discussion and possible to appoint HHPNC Board member Joe Tarr to the Land Use Committee.**
   - Mr. Joe Tarr introduces himself.
   - Architect, and lives in the neighborhood.
   - Chalrie motions to install Joe, Jesse seconds, all in favor, motion passes.

4. **7025 N. Figueroa Street (ZA-2018-1300-ZV) Discussion and possible action for a request for a zone variance to permit continued use and maintenance.**
   - Argenai (owners representative) introduces project.
   - Property is not in violation or in non-compliance.
   - Current use will remain as is – auto body shop.
   - Addition of 200’ linear feet of landscaping improvements adjacent to Public right of way. Existing storage structure being converted to repair shop.
   - Owner requesting support to keep perimeter wrought iron fence.
   - All signage will remain as is.
   - Property has been a commercial use for 42 years. Recent community plant designated this area as R1 resulting in a legal non-conforming use.
   - Property improvements show no indication of intensifying legal non-conforming use activity.
   - Hours of operation will remain the same.
   - Antonio motions to support the application with added note that no additional spray booth square footage shall be added to property. Jesse seconds, all in favor. Motion passes.
   - Item will be added to Aug. 2nd board meeting agenda.

5. **Discussion and possible action to update LUC website to include applicant submittal guidelines and links to applicant submittal information.**
   - Melanie in contact with Christina (Web designer).
   - Idea is to provide online access portals for:
     - Developers to upload project documentation
     - Design guidelines and appropriate committee documents.
     - Community access to download appropriate documentation
   - Current website reference include neighborhood councils for Echo Park and San Pedro.
   - Additional discussion to take place during committee August retreat.
   - Retreat will address how to streamline project submittal and review process.
   - Retreat date TBD.
   - Charlie motions to develop committee project submittal requirements, Jesse seconds, all in favor. Motion passes.

6. **Discussion and possible action to set LUC budget for 2018-2019 term.**
   - Council treasurer requesting all committees provide a budget.
   - Committee agrees a projector would facilitate and improve project presentations.
   - Current committee budget includes paying for facility use, totaling $800.
   - Budgeted items for FY18-19
     - Website design, $300.00
     - Committee projector, $500.00
     - Reproduction costs, $400.00
     - Refreshments and light snacks budget, $300.00
   - Charlie motions to request $2000.00, Linda seconds, all in favor, motion passe.

7. **Reports and Updates:**
   - **HPOZ - C. Fisher**
     - HPOZ voted against project on corner of Avenue 42 and Figueroa, citing
concerns with building height and lack of design assimilation.

b. Early Notification Emails - A. Castillo
   i. No updates.

8. New Business
   - Trisha expressed concern with recently completed mural at Highland Park theatre. Concern is directed at grammatical errors and the potential negative reflection on the present community. Antonio expresses “freedom of speech” potentially protects the grammar as is. Melanie recommends reaching out to Avenue 50 studios to discuss this committee’s concern.

9. Adjournment – 8:48 P.M.