Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, October 04, 2018  
Highland Park Senior Center  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

AGENDA

A. Call to Order- 7:04 pm
B. Roll Call: PRESENT- Rocio Rivas, Joan Potter, Antonio Castillo, Alexis Rivera, Melanie Freeland, Zach Gardea, Marcus Moche, Stan Moore, Yolanda Nogueira, Gavin Pierce, Jeffrey Rex, Ross Ufberg, Boo Caban. ABSENT: SuzAnn Brantner, Clint Schaff, Mary Pickert, Sheri Lunn, Joe Tarr, Jamie Tijerina.
C. Elected Officials: Lucy Aparicio, Field Deputy for CD14- Eagle Rock Music Festival on October 6th. Many Highland Park and NELA residents are performing. On Oct 21 cleaning and maintenance of York Blvd. Oct 26 is a York Park Halloween pumpkin patch event. Speed Bump application process is currently closed but will reopen on DOT’s website. Musa Khan from Election Division announces that neighborhood council voting will be Sat, Apr 13. Candidate filing starts in December and ends in January. HHPNC did not quality for online voting.
D. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE): John Darnell on monthly email for neighborhood council profile and election material. Discusses asset mapping. Councilman Ryu’s plans and idea to recommend to City Council that all stakeholders 16 and older can vote for neighborhood council positions. Discusses giving schools NPGs. Homeless Alliance meeting on November 29th. Resilience Los Angeles meeting on October 30th.
E. President’s Report- Rocio and Yolanda attended meeting on elections.
F. LAPD Report: Not present.
G. LAFD Report: Not present.
H. LAPL Report: Not present but on October 13th the library is having Taiko drumming performance.
I. Board Announcements- Antonio reminds all that Highland Park Film Festival is going on.
J. Committee Reports: Executive- August 29th meeting, discussed ways to focus budget on best serving most number of constituents and creating a metric for allocation guidelines for NPGs. Budget- No update.
Land Use- Antonio gives update on statewide bills on street vending (approved) and allowing bars to stay open until 4am (not approved).
Outreach- Yolanda says many council members attended Congress of Neighborhoods workshop.
Family Youth and Education- Discussion of possible upcoming teacher strike. Brainstorming ideas on helping youth.
Housing-renters-homelessness- Day of Compassion planned for January. This year’s DoC was successful.
Beautyification- Teaming with Lucy in Councilman Huizar’s office for grants for mural and tunnel next to Annandale Elementary.
Culture and equality- First installment of free NELA workshop on citizenship will be Oct 13th.
Local business and economy- Another meeting planned soon.
K. Budget Advocates Report: They met with Mayor Garcetti last week. NCBLA.com is website.
L. Liaisons: Animal Services: Boo says HLP Lost Pets Facebook page moved to NELA Lost Pets.
Film: Yolanda to meet with Arturo from Film LA later this month to discuss neighborhood filming.
Purposeful Aging: No update. Resilience: No update
M. Alliances (ARC, LANCC, NC Sustainability Alliance, NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance, PlanCheck NC): Sustainability discusses new city database program of sustainable needs where you can zoom in on your neighborhood.
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)
1. Art Camarillo - Neighborhood stakeholder discusses veteran nonprofit to establish veteran memorial at El Rio Park. Has support of Councilman Cedillo, Mayor Garcetti, and other local politicians. He asked for donation from HHPNC.
2. (group of neighborhood councils)- Discussion of environmental outreach event to students and youth at Van De Kamp Bakery on October 13th.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda.
2. Approval of September 06, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Jeffrey was present and not absent
3. Discussion and motion to approve Ross, Joan, and Zach as board members to spearhead Elections Committee.
4. (3 min.) CONSENT CALENDAR: The following routine matters were approved unanimously:
   A. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for August 2018. J. Potter
   B. Motion to adopt a revised budget designed to accommodate committee funding requests. C. Motion for HHPNC to collaborate with Council District 14 and Avenue 50 Studio in applying for the LANI Maintenance Matching Fund Program Grant to assist in mural projects throughout Highland Park. R. Rivas
   D. Motion to request no more than $400 for the Day of the Dead event in collaboration with CD 14 and Avenue 50 Studio to purchase items for food, drinks, and paper goods. R. Rivas
   E. Motion to collaborate with CD 14 for the annual Pumpkin Patch at York Park and requesting no more than $400 to purchase school related items (pencils, erasers, etc), arts and crafts table, pan dulce and hot chocolate for the families and children. Y. Nogueira
   F. Motion to support the Highland Park Recreation Center in their Halloween event and requesting no more than $275 for arts and crafts and snacks for families and children in attendance. Y. Nogueira
   G. Motion to assist in Garvanza Leadership and Technology Magnet School’s Fall Literacy Harvest Festival and requesting no more than $300 to assist in literacy arts and crafts activities supplies, prizes and snacks/drinks. R. Rivas
   H. Motion to collaborate with CD 14 on a Community Tree Care and Clean Up along York and Avenues 50-53 and requesting $250 for breakfast, lunch and drinks/water for volunteers from the Community Impact Fund. Y. Nogueira
   I. Motion to approve up to $2000 to produce bamboo utensils and straws to give out to stakeholders. The budget will be split between the Sustainability and Outreach committee. Tabled.
   J. Discussion and motion to give Gavin Pierce access to the CIS filer system to file Community Impact Statements. J. Tijerina, G. Pierce
5. Discussion and motion to submit a CIS in support of supporting the creation of a Bank of Los Angeles, a state-chartered public bank. Concept of localizing banking and keeping money in community and not for Wall Street. Motion passes.
6. Discussion and motion to submit a CIS in support of banning contributions to City elected officials and candidates from developers with projects that are being considered for approval by the City. Motion passes.
7. Discussion and motion to submit CIS in support of adopting a Plastic Utensils-On-Request ordinance that requires restaurants, and other food service providers, to withhold plastic utensils unless a customer requests them. Motion passes.
8. Motion to approve a letter for request for action to Mayor Garcetti to increase his initial budgetary line for the Urban Forest Plan. Motion passes.
10. Adjournment at 8:32pm.