

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 02, 2018
Highland Park Senior Center
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

AGENDA

A. Call to Order- 7:05pm

B. Roll Call: PRESENT- Boo Caban, Yolanda Nogueira, Zacharias Gardea, Antonio Castillo, Rocio Rivas, SuzAnn Brantner, Stanley Moore, Mary Pickert, Melanie Freeland, Sheri Lunn, Clint Schaff, Gavin Pierce, Joe Tarr, Ross Ufberg ABSENT: Jeffrey Rex, Joan Potter, Jamie Tijerina, Marcus Moché

C. Elected Officials: Bill Cody Field Deputy for CD1- Latin Jazz Festival on September 29th and 30th. Car Show on Oct 20th on Figueroa Street between Avenues 55-60.

Lucy Aparicio, Field Deputy for CD14- Annual El Mercado on York between Ave 50-52 will be August 11th, during second Saturday art walk; HHPNC can participate and have a community booth. Forum on Homelessness on Monday, August 6th, from 7-9pm, at Eagle Rock Baptist Church, 1499 Colorado Blvd. Northeast LA Sleeping Bag Drive, Sunday Aug 26, 11am-2pm at Eagle Rock City Hall, 2035 Colorado Blvd.

D. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE): John Darnell (DONE)- Discussion of emergency preparedness and planning, both on neighborhood and city-wide levels. Discussion of cool blocks and way of ground up way to combat global warming.

E. President's Report- 2nd meeting for Rocio as president and all is going well.

F. LAPD Report: Not present.

G. LAFD Report: Not present.

H. LAPL Report-Sarah Moore, librarian, Student's own helper program. No printing fees during this program. Third Saturday of the month will be Walk Highland Park event.

I. Board Announcements-None.

J. Committee Reports: Executive- June 21st meeting, discussed ways to create budgets for committees; online file storage; simplifying the secretary position

Budget- combined with executive committee

Land Use- Making updates to Land Use Committee website.

Outreach- We will have a booth at El Mercado. Movie Night with Arroyo Seco on Sep 15th.

Public safety- None

Family Youth and Education- has a time sensitive item on agenda.

Housing-homelessness- handed out kits on day of compassion; produced services directory to be distributed.

Beautification- Has an agenda item for tonight's meeting.

Culture and equality- They are having a meeting later this month.

Sustainability- Met last month.

Local business and economy- recruiting stakeholders to join committee

K. Budget Advocates Report: No one present.

L. Liaisons: Homelessness: Discussion of Mayor Garcetti's new program A Bridge Home

Film: SuzAnn and Yolanda will work on it

CD14: SuzAnn met with Lucy on immigrant issues. Jamie is working on event series for public rights. Social media questions on contamination issues with park and Lucy is looking into it.

Discussion of city's free program of seven trees for homeowners.

Purposeful Aging: Stan wants to be a liaison.

Resilience: Clint wants to be a liaison.

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)

1. Maria Elena Durazo (candidate for State Senate #24)- is running and wanted to introduce herself. Has lived nearby on Collis for 27 years. Child of migrant workers. Works as union organizer.
2. Danielle Padilla (arts advocate)- Justice for My Sister Collective nonprofit which uses movies to help at-risk youth. Scholarship program available. justiceformysister.org

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda. All in favor. Agenda approved.
2. Approval of July 05, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Abstain: Yolanda Nogueira and Boo Caban. Minutes approved.

3. [PREVIOUSLY TABLED] (5 min.) Discussion and motion to appoint board members to liaisons and alliances requiring board representation. R. Rivas

- **Grievance Panel:** Vacant
- **Legal:** Vacant.
- **Animal Services:** Boo Caban and Sheri Lunn
- **Homelessness:** Yolanda Nogueira and Rocio Rivas
- **Public Works:** Zacharias Gardea
- **DWP:** Ross Ufberg
- **Film:** SuzAnn Brantner and Yolanda Nogueira
- **CD1:** Melanie Freeland
- **CD14:** Jamie Tijerina and SuzAnn Brantner
- **Purposeful Aging:** Stanley Moore
- **Resiliency:** Clint Schaff and Rocio Rivas
- **Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)**—SuzAnn Brantner
- **Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)**—Gavin Pierce
- **Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance**—Rocio Rivas
- **Alliance of River Communities (ARC)**—Mary Pickert
- **DWP Advocacy and MOU Oversight**—Ross Ufberg
- **Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates (NCBA)**—Jamie Tijerina and Liz Amsden
- **Plan Check Neighborhood Councils PlanCheckNC**—Gavin Pierce
- **Congress of Neighborhoods (NCCongressLA)**—Rocio Rivas and Yolanda Nogueira

4. (3 min.) CONSENT CALENDAR: The following routine matters can be acted upon by one motion. Individual items may be removed by the Board for separate discussion. Items removed for separate discussion will be heard following New Business items.

- A. Discussion and motion for HHPNC to provide refreshments for the Understanding Homelessness' Community Forum organized by Recycled Resources to take place on Wednesday, August 22nd from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Highland Park Senior Center; requesting no more than \$100. Y. Nogueira, R. Rivas ***Event postponed/ motion tabled until further notice.***

- B. Discussion and motion to partner with Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council for family movie nights at Sycamore Grove Park in September 15, October 13 and November 9 in Ramona Hall; request for no more than \$350 for popcorn, snacks, and popcorn bags. Y. Nogueira
- C. Discussion and motion for HHPNC to participate in El Mercado August 11th with a free community booth from 4:00 PM-9:00 PM.
- D. (2 min.) Discussion and motion to conduct a community clean up at La Culebra Park August 25 from 8 am-12 pm; requesting no more than \$250 for food and drinks. R. Rivas
 - a. Roll Call: Yolanda Nogueira, Zacharias Gardea, Antonio Castillo, Rocio Rivas, SuzAnn Brantner, Stanley Moore, Mary Pickert, Melanie Freeland, Sheri Lunn, Clint Schaff, Gavin Pierce, Joe Tarr, Ross Ufberg. Abstain: Boo Caban. Consent Calendar approved.
- 5. (8 min.) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for MySafeLA in the amount of \$2000. Presentation regarding the MySafeLA program and implementation in schools and community to educate on fire safety. Roll Call: Boo Caban, Yolanda Nogueira, Zacharias Gardea, Antonio Castillo, Rocio Rivas, SuzAnn Brantner, Stanley Moore, Mary Pickert, Melanie Freeland, Sheri Lunn, Clint Schaff, Gavin Pierce, Joe Tarr, Ross Ufberg. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 6. (10 min.) 7025 N. Figueroa Street (ZA-2018-1300-ZV) - Discussion and possible action for a zone variance to permit the continued use and maintenance of an existing auto body and repair shop in an RD1.5-1 Zone; to convert an existing 500-square-foot canopy to auto repair use; to restripe the parking area to permit a zero-foot front yard setback in lieu of the minimum 10-foot setback otherwise required for a parking area in the R-zone; and to allow proposed landscaping planters along Figueroa Street and Tipton Way in lieu of the minimum three percent otherwise required for an automobile area. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 7. (6 min.) Discussion and motion to approve up to \$2280 to use GSuite services to host the HHPNC emails, documents and shared calendar for the 2018-2019 calendar year. Roll Call: Boo Caban, Yolanda Nogueira, Zacharias Gardea, Antonio Castillo, Rocio Rivas, SuzAnn Brantner, Stanley Moore, Mary Pickert, Melanie Freeland, Sheri Lunn, Clint Schaff, Gavin Pierce, Joe Tarr, Ross Ufberg. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 8. (5 min.) Discussion and possible motion to beautify and clean pedestrian/school tunnel on Figueroa and Poppy Peak Drive with the collaboration of Council District 14 and Joe Bravo to paint a mural with a school of fish; requesting funding as a community improvement project for \$500. Rocio motions to amend for \$500, Melanie seconds. All in favor. Amendment passes. Roll Call: Boo Caban, Yolanda Nogueira, Zacharias Gardea, Antonio Castillo, Rocio Rivas, SuzAnn Brantner, Stanley Moore, Mary Pickert, Melanie Freeland, Sheri Lunn, Clint Schaff, Gavin Pierce, Joe Tarr. Ross Ufberg abstains. All in favor. Motion passes
- 9. (3 min.) Discussion and motion for HHPNC to sign on the Reclaim Our Schools-LA platform. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 10. (3 min.) Discussion and motion to submit a letter to the LAUSD School Board requesting a special election for the LAUSD District 5 School Board open seat. All in favor. Motion passes.
- 11. (4 min.) Discussion and motion to submit CIS in support of Council motion 18-0600-S122 to build online voting system for Neighborhood Councils. Motion passes.

12. (4 min.) Discussion and motion to appoint a board member as chair for the Arts Committee. Gavin Pierce interested in heading the committee. Motion passes.
13. (4 min.) Discussion and motion to appoint a board member as chair for the Public Safety Committee. Stanley Moore and Ross Ufberg are interested in spearheading the committee. Motion passes.
14. (4 min.) Discussion and motion to appoint a board member as chair for the Rules Committee. TABLED.
15. New Business: Boo brought up program of city-approved homeless parking in empty lots and suggesting it be neighborhood-driven rather than coming from city hall.
16. Adjournment: 8:46pm