

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
DRAFT Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday January 29th 2020 6:30pm

Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92424389761>

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Time: 6:36 pm

Committee Member	Present	Not Present
Mary Allison	X	
Brendan Cronshaw	X	
Theresa Elorriaga		X
Rick Marquez	X	
Liz Strong	X	
Clara Solis	X	
Arturo Vargas		X
Mirtala Sanchez	X	
John O'Hara	X	
Total:	8	2

Note: If a committee member arrives after call to order you must write in time arrived. If committee member leaves before adjournment you must note the time he/she leaves.

1.(5 mins) Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

2.(5 mins) Chair Report – Mentions elections

3. (5 mins) Discussion and motion to approve agenda.

Motion by Brendan to approve agenda. Seconded by John O'Hara

Public Comment: None

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Mary Allison	X					
Brendan Cronshaw	X					
Theresa Elorriaga						X

Rick Marquez	X					
Liz Strong	X					
Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas						X
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
Total:	7					2

Motion carries.

- [5 min] Motion to approve the 12/15/2020, Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes.

Public Comment: None

**Rick Marquez moves to approve the 12/15/2020 Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes.
Liz Strong seconds.**

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Mary Allison	X					
Brendan Cronshaw	X					
Theresa Elorriaga						X
Rick Marquez	X					
Liz Strong	X					
Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas						X
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
Total:	7					2

Motion carries.

- General Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items—Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (Limited to 5 min, max 1 min per speaker) (Approx. Time on recording – 15)

Public Comment: Steve Crouch – Would like to know who is present other meetings have that – public safety and education.

- (10 mins) Presentation, discussion and possible letter regarding the Poppy Peak development. 6279 Annan Way, being reviewed submitted. **60 % grade. Destruction to oak. Write letter to urban forestry and Kevin De Leon.**
Presentation by John Collinson

Public Comment: Sylva Blackstone – suggest call to remove trash in street – building and safety, using street as a dumping space. Many of the trees have trunks compromised. They have been buried. **Steve Crouch** - Can't we get a commitment from Kevin DeLeon. Running out of time. **Tani Kaye** – Always trying to catch up. Getting out of hand. **Rosa Rivas** – Agree with Tani. Three more properties for sale on Figueroa. Need to respect how community feels. **Emma Howard** – On trees, want board to know about. CFAC made up of member of every CD. Phone number 213.978.0260 – web page. Mission to protect trees. Can help solve gaps. Urban Forestry only when permit is requested. Get in front of a lot of eyes at once.

Clara moves to write a letter as requested with copies to Urban Forestry & Councilmember Kevin DeLeon. Rick seconds. Clara will write.

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Mary Allison	X					
Brendan Cronshaw	X					
Theresa Elorriaga						X
Rick Marquez	X					
Liz Strong	X					
Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas	X					
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
Total:	8					1

Motion carries. Arturo Joined meeting.

- (25 mins) Presentation, discussion and possible letter or CIS regarding CVS Pharmacy #9665,5944 N Figueroa Ave. Conditional Use Permit Renewal. (Approx. Time on recording – 36.41)

Bruce Evans makes a presentation.

Public Comment: Rose Serna – Have talked about guidelines in the past. We should be consistent. Already there, know the impact. Don't have a position on this

Rick makes a motion to send a letter to board that is neutral. Liz Strong seconds. Mary will write letter.

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Mary Allison	X					
Brendan Cronshaw	X					
Theresa Elorriaga						X
Rick Marquez	X					
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Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas	X					
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
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Motion carries.

7. (10 mins) Discussion and possible action regarding Green New Deal Tool Kit.

Public Comment: **Gemma Marquez** – Not following this. Need to get our representatives to follow. **Lisa O.** – Attending because of development concerns. Excited about planting trees, but old mature trees are being taken out. **Rose Serna** – Growing our own food. Great aspiration. Agree with the others. Secure publicly owned land for a green space. Unhoused encampment Av 64 and started a garden there. Growing food there. **Sylva Blackstone** – Invite Lisa, planting trees Eaton Terrace. Sewage line being dug. Oak tree cracked. Stuff had been there before. Saplings removed after planting.

8. (10 mins) Discuss and Possible motion for HHPNC send a letter to Occidental College to request that they notify the HHPNC Land Use Committee on future planning items.

Public Comment: **Steve Crouch** – Have come to meetings in past. Bought building stripped down to two by fours. Ralph Rogers home. Cheated on that. **Tim Mellin** – Corner historically restore – avg. low cast building. Bought it not much to restore. Corner looks much better. Disagree with previous caller. Alumni Assn building restoring it. Incorporate new design but preserve. Gutted it and built whole new design. Can seem that way, come to us when they want something. Not really sure if they are on board with historic preservation. **Gemma Marquez** – Did they notify us? Come to us when they want something. Disingenuous that they are saying that. Literally across the street. Can't

conveniently come when it is for their benefit. **Rosa Rivas** – Agree with Gemma, they come when they want something. What is letter. **Sylva Blackstone** – Jim Tranquada, public relations. If DeLeon’s office would help make that suggestion. Should send a notice to us. Blanket permit for all of their events serving adults and alumni.

Clara motions to write letter to Occidental College incorporating community comments. Mary seconds. Clara will write letter.

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Mary Allison	X					
Brendan Cronshaw	X					
Theresa Elorriaga						X
Rick Marquez	X					
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Clara Solis	X					
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John O’Hara	X					
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Motion carries.

- (10 mins) Discussion and possible CIS regarding SB9, SB10, & CF 21-0002-S18.

Public Comment: **Steve Crouch** – Weiner lots of bad bills. Calling them a housing package. **Lisa** : In opposition, without a public hearing would not know about project. Fire hazards. Eco aspect as well. **Tani Kaye**: Agree with Lisa and Steve Crouch. Don’t have infrastructure. Not low income not affordable. Wrote letters. Scott Weiner, support City Council in opposing bills. **Rose Serna**: SB 9 another version of SB 51 includes 710 homes in El Sereno. Part of group occupied. Homes could be going to use right now. Tragic. Will include corridor. Will dis-include allowing for cooperatives to become stewards for properties. El Sereno Land Trust. SB 9 excludes El Sereno but not South Pasadena and Pasadena. Not in tip top shape. Can be repaired and have families in them soon. CHP sitting outside buildings. Whose developer friends will profit more. **Rosa Rivas**: Support in opposition.

Clara Solis motion to send a letter as a Community Impact Statement in support of CF-21-0002-S18, opposed SB 9 and SB 10 and send to Council and Council persons Gil Cedillo and Kevin De Leon as well as our Assembly person, State Senator and Governor. Rick seconds.

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Motion carries.

10. (10 mins) Discussion and motion to identify 3-5 goals for LUC before term end.

Public Comment: **Tim Mellin** – Cell phone towers at Rite Aid – zillion arms. Get advanced notice. **Steve Crouch:** Need to get a step-by-step process what comes next. **Rosa Rivas:**

Need to hold them accountable. Wendy Carillo, Maria Elena Durazo, and Mayor's office.

Lisa O, – Commitment to tree planting. Pavement to prevent suckering. Land Use can focus on. **Tani Kaye** – Get ahead of some of these things in our neighborhood. **Sylva Blackstone**– Get ahead of stuff. **Gemma Marquez**– Get Templates in place, Goals be proactive. Be supportive of new residents who are faced with these projects. Alcohol template and planning template.

Mary Allison's makes a motion to make our goals: 1. Have Finalized CUB and CUP guidelines, 2. Hold monthly meetings on NE community plan, be proactive – soliciting ideas from community and incorporating them in a document. 3. Invite Rep from City Council each meeting. 4. Work with sustainability committee on common items. 5. Transition plan for new Land Use Committee. Clara seconds. (Approximate time recording 2:37)

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Rick Marquez	X					
Liz Strong	X					
Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas	X					
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
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Motion carries.

- 11.** (10 mins) Discussion and possible motion regarding CUB & CUP guidelines.

Rick Marquez since last time did template. City of LA proposed restaurant beverage program where streamlined. See status of that. Will bring in draft and what is on website.

Public Comment: Sylva Blackstone Sounds like good work has been done. (Approx. Time on Recording 2:40)

- 12.** (10 mins) Discussion and possible motion regarding Northeast Community Plan updates.

Public Comment: Sylva Blackstone, Rosa Rivas, Right direction. **Suzanne Gero** – Hoping with NE Community Plan – for developers and realtors will know what our community is about. (Approx. Time on Recording 2:54) **Lisa:** If precise can negate what they can do. Can help more detail what our community is like so they cannot take advantage. **Gemma** – Supportive, Garvanza, HeritageTrust, preservationist, businesses. include all community. I live in R 1 is no longer R-1. City planning is ignoring my community.

Board Discussion: Rick. Definition they have of our community. Hopefully Charlie Fisher will join our committee.

- 13.** Discussion and possible motion regarding ENS reports. (Approx. Time on Recording 2:59)

Demolition on 200 Joy Street – 6209 Hayes Street

Public Comment: Steve Crouch – Do ADU's help housing or just increase value. Rosa question on Hayes Street. **Lisa O.** Question about demolitions. Liz will drive by Joy Street.

- 14.** New Business (Approx Time on Recording:)

ADU – LA Moss – help get ADU's
Community Gardens

Rick Marquez – January 21st. 9 am to 2 p.m. Planning – Listening Session Try to attend. Complain tell them what you think.

Mirtala Sanchez – Did receive mail. Notices of proposed demolition. Plan Town Hall with Kevin Deleon

Public Comment: Steve Crouch – Plan check LA. Representative of planning committee. Went over sign ordinance. Will send link to that. Next day Sustainability alliance on trees.

Community garden on park space. **Sylva Blackstone:** NC should have someone on NCSA. **Rose Serna:** New CUB 5317 East York – Property for lease. Someone has some plans. Can share it with us. More community gardens on public owned land. More people could have opportunity.

15. Adjournment

Public Comment: None

Committee member Liz moves to adjourn the meeting 10:0 pm. Mirtala Sanchez seconds.

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Mary Allison	X					
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Theresa Elorriaga						X
Rick Marquez	X					
Liz Strong	X					
Clara Solis	X					
Arturo Vargas	X					
Mirtala Sanchez	X					
John O'Hara	X					
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Motion carries. Motion is adjourned at 10:06 p.m.