

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
 SUSTAINABILITY (ENVIRONMENTAL) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
 26 July 2021 7:00pm
 Zoom
 Los Angeles, CA 90042

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Time: 7:08pm

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Member	Present	Not Present
Steve Crouch	X	
Shanna Oskin	X	
Emily Spokes	X	
Total:	3	

3. [2 min] MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA.

Public Comment: none

Shanna Oskin moves to approve. Emily Spokes member seconds.

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Steve Crouch	X					
Shanna Oskin	X					
Emily Spokes	X					
Total:	3					

Motion carries.

4. 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)

- Ben - any follow up from status on the Right for Shade festival?
 - Emily - on-hold due to the uptick in COVID cases, will be planning so it's ready to pull the trigger when cases are managed, will be on agenda for next month's committee meeting

- Rosa - people are excited for the Garvanza Park mini forest

5. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE MOTION:** Motion to appoint up to 4 stakeholders to the committee

- Maria Mastroiannis - has been part of York Park task force, live near York Park, environmental problems are one of the most important things we could be dealing with at this point in time
- Ben Feldmann - lives near Galco's, wants to use his training as a landscape architect and urban designer to give back, environment relates to public health and safety, wants to promote resilient ideas to give back to environment at large

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Steve Crouch	X					
Shanna Oskin	X					
Emily Spokes	X					
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Motion carries

6. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** York Park -- next steps. (90 min)

- Lisa & Cynthia don't see need for further testing - uses resources that might be better used elsewhere
 - Lisa Priester. would like to see a risk assessment before proceeding--what precipitated this latest move? Was there something or did someone get sick?
 - Mario has a risk assessment he can share
 - Maria wants another meeting to review the docs and more time
 - Emily suggests a petition? Cynthia suggests we first hold the risk assessment
 - Maria wants to look at the evidence again and the new pieces of information
 - Mario says give the documentation and see what they come up with -- let them do their own investigation.
 - Ben Feldmann -- as one who makes and designs parks, the obvious question, was this land properly remediated for a park. Put vapor barrier aside -- the proof should be in the pudding. Reading through these documents, maybe no one has been experts to make the judgement. Thinking ahead, if we were to put forward a petition. if whomever wanted to pursue this, the person would have to plot out, minimize disruption. the most expensive spots would be the shade structure. a really important point to be made. Everything is public record. Only the most as a

consolation should have to post something that this is a former industrial site that sold gasoline etc.

- Cynthia saying that someone with credentials would go against the people who cleared/closed the site. Risk assessments Expert Witness. Could the diesel be runoff from the soil
- Saul -- 40 plus year resident and lives a block away from the park. Never saw the amount of trucks that they said. That's odd for me. The other thing they said the park was remediated, but at the same time you are discovering diesel above that. From the dirt that was replaced. Think it's best to test it no matter what. I live a block away from this place.
- Tani feels like there is enough information that seems to justify doing some additional testing. What our government wastes of our resources ... I understand there is money involved. This is what we should be spending our money on.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

<NAME> moves to adjourn the meeting at ###pm. <NAME> seconds.

	For	Against	Abstain	Recused	Ineligible	Absent
Steve Crouch	X					
Shanna Oskin	X					
Emily Spokes	X					
Total:	3					

Motion carries.

Maria motions to adjourn:

Emily 2nds

Ben yes

Maria yes

Emily yes

9:07