Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda
Thursday September 20, 2012
Highland Park Senior Center 6152 N. Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90042
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

A. Call to Order
B. Roll Call
C. Guest Speaker: Luther Burbank Middle School Principal Valdez will report on the latest developments at the school
D. Council District 1 Report
E. Council District 14 Report
F. Mayor’s Office Report
G. Announcements
H. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)
I. Treasurer’s Report with up-to-date totals– Potter
J. Outreach Committee Report –Bonsell
K. Election Committee Report, including the opportunity for candidates for HHPNC elections held on October 13 to introduce themselves-Moore
L. Ad-hoc No 710 Committee Report - Gossett

ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion: Adoption of Agenda
2. Discussion and Motion: Approve Minutes for, July 19, and September 6, 2012
3. Continued from September 6 - Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for the Friends of the Southwest Museum, and the allocation of funds in an amount up to but not to exceed $1000. Grant to be used for office supplies and promotional material. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. –Moore
4. Discussion and Motion: Limit future Neighborhood Purposes Grants to no more than $1500 -Moore
5. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for the Franklin High School Cheer Squad, and an allocation of funds in an amount up to but not to exceed $1500. Grant to be used to partly fund 22 members of the Cheer Squad to attend “Nationals” in Las Vegas, Nevada on February 8, 2013 or April 20, 2013. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. - Bonsell
6. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of allocating $180 to subscribe to the email server Constant Contact for 6 months. Version selected can bulk email up to a maximum of 2500 addresses. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Dodson
7. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for the Haggus Society, and the allocation of funds in an amount up to but not to exceed $1500. Their fiscal sponsor is Fractured Atlas. Grant to be used to fund a print campaign to promote local monthly art exhibitions and programming in Highland Park. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. Bonsell
8. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant requested by Yorkdale Elementary School PTA, and the allocation of funds in an amount up to but not to exceed $3800. The Grant to be used to partially fund the salary of an itinerant music teacher who will be at Yorkdale two days a week. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Zuniga
9. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of purchasing 200 Forever USPS stamps for $90 as requested by Outreach Committee. Teri Bonsell will keep a log of stamps used. Budget and Finance certifies the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell
10. Discussion and Motion: Approve purchase of new business cards for Ruben Del Portillo at a cost of $20.05. Budget and Finance certifies paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. –Dodson
11. Discussion and Motion: Approve reimbursement to Stan Moore of $98.91 for Election Outreach: $91.34 for toner purchased at Staples, and $7.57 for cutting of flyers by FedEx. Budget and Finance certifies that original receipts are in hand, which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

12. Discussion and Motion: Approve reimbursement to Stan Moore of $1481.18 for backpacks purchased at How Fashions on Aug. 9, 2012. Budget and Finance certifies that original receipts are in hand which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

13. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of making a donation of $200 to the Sept. 22, 2012 Neighborhood Councils’ Congress. Cindy Cleghorn, Chair of the Congress, says money is needed for food (continental breakfast and lunch) or for filming. Budget and Finance certifies paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Moore

14. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for Hathaway-Sycamores Children and Family Services, and the allocation of funds up to but not to exceed $1500. $1500 would pay for 43% of their anticipated $3485 in expenses to put on their 12th annual Harvest Festival on Oct. 26, 2012. Budget and Finance certifies that the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

15. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of funding Outreach for up to $300 for candy, stickers, colored pencils and goodie bags to be given away at four events: Oct 19 Avenue 52 & Monte Vista, Oct. 20 NELAPD Open House, Oct 25 Farmers Market, Oct 26 Hathaway-Sycamores Harvest Festival. Budget and Finance certifies that the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

16. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of funding up to $200 from the Advertising Budget ($1000 allocation) for a 5’ by 8’ full color banner, and 100 11” by 17” posters announcing HHPNC monthly meetings. Budget and Finance certifies that the paperwork is complete, which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

17. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of funding up to $500 for 2 refills of the helium tank ($52 each) and 1000 balloons with the HHPNC name (no logo) for $35, plus approximately $40 tax to be used by Outreach Committee. Balloons to be inflated and given away over a two-year period. Budget and Finance certifies that the paperwork is complete which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

18. Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of funding up to $700 from the Operations Printing and Copying Budget (allocation of $800) for 6 toner cartridges for $371.96 and 8 cases of paper 251.94 plus approximately $55 tax. These supplies would enable in-house printing of agendas, minutes, flyers, by-laws, and other necessary printed materials. Budget and Finance certifies that all paperwork is complete which allows for Council action at this time. -Bonsell

19. Discussion and Motion: Choose two Board members to have access to HHPNC email server, and establish that no email may be sent to the email list without express Board approval- Dodson

20. Discussion and Motion: Approve initial introductory letter to be sent to HHPNC emails, and approve sending all future HHPNC Agendas to the email list upon public posting -Dodson

21. Discussion and Motion: Request an HHPNC Board member volunteer to record, either video or audio, and archive all future meetings, -Gossett

22. Adjournment
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