Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda
Thursday November 15, 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. Council District 1 Report
D. Council District 14 Report
E. Mayor’s Office Report
F. President’s 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

ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion: Adoption of Agenda

2. (5 Min.) Discussion and Motion: Approve Minutes for November 1, 2012.

3. (15 Min.) Discussion and motion: Follow up from the October 18, 2012 HHPNC Agenda Item #5; Approve the recommended Draft Policies and Procedures submitted by the former rules committee for the board’s consideration.

4. (15 minutes) Discussion: Follow up on 11/1/2012 item 7 proposals for the York/Figueroa and Monte Vista Security Camera Project. Proposal estimates the project cost of $56,000. Attachments sent by Monica to the board on 11/5/2012 details the project and maintenance costs, along with the maintenance agreement for the boards review. President to discuss final findings on costs, location, and HHPNC potential funding for the project. —Alcaraz.

5. (5 Min.)Discussion and Motion to change the name of the recipient of the board approved $1,500 NPG grant, previously awarded to the Haggis Society, to the Lummis Day Community Foundation, as it will be acting as the fiscal sponsor for the Haggis Society. —Potter

6. (5 Min.) Discussion and motion: Change the name of the recipient of the $1,500 NPG, previously awarded to the Yorkdale Elementary School PTA, to Yorkdale Elementary School. —Potter

7. (5 Min.) Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of allocating up to $410.40 for the printing of business cards for each of 19 the newly elected members of the HHPNC who are in need of business cards. —Huezo

8. (10 min.) Discussion and Motion: Consider the merits of allocating up to $1,000 for the Outreach Committee expenditures for winter holiday events, detail to be distributed at the time of meeting —T. Bonsell

9. (10 Min.) Discussion and Motion: That the HHPNC create a Best Practices ad-hoc committee and direct them to research other Neighborhood Councils, develop best practices, and develop the adoption of a strategic plan for the next two years to further enhance the experience of the public at our meetings and the overall effectiveness of the council. -Castro-Trejo, Knudson
10. (5 Min) Discussion and motion: Request that the HHPNC elect a board member as a "legal liaison" to serve as the lead individual for directing legal questions to the office of the City Attorney, and reporting back responses to the board, on an as needed basis. -Castro-Trejo

11. (10 Min.) Discussion and Motion: Approve and submit the drafted Community Impact Statement regarding DONE’s clarification and definition of a Community Stakeholder-- Castro-Trejo

12. (5 min.) Discussion and Motion- Elect a board member to draft and recommend Community Impact Statements to the board and to submit approved CIS to the City. -- Castro-Trejo

13. (5 min) Discussion and Motion: That the HHPNC create an Ad-Hoc "Taste of Highland Park" Committee and direct them to explore the interest in such an event in our community by meeting with local restaurant and business owners. – Salcido

14. (5 Min.) Discussion and Motion: Approve the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee to include Gretchen Knudsen, Joan Potter and Aaron Salcido, and
   a. Give them access to the storage unit to create and itemized inventory of all belongings in a report back to council
   b. Make recommendations for who should have keys to the unit
   c. Make recommendations for what should be turned over to the city and what should be kept/made use of
   d. Make recommendations for the need/expense of the storage space currently being used –Potter, Knudsen, Salcido

15. (5 min) Discussion and Motion: Request that the board members volunteer their time for the MHDC Event in Highland Park. The Montebello Housing Development Corporation (MHDC) is sponsoring the Home Expo & Home Rescue Fair with Assembly member Gilbert Cedillo on Saturday, November 17, 2012, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Luther Burbank Middle School, 6460 N. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, CA 90042. Their goal is to provide resources and services to 300 homeowners at risk of foreclosure. Their mission is to educate and assist in the delivery of safe, sanitary, quality and affordable housing to individuals and families of modest financial means. MHDC is requesting for HHPNC board members to assist by volunteering for this event. –Engersbach

16. (5 Min.) Discussion and Motion: Request that the board review and approve the recommendations of the ad-hoc electronic communications committee -Huezo

17. (5 min) New Business

18. Adjournment