Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda
Thursday, July 16, 2015
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. Elected Officials (Mayor’s office, CD1, CD14, AD51, SD 22, BOS1)
D. President’s Report
E. LAPD Report
F. LAFD Report
G. Board Announcements
H. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance, Digital and Social Media, Arts & Culture, Green & Sustainability)
I. Budget Advocates Report
J. LANCC/Sustainability Alliance Report
K. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)

ACTION ITEMS

1. (10 min) Presentation on the future of Benjamin Franklin High School moving forward, Principal Valdez.

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Approval of Minutes of the June 18, 2015 meeting.


5. (5 mins) [PREVIOUSLY TABLED] Motion in the form of a letter requesting the Mayor and City Council declare a state of emergency on homelessness and housing in the City of Los Angeles. – L. Amsden.

6. (10 mins) Presentation and motion to support with an NPG Enrich L.A.’s Garden Ranger Program for workshops regarding nutrition, science, and environmental stewardship at Luther Burbank Middle School in the amount of $500.00. – J. Sanchez.

7. (3 mins) Motion to host a cleanup (tentatively sometime in August) along N. Figueroa at the Border of Highland Park and Eagle Rock based at Annandale Elementary School in Partnership with Eagle Rock, Annandale Elementary and CD 14, with funds up to $250 for refreshments and supplies. -M. Alcaraz.

8. (2 mins) Motion to change the name of the Green & Sustainability Committee to Sustainability Committee. – L. Amsden.

9. (3 mins) Motion for the HHPNC to formally join the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance. – L. Amsden.

10. (7 mins) Motion in the form of a letter voicing strong opposition to any actions that would allow trains carrying tar sands or other toxic oil products to travel through the City and down the LA River corridor. – L. Amsden.

11. (5 mins) Motion to seat new 1st VP from current board members through approved voting process. - M. Alcaraz.

12. (5 mins) Motion to fill vacant board seat through approved process. Candidate Application to be open July 17th through August 3, 2015 with a vote of the new board member at the August 6th general meeting. -M. Alcaraz.

13. (8 mins) Motion: Letter of support for CUB ZA-2015-1871, located at 5628-5630 N. Figueroa St. Daphne Gokcen of FE Design Group will present plans for the operators of existing Greyhound Bar to open a second eating and drinking
establishment; seeking neighborhood council support for their conditional use permit to dispense alcoholic beverages at the site. –H. Slater.

14. (5 mins) Motion: Support for a CEQA workshop, organized by the Land Use Committee, to better inform board members, Land Use committee members, and stakeholders of the permitting process in Los Angeles, so they can make better informed decisions and provide better informed input on zoning matters that come before the neighborhood council. No funds requested at this time. – H. Slater.

15. (5 mins) Presentation: Introduce the new Vision and Mission statement of the Land Use Committee. The purpose of the statement is to provide an introduction and insight into the role and mission of the HHPNC Land Use Committee for stakeholders and investors wishing to create a home in or do business in Highland Park. –H. Slater.

16. New Business

17. Adjournment