

## **AGENDA (MINUTES ARE IN ITALICS)**

A. Call to Order 7:13 PM

B. Roll Call ABSENT: Diego, Joan, Johanna, Manuel, Linda Caban, Jessica, Mauro, 7:21 Manuel arrives

C. Elected Officials (Mayor's office, CD1, CD14, AD51, SD 22, BOS1)

### **CD 1, Melinda Ramos Allatrorre:**

*Congratulate North Fig Association for being awarded the challenge grant Great Streets Invitation on Saturday art walk to release One Voice publication  
Passed out flyers for Latin Jazz Festival August 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.*

### **CD 14, Lauren Ballard:**

*Utility box artwork vote is on line today, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Vote is open to the community. Individual can vote for up to 5 designs. A few tree care opportunities coming up, existing contractors need a little extra help so public can pitch in and mulch and pitch in. Next Thursday, August 13, 6:30 PM at York Park, meet at Hermosillo afterwards "Summer Night Tree Care." Eagle Rock Outdoor Movie Night E.T. At the Yosemite Rec Center 6:00 PM August 15<sup>th</sup> Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Neighborhood Clean Up, Annendale Elementary, covering that vicinity, tree care, fix up murals at school, etc. Cleaning up pedestrian tunnel that goes under Figueroa with a kid- guided painting project.  
York Park Shade is in progress*

D. President's Report -Nothing to report

E. LAPD Report

#### **Officer Chang:**

*Stats year to date given. Ways to protect your home and vehicles, keep locks on windows and doors fresh, lock side gates, check windows and doors, a lot of burglaries happen through the back yard, and they jump through open windows. Up by 20% from last year. Attributed to low bails and more people being released from prison.  
Alcaraz: what about incidents? 5200 Buchanan shooting- Need help from public to give information  
York-Mesa near police museum- homeless individual severely beaten, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00 AM, in critical condition, looking like possible homicide. Detectives are looking for clues that may lead to the perpetrator.  
Another incident two weeks ago on Range View, motorist shot at kid on bicycle, thought to be rival tagging related. Victim is not releasing info so detectives need help with information. Requesting more street lighting in response to this incident.  
Amsden: What about thefts related to catalytic converters? Officer: Secure your car and park it in the garage.*

#### **Mark Allen:**

*Homocide Sycamore Park: they have someone in custody, some kind of dispute was the probable cause. Blow to the head with unknown object. Individual fell off bridge on to the freeway. In Hollenbeck jurisdiction due to side of the bridge. Hollenbeck says they have civilian video that proves that incident was a suicide.  
Street robberies around Fig and 52- thanks to stakeholders giving info they have suspects and will be making arrests soon. Property crime down 9.4%; Car break ins is up 62%- due to people leaving valuable stuff in the cars.  
Violent crime is gradually going down.*

F. LAFD Report

**Battalion Chief Andrew Wordin:** *Couple of fires reported. Brush clearance in Highland Park looks generally good. Couple of LA resources, 24 personnel, deployed to other fires around California (mostly Northern California). Introduced Chief John Frazer. Central Bureau, working on public safety advisory committee, wants representation from HHPNC, bi-monthly, Frank Hodgkins Training Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday. 1700 Stadium Way. Looking at different types of policy issues that LAFD will be targeting as well as targeting hazards, etc, and focusing on public awareness programs. Looking for at least 1 representative from HHPNC who can be a part of this meeting series.  
Statistic sheets in the back broken down by neighborhood council for public to take- includes response time statistics, etc. Also discussed apps and downloads, social media, etc. Resilience and limiting risk: Disaster Recovery booklet handed out to board members*

G. Board Announcements

**Stan Moore:** *Future Policing Event, Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 at Glassell Park Senior Center- talk about the future of policing. Flyers passed out. Meeting in Korean will be held earlier.*

H. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance, Digital and Social Media, Arts & Culture, Green & Sustainability)

**Land Use: Susanne Huerta-** *Day Care Center on San Pasqual permits have been denied by the planning department.*

**Fig Jams (Great Streets Initiative)** *Has been approved. Melanie Freeland gives updates and overview: "Healthy Streets," "Arts and Culture," "Food and Business," and "Civic Engagement." – there will be panel discussions, etc.*

*Planning lots of community outreach and documentation of the actual day of the event.*

*Will be seeking HHPNC fiscal sponsorship of around \$800, which will be matched by the city of LA.*

*Green & Sustainability:*

**Amsden:** *LOOKING FOR New secretary had a couple good meetings*

I. Budget Advocates Report

J. LANCC/Sustainability Alliance Report

K. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)

**Ysidro Nieto:** *Concerned about parking spots in his neighborhood. Feels like people shouldn't park in his area. Worried about the handicapped people not being able to park. Also concerned about people not stopping.*

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Presentation on the current work in NELA of Food Forward, a non-profit fruit gleaning organization, by Emily Bell.  
*Presentation regarding how volunteers pick fruit from trees all over the city in yards of homeowners and end up taking the fruit to food banks and feeding the homeless. They also get thousands of pounds of fruit from wholesalers and salvage it for the people in need of food. Mostly citrus, will take anything. Passed around sign up sheet for mailing list.*
2. Presentation on Solar for All Campaign, by Ashley Thomas with LAANE.  
*New campaign starting- part of Repower LA Coalition- working to push LADWP to get more green, increase energy efficiency, pushing to help low income families with upgrades.*  
*New Campaign- Community Solar- Solar on public property, starting with their own properties, then moving to cities. Customers can sign up for solar, without having to actually install solar on their homes- this will benefit renters and low income families and non-home owners, however it will be available to anyone who wants to benefit from it. Needs neighborhood council buy in to help hold LADWP accountable and make sure they actually do something meaningful with this idea.*  
*Alcaraz: Recommends that this go to Land Use for consideration and recommendations.*
3. Approval of Agenda: *unanimous approval*
4. Approval of Minutes of the July 16, 2015 meeting. Unanimous approval- *Sheri Lunn abstains*
5. [PREVIOUSLY TABLED] 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.  
**Fernando Villa:** *Suggested some edits*
6. (3 mins) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for June 2015. – M. Alcaraz.  
**Roll all vote taken:** *approved: unanimous*
7. (3 mins) Motion to reimburse Joan Potter for expenses incurred for the July 18, 2015 clean up in the amount of \$197.24. – M. Alcaraz.  
**Roll call vote taken:** *unanimous approval*
8. (3 mins) Motion to approve \$30 per month for the rest of the budget year (2015-2016) for the iPad data plan using T-mobile. – S. Brantner. TABLED

9. (3 mins) Motion to approve up to \$30 to purchase an iPad bluetooth keyboard to use at events and monthly meetings. – S. Brantner. TABLED
10. (3 mins) Motion to approve \$950 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year to move highlandparknc.com email to google apps for gmail. – S. Brantner. TABLED
11. (5 mins) Motion to formally appoint a board member or stakeholder as a representative to the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance. – L. Amsden.  
*Motion passed unanimous*
12. (3 mins) Motion to request that Council File No. 15-0600-S72 be amended to authorize the General Manager of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment release the additional funding of \$5,000 immediately without restrictions to the accounts of the Neighborhood Councils. – L. Amsden.  
*Motion passed unanimous*
13. (25 mins) Motion to elect a new Director-at large through approved voting process. - M. Alcaraz.  
Motion to Amend: Slater: amend to elect two directors due to recent resignation of Ramos and two seats now being open, and open voting to all candidates, regardless of attendance at this one meeting.  
Stan Moore second; Amendment: opposition: Brantner, Amira – motion to amend passes  
Vote on Motion: Karina Casillas- 7 votes; Gabriel Chabran- 9 votes – are now the new Directors.
14. New Business
15. Adjournment