Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda
Thursday, December 4, 2014
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)
D. President’s Report
E. LAPD Report
F. Board Announcements
G. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance)
H. Budget Advocates Report
I. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Motion to Approve Agenda
2. Motion to Approve Minutes of November 6, 2014.
4. (5 mins) Motion to revise the 2014-2015 budget originally adopted Sept. 4, 2014. Due to a rent increase at Public Storage and an announced rent increase of the Senior Center, our budget no longer reflects our anticipated expenses. -J. Potter
5. (5 mins) Motion to award a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) to the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce in the amount of no more than $1000 in support of the 70th NELA Holiday Parade taking place Dec. 7, 2014. – J. Potter.
6. (5 mins) Motion to award an NPG to the Avenue 50 Studio in the amount of no more than $500 to enhance their video surveillance system. – J. Potter.
7. (5 mins) Motion to award an NPG to the Plus Me Project in the amount of no more than $200 to bring 2 motivational speakers to the Highland Park High School. – J. Potter.
8. (5 mins) Motion to award an NPG to Luther Burbank Middle School in the amount of no more than $1750 to support the after school Rube Goldberg Club (membership = 20 students). – J. Potter.
9. (3 mins) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2014 as required by DONE. – J. Potter.
10. (5 mins) Motion to partner with Eagle Rock Neighborhood Council and others to host a school board debate. -M. Alcaraz.
11. (5 mins) Motion to host a CD14 candidate debate in January/February 2015. – M. Alcaraz.
12. (10 mins) Motion to support passage of an ordinance banning the sale of GMO seeds and plants for the city of Los Angeles as put forth in Councilmembers Koretz and O’Farrell motion, File No. #13-1374. – L. Amsden.
13. (5 mins) Discussion of changing LA elections to even years to coincide with state and federal elections. –L. Amsden.
14. (10 mins) Motion to submit letter of support. Kiyoshi Graves will present plans requesting a zoning variance for a second story addition to residence located at 321 N. Avenue 65 in Garvanza. -H. Slater.
15. (10 mins) Presentation and Motion for HHPNC to become official sponsors of NELA Homes’ community give back project. For every home NELA Homes sells, they will give a free lawn- drought tolerant conversion, including the plants, materials, and coordination of installation, to a neighborhood homeowner in need, and help the homeowner apply for the DWP rebate. HHPNC is needed for outreach, communication resources, and possible coordination of community volunteers for the day of installation. No funds are required for this sponsorship. -H. Slater.
16. (3 mins) Motion to appoint a HHPNC board member to be the official timekeeper at board meetings so the meetings can run more on schedule. -H. Slater.
17. New Business
18. Adjournment