

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council
Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda
Thursday, November 5, 2015
Highland Park Senior Center 6152 N. Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90042
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

Present: Monica, Harvey, Diego, Liz A, Manuel, Gabriel, Luz, Linda (Boo),
Jessica, Stan, Amirah, Fernando, Sheri,

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

-Utility boxes artwork is under way

-Senior center bathrooms are still being worked on. It is not ideal but the current restrooms had a lot of unforeseen problems. There are now full working restrooms outside of the center until construction is done.

-Thank you to the board for hosting Councilmember Huizar on Facebook. It was the first ever Facebook Q&A that a neighborhood council has done.

-Veteran's Day Parade this coming Sunday 11/8

-Tree Lighting in HLP with a toy giveaway on 12/13

-Bus stop at York Park is still being worked on. No further update.

D. President's Report

-Clean up was successful but we need more support from the board members

-Halloween event and Hathaway event happened and we didn't have any board members in attendance, need to improve that

-Let's all try to be better this coming December

E. LAPD Report

-Two females found at Debs Park? LAPD has found out that they were from Cypress Park and Glassel Park. Join investigation with Hollenbeck and North East stations. Looking to get help from community members, there is limited information at the moment.

-Male found at Debs Park? 65-year-old man found in the area. Seems like he died from natural causes. The person was homeless.

-Had a couple shootings in October. One was on 10/4 N Ave 57, seemed to be internal gang shooting. The other was on 10/10 270 S Ave 50, no information on the second shooting.

-Prius catalytic converter thefts happening in the areas. Up to 20 thefts so far. Keep your cars in driveways and in close eye.

-Parcel thefts? Postal service is only looking at large scale thefts (25k pieces+)

F. LAFD Report

G. Board Announcements

-Liz – El Nino workshop handouts available at the meeting. Please report trees that block street signs to your council office. The TPP passed and it is worse than we thought, everyone should consider opposing this agreement.

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

Public Safety – Want to host a forum on domestic violence

Beautification – Had a meeting this past week. Meetings are now first Tuesday of each month. 30 large trashcans will be installed on Figueroa including 10 recyclable bins. 1 solar bench will be installed on Figueroa as well.

Outreach – Blvd sentinel ad has expired, next meeting we will discuss a renewal.

Digital – Diego will post agendas on the website and social media sites. Committee chairs need to submit their agendas to Diego 5 days before the meeting takes place.

Sustainability – Slight adjustment in meeting dates.

I. Budget Advocates Report

-3 weeks ago was budget day in Boyle Heights. Hoping to meet with City Hall regarding input that was provided.

J. LANCC/Sustainability Alliance Report

-There will be a meeting this coming weekend. Possible motion on street vending.

-Climate action forum for 12/5 with experts on climate change.

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

-Friends of HLP – Lawsuit was filed against the city. The lawsuit was successful and we were able to stop the transit village.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda
Motion passes
2. Approval of Minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting.
Motion passes
3. (10 min) Presentation on Recycled Resources for the Homeless upcoming Winter Access Center plans and Community Closet program By Rebecca Prine, Director RRH
Presented on resources to allow homeless persons to find shelter during the winter. 5619 Monte Vista St. 90042. Open 7pm – 5:30am. Recycledresources.org
Also presented on community closet for free clothing starting 12/7 – March 2016. 8am – 11am at 4104 N Figueroa St 90065.
4. (6 min) Motion to approve an NPG in the amount of \$750 for the Franklin High School Robotics Team to be used for registration fees at two competitions. M. Alcaraz Humphreys, Monte Vista, and Burbank MS were the programs that were assisted by the robotics program. The competition was in La Canada and it was a great experience for the students.

Motion passes

5. (3 Min) Motion to support the Highland Park Rec Center Breakfast with Santa and Toy Give Away Event with the traditional Pictures with Santa and Letter to Santa Letter writing Table Supplies with funds up to \$400 – M. Alcaraz
Motion passes
6. (3 min) Motion to partner with CD 14 on the 3rd Annual Highland Park Tree lighting event in December funds of no more then \$300 for activities and supplies. M. Alcaraz
Motion passes
7. (3 min) Motion to approve the September Monthly Expenditure Report as required by DONE.–M. Alcaraz
Motion passes
8. (3 min) Motion to continue to pay for the watering of trees that were planted on the medians in Eagle Rock and Highland Park. North East Trees is the watering agent. Cost is \$1403. – M. Alcaraz
Fernando moves to amend to replace “watering” with “maintenance”. Second by Diego.
Amendment passes
Main motion passes
9. (3 min) Motion to opt’ in to the 2016 homeless count and direct DONE to sign MOU on behalf of the HHPNC – D. Silva
Sights are split up for volunteers. In one night everyone goes out and does visual counts. Groups of 2’s and 4’s.
Motion passes. Unanimous.
10. (3 min) Motion to form Election Ad Hoc Committee M. Alcaraz
Motion passes. (Harvey will spearhead formation of the committee)
11. (3 min) Motion to approve Election 2nd Stipulation Sheet. M. Alcaraz
Motion passes.
12. (6 min) Discussion and possible action: Possible formation of a Housing Advocacy Committee -the Purpose of the committee would be to address housing challenges in Highland Park, advocate for preserving affordable and low income housing, and hold officials accountable for enforcing current laws that are designed to protect and preserve affordable, equitable housing. H. Slater
Move to form the committee as names above by Harvey. Second by Stan.
Motion Passes
13. (3 min) Motion to send a letter of directive to CD1 to adopt a zero tolerance plan to end traffic fatalities and injuries on N. Figueroa Street, by implementing traffic calming and safety enhancement measures. – H. Slater

Amendment to delete everything after Figueroa Street by Liz. Second by Gabriel.
Amendment Passes. Abstain: Jessica.
Main motion passes

14. (3 min) Motion to fill vacant board seat(s) through approved process. Candidate Application to be open November 6th through November 30, 2015 with a vote of the new board member(s) at the next general meeting. -M. Alcaraz.
Motion passes

15. (3 min) Motion to approve CIS & letter in support of 15-0841 To provide water for wildlife during the drought –L. Madsen
Motion passes. Abstain: Jessica

16. (3 min) Motion to approve CIS & Letter in support of 14-0356 To reinstate protection of animals in designated wildlife park areas -L. Amsden
Motion passes

17. (3 min) Motion to approve CIS & letter calling on County, State & Federal governments to match homelessness funds put up by City of Los Angeles – L. Amsden
Motion passes. Abstain: Fernando

18. (3 min) Motion to approve CIS & letter to demand that DWP rate increases are tied to approved far-sighted planning and stringent oversight so infrastructure IS replaced/upgraded and the money is not used for purposes outside of the ratepayers' water and power needs –L. Amsden
Amendment to _____. Second by Stan. Amendment passes.
Main Motion passes

19. (3 min) Motion to approve an HHPNC Animal Services Liaisons – M. Alcaraz
Move to appoint Linda (Boo) and Sheri as co-liaisons by Monica. Second by Diego.
Motion passes.

20. (3 min) Motion to approve an HHPNC Public Works Liaisons – M. Alcaraz
Move to appoint Gabriel as the liaison by Monica. Second by Diego. (Luz will be a back up)
Motion passes

21. New Business

22. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.