Minutes of the HHPNC Mtg for 2/19/15

A. Call to Order: 7:03 pm

B. Roll Call: Monica Alcaraz, Aaron Salcido, Diego Silva, Joan Potter, Johanna Sanchez, Liz Amsden, Manuel Avila, SuzAnn Brantner, Linda Caban, Graeme Flegenheimer, Mauro Garcia, Susanne Huerta, Stanley Moore, Amirah Noaman, Miguel Ramos, Miranda Rodriguez, Harvey Slater, Fernando Villa;

ABSENT: Jessica Ceballos

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

CD14 – York Park update, CD 1-need to know hotspots for periodic cleaning (probably alleyways)

D. President’s Report: issues with Brown Act – grievances, made available emails; To Board: do not reply All to our all Board messages as this is a risk of being a serial meeting, if you are missing and want a comment read – email Johanna to read at meeting; good turnout for the CD14 debate

E. LAPD Report - none

F. Board Announcements - Code of Ethics, Oxy gentrification panel upcoming

G. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance, Digital and Social Media, Arts & Culture) Feb. 25 – Budget, still entertaining NPGs; Land Use – fourth Tuesday of the month; Outreach – none; Rules – Johanna will now take on; Safety – none; Beautification – York lights should be up in the next few months, input for more utility box murals, repurposing the land near SW Museum by train; Youth – tree giveaway; Digital – none; Arts - none

H. Budget Advocates Report – Budget town halls are still not ready; white paper is upcoming

I. Sustainability Alliance Report – first event will be at Tree People’s location

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

Margarito Martinez – issue of Brown Act grievances

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Agenda, Motion to move item 11 and 8 after #2, tabling #7, strike out #3 and #4 – Aaron motioned, Miguel seconded. Motion passes.

2. Approval of Minutes of the Feb. 5, 2015 meeting. All in favor but Monica, Miranda, Manuel, Harvey, Fernando, and Linda who abstains. Motion passes.

3. [Previously #11] Discussion and possible motion to submit a community impact statement to the City Attorney to request the lifting of Highland Park’s gang injunction or alternatively a phase out timeline filed under Council File No. 08-0150-S2.
   a. Miguel – restricted movements become house arrests and with little court oversight and without ability to get removed off the list; it separates families; gang injunction has been in effect since 2007 in HLP
   b. LAPD reps – court standard regarding ‘gang label’, documentary evidence submitted to the City Attorney and must be approved before a person is added to the list, names get purged automatically after 3 years; case by case – regarding that person has been furthering activities of the gang.
   c. Catherine Wagner, ACLU – adds ability for police to arrest gang members for non criminal acts; police have very wide discretion; very difficult to get off list; not proven to show reduction in crime (but doesn’t know HLP statistics)
   d. Kim McGill & Diwane Smith – Youth Justice Coalition – restraining order for neighborhoods, use in areas of neighborhood displacement/gentrification; negative implications for housing, education and employment prospects and family relations
   e. Mike Aguilar – HLP – agree with lifting gang injunction, Abraham Coulunga – Youth Justice Coalition; Robert Christo – difficult to get off list although he’s a college graduate
8. Motion to allocate no more than $200 for an HHPNC logo tablecloth.

4. [Previously tabled] Motion to approve no more than $200 to print 6 more HHPNC posters. – STRICKEN.

5. [Previously tabled] Motion to host a Movie Night at the Highland Park Recreation Center in the month of March with funds requested of no more than $1200. – STRICKEN.

6. Discussion and motion to allocate $10,000 towards the installation of a Neighborhood Sign marker to be installed on Figueroa near Ave 56. Total cost of sign expected to be $20,000 or more, remaining funds to be obtained in partnership with the North Figueroa BID, CD1, members of the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce, and the Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative. Highland Park Chamber of Commerce to possibly act as fiscal agent as supported by CD1 and subject to approval by DONE.
   a. Beautification committee wants to take the river rock set up with the third mock up sign. Signs are very expensive to build (30-40k) for total. Proposing project in at least two stages. Currently proposing for $10k for stage one. Taking a vote – would be the first step to show that the Board is willing to go through the project and to get other orgs on board.
   b. Concerns that CD1 should be putting in $ as part of Great Streets
   c. Public comment: Gemma Marquez – too many variables before committing
   d. Motion to amend by inserting ‘a tentative’ budget subject to confirmed partnerships and use of the fiscal agent okayed by DONE - Diego; seconded by Liz – All in favor; Miguel – abstaining; Amendment passes.
   e. LEFT BUILDING: Graeme, Manuel, and Miranda
   f. Motion with amendment. All PRESENT in favor: Monica, Liz, SuzAnn, Linda, Huerta, Stanley, Amirah, Joan, Johanna, Aaron, Diego, Harvey, Fernando.
   g. Mauro, Miguel – abstaining. Motion passes.

7. Motion to allocate no more than $700 for HHPNC logo grocery bags.
   a. LEFT BUILDING: Mauro, Aaron, Fernando.
   b. Concern that we should get up to 500 bags – but cheaper online.
   c. Motion to amend up to $1000 – Johanna, Seconds Susanne. All in favor: Monica, Liz, SuzAnn, Linda, Huerta, Stanley, Amirah, Joan, Johanna, Diego, Harvey, Miguel. Motion to amend passes.
   d. In favor with amendment: Monica, SuzAnn, Linda, Susanne, Amirah, Stanley, Joan, Miguel, Johanna, Diego, and Harvey. Liz – abstaining. Motion with amendment passes.

8. Motion to allocate no more than $200 for an HHPNC logo tablecloth.
b. Motion with amendment – All in favor: Monica, Liz, SuzAnn, Linda, SuzAnn, Stan, Huerta, Amirah, Johanna, Harvey; Joan – opposes.
c. Miguel – abstains. Motion passes.

9. Discussion and motion to fund $1,000 to support repair of the Daniel Cervantes mural at the Southwest Museum. This would match the $1,000 already approved by the ASNC to restore this mural. Subject to completed paperwork approved by Budget & Finance. - TABLED.

10. Motion to create a standing Green and Sustainability Committee. – All in favor. Motion passes.

11. Discussion and possible motion that the Highland Park Transit Village allocates 25%- 50% of its housing to address homeless or low-income needs for housing for North East LA residents.
   a. Concerns regarding issues that needs to be in place before we can address this. Needs more background research. Still can be however a stance/policy position.
   b. Liz – motion to table; SuzAnn Branter seconded. All in favor. Motion passes.

12. Motion to host 2 HHPNC bicycle safety workshops by the month of May. No funds requested at this time. All in favor. Motion passes.

13. New Business

14. Adjournment: 9:41pm