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MINUTES

LINCOLN HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEETING

August 18, 2016, 2016 6:00pm to 8:00pm El Arca, 3839 Selig Place, Lincoln Heights, CA 90031

- 1. Welcome, Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call. Meeting called to order at 6:15pm by Cesar Rosas, President. In attendance (15): Mark Gomez, Vicente Gonzales, Maribel Hernandez, Hugo Hernandez, Mario Marrufo, Benny Madera, Michael Montes, Victoria Montes, David Myers, Selena Ortega, Britney Rivera, Cesar Rosas, Vince Rosiles, Theresa Velasquez, Ben Wadsworth. William Morrison entered at 7:45pm.
- 2. Approval of the Board minutes for 6/16/2016 and 7/21/2016. **MOTION:** Approve minutes of the meeting of June 16. **Moved: Montes, V/2nd Velasquez. VOTE: 15 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passed. MOTION:** Approve minutes of meeting of 7/21/16. **Moved: Montes, V/2nd Velasquez. VOTE: 15 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passed**. 3. City Reports

Jose Rodriguez from CD1 announced a collection event in Lincoln Park for e-waste and bulky items – date tba. The Lincoln Park lake restoration project will cost 7-11 million and be comprehensive. The Sanitation Department will report to the Council in the future on the project. Addressing the homeless crisis, the City has identified 12 city-owned sites of which 5 are in LH. Developers are being asked for their ideas. There will be a public process and community input. Regarding the Planning Committee's request for a traffic study at Humboldt and Ave 26, Jose said that one has already been done and funding has been secured to install a signal in addition to one at Sichel and Main, both to be completed by summer 2017. He asked for input on other sites for lights. The Latin Jazz Festival at Sycamore Grove Park will take place August 20-21.

Sharon Lowe reported progress on reopening the Lincoln Park pool, which has been closed for 10 years. CD1 has been searching for funding and pieced together around two million from a land and water conservation fund. The groundbreaking ceremony will be in late October; completion in 1 ½ years. Albion Park has gone out to bid; Downey Park will receive \$375,000 for air conditioning.

Item 6c moved forward to accommodate presenter

- 6. c. v. MOTION: Approve \$3100 for the purchase of 8 new football helmets for Lincoln High School football teams JV & Varsity. Moved: Wadsworth, /2nd Madera. Discussion: Coach Woody Carillo said that he comes to this Board every other year because of a state mandate to recondition the helmets annually. They are quality helmets. Any helmet ten years old has to be thrown away. The program costs \$15,000-18,000 annually to run. The school gave \$6000 this year. Woody is fundraising all year round. VOTE: Gomez, aye; Hernandez, aye; Marrufo, A, aye; Marrufo, A, aye; Montes, M, aye; Montes, V, aye; Myers, aye; Riley, aye; Rosas, C aye; Rosiles, aye; Velasquez, aye; Wadsworth, Aye; Madera, Hugo Hernandez and Rosas, B recused themselves. VOTE: 12 ayes, 0 nays, 3 recusals. Motion passed.
 6.c.iv MOTION: Approve NPG grant of \$2000 to the Youth Association for partial rent of Lincoln High School field.
 Moved: Wadsworth, /2nd Montes, V. Discussion: Melissa Carillo from the Youth Association originally asked for \$4000 but our budget is tight. The kids learn discipline and teamwork. Britney pointed out that the players must keep a 2.0 average. The Youth Association fundraises regularly. VOTE: Gomez, aye; Hernandez, aye; Madera, aye; Marrufo, A, aye; Marrufo, M, aye; Montes, M, aye; Montes, V, aye; Myers, aye; Riley, aye; Rosas, C aye; Rosiles, aye; Velasquez, aye; Wadsworth, Aye; Hernandez, H, Ortega and Rosas, B recused themselves. VOTE: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 2 recusals. Motion passed.
- 5. c. Lincoln Heights Tutorial Program presentation and request for funds
 Connie Vuong and Dennis Ortega showed a video of LHTP programs. They serve 1,100 children and teens and have been around for 30 years. Four years ago they added a nutritional program.
- 5. d. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority presentation

Jonathan Hans, Regional Coordinator for LAHSA and Donald Hall said their goal is to reduce encampments. They approach each person differently and try to build rapport. Last Tuesday a project called HOPE started in Lincoln Heights to address the issue. Arresting will not solve the problem.

4. Community and Board Announcements

Zul Surani from USC reported that USC has given 125 million to community programs as part of their good neighbors program. USC is working on a Biotech Park adjacent to the campus. There will be four supportive jobs for each scientist. USC is reaching out to the local high schools.

George Magallanes from Clear Channel Digital Outdoor reported that the City is creating an ordinance about digital billboards and there will be a hearing Tuesday, August 23 of the Planning and Land Use Committee. He suggested that the nc should be at the table – there could be community benefits.

George Cabreras from the Beacon presented their summer issue.

6. a. i. Presentation of the new Neighborhood Council logo

Cesar showed the new logo. MOTION: Approve new logo. Moved: Montes, V /2nd Wadsworth. VOTE: Unanimous. Motion passed.

6. c. Budget Committee

i. Treasurer's report and MOTION: Approve July Monthly Expenditure Report. Moved: Montes, V /2nd Rosiles. VOTE: Gomez, aye; Hernandez, aye; Madera, aye; Marrufo, A, aye; Marrufo, M, aye; Montes, M, aye; Montes, V, aye; Myers, aye; Rosas, C aye; Rosiles, aye; Velasquez, aye; Wadsworth, Aye; Hernandez, H, Ortega and Rosas, B recused themselves. VOTE: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 2 recusals. Motion passed.

ii. MOTION: Approve2016-2017 budget, 2016-2017 Outreach Goals and Objectives and 2015-2016 Report on Outreach Goals and Objectives. Moved: Montes, V /2nd Velasquez. VOTE: Gomez, aye; Hernandez, aye; Madera, aye; Marrufo, A, aye; Marrufo, M, aye; Montes, M, aye; Montes, V, aye; Myers, aye; Rosas, C aye; Rosiles, aye; Velasquez, aye; Wadsworth, Aye; Hernandez, H, Ortega and Rosas, B recused themselves. VOTE: 13 ayes, 0 nays, 2 recusals. Motion passed.

MOTION: Approve 2016-17 Strategic plan. Moved: Montes, V /2nd Rosiles. VOTE: Unanimous. Motion passed.

William Morrison entered the meeting at 7:45pm.

iii. Budget Advocate Report

William announced a retreat will be held at City Hall on August 29 for the Budget Advocates.

- 1. MOTION: Reappoint Treasurer Vera Padilla as signer. Moved: Wadsworth/2nd Rosiles. VOTE: Unanimous. Motion passed.
- d. Outreach Committee (Next meeting 9/22/2016)
- e. Elections Committee (no meeting scheduled)

Vicky announced that Area 4 rep is open. Possibly two positions for area 6, the Brewery. The Executive Committee will need to decide what to do about Area 6.

f. Programs and Services (Next meeting TBA)

Vicky Montes accepted the Chairmanship of the committee and asked for volunteers to serve as committee members.

- g. Planning and Land Use Committee (Next meeting 9/14/16)
 - i. MOTION: In view of the severe housing shortage in Los Angeles, the Lincoln Heights neighborhood Council cannot support any measure that would make it more difficult to build new housing, thus increasing the cost of housing. Therefore we oppose the ballot measure known as the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative. Moved:

 Marrufo, M/2nd Rosiles. Discussion: Mario said that the initiative would not allow property owners to build for two years if a variance is required. David pointed out that the Committee has only heard one side of the issue and it won't come up for a vote until March. MOTION: Table the discussion until a representative from the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative has presented their side. Benny agreed to contact them to make a presentation to the full board. Myers/2nd Montes, V. VOTE: Unanimous. Motion passed.
 - ii. **MOTION:** Request a traffic study at the intersection of Humboldt and Avenue 26 with the intention of securing a traffic light and saving lives. See City Reports for Jose Rodgriguez' announcement of light installation.
- h. Bylaws and Rules (no meeting scheduled)
- i. City and Government Liaison tabled for lack of time.
- j. Grievance Committee no meeting scheduled
- k. New Business none
- I. Unagendized public comment none
- m. Attendance Report none
- n. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 8pm.



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