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**MOTION TO APPROVE: MINUTES of the**  
**LINCOLN HEIGHTS NEIGHBOR HOOD COUNCIL MEETING**  
Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 6:00 pm  
Lincoln Heights Senior Center, 2323 Workman Street, Lincoln Heights 90031

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Meeting called to Order by Richard Larsen at 6:30 pm.

Attendees: Vera Padilla, Vince Rosiles, Selena Ortega, Sevin Riley, Richard Larsen, Gilbert Arevalo, Benny Madera, Jose Vanegas-Rivera, and Mario Marrufo.

2. City Reports:

- a. Council District 1 Jose Rodriguez asked that the community contact CD1 to report litter. CD1 will ask the City to remove it. Later these is info on a special 311 app rewards opportunity, see item (c).
- b. Albion Park improvements at Av 17 scheduled to be complete by March, 2019. New lighting is currently installed, with a new irrigation system and ADA certified walkways. It will be a 5 acre park when completed.
- c. CD1 is working with Bureau of Sanitation on finalizing a competition to encourage and motivate students at various Lincoln Heights community high schools to use the 311 app to report illegal dumping in Lincoln Heights. Unique user names for every school and student will be created, the winning school will receive pizza or a taco bar, the 1<sup>st</sup> Place student winner will receive iPad tablet, 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive \$100 gift card, 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive \$50 gift card.
- d. Tuesday October 30 at 2 pm is the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Lincoln Heights Community Resource Building. The Ribbon Cutting will be at 2:30 pm at 3516 North Broadway. All invited.
- e. CD1 is partnering with Barrio Action Community Resource Fair, Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, which will entail the closing of Av 24 at North Broadway. Food, kid zone and resources will be featured.
- f. The Third Annual Lincoln Heights Carnival will be held on Friday Nov 9-11<sup>th</sup> in Partnership with Boys and Girls Club on North Broadway. The street will be closed to thru traffic, Daly thru Griffin, during the event.
- g. A Special Ceremony honoring Veterans from Lincoln Heights will be held Sunday November 11 on North Broadway.
- h. CD1 is partnering with the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council for the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup> and the Annual Holiday Parade on Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

3. 51<sup>st</sup> Assembly District Reports (no report)

4. Hollenbeck LAPD (no report)

5. Los Angeles Fire Department (no report)

6. Farmer Market – Vera Padilla gave a report on the growing improvements at the Farmers Market.

7. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, (EmpowerLA) (no report), and Budget Advocate Region 8-J (no report)

8. Un-agendized Public Comments:

- a. Jeffrey L. Garfield spoke in support of Angelica Loa-Perez, Music LA, to support her current position at the Lincoln Heights Youth Arts Center.
- b. Robert Camarillo and Robert Acosta spoke in support of rebuilding the Veterans Memorial at El Rio de LA Veterans Collaboration.

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- c. Father Tom Carey from the Church of the Epiphany at 2808 Altura Street spoke to seek support for the funding election at the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The funds will be used to renovate the basement. Go to [www.voteEpiphany.org](http://www.voteEpiphany.org) or text Epiphany to 474747. Edit: the church won the election and will receive funding.
- d. Inez A. Woods spoke in support of Angelica Loa-Perez, Music LA, to support her current position at the Lincoln Heights Youth Arts Center.
- e. Monique Espinoza spoke in support of Angelica Loa-Perez, Music LA, to support her current position at the Lincoln Heights Youth Arts Center.
- f. George Cabrera, Marketing Director, spoke about the Lincoln Heights Star, the new newspaper serving the community. The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night is at Sacred Heart Church Auditorium, this Saturday, and at the Carnival.
- g. Albert Ramirez from the Los Angeles Alliance for the Economy Reclaim Our Schools LA works as an organizer in the Harbor and North East LA. This Alliance is getting ready for a possible teachers strike. LAUSD needs more councilors and nurses. Many organizations have given support to this movement of the Alliance. Albert said LAUSD has \$1.8B in reserve that could go to children, Librarians, Nurses and fund our schools. He invited the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council to attend their next meeting Tuesday at 12:15 at the Beaudry Building, downtown.

### 9. Public Announcements:

- a. Chris F. Johnson from Bureau of Engineering reported on plans for the nearby Taylor Yards. It was originally a mill and grocery store at Rio State Park and San Fernando Road. Later it became a Southern Pacific Railroad Maintenance Yard; it is currently contaminated. A 42 acre parcel of it was sold to the City for use as public lands, called the LA River Rehabilitation Project. Engineering is testing with soil borings, proceeding with habitat restoration, and reaching out to the public with hearings. He was asked to keep us informed on such meetings.
- b. Michael Cortez from Metro spoke about the LA River Bike Pathways extension being constructed from our area to Vernon. It continues to Long Beach, a 32 mile long bike path. The Environmental Review is in process. This project will close the longest continuous gap in the Los Angeles River Bike Path. They are holding public meetings which serve as an open house, gathering information for the project entrances in our neighborhood to the bike path. Website has survey with a chance to win a \$100 gift card. Will be at the Halloween event on Broadway with a booth.
- c. Michelle Boehm, So Cal Director for High Speed Rail announced major improvements in local rail crossings. It's a statewide project, it will occur within the existing rail corridor. Details consist of construction where MetroLink trains are passing on the west side of the river, modernizing corridor, new tracks, electrification catenaries, and improved rail crossings at streets. This is so cars can drive from one side to another without crossing rail tracks. All this is part of the 500 mile \$77B project. She said these high speed trains will not be operating at 200 mph in our corridor (our vicinity). They have systems that will prevent pedestrians or cars coming in front of trains. They plan on work that will occur on the west side of the river, with a possible grade separation at Main Street.

### 10. New Business:

- a. Michelle Chen presented 1817 N Sechelt Street – CEQA ENV-2018-4650-EAF 16 unit market rate condos and 2 Very Low Income (VLE) units as a Transit Oriented Construction (TOC). The proposed R3 building is 53' 6" tall in an area near other multi story buildings at Sichel Street and Alhambra Avenue. However this building is also near an R1 Zone. There will be one parking space per unit, which is the current requirement. A one family (one bedroom)

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unit income limit is \$33,950 annually, two person (two bedroom) is \$38,900 for the VLE units. A Special Meeting is scheduled Monday to vote on a Motion to Approve or Deny do to lack of quorum. Robert Vega questioned cost of living. It is a brand new building. The prior owner sold the property to a developer. Michelle works for an expediter firm (consultant) that assists developers at the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety.

- b. Sonia Marissa asked the Council for a \$1000 NPG grant for an Artwall at the corner of Pasadena Ave and Figueroa Street. A new proposed development at 3836 Figueroa would be impeding street views of Flat Top and also the houses and mountains behind it. This property is located just beyond our Council Map so it is not in Lincoln Heights. Sonia said the Artwall would draw attention to the property. This Community Beautification Project is being created to draw attention and media to the cause of preserving the land and nature. Mario Marrufo asked if the present Recycling Center building owner would approve the mural which is being considered for funding. Sonia replied that she would prefer if the building were torn down once the mural was completed because that would draw more attention and media to the location for this proposed Art wall. The LHNC asked this Motion include verbiage indicating that all the necessary permits and approvals would be presented prior to voting on the Artwall.

#### 11. Committee Reports:

- a. Executive Committee – Vera Padilla asked for Stakeholders who have Agenda items they'd like to submit to the Council submit them by November 8<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm at the Lincoln Heights Community Resource Building
- b. Budget Committee – Vera reported the next meeting is November 4<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm at the Lincoln Heights Community Resource Building, 3516 Broadway. Stakeholders can come in and request funds for consideration on that day. The washer and dryer proposal for Fire Dept No. 1 on Pasadena Ave has benefited from a local donor giving \$1,000.
- c. Outreach Committee – next meeting October 30<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm at Wendy's Tortas
- d. Elections Committee (no report)
- e. Program and Services (no report)
- f. Planning and Land Use – Richard asked that a Motion on the Agenda be pushed to the Special Meeting next week due to a lack of quorum. The Special Meeting is Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup> pm at the Lincoln Heights Senior Center.
- g. Community Events Committee – Mary Palacio reported that Downey Park will be having a Halloween event on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm, and a Halloween event on Broadway on October 31<sup>st</sup>. A request for Volunteers has been sent to Council members for assisting at LHNC Events. Please support these NC events.
- h. By-Laws and Rules Committee – (no report)
- i. Government Liaison Committee – Selena Ortega reported next meeting at La Monarcha on November 10<sup>th</sup>

#### 12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month - next meeting Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 6 pm at the Lincoln Heights Senior Center, 2323 Workman, Lincoln Heights

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