

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council 3516 North Broadway Los Angeles, CA 90031

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LINCOLN HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 21, 2019 6:00-9:00 PM. Lincoln Heights Senior Citizens Center, 2324 Workman, Los Angeles, CA 90031

- 1 Welcome, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call
- 2 Approval of Board Minutes for the November meeting.
- 3 City Reports
 - i. Council District I—Gilbert Cedillo/Jose Rodriguez
 - ii. Hollenbeck Police Department
 - iii. Los Angeles Fire Department
 - iv. Farmers Market
 - v. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment—Mary Kim
 - vi. Other
- 4 Unagendized Public Comment
- 5 Community and Board Announcements
- 6 Presentation by Sevin Martha Riley on Lincoln Heights, "Past, Present and Future"
- 7 Artist Mural Presentation
- 8 Committee Reports
 - i. Executive Committee (Next meeting 03/14/2019)
 - 1. A local artist asked to create a mural for the facade of the Animal shelter. Motion (requested by R Larsen) To review discuss and support the mural.
 - 2. Letter requesting correction/clarification of article in Lincoln Star News. Motion to approve attached letter requested by M. Montes) (see attachment)
 - ii. Budget Committee (Padilla) (Next meeting 03/04/2019)
 - 1. Motion to approve NPG Going Beyond Boundaries in the amount of \$1,500. The Grant will pay for Advertisisng & Promotion (1,000) and Miscellaneous expenses: (\$500.00) Misc expenses

BOARD MEMBERS: BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: William Rodriguez Morrison, Mario Marrufo, Sheri Fierro; COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTATIVES: Selena Ortega, Benny Madera, Martha Sevin Riley, ;YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES: Amanda Martinez, Hugo Hernandez;

AREA REPRESENTATIVES: Richard W. Larsen, Theresa Velasquez, Martin S. Gomez, Vicente Gonzalez-Reyes Jr.; Armida Marrufo, Maribel Hernandez, Vince Rosiles, Michelle Rubio, Tameka J. Flowers, Gilbert Arevalo, Jose N. Vanegas, Amanda Coolong, Mary Palacio, Victoria Montes...

- include: Poster Boards, Art Hangers, Security tape, Duct Tape, Props for the various art displays. Art Clamps, tablecloths. This one day event will provide cultural events such as; Art Gallery, Aztec Dances, Meso-American Music, Educational Workshops, Live Music, Arts and Crafts for children. This venue brings together families celebrating their culture.
- 2. Motion to approve NPG in the amount of \$700.00 to LA Leadership to purchase Bicycle Safety Manuals and Books .The class is taught to all students that want to participate in the Bicycle Club. The classes are taught by the LA Leadership staff.
- 3. Motion to approve \$500.00 to place a ½ Page Vertical Ad in Our West The Lummis Day Magazine. The Lummis Day Celebration is an annual event. This is a networking potential for promotion and recruitment of community members.
- 4. Motion to approve NPG About Productions n the amount of \$425.00 to About Productions Theatrical presentation at Plaza De La Raza -April 3-14th. The Grant will pay for costumes, Scenic, Props and Audio, Visual. About Productions is a two level program for adults, families and high school students to engage in live theater that represents the history of the community.
- 5. Motion to approve January Monthly Expenditure Report and Motion to approve January MER.
- iii. Budget Advocate Report (Morrison)
- iv. Outreach Committee (Coolong)(Next meeting______
- v. Community Events Committee (T. Flowers Next Meeting 3/19/2019)
- vi. Election Committee (V. Montes)(Next meeting_____
- vii. Announcement of Vacancies and possible election to fill
 - 1. Secretary and possible election
- viii. Program and Services (V. Montes)(Next meeting_____)
 - 1. Resignation of Ms. Montes and possible announcement of replacement by the President
 - ix. Planning and Land Use (PLUC)(Larsen)(Next meeting 03/13/2019)
 - 1. Announcement of new committee members.
 - 2. New Entitlements on hillside lots zoned [Q]R1-1D: Motion to Approve
 - 3. ENV-2018-7061-CE 3232 N Johnston Street (new single family R1 house)MOTION to Approve
 - 4. ENV-2018-7032-EAF 3308 N Johnston Street (new single family R1 house withheight, yard, and building line adjustments)MOTION to Approve
 - x. Ad Hoc 5 Lots Committee (R. Larsen)(Next Meeting_____
- xi. Bylaws and Rules (Wadsworth)(None scheduled)
- xii. City and Government Liaison (Ortega)(Next meeting TBA)
 - 1. Motion to approve letter of support (see attachments)
- xiii. Grievance Committee
- 9 New Business
- 10 Unagendized Public Comment
- 11 Attendance Report (None at this time)
- 12 Adjournment



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February 21, 2019

Mr. Gerren.

In the cover story, "The Lost Generation," printed in the January/February edition of The Lincoln Star, you gave Lincoln High student Ms. Rene Alverez a false and misleading response to her inquiry into the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council's (LHNC) support of your non-profit business.

Ms. Alverez wanted to know why LHNC board member Amanda Coolong had not spoken to her journalism class yet, and why the LHNC had not financially supported the first edition of The Lincoln Star with a printed advertisement.

The article goes on to read:

I'm confused as to why they [LHNC] would not support such a valuable high school youth program. I asked the editor [Gerren] why they are not giving their support and he said, "Everyone has implicit, or unconscious, biases that affect decision-making. The way you grew up or social situations you've experienced shape their views."

What you did not tell Ms. Alverez were: the facts.

Equally concerning is that nobody associated with The Lincoln Star contacted Ms. Coolong or the LHNC to fact-check the article or to provide a comment (which is standard practice and follows journalism's key tenet of fair and balanced reporting).

Since we were not afforded this opportunity with the original article, we are providing those facts here, and formally request The Lincoln Star run the following Correction in its next edition.

CORRECTION:

In the January/February edition we ran a cover story about the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council that failed to provide their input and included misleading statements around their support of this paper. We have provided the additional facts below for context:

- LHNC board member Amanda Coolong met with The Lincoln Star Owner and Editor-in-Chief, Michael Gerren in mid-October to provide professional guidance for launching and managing his paper.
- In this meeting, Coolong told Gerren she would also like to speak to the journalism class at Lincoln High when she returned from the holidays. Her offer still stands, and The Lincoln Star faculty advisor, Daniel Brewer can coordinate with her via email at: lhnc.area6@gmail.com (this address is also publicly listed on the LHNC website).
- At the September 2018 general board meeting, the LHNC *tabled* a motion to approve an ad in the first edition of The Lincoln Star because of unanswered questions around the paper's expected reach, impressions, and the ad's placement.

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• The Lincoln Star had time to provide these details to the executive committee before the October board meeting, but they were never received and therefore, the ad could not be agendized for a board vote. This had nothing to do with bias but rather, with the bylaws and standing rules which dictate how the LHNC operates.

Support comes in many forms. In the case of the LHNC, multiple board members support The Lincoln Star with their individual time and expertise. The LHNC itself recently supported the paper financially with a printed ad about the upcoming Neighborhood Council elections. If you would like to learn more about the goals of the LHNC and how it operates, visit: www.lincolnheightsnc.org.

We hope to see this correction in your next edition. Thank you for your cooperation.

Regards,

Michael Montes, President Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

Cc: Rose Anne Ruiz, Principal Daniel Brewer, Railsplitter Advisor File.



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February 16, 2019

People St City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation 100 S. Main St., 9th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear People St,

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council would like to express its support for the proposed decorative crosswalk at 2801 N. Broadway (between Broadway and Sichel Street). The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council will assume the role of partner for this project, with the Lincoln Heights Benefit Association of Los Angeles as the primary applicant.

This particular intersection facilitates daily morning and evening traffic. Additionally, it is also home to the Lincoln Heights certified Farmers Market, which draws heavy pedestrian traffic every Wednesday evening. Within a close radius are several vital public spaces, which also attract frequent pedestrian foot traffic. The surrounding public spaces include but are not limited to: the Lincoln Heights Branch Library, Lincoln Heights Recreation Center and Lincoln Heights Senior Citizen Center.

With the submission of this application, the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council optimistically accepts any responsibility as it relates to any future maintenance of the decorative crosswalk. We look forward to becoming a community partner and creating a vibrant crosswalk for Lincoln Heights.

Best Regards,

Michael Montes, President Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council