

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

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MOTION TO APPROVE: MINUTES of the LINCOLN HEIGHTS 5 LOTS AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:00 pm Lincoln Heights City Building 3516 N. Broadway, Lincoln Heights 90031

- I. Welcome, Call to Order Meeting called to Order by Richard Larsen at 6:00 PM.
- II. Roll Call In attendance: 13 (5 voting): Rae Dawn Chairez, Gilbert Arevalo, Sheri Fierro, Steve Kasten, Richard Larsen, and council member Sevin Riley, stakeholders Allison Schallert, Jose Urbina, Alicia Robles, Oliver Sevilla, Art Pulido, Dr. John Fernandez and Michael Galarza.
- III. Review, amend and approve minutes: MOTION: February and March minutes were Approved: Larsen/Arevalo 5-0-0
- IV. Public Comment: Raedawn Chairez noted that the parking, while promised, she heard them say they would provide what they could afford. Dr. John Fernandez said he was stung by the Public Comment remarks, asking when is project approved, how long will construction be, that there would be no parking for residents and business. He asked when the CEQA would take place. Art gave his time to Steve Kasten. Steve reported that prices will go down, and strong business persons will move from Lincoln Heights.
- V. Allison Schallert spoke of huge apartments being built in her area, and that she could not afford to live where she is now. The concept was that when affordable housing occurs, they won't be able to shop there. She noted that the 5 Lots would help stop that kind of displacement. Alicia Robles commented on the parking, that there is no longer parking on the street. Alicia also commented on infrastructure, fire department, police for instance. Gil Arevalo said we don't know what the project consists of right now.
- VI. Sevin Riley disagreed, saying we should put out our own proposal. However we don't have a legislative or authority position on the project Richard responded. We are advisory only. Raedawn Chairez said it was not our job to investigate the project. Richard reported he went to other developers who have done similar projects and gathered information that may be reflective of this project. He noted that he plans to meet with the councilman, and anyone else involved in this project since we have no current information.
- VII. Gil Arevalo asked about the Survey. A previous survey by USC was reviewed and comments were unfavorable. Richard asked all attendees write a question they would like on our survey. Dr. John suggested open ended questions. Some attendees expressed frustration with fact and our taxes. Richard offered that this committee is not reporting on conjecture, but facts gathered at meetings and official city documents such as the Request for Qualifications and Proposals RFQ/P. The Exclusive Negotiation Agreement is one year old and we have a year to go.
- VIII. The Survey was reviewed word by word and everyone was asked to provide questions they felt were needed. The Draft document was reviewed and modified per the meeting comments. A discussion ensued on asking if residents heard about the project scope. The term Low Income housing was changed to Affordable housing. All attendees were asked what kind of housing would they support as individuals. Steve Kasten asked to include mixed-use in the business corridor. Seven Riley said it was morally wrong to deprive people of housing, saying she objected if the committee not review moral issues. Jose Urbina spoke in support of mixed-use housing. Rae Dawn suggested asking if all 5 lots should be developed in the first place. Allison suggested making a list of project types to ask the stakeholders. Michael Galarza suggested asking stakeholders if they would be in favor homeless from sidewalks and parks and putting them in one of the 5 lot properties so they know the project is being used for that specific purpose. Richard noted that at the first meetings of this committee, members were asked that any reference to the homeless be removed from the presentation.
- IX. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month - next meeting Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 6 pm at the Lincoln Heights Community Resource Building, 3516 N Broadway, Lincoln Heights

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