

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council 3516 North Broadway Los Angeles, CA 90031 FACEBOOK: "www.facebook.com/LHNCLA31 WEB: "www.LincolnHeightsNC.org" GILBERT AREVALO, President; BEN WADSWORTH, Vice President; VACANT, Secretary; MARIA PALACIO, Treasurer



MOTION TO APPROVE: MINUTES of the LINCOLN HEIGHTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 6:00 pm A Virtual Meeting

I. Welcome, Call to Order - Meeting called to Order by Gil Arevalo at 6:18pm

II. Roll Call – In attendance: 6 (3 voting) Gil Arevalo, Ben Wadsworth, Mary Palacio, Board members attending: Tameka Flowers, Richard Larsen (Recorder-Secretary) and Benny Madera.

III. Public Comment: Benny Madera said he wanted to get on the Agenda on the issue of him being ousted from the PLUC, he stated. The President asked the Vice President what area of the Agenda would that appear, suggesting General Comments. The response by the Vice President was affirmative it could be in General Board meeting under Community and Board Announcements. The President asked Benny to raise his hand and present his case at that time. The Vice President agreed to enter that as one of the items under General Comments. No voted Action was taken by the Executive Committee.

IV. Vice President reported contacting applicants for open seats and would be included in the Agenda. The President concurred.

V. The Vice President asked the Treasurer to submit a Budget for modifications for the new MER's noting that some of the Agenda items no longer make sense due to the COVID lockdown preventing events. The Treasurer asked for a discussion and vote on the items in the Agenda for this meeting. The President responded that other NC's monies that have not been spent will be rolled over to the next year, approved at City Council, saying we would not lose the rollover money.

The Treasurer noted that not all monies would roll over without a Plan of Action. Tameka asked if the Agenda items need to be discussed, the President offered to leave the items as is and determine if physical events Actions were required at the General Board meeting. The Treasurer asked for these items be removed. The President said all items would be left in. The Treasurer objected saying these events would not be held, so why leave them on the Agenda.

Benny Madera interjected that if the President wanted them there we should leave them. The Treasurer asked whether rollover event items be left on the Agenda when we know they won't occur. Tameka noted that the applicants should be notified of status of the NPG's. Treasurer noted that these events would not occur and the monies should be returned. She asked the ExCom to make an Executive decision, but the President said it would be handled at the General Board meeting, to delete them at that time, and notify applicants, with the money refunded.



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The Treasurer noted that the community is running out of food and resources. The President said that if we have money, because we are authorizing virtual meetings as of May 1<sup>st</sup>, the money that was allocated cannot be approved anymore unless previously submitted. No further allocations would be permitted.

The Treasurer asked what are we proposing to help our stakeholders. The President said if we have money available, we are allowed to allocate money to the community. Treasurer noted organizations have to submit applications for NPG's and must be approved by the Board. A BAC has to be originated to cover it to be processed correctly.

The Treasurer also said whether it was brought up or not, whatever funds available to Stakeholders need to be on the Agenda and approved. She asked what is the ExCom Plan of Action, asking what are their ideas.

The President responded the Budget Committee should do that, noting the ExCom should be then bringing those Agenda items forward. The President asked if there was money for that, and the Treasurer responded that \$19,000 was available. Richard Larsen asked if CD1 was asked for their suggestions, the President responded that several organizations were contacted regarding money the NC could provide as contributors. The Treasurer noted it is too late to submit NPG's but the LHNC could purchase fruits and vegetables from Farmers Market. Vera Padilla was contacted and a Budget was discussed for a Motion to appear on the General Board Agenda for May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Benny Madera observed that we are all here to help and that the Treasurer brings up a good point, what are we doing for folks, the idea for the Farmers Market purchasing food is a good one. The Treasurer noted we have costs of approximately \$20 per bag to provide these items thru Farmers Market, but it would have to be proposed as specific amounts per vendor. Possible Motion to have money given to the Community with these details, and must be added to the Budget Agenda.

The Treasurer asked to move \$2000 from that category as well. The President said we could do that at the General Board meeting. The Vice President asked the Treasurer to write a Motion to move the money and the whole Board will have a chance to vote on it. The Treasurer asked about care packages. The President responded that the Treasurer would bring up the details and we can vote on it. The Treasurer asked if the ExCom would approve the Motion.

The Vice President asked the Treasurer to forward the wording of the Motion to him and he would put it on the Agenda. The Treasurer read a proposed motion. Treasurer gave a brief recap of expenditures to be distributed to community members as of right now, saying we still have money for Outreach. She asked to move \$2000 from Community Improvements to Outreach, and taking money from there for this personal care Motion. For Outreach we can put \$2000 and go forward for a Marketing Item, purchase of more t-shirts, water bottles, and stickers. **MOTION to Approve: Wadsworth/Arevalo 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Approved.** 



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Motion to provide money to community members for COVID funding for Farmers Market, a Motion up to \$2000 for Care packages, up to \$2000 for food from Farmer Market, and Marketing item is up to \$3000. **MOTION to Approve: Palacio/Wadsworth 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Motion Approved.** 

VI. The President asked for a Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented with the items we have amended to it. Richard Larsen asked for additional funds for flyers or a means to outreach to our community with our virtual meeting information. It was suggested to reach out to CD1, the Lincoln High School Alumni Association, and other community organizations regarding our virtual meetings, organizations we are helping, Farmers Market info, and other board announcements.

The Treasurer noted back in November we amended the Budget rollover funds of \$4,859 to specific categories. It was recommended in a Motion to put that money into outreach to be covered for marketing, Farmers Market, and personal care funds. **MOTION to Approve: Palacio/Wadsworth 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Motion Approved.** 

Motion to approve up to \$200 for zoom promotional flyer printing including info on ENS notifications: **MOTION to Approve: Wadsworth/Arevalo 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Motion Approved.** 

Motion to approve \$1000 to be allocated for board games and crafts in our local community, for resources helping our stakeholders. As the new physical year is close, it's important to have these resources at hand. **MOTION to Approve: Palacio/Arevalo 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Motion Approved** 

VI. Benny Madera asked for a Motion to get back on the Planning and Land Use Committee. The President indicated that Benny will have a chance to make his case, and suggested to wait to see how the Board wants to handle that. The President said for Benny to present his case and then have a discussion on it. No vote was taken as no Motion was listed.

VII. The Treasurer asked to remove items for spending NPG money on items related to events. The Vice President said these NPG Motions are struck from the Agenda as they can't occur due to the pandemic.

Organizations can still apply in the future for NPG's for activities not affected by COVID limitations. The Treasurer suggested the President should notify NPG applicants that their proposals are not valid now.

## VIII. Adjournment - MOTION to Adjourn: Arevalo/Palacio 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3-0-0, Motion Approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

## Meetings held the second Thursday of each month - next meeting Thursday, June 11, 2020, 6:00 pm, at a virtual meeting appearing with zoom links on our website

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

AREA REPRESENTATIVES: Richard Larsen, Theresa Vasquez, Michael Merced, Vicente Gonzalez-Reyes Jr., Vacant, Maribel Hernandez, Vince Rosiles, Vacant, Tameka J. Flowers, Vacant, Jose Vanegas, Victoria Sabanz, Selena Ortega, Vacant