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Brief Summary: HUNC voted 12-0 to support the proposed ordinance restricting overnight parking in vehicles with the option to allow for individuals to park in non-residential areas so long as they first obtain a pass. We commend the City Attorney for his creativity.

Additional Information: This subsection shall not apply to a person who displays on the vehicle dashboard a vehicle lodging pass and is parked on a street in a non-residential area as designated on a map issued by the City. The City will contract with one or more homeless service providers to make available vehicle lodging passes and maps to persons who request a pass and map after receiving homeless outreach services

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Greg Horos	Jim Van Dusen
Sheila Irani	Karen Wiener
Ishmael Larredondo	Anji Williams
Robert Litomisky	Cyndy Williams

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 18th, 2015, 6:00PM
BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 18th, 2015, 6:30PM
FIRE STATION 82 ANNEX
1800 N. BRONSON AVENUE, L.A., CA 90028
Second Floor Conference Room

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 6:00pm

Note: Agenda items may be taken out of order or merged as deemed appropriate. Action may be taken on all items.

1. Welcome and introductions
 2. Roll Call
Susan S., Erik, Tom and Chona.
 3. Discussion of Budget
Reviewed available funds.
 4. Review of Board Agenda
 5. Discussion of Retreat
Moved to June.
 6. Old Business
 7. New Business
- Adjournment

BOARD MEETING 6:30pm

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1. Welcome and introductions
- 6:44

2. Roll Call

Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael. 13 members present. Susan P. arrived at 6:50. Robert A. arrived 6:55. 15 members present. Jim excused. Karen stepped down prior to meeting. Jennifer absent.

3. Approval of Minutes

Sheila-Susan S. motion approved 12-0-2 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Robert A., Margaret and Ishmael) Greg and Susan P. abstained.

4. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

Billie from Thai CDC spoke about small business resources and Renters event.

Christine, Greek Theater rep gave update on Nederlander. Erik clarified that HUNC never took a position on which company should operate Greek.

5. Comments from any City, County, State or Federal representatives in attendance (5 minutes each).

Greg Bartz, DWP. Mentioned tour of L.A. Aqueduct. Water rationing efforts. Handed out 2015 briefing book. Asked to present at PSWT on Oaks pipes.

Daisy Sanchez, SoCal Gas. Spoke about advanced meter program.

Dan Halden, CD13, spoke about tour bus pilot program bring launched this summer.

Susan P. had to leave at 7:54.

6. Discussion regarding possible locations to view Hollywood sign

CM LaBonge came to speak about Hollywood sign and was surprised to be honored by HUNC for his work. Erik, Susan S., Susan P. and Sheila all took turns speaking about his accomplishments, as did Dan Halden.

7. Griffith Park Advisory Board meeting 5/28

Susan S. made brief reference to agenda.

8. PLUM Committee

No items to discuss.

9. Approval of letter in support of placement of porta-potties (and potentially a septic system 4-stall bathroom) at Lake Hollywood Park.

Sheila explained why is needed. Motion Susan S.-Robert L. to approve passes 12-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael). Rec & Parks will pay for. Some might think is smelly. Can bring more people. Will clean toilets twice a week. Considered a pilot. When can raise 50k will put in more permanent structures.

Comments were made about need for restrooms while at park, similar to porta potties by reservoir. Two residents complained about number of visitors.

Daisy- mom. Need place for various park users to use restroom. Erik- Rec & Parks adding Rangers this year and next. Need more law enforcement.

Fran- most parks have porta potties. Supports. David Benz, president Lake Hollywood Association. Disgusting to have rainstorms flush out the poop.

10. Finance

A. Approval of Monthly Expense Reports

Tom gave overview. Vote on motion Sheila-George approved 11-0 (Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael)

B. Review FY2014/2015 status, remaining funds, list of encumbered items not yet expended, ideas for use of remainder of funds, timeline.

Sheila- only need \$300 for directional signs. Brochure should cost \$1000 less than budgeted. Benches will come in cheaper as well.

C. Review end of year budget close

Erik- have until after June board meeting to finalize spending for year.

D. Approval to reimburse Tom Meredith for \$132.22 for food and refreshments for FS 82 Grand Opening. Personal credit card used at Costco as merchant did not accept (LA City NC) Credit Card

Motion Susan S.-Shela 10-0-1 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael) Tom recused himself.

E. Request for \$500 for the rental of the mobile unit for a Mobil Medical event and additional \$300-500 for first aid kits for giveaways. Motion Chona-Tom for \$500 total approved 11-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret, Tom and Ishmael). Proposed for Seventh Day Adventist or Hollywood Presbyterian parking lot. Look at getting first aid kits donated.

F. Discussion and approval for up to \$500 for Survey Monkey or Constant Contact survey tool for developing and administering surveys in order to determine stakeholder issues and priorities and to measure and track HUNC effectiveness over time.

Tom-Erik motion to approve lower amount, approximately \$388, up to \$500. 11-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael).

G. Reappropriation of funds for canvas bags and pens, possible increase of up to \$250

Tabled as funding not necessary.

H. Request for \$6,000 to create a secured family friendly area using a four foot high, 450 feet length green vinyl chain link with two gate openings, in Lake Hollywood park

Daisy- can put up fence around playground and have picnic areas without fear of being molested by a dog. Erik- if don't have other 7k pledged yet then we should delay until June deciding whether to give money from this FY or next. Ishmael- put in barrier on bottom on fence to keep snakes away. Bushes?

Tom- can pledge funds toward materials but will need specifics. George- good for community to provide some of the funding. Motion Erik-Robert L. Pledge \$6k for project and defer to June meeting which FY funds will come out of, subject to more info on materials and progress on donations. Passes 8-3-1. (Anji, Cyndy, George, Robert L., Susan S., Erik, Margaret and Ishmael) Tom, Greg and Chona voted no over concerns that was not enough funding for. Sheila abstained.

I. Request for funding up to \$500 for Budget Congress of Neighborhoods Saturday June 27th

Erik-George approved 10-0. (Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael).

11. Outreach

George presented on his draft brochure. "Inform, Engage and Empower." Feedback was generally positive.

12. PSW&T

A. Discussion and possible vote to endorse proposal by City Atty Mike Feuer to allow for sleeping in vehicles in non-residential areas.

Erik-Cyndy motion approved 11-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael). Erik praised City Atty for his proactive, creative thinking. Can't restrict people from parking in isolated areas. Cyndy asked who would implement

B. Discussion of highlights from 2015-16 City Budget deliberations as they pertain to PW, DOT, LAFD, LAPD, and EMD.

Erik mentioned that City has been able to begin rebuilding process after many years of cuts and hiring freezes.

C. Summary of recent LAPD CPAB and CD13 Hollywood Blvd. Street Closure Committee meetings. Items for Board.

Erik mentioned issue of CD13 allowing 3 closures per year. Wants to ask for each venue to get two closures with possibility of a third (no promise).

D. Discussion of street resurfacing and streets to recommend for repaving. Issues around restriping of streets.

Brandi- need parking lines drawn north of Franklin. DOT has said that they are coming but in interim number of spaces is reduced.

E. Discussion of May 3 old Fire Station 82/Western Bureau Annex event. What to do with remaining emergency kit.

Erik suggested that kits should be saved for Shakeout or LAFD/LAPD event focused on emergency preparedness. Brandi suggested giving kits to each apartment building manager. Others wanted to give out at health event. Was suggested that Kaiser or other agency can donate emergency kits.

F. Update on City of L.A. legal settlement over sidewalk repair and approximately \$30M/year to be dedicated.

Erik gave overview, mentioned \$31M budget a year. City to remain responsible for repairing sidewalks. Residential areas last in line for funding.

13. Renters Committee

A. Recommendations for the City on addressing issues around Ellis Act apartment evictions.

- 1) Better training for Housing Department staff on the details of the Ellis Act, including state law and local ordinances.
- 2) Create a policy, similar to the "scorched earth ordinance," in which no zone changes are allowed for Ellised properties.
- 3) Better monitoring of buildings at risk of being Ellised and those subject to this action by the City's Housing Department.
- 4) Firmer penalties for violating the City's Rent Stabilization Ordinance, including the restarting of the Ellis Act "clock."
- 5) Increased relocation fees for areas most impacted by Ellis Acting. May be based on zip code, Community Plan, etc.

Ishmael- Ellis Act meant to protect renters when their apartment buildings were being remodeled but was distorted. Billy- actually, law protects landlords.

Erik- explained thoughts around proposal #5 and what criteria might make it into the formula (local vacancy rates, rental rates, number of Ellised units).

Motion Ishmael-Cyndy approved 12-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael).

14. Update on poll for nickname for Griffith Park cougar P-22

Erik-Susan S. approved 12-0 (Anji, Cyndy, George, Sheila, Robert L., Susan S., Tom, Chona, Erik, Greg, Margaret and Ishmael). Erik mentioned that wants to do tie in with TailWaggers to sell merchandise emblazened with P-22's image. Use part of the proceeds to fund wildlife conservation efforts such as building a bridge over 101 to serve as a wildlife corridor.

15. 2016 HUNC Election Committee formation and selection, timeline for submission of documents etc.

Susan read names of candidates up for election in 2016.

16. Mission of HUNC for 2015, formation of committees, board member responsibilities and requirements, required trainings.

Continued until June.

17. New Business

Brandi- smoking on Franklin. People smoking in front of Counterpoint. Patrons violating. Have a hotline to report businesses but not effective. Greg mentioned that Business Committee will take up matter at next meeting.

18. Old Business

None.

Adjournment

10:10.