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Community Care Facilities Ordinance

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MINUTES OF THE HHPNC JUNE 21 12  
Secretary Dr. Stan Moore

Shortly after 7:10 the June 21 Council meeting began with cake provided by CD 1 and CD14 honoring the HHPNC for 10 years of service to the Highland Park community. Nate Hayward, representing CD 14, and Daniel Andalon, representing CD 1, and himself the first vice president of that first certified Council, presented certificates from the two Council Districts to Nancy Wyatt,

Linda Phelps, who served for six years and in 10 years never once missed a meeting of the HHPNC and is the Historian of the Council, Ofelia Zuniga, who has served for 10 years on the Council, and Dr. Stan Moore, who has also served all 10 years on the Council. Pictures were taken of the four, of Mr. Andalon, and, of course the cake—nicely decorated with the new logo of the HHPNC. At 7:33 the official meeting began with an official welcome by president Chris Smith.

- A. Report by CD 1's Daniel Andalon. He announced (1) a cleanup June 30 across the Ave. 49 from Sycamore Grove Christian School with some coffee and treats for fuel for the working party, and (2) that Friday night from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. there will be an "Urban Rancho" at the band shell at Sycamore Grove—with food, music, etc., and, that all are invited, indeed encouraged to attend.

Report by CD 14's Nate Hayward: (1) **July 1<sup>st</sup>. at the Eagle Rock Recreation Center, there will be a Fireworks show put on by CD 14.** Last year between 7 and 10,000 people attended. There will be community booths (call Nate for a spot), etc., but he strongly recommended that people arrive early in order to get parking and picnicking spots. The Fireworks will be presented between 8:30 and 9:30. (2) He reminded those in attendance that the "plastic bag ban" starts in December and to be prepared for it—eventually in a year paper bags will cost \$.10 cents a bag. (3) Huizar's medical marijuana ordinance has been pushed back several weeks. (4) **Concerts in the Eagle Rock Park start July 1 and will be presented every other week, ending on Aug. 12 with a special tribute to Neil Diamond—which Nate is really looking forward to since the first concert he ever attended was a Neil Diamond one.**

Miriam Escobar presented a problem with a house at Ave. 65 and Elder which Nate said would be addressed.

- B. Teri Bonsell, Outreach Chair asked Andalon **Recreation Center. SNL about Summer Night Lights program at HP will begin Wednesday, July 10, and will continue** every week, Wednesdays through Saturday nights at 11 p.m., until August 11—since LAUSD's school schedule begins August 14. There will be something for every member of the family—from sports, to swimming, to special programs from July 10 to August 11.

Teri Bonsell announced that **3 Franklin High School cheer leaders have been invited to be part of New York City's Thanksgiving Macy's Parade**, which is quite an honor, and they will need to raise about \$6000 for the three of them to realize this opportunity.

- C. Public Comment: Two women representing both Glassell Park and the Sierera Club appealed to the HHPNC to write an official letter supporting keeping open the Glassell Park swimming pool, and for individuals to write letters pleading for it to be kept open, since only one NELA high school has a pool and there are swim teams and water polo teams, as well as senior citizens and families that use the pool. L.A. City Recreation and Parks intends to close it except for June to Aug. 13. They are asking for citizens to join SAVE THE POOL. Face Book has responded positively to the call, as well as an "Occupy the Pool" movement.

Stan Moore thanked CD 1 and CD 14 for the certificates and, especially, for the cake, and then proceeded to honor back to the Council Luis Antezana, who got all A grades in

is classes at L.A. State, and Erik Duarte, who almost matched him at Cal. State Northridge, before he announced that he finally had gotten his \$1,500 from last Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>. backpack give-a-way and that (1) this year's **BACKPACK distribution will be Saturday, August 11 (since school starts August 14) at Esmirna Church at Avenue 54 and Figueroa. (Rev. Duarte, father of HHPNC Council member Erik Duarte, has promised to give \$250 to augment the ones he hopes the HHPNC will fund.) (2) That the deadline for placing an article in the Blvd. Sentinel regarding the HHPNC's election on October 13**, as well as an ad, is June 29. And, finally, welcoming our new treasurer, he reported the need for a Budget and Finance meeting since he already **has 3 requests for funding: \$1,500 for the Backpack distribution; \$1,000 for the Friends of the Southwest Museum for communication purposes given that the L.A. City Council has voted to establish an official committee to try and save the SW Museum, and third, the need for playing equipment (bats, balls, bases, etc.), and uniforms for the Franklin High School baseball team.**

Rick Marquez:

Raised the issue of the HHPNC web site. A stakeholder, Monica, said that she might be able to help the HHPNC. Our old web site needs serious upgrading and the HHPNC has limited funding. The HHPNC is pleading for help from stakeholders knowledgeable in web site improvement.

- D. Quorum; Present—Antezana, Baird, Bonsell, Crouch, Duarte, Escobar, Gossett, Marquez, Moore, Potter, Smith, Zuniga, then added Ruben Del Portillo; Absent—Dodson, illness in family, Garcia, Kekone, and Milligan.

**ACTION ITEMS**

President Chris Smith moved the Council to address the Agenda, asking that items 9 and 17 be moved up to 3 and 4 on the Agenda.

1. Motion to approve the Agenda as amended:  
Moved, Teri Bonsell Second, Trish Gossett MSA Unanimous
2. Motion to approve the Minutes of May 3, 2012 as presented:  
Moved, Teri Bonsell Second, Ofelia Zuniga MSA Unanimous
3. Formerly Item 9, now 3. Motion to approve Ruben Del Portillo to member at large on the HHPNC.  
Moved, Teri Bonsell Second, Trish Gossett (henceforth, T n T)  
MSA Unanimous
4. Former Item 17, now Item 4. Community Care Facilities ordinance proposed by City Councilman Mitch Englander and the motion from Marquez is to oppose it Gigi Szabo spoke in opposition to the Englander proposed ordinance—only homes with 7 or less persons permitted or related members of a single family (very tightly defined).  
This ordinance would hurt (1) veterans homes, such as run by Szabo, (2) would hurt students seeking affordable housing and (3) would hurt two or more families seeking to rent affordable housing by joining together and pooling their money in our “Great Recession.” It would hurt 99 percent of housing for Veterans—which has no state license for helping veterans recover from physical or psychological wounds from our nation’s Wars. Englander’s proposal is anti-low income people.  
Motion, Marquez Second, Moore MSA Unanimous
5. (Old item 3) Set up an ad hoc committee to run the October 13 election of individuals either not planning to run for office, or forbidden to run by the new By Laws. Members: Stan Moore, Paul Bonsell, and Nancy Wyatt. OTHERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN.

MSA Unanimous

6. Approve R and D as vendor for camera system. Discussion of whether CD1's \$20,000 mandated extending the cameras to Monte Vista or not. Andalon gone. Marquez, R and D's contract letter simply too vague. R and D needs to appear before the HHPNC, either July 5 or later. Tabled
7. Discussion led by Chris Smith, to approve a new budget—required by DONE by July 15.
  - Operational Expenses-----\$10,100
  - Outreach-----\$4,000
  - Community Improvements-----\$11,450
  - Neighborhood Purposes Grants-----\$11,450
 Motion, Moore Second, Bonsell MSA Unanimous
8. Discussion and Motion of Agenda policies and procedures. In the absence of Dodson and Kekone, TABLED
9. Done as Item 3 above.
10. Motion to approve Joan Potter as the treasurer of the HHPNC.
  - Motion, Moore Second, Marquez MSA Unanimous
11. Approve letter of appreciation to Mark Reback.
  - Motion, T n T (Teri and Trish) MSA Unanimous
12. Approve DONE Election Procedures Stipulation Worksheet. (Bonsell)
  - Motion, T. Bonsell Second, Miriam Escobar MSA Unanimous
13. Done on May 3.
14. Change the Budget and Finance Policies and Procedures to accept funding request as they are submitted, with a deadline in the Spring of March 15 to accommodate DONE's end of the fiscal year procedures. (Moore) Motion, T. Bonsell Second, Zuniga MSA Unanimous
15. Approve letter recommended by Land Use Committee to waive a hearing on variances at 6200 Mt. Angeles. (Crouch)
  - Motion, T. Bonsell Second, Miriam Escobar MSA Unanimous
16. Motion: To Approve a letter supporting the Sierra Club's initiative to reduce coal-powered electric generating plants in Los Angeles. Ronnie Solman will present. (Marquez)
  - Motion, T n T (Teri and Trish) MSA Yes 10 No 1 Moore, violates Moore law #2, "Never say Never." Abstain, Marquez, Smith.

Adjournment: 9:36 p.m.



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June 21, 2012

Los Angeles City Council

Re: Community Impact Statement for Council File: (CF) 11-0262

At our June 21, 2012 meeting the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council voted to oppose the proposed Community Care Facilities ordinance.

It was further resolved that nuisance abatement should be used for problem homes.

Sincerely,

Chris Smith, President

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council