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PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 31, 2011
6:30pm
Kolping House
1225 S. Union Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Servicios de Traducción en español estarán disponibles.

- 1. Call to Order at 6:35pm.**
- 2. Roll Call**

Present: Mark Lee, Raul Claros, Jane Scott, Rick Rodriguez- showed up at 6:37pm.

- 3. Discussion of possible items to place on agenda for PUNC general board meeting on February 7, 2011.**

- Action Item: Motion to include vote to eliminate CRA in the February agenda.
Jane says the state is trying to eliminate the CRA.
Raul says there was a Koreatown meeting, Governor Brown is looking to eliminate the entire CRA department. He doesn't agree with the wording on this item.
Jane moves to eliminate this item from the agenda and approve item B, motion to invite the CRA to give a presentation in the February agenda. Raul seconds. Unanimous agreement.
- Action Item: Motion to invite CRA to give a presentation and update in community projects.
Approved in item A.
- Possible action item: Motion to find out costs and info on installing wrought iron fences to replace planter pots on Pico and include on the February agenda.
Jane hasn't done this yet. Raul moves to include this on the February agenda for discussion. Unanimous agreement.
- Action Item: Motion to invite Martha Saucedo from AEG to give a presentation on the possible downtown football stadium.
Jane moves to put this on the agenda, Rick seconds. Unanimous agreement.
- Action Item: Motion to invite Carlos Zaragoza of Inquilinos Unidos to give a presentation at the February board meeting on their work with the Los Angeles Housing Department Lead Hazard Remediation Program.

Rick motions, Jane seconds. Unanimous agreement.

4. Public comments on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction.

Francisco Rivera asks to submit his request for the 8th anniversary Roundtable, in the amount of \$1,500.

Rick motions, Raul seconds. Jane abstains.

Xochitl Hernandez asks for her petition for \$500 for Prevencion y Rescate, specializing in drug rehabilitation. They are located in PUNC district 1.

Raul says they are the non-profit arm of the St. Thomas church.

Mark says they have 10 minute presentation.

Raul motions to put them on the agenda, Rick seconds. Unanimous agreement.

Victor would like to address the issue of the negative impact of Staples Center, eastside of the freeway. There was an unfinished project in our neighborhood that hasn't been finished. Now corporations are purchasing buildings in Pico Union. He objects to the stadium.

Raul says this item has already been put on the agenda.

Victor would like this item on the agenda, he motions to present questions in writing to people from Staples, CD1 and ask they respond to these questions in writing.

Raul asks they get these questions in writing through email before the meeting.

Jane motions to include this item on the agenda, Rick seconds. Unanimous agreement.

Mr. Arana owns the property on 1314 S Dewey Ave, the city is proposing to close down the street near his property, he's asking for support on this issue. The residents are concerned about parking issues and street closures.

Mark said Loyola already came to them and the Board approved their request on these street closures.

He would like to talk about his situation at next month's meeting so he can tell the Board about this.

Mark says he has to bring a petition, to support the fact that there is a problem.

He says that everyone else has been bought out in the area.

Mark says to get signatures from people living there and get them to sign the petition, and they will put it on the agenda.

Raul motions to discuss the construction in area 1, Loyola, of 1314 S Dewey Ave and it's negative impact.

5. Board Member comments on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction.

Jane says the football stadium it is her understanding that this is a done deal. She supports his side.

Raul proposes a soccer tournament, to partner with West Adams High School to create a community soccer tournament. He will report the expenses. Jane moves, Rick seconds. Unanimous agreement. Unanimous agreement.

Mark wants to add an item on the Feb agenda, Westlake is forming their Neighborhood Council, we would like to send a letter of support. Jane moves to write the letter, Rick seconds.

Raul requests to invite Norma Fernandez from BLQ and St Sophia Church, regarding the construction.

Raul motions to Norma Fernandez, Silvia Beltran and a representation from St. Sophia church construction in CD 1. Rick seconds. Unanimous agreement.

Raul says the Outreach committee would like to purchase food for the meeting. Jane asks who will purchase it. He says there is a restaurant who is willing to donate food. Jane says put it in March agenda.

He would like to be involved in creating the Exec Board agenda. Mark says if he has an item to put on the agenda, all he has to do is email the office.

He also would like to have access to the website to do some outreach through the web. Sarah in the office will upload any information you need.

6. Meeting adjournment at 7:10pm.

The public is requested to fill out a **"Speaker Card"** to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker.

The public may comment on a specific item listed on this agenda when the Board considers that item. When the Board considers the agenda item entitled "Public Comments," the public has the right to comment on any matter that is within the Board's jurisdiction. In addition, the members of the public may request and receive copies without undue delay of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record (Govt. Code § 54957.5). In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at 1225 S. Union Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015, at our website by clicking on the following link: www.picounionnc.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact *the PUNC office at 213-738-0137*

The Pico Union Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the first Monday of every month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. The agenda for the regular and special meetings is posted for public review at 1) Normandie Recreation Center 1550 S. Normandie Bl. 2) Berendo Middle School 1157 S. Berendo St. 3) Leo Politi Elementary School 2481 W. 11th St. 4) Magnolia Ave. Elementary School 1626 S. Orchard Ave. 5) Tenth Street Elementary School 1000 Grattan and 6) Pico Union Branch Public Library 1030 S. Alvarado St.

The Pico Union Neighborhood Council complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and does not discriminate on the basis of any disability. Upon request, the Pico Union Neighborhood Council will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure the availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Neighborhood Council Analyst Gabriela Quintana at (213) 473-0357 or please send an e-mail that states the accommodations that you are requesting to gabriela.quintana@lacity.org.

Process for Reconsideration - An official vote or action of the Board may be reconsidered upon request as follow: a.) Reconsideration may take place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. A member of the Board, at either of the meetings shall make a motion to reconsider the action or decision. If approved by majority vote of the Board, the Board may immediately rehear the matter and take action. b.) A motion for reconsideration may only be made by a Board member who previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action or decision taken.

PROCESS FOR FILING A GRIEVANCE: Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted in writing to the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors shall then refer the matter to an ad hoc grievance panel comprised of 3 Stakeholders who are randomly selected by the Council secretary from a list of Stakeholders who have previously expressed an interest in serving from time-to-time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance and to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved.

Thereafter, a panel member shall prepare and submit a written report to the Board outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance, no later than two weeks after it has met with the person submitting the grievance. The Board of Governors may receive a copy of the panel's report and recommendations prior to any meeting by the Board, but the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at one of its meetings. Those grievances can be aired at Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Board's failure to comply with Board Rules or these Bylaws, or its failure to comply with the City's Charter, the Plan, local ordinances, and/or state and federal law.

In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, then the matter may be referred to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for consideration or dispute resolution in accordance with the Plan.