

CITY OF LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA



**PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
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Jay Park
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VICE PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

**PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEMBERS**

Jesus Bañuelos (Renter Representative)
Cynthia Rodriguez (Homeowner Rep)
Erica Jung (Resident Homeowner)
Edgar Hernandez (Member at Large)
Louis Shapiro (Resident Tenant)

**PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
SPECIAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Yohan Chang (Business Representative)
Wilfredo Piñeda (Community Based Org)
Hyoung Kim (Renter Representative)
Sunny Kim (Senior Citizen)
Silvia Velasquez (Resident Tenant)

August 7th, 2019 at 6:30 pm
Kolping House – Auditorium (Parking available)
1225 S Union Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015
www.picounionnc.org

The Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government to us.

1. WELCOMING REMARKS:

- a. Call to Order and flag salute
- b. Roll Call

Board Members	Present	Absent
Jay Park	X	
Zoila Banuelos	X	
Yohan Chang		X
Erica Jung	X	
Hyoung Kim	X	
Jesus Banuelos	X	
Sunny Kim	X	
Edgar Hernandez		X
Wilfredo Pineda	X	
Louis Shapiro		X
Genny Alberts	X	
Cynthia Rodriguez		X
Silvia Velasquez		X
Jovita Carrillo	X	
Total:	9	5
Quorum has been met		

2. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. LAPD Senior Lead Officers
- b. City and other Government Agencies

3. **General Public Comments** - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes.

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. Outreach Committee

Zoila Banuelos – We went out with the police for their National Night out event and represented Pico Union at the Summer Night Lights event.

b. Quality of Life and Safety Committee

Jesus Banuelos – Nothing to report.

c. Transportation Committee

Genny Alberts – Nothing to report.

d. Zoning, Planning and Land Use

N/A

e. Youth Committee

N/A

5. **MOTIONS & PRESENTATIONS:**

a. **Discussion and possible action to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the months of June 2019.**

Zoila Banuelos – I see that we made two charges from Apple One and ATT.

Zoila Banuelos makes a motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the months of June 2019.

Jovita Carrillo seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the months of June 2019.

b. **Discussion and possible action to approve the July 1st, 2019 General Board Meeting Minutes and the June 10th Special Meeting Minutes.**

Zoila Banuelos makes a motion to approve the July 1st, 2019 General Board Meeting Minutes and the June 10th Special Meeting Minutes.

Jesus Banuelos seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve the July 1st, 2019 General Board Meeting Minutes and the June 10th Special Meeting Minutes.

c. **Discussion and possible action to formally remove Silvia Velasquez from the board.**

Jay Park – We will notify the public as to when the position will be open.

Jay Park makes a motion to formally remove Silvia Velasquez from the board.

Zoila Banuelos seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to formally remove Silvia Velasquez from the board.

- d. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from OBA Foundation for the LAPD Olympic Division's 11th annual National Night Out event.

Jesus Banuelos makes a motion to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from OBA Foundation for the LAPD Olympic Division's 11th annual National Night Out event.

Genny Alberts seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from OBA Foundation for the LAPD Olympic Division's 11th annual National Night Out event.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG application for up to \$2250.00 from EnrichLA for funding for their Ranger Programs at various schools in the area.

Joanna, EnrichLA – We make school gardens in schools and teach kids about gardening. The funding that we receive is used for irrigation and other materials to maintain the garden. The ranger visits once a week to check on the garden and make sure it is producing throughout the entire school year.

Jay Park – When does the ranger help teach the students?

Joanna – The ranger teaches the students during school hours.

Jay Park – Will you do anything from the PUNC that will show your appreciation?

Joanna – Yes we understand that maintaining a good relationship between us and the Council is important.

Jay Park makes a motion to approve an NPG application for up to \$2250.00 from EnrichLA for funding for their Ranger Programs at various schools in the area.

Zoila Banuelos seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve an NPG application for up to \$2250.00 from EnrichLA for funding for their Ranger Programs at various schools in the area.

- f. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG application for up to \$1500.00 from Angelica Center for Arts and Music for teacher salary funding.

Marin Olvera, ACAM – This grant is for funding the teachers salaries for the upcoming fall session. I would like to say personally I know a student I taught in 2nd grade now place recorder in a jazz band in 5th grade which is remarkable.

Erica Jung makes a motion to approve an NPG application for up to \$1500.00 from Angelica Center for Arts and Music for teacher salary funding.

Jovita Carrillo seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve an NPG application for up to \$1500.00 from Angelica Center for Arts and Music for teacher salary funding.

- g. **Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from IDEPSCA (The Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California) for funding for their 5th Annual Pico Union Block party resource fair.**

Guadalupe Garcia, IDEPSCA – On August 31st we will be presenting our 5th annual resource fair. We are going to have over 20 agencies providing services to the public. This year we will be hosting the event in front of our building. We are requesting your support with this to provide for this event. The \$1000.00 we are requesting will help cover for food for the volunteers and will also help with flyers for the event. We are also thinking of providing portable restrooms as well. We also need funding to rent out tables and chairs.

Jovita Carrillo – You mentioned that you will be giving out flyers. Will the community members coming be just from Pico Union or will you cover more area to bring others to this event.

Jesus Banuelos makes a motion to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from IDEPSCA (The Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California) for funding for their 5th Annual Pico Union Block party resource fair.

Genny Alberts seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve an NPG application for up to \$1000.00 from IDEPSCA (The Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California) for funding for their 5th Annual Pico Union Block party resource fair.

- h. **Discussion and possible action to send 200 backpacks to Toberman School**

Genny Alberts – It would come out to nearly \$5000.00 to pay.

Zoila Banuelos – We should speak to the City to see what organization we can order it from.

Jay Park – I say instead of setting a backpack limit, we set a certain budget for the backpacks and approve that budget amount.

Jay Park makes a motion to approve a budget of up to \$4000.00 to create and distribute backpacks to children of the community at Toberman Park and Normandy Park.

Zoila Banuelos seconds motion

Unanimous vote of approval to approve a budget of up to \$4000.00 to create and distribute backpacks to children of the community at Toberman Park and Normandy Park.

6. Board Member Comments (15 minutes)

- a. Comment on Member's own activities/brief announcements.
- b. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their

general public comment rights/ask staff questions for clarification.

- c. Introduce new issues for consideration by the PUNC at its next meeting and to place on the future agenda.

d. Meeting Adjournment – 8:07 pm

The public is requested to fill out a **“Speaker Card”** to address the Board on any agenda item before the Committee takes an action. Public comment is limited to 2 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 are 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 6) Pico Union Branch Public Library 1030 S. Alvarado St. 7) Toberman Recreational Center 1725 Toberman 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 Pico-Union Neighborhood Council at (213) 738 - 0137 or please send an e-mail that states the accommodations that you are requesting to Picounion09@att.net.

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.