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SPECIAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Monday, September 11, 2017 at 6:30pm
Kolping House – Auditorium (Parking available)
1225 S Union Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS

Erica Jung (Resident Homeowner)
Jesus Bañuelos (Renter Representative)
Cynthia Rodriguez (Homeowner Rep)
David Torres (Community Interest)
Sunny Kim (Senior Citizen)

Peter Sean (Business Rep)
Louis A. Shapiro (Resident Tenant)
Estrella Galindo (Community Based Org)
Hyoung Joong Kim (Renter Representative)

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. Call to Order:

Track #14

6:35pm

Jay: September 11th Remembering/Moment of silence. Jane Scott remembering

2. Roll Call

Jay Park

Zoila Banuelos

Miguel Martinez

Silvia Velasquez

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Sunny Kim

Hyoung Kim

Peter Sean

Estrella Galindo (Entered 6:49pm)

(Representative from government offices, Police Department, and community-based organizations)

a. LAPD Senior Leads – Olympic and Rampart Divisions

b. LA City & other Government Departments/Agencies

Mario: If there is any conflict of interest please leave the meeting. Important dates for the neighborhood council and health committee. Process of selection to be admitted by November 1st. Pico Union health plan budget must be uploaded. Pico union has filed 0 CIS's, which means you're silencing the voices of your community. If the election is pushed back that means the by-law amendment process will be held after that.

c. LA City Council District Representative

Luis: September 20th there will be a housing workshop. We are doing phase two and may do phase 3 later. These meetings will be helping people know their rights (Tenants / Renters) We will have CES here to. Let your

community know about this event because it will help them know about the changes that are going on. Movements for anti-racism. September 30th we will have a block party with KYCC so we can have more unity with the neighbors and talk about different resources that people may have and help the youth be more active in the community. Taking 140 students to see Aladdin the musical, 10th Street Elementary at 9:30 in the morning, come join us. Kids can ask questions to the cast and crew about what it is like being an actor or actress. Thursday 10th street and Magnolia on Friday.

Jay: September 30 is the event but what time

Luis: 2 phases, 9am we will be planting trees and at 11am we will be starting the celebration.

end of speech

3. Public Comments

Edgar: I want to speak about DACA, a program for Dreamers, kids who came here for a better future. I would like the council to send a letter of support to Congress about this issue.

Silvia: What exactly do you want the council to write about

Edgar: About the support for the dreamers.

Victor: Jane Scott predates any of us in this room. Her husband and she did a lot for Pico Union. I would like to propose more for the recognition of Jane's efforts. The second topic is that this country values its rights for freedom of speech. S720 is being proposed and we should look up what the bill proposes and educate yourself and you would feel that this is wrong. If this pass, the government will eventually lead on to hurt our freedom of speech.

Jay: I accept the mention about Jane Scott and we will discuss the next meeting on how to commemorate her more.

Ellen: A year ago the council granted us funds for allowing us to perform. We are an after-school program that does dance theater and other performances. We are the only tuition free arts performance group in the community. I would like to ask another permission for a grant.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

5. BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS - general monthly activity report

a) Treasurer report for the Month of August 2017

Miguel: In our current account, we have \$38,444. We have spent \$3555.95 this month. Expenditures were: ATT Bill Pay (x2), Apple One Employment SV (x3)

b) Committee Chairman Reports

1. Outreach Committee – Zoila Banuelos

Zoila: We need to see who's coming to the awards show. Another thing is the Keep LA Clean app and if you spot graffiti you can report it. I also attended a meeting at the Olympic station, you can report any suspicious activity with your iWatch.

2. Quality of Life and Safety Committee – Jesus Banuelos

Jesus: the 19th of last month we had a health fair.

3. Transportation Committee Hyoung Kim

N/A

4. Zoning, Planning, and Land Use Committee – Erica Jung

N/A

5. Youth Committee – Estrella Galindo

Estrella: I was given the task to create a Facebook page and I have been trying to add more information on there. I would like to use it as a tool to get more people into the committee. I would like to know if anyone present would have a Facebook page and would like to help me spread the page. If you look up PUNC it will show the PUNC Seal as the profile picture.

6. MOTIONS, PRESENTATIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

a) (Discussion/Possible Action Items)

Approval of Monthly Expense (August 2017);

Louis: Motion to approve monthly expenses

Sean Seconds

Unanimous Approval

b) Approval of August 7, 2017 General Board Meeting Minutes;

Sean makes motion to approve

Louis seconds

- c) Levitt Pavilion is asking for an NPG of \$5,000 for a project that brings free access to the arts for the public. Located at MacArthur Park, there will be a free concert, different food vendors will come, a kid play area, etc.

Louis: \$5,000 is too much. We need to spend it on somethings that are more for necessity rather than entertainment.

Representative: Would you consider a smaller amount?

Miguel: It's best to resubmit to ask for a smaller amount.

Rep: This is free entertainment but it reduces crime, brings families together, and bring arts and crafts to kids who are not able to reach it.

Peter: Ask the money from rich organizations not community organizations. I don't think we can pass this one.

Mario: Just a clarification, the requested is \$5,000 but the board can lower it any time.

Peter makes motion to give them \$500

Zoila seconds motion

Unanimous Approval

- d) Pico Union Project Resources Fair – Misunderstanding/Miscommunication on NPG. \$500 was approved and sent to Pico Union Project in January

No voting

Jay: I will send a letter one more time.

- e) A representative for CIS must be chosen and voted in.

Jay: Louis and Miguel volunteer.

Jay makes motion to approve

Zoila seconds

Unanimous Decision

Jay: We will refer to CIS reps as Louis and Miguel.

- f) Nametags/nameplates – Previously approved and some funds were devoted to it. However, we have not set action to acquire them yet.

Silvia: Hopefully we can go out to Pico Union events and people can see the nametags so they know who you are as part of the council.

Miguel: Nametags are available at Staples or will be worth more at a professional company.

Jay: We will wait until next meeting to approve.

7. REQUEST/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jay: Thank you to everyone who came. We will discuss future topics next meeting.

9. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Estrella to adjourn meeting

Peter Seconds

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10pm

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 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 6) Pico Union Branch Public Library 1030 S. Alvarado St. 7) Toberman Recreational Center 1725 Toberman St.

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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.