

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA



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**PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 27, 2015 at 6:30pm**  
**Kolping House – Auditorium (Parking available)**  
**1225 S Union Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015**  
[www.picounionnc.org](http://www.picounionnc.org)

### 1. Call to Order

Track 25  
Starting time 6:33pm

### 2. Roll Call

Mark Lee  
Zoila Banuelos  
Cynthia Rodriguez  
Estrella Marisol Galindo (Absent)  
**Quorum with 2 members present**

### 3. Welcome Message

**4. Public comments** – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the board's subjects matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker. (2 min)

Mark - If you want to speak, you have 10 minutes to speak.

Louis – we should do something about the complaints when they come in. Have some type investigation and reporting instead of wasting time in a committee that no one attends just deal with the problems as they arise.

Mark Lee – I did contact the owner. They will stop and start at 8am instead of 6am.

#### **Public Comment**

Meagan Ortiz – Executive Director of the Institute of Public Education.

- She is presenting the issues with the budget cuts of 70% from \$750,000 cut to \$250,000
- The centers are at risk of being closed

Mark – put on this on the agenda

Ms Ortiz – we would like to request if the PUNC can pass a motion to give a letter of support to the City of Los Angeles, so that the City will revert the funding back to \$750,000 to keep funding the centers.

Cynthia – Do you want us to partner with you?

Ms. Ortiz asks if it is possible to recognized the sites and partner with PUNC. The site is located at Main Street and Pico Blvd.

Mark Lee - we cannot fund a center that is not located here – we can help you write a letter of support.

**Cynthia – Motions to write letter to support centers**

**Zoila – 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All in favor - ay**

**Put request in next month's agenda for May 4, 2015**

**You will have 8 minutes for the presentation. It will be put on next month's agenda, May 4, 2015.**

**5. Discussion and Possible action items to appear on the General Board agenda for May 4, 2015.**

**a) Approval of Monthly Expenses for April 2015**

**Zoila motions to approve the monthly expenses for April 2015.**

**Lee 2nds the motion**

**Lee calls out all in favor – 4-0-1 (absent)**

**b) Approval of April 6, 2015 Minutes.**

**Cynthia motions to approve the April 6, 2015 minutes.**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**all in favor**

**The motion passes**

**c) Discussion and possible action, Case No:ENV-2015-1117EAF ZA2015-1116 CU 1129 W. Washington Blvd, Los Angeles, Conditional Use request to convert an existing 13000sq feet warehouse into body Shop EAF Environmental Assessment.**

**Cynthia calls the motion to approve to move Case No:ENV-2015-1117EAF ZA2015-1116 CU 1129 W. Washington Blvd, Los Angeles to board the meeting on May 4, 2015**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**The motion passes**

**Cynthia amends motion and adds that they should only work from Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm, and on the weekends to the afternoon from 8am to 12pm**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

**d) Discussion and possible action about Case No.: Dir 2015-0805 1250 S. Westmoreland Ave. 93-unit senior housing comprised of two story over one story parking garage and six story over one story parking garage with 48 parking stalls and 103 bicycle spaces.**

**Cynthia motions to build the senior housing and discuss it further at the board meeting**

**Mark Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

**e) Discussion and possible action about Case No.: Dir 2015-0579 1255 S. Elden Ave. 93-unit story, 100% affordable family apartments over story parking garage with 100 parking and 103 bicycle spaces.**

**Lee Motions to build the affordable family with the condition that they will work with non-profit organization since they get city benefit and to move request to May 4, 2015 General Board Meeting**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

f) Discussion and possible action about Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) request by The Salvation Army L.A. Red Shield Youth & Community Center of \$500 for Printing of Promotional Flyers for the May 16, 2015 event at Berendo Middle School, District 1

Zoila says that it is easier to get funds from PUNC, if the city doesn't approve it and get board recommendation.

**Cynthia motions to support The Salvation Army's request of \$500**

**Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**The motion passes**

g) Discussion and possible action about Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) request by the LAPD Rampart Cadet Program of \$500 for the cadet mentoring program for the Rampart and Pico-Union Districts 2 and 3.

Cynthia I think it's good, because it is for the youth.

**Cynthia Motions to support the LAPD Rampart Cadet Program in their request of \$500 from PUNC.**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

h) Discussion and possible action about Pico Union Project, District 3 is requesting to present at the general member meeting in May 4, 2015 partnership with the Pico Union Neighborhood Council

District 3 would like to partner with PUNC

They are requesting a support letter.

**Cynthia Motion to have them present and board members approve it**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

## **11. Board member comments – comments from board members on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction.**

Sun Kim resigned 30 days ago, so the City Attorney has asked to appoint someone starting next month.

**Lee motions to appoint someone to replace Sun Kim.**

**Zoila 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion**

**All in favor**

**Motion Passes**

## **12. Meeting adjournment**

Meeting adjourns at 6:55pm

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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](http://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. 11<sup>th</sup> 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.