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PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OUTREACH COMMITTEE AGENDA

August 12, 2013 from 5:00pm to 6:30pm Pico Union LA Public Library 1030 South Alvarado Street, Los Angeles, CA 90006 www.picounionnc.org

PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Miguel Amaya Dr. Rick Rodriguez

Jordan Jacobs Maria Montes Kareen Sandoval Peter Sean

1. Welcome remarks and Roll Call

2. Discussion items and possible action items:

- a) Discussion and possible action item: The Pico Union Neighborhood Council (PUNC) Outreach Committee, would like the Committee to discuss the August 15, town-hall meeting with Gilbert Cedillo from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army Red Shield Center. Those interested in helping with the event are requested to arrive at 4:30 p.m.
- b) Discussion and possible action item: The Outreach Committee desires to discuss and possibly vote on a motion to approve candidates for the award of "Outstanding Contribution to Pico-Union." to be recognized for their service to the community during a PUNC Board meeting, sometime in the summer. According to an advisor from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Councils 4 Councils program, the PUNC should consider contacting their City Council representative's office because they can have the certificates made and the City Council representative can hand them out at a PUNC meeting.
- c) Discussion item and possible action item: The PUNC Board voted on August 5, 2013 to approve a Motion to set up a phone-tree-system to report issues in the Pico Union area to the police or city departments. The plan is to have each member of the phone-tree-system report the issue and then contact other members of the system in order to quickly generate many complaints and have the issue quickly addressed.
- d) Discussion and possible action Item: Jordan Jacobs, former editor of the PUNC Bulletin, would like to discuss the future of publishing efforts with the Pico Union Neighborhood Council. The PUNC Board on August 5, 2013 chose to allow the creation of a Community Newspaper with key organizations and institutions in Pico-Union area, the Neighborhood Council could subsidize, in part, the costs of this Newspaper; and also to transform the PUNC Bulletin from 8 pages to 2, print between 2000-4000 copies (full color) and limit content to i) an explanation of the Neighborhood Council ii) Contact Information, iii) events/meeting dates.
- e) Discussion and possible action Item: Jordan Jacobs would like to share a few community betterment ideas with the Outreach Committee that would increase stakeholder interest in community affairs.
- f) Discussion and possible action item: Discussion about Coalition of Neighborhood Councils in Central Los Angeles. The Coalition might possibly be comprised of: Westlake North NC, Westlake South NC, Macarthur Park NC, and Rampart Village NC, among others. Mr. Jacobs believes the primary purposes of this Coalition should be: to plan community projects and to improve communication. Randy Waller, a member of the executive board of Westlake North and Westlake South NC, is the originator of the idea and firm supporter. The Pico Union President suggests that the Downtown NC should also be part of the coalition. The Outreach Committee Chair agrees with Randy Waller in that the Downtown NC might not be a good candidate for the Coalition.
- g) Discussion item: Discussion about Pico Union Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). This is a 7 week CERT training provided on the following dates: 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2. The trainings will be from 6pm to 8:30 pm at the Salvation Army Red Shield Auditorium; 1532 W. 11th St. Los Angeles, CA 90015. To for more information contact Agnes Topacio atopacio@ph.lacount.gov, work number (213) 250-8551; or Irene Lewis irenelewis@earthlink.net, work number: (213) 381-3747.
- h) Discussion item: Discussion about the Emergency Preparedness Resilience Project which has meetings with Pico Union community leaders in the Salvation Army Pico Union Auditorium – which is located at 1532 West 11th St., Los Angeles, CA 90015.

- i) Discussion item: Discussion about the Fresh Start Festival in Los Angeles, CA on Saturday, August 17th 2013 at the Los Angeles Dodger Stadium. Service Employees International Union (SEIU) United Long Term Care Workers (ULTCW) and the Los Angeles Dodgers are proud to sponsor this year's Fresh Start Festival. While many families continue to struggle in this difficult economy, ULTCW and the Los Angeles Dodgers believe that everyone deserves a Fresh Start. There will be activities for the entire family: a day long festival filled with music, school giveaways, special surprises, health-screenings, and much more.
- j) Discussion item: Discussion about seniors and their caregivers in the Pico Union area. The City of Los Angeles Department of Aging, in collaboration with health organizations in the area, is holding a resource fair on Saturday 14, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Moseley-Salvatori Conference Center. Location address: 637 S. Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (2nd floor), (in between 6th Street and Wilshire Ave.). To reserve a spot and beverages contact Veronica at the Department of aging at (213) 482-7243 (Spanish/English). The Department of Aging works to help seniors stay home with their families by providing information to Medicare and Medical patients regarding health care and other services. They would like seniors to be aware of people calling them regarding Medicare and Medicaid by verifying that they are legitimate groups by calling the Los Angeles City Department of Aging.
- k) Discussion and possible action item: The PUNC Outreach Committee Chair would like the Committee to discuss any other matters brought forth at the meeting regarding PUNC Outreach matters.
- 3. Public comments on non-agenda items within the committee's subject matter jurisdiction.
- 4. Board Member comments on non-agenda items within the committee's subject matter jurisdiction.
- 5. Meeting adjournment

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 Outreach Committee may also call any additional 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.

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 out lining 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.