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PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE AGENDA

May 16, 2013 at 6:30pm – 7:00pm

St. Thomas the Apostle Office

2727 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90006

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1. Call to order and roll call

2. Discussion, action items, or presentations

- a) Discussion and possible action item: Discussion about the Healthy School Food Policy proposed by the Urban & Environmental Policy Institute that intends to lessen the consumption of sugar sweetened beverages. Project Manager Elizabeth Medrano would like to hear from stakeholders about their beliefs, thoughts, and perceptions are about sugar sweetened beverages and what potential solutions there may exist to lessen the consumption of these beverages. The Pico Union Neighborhood Council (PUNC) Quality of Life Committee will possibly vote on a Motion to be sent to the Pico Union Neighborhood Council General Board meeting on June 3, 2013 that requests that possibly requests that the Food Policy be approved, and/or possibly that a Community Impact Statement be sent to the Los Angeles City Council that sugar sweetened beverage tax be considered.
- b) Discussion and possible action item: Discussion about the PUNC Quality of life committee partnering with Equitas Academy (charter school in the PUNC community) in a neighborhood beautification project. The project is being conducted by the charter school's Student Service Club with the help of the Rotary Club. The PUNC Quality of life committee will possibly vote on a Motion to approve the Quality of Life committee partner with Equitas Academy, and/or possibly that a request be sent to the Pico Union Neighborhood Council General Board meeting on June 3, 2013 that requests that the PUNC general board partner with the Equitas Academy.
- c) Discussion and possible action item: Discussion about choosing a person (or people) from the public that should be honored for their work in the community by the PUNC general Board sometime in the summer. Discussion and possible vote on a Motion to nominate a person (or people) to be recognized by the PUNC general Board or possibly vote on a Motion that requests that the General Board approve the person (or people) nominated.

3. Discussion of local issues and concerns.

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

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

6. Meeting adjournment

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 Quality of Life Committee 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.