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**HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2016
6:00 PM
Will and Ariel Durant Library Branch
7140 Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90046**

Directions: East of N. Fairfax Ave and West of N. La Brea Ave on Sunset Blvd.

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POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING A BOARD MOTION AND
VOTING ON THE MOTION.**

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AGENDA

1. Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann
2. Roll call by Secretary, Kathy Banuelos
3. Review and approval of minutes of 7/20/16 meeting
4. Election of Area 6 Chair
 - a. Candidate: Susan Proffitt Wattles
5. Public Official Reports
 - a. 46th Assembly District, Assemblyman Adrin Nazarian
 - b. CD13 – Dan Halden, Office of Councilman Mitch O’Farrell
 - c. CD4 –Field Deputy, Catherine Landers, Office of Councilmember David Ryu
 - d. Mayor’s Office, Central Area NC Rep, Yoome Ha
 - e. 43rd Assembly District, Rep. from the Office of Assemblyman Mike Gatto
 - f. 50th Assembly District, Office of Assemblyman Richard Bloom
 - g. 3rd Supervisorial District, Rachel Zaiden, Office of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
 - h. LAPD
 - i. LAFD
 - j. LADWP
6. President’s Report (Anastasia Mann)
 - a. Budget Advocate/Budget Representative report
 - b. Proposed Motions from the LANCC for vote by HHWNC
 - i. **Homelessness:** Los Angeles is in a state of emergency and the resources of the City and County are unable to solve the crisis of homelessness. When the City of Los Angeles declared a state of emergency on homelessness on September 22, 2015 after the historic motion by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) and supported by the Certified Neighborhood Councils on January 3, 2015 to declare a state of emergency, dedicate \$150,000,000 to combat the problem, and to utilize abated motels and vacate city buildings, the homeless population was at 35,000. According to a recent article in the Los Angeles Times, the homeless population hovers at 47,854 people on the streets and many experts feel that the population will swell to 50,000 husbands, wives, brothers, and sisters living in squalor on Los Angeles’ streets by the end of the year. It is not the purpose of local population to solve a national problem. We need State and Federal help.

The LANCC (HHW Neighborhood Council) demands that the Governor of California, Edmund G. Brown Jr. declare a state of emergency for the Los Angeles metro area for the purpose of combating the suffering of over 47,000 people living on the streets of Los Angeles. The Governor needs to understand that Los Angeles has more people living on the streets of Los Angeles than most towns in America have residents. He needs to act now.

The City of Los Angeles and the County needs to identify all vacant property currently owned by the City and County and all of its departments and agencies that can house temporary FEMA-style trailers for up to two years to start the housing process. All identified properties must also be large enough to have supportive services onsite. Any properties that have covenants placed on them by State of Federal agencies need to be negotiated to temporarily relieve those covenants during the crisis.

The LANCC (HHW Neighborhood Council) does not support the proposed \$1.2 B bond on the November ballot. The residents of Los Angeles are shouldering a national problem and should not be burdened with the total costs. As a national problem, we need State and Federal funding to create low income and affordable housing solutions. CF 16-0047 copy to: Governor Brown, Mayor Garcetti and City Council

- ii. **Illegal Dumping:** The LANCC (HHW Neighborhood Council) encounters illegal dumping on the streets of Los Angeles on a daily basis. The current fine of \$1000.00 for illegal dumping is a cost of doing business for the individuals that commit these crimes. The City Council needs to be proactive and enact similar laws as the County and State. California Penal Code 374.3 makes illegal dumping on public and private property punishable by a fine up to \$10,000. Also, pursuant to Section 117555 of the California health and Safety Code, a person who dumps illegally is punishable by up to six months on jail. In addition in August 2005, the County of Los Angeles adopted an ordinance (PDF, 338 KB) that would allow the Sheriff to seize a vehicle if it is used in the act of illegal dumping. The LANCC (HHW Neighborhood Council) requests:

That the City Council opens a Council file to create an ordinance that mirrors the County and State law on illegal dumping.

That the City Council incorporates a reward program to create incentives for residents to report illegal dumping based on a percentage of the fine collected.

c. **Community Business**

- i. Neighborhood Integrity Initiative presentation by Jill Stewart. Opposition presentation by Brian VanRiper. Proposed Motion: HHWNC endorses/opposes the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative proposition for the March 2017 Election.
- ii. Schedule Town Hall on Tour Bus Issues
- iii. Two Steps Ahead Hollywood Event on Sept. 21 by NCSA – Participation by HHWNC

- d. Confirm next meeting date: October 19

7. Vice President's Report (Orrin Feldman)
8. Second Vice President's Report (Jane Crockett)
9. Treasurer's Report (Michael Meyer)
 - a. Motion and Vote to approve monthly expenditures report
 - b. Approve Funding request forms
10. Secretary's Report (Kathy Banuelos)
11. Committee Reports
 - a. **Housing Committee** (JoAnn Koplin)
 - i. Renters Alliance Town Hall on October 19. Request from HUNC to support. Possible motion and vote.
 - b. **Environment/Parks and Open Space Committees** (Patty Dryden/Jeffrey Masino)
 - i. **Runyon Canyon/Proposed motion:** That a budget proposal for up to \$2,000 be approved for an Environment and Park and Open Space Committee joint project for plant sustainability and Runyon Canyon tree planting for Spring 2017.
 - c. **Outreach Committee (Sheila Irani)**
 - i. **Speakers Conference:** HUNC is leading a speakers' conference on all the November Ballot Propositions on October 8th at First Presbyterian Mears Center Auditorium from 10 am to 1 pm.

Proposed motion: That the HHWNC allocate up to \$500 to be used for covering a portion of the overall \$2500 budget for food and location rental and to support event with marketing.
 - ii. **Town Hall on Homelessness:** Hollywood United Neighborhood Council is considering a town hall to address the homeless population in the adjoining neighborhoods.

Proposed Motion: That the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council approve planning and implementation of a Town Hall on Homeless persons, their rights and the rights of homeowners with budget not to exceed \$1500.00 and that the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council approach the Hollywood United Neighborhood Council to jointly sponsor the event.
 - d. **Community Enrichment**
 - i. **Durant Branch Library** has several programs in need of funding with a Neighborhood Purpose Grant: The Beth Lapidés Writing Workshop, The Mare Mallory Hollywood History Program, and the Fracas Brothers – Educational Summer Reading Programs – for a total funding request of \$900.

Proposed Motion for the HHWNC to allocate up to \$900 in support of these library programs.

e. **Area 3 Chair (Brian Dyer)**

- i. **6541 Hollywood Blvd., #104-105 (Secret Restaurant) - Planning Department case numbers ZA 2016-2000-CUB and ENV 2016-2001-CE.** Pursuant to Section 12.24-W, 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, a Conditional Use Permit to allow the sale, dispensing and service of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 1,988 square-foot restaurant with 53 seats interior (including 8 bar seats) and 62 exterior on an approximately 680 square-foot proposed outdoor dining seating area, featuring live entertainment (DJ), with proposed hours of operation from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday in the C4-2D-SN Zone. Representative from Art Rodriguez & Associates to present.

Proposed Motion: That Board of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council support the renewal of the Conditional Use Permit application as stated with the exception of live music not to extend beyond 10:00 P.M. and operator shall adhere to final occupancy assessment by the Los Angeles Fire Department.

- ii. **Support for Yucca Community Center’s Halloween festival, Saturday, October 29, 2016.**

Proposed Motion: That Board of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council sponsor the Yucca Community Center’s Halloween festival with monetary support in the amount of \$500.00 to cover costs of food and decorations.

- iii. **“Safety Town” event** - Resident-stakeholder Gina Mason is requesting sponsorship for “Safety Town,” a one day, three hour course. “Safety Town” is led by local police men and women who will guide school age children, K – 3rd grade, on how to be safe in their neighborhood. To be held at the Yucca Community center tentatively on October 8, 2016, it will be attended by other surrounding neighborhoods. HHWNC sponsorship to hold events and to cover costs of facility rental and food is being requested. LAPD is on board and has been contacted. HUNC has also been contacted by HHWNC Event & Outreach chair for further funding.

Proposed Motion: That the Hollywood Hills West Support Neighborhood Council in conjunction with Yucca Community Center support “The Safety Town” event by making “Safety Town” an HHWNC event and covering cost of \$500.00 deposit.

- iv. **Clean Streets Challenge: Summary** - Through partnerships between Neighborhood Councils & Non-profits, LA Department of Sanitation can increase reporting on problem areas, find the highest impact locations for new trash cans (5000 have been bought, 3500 still need to be placed), identify those committing illegal dumping, increase use and adoption of MyLA311, and produce more accurate statistics regarding street cleanliness. The “Clean Streets Challenge” takes place from Sept. 17 – November 18, 2016. Awards will be announced in December 2016 (a split pot of \$250,000)

Proposed Motion: For the HHWNC enter the Clean Streets Challenge. Approval of application package and implementation plan. (See materials in board packet).

f. Area 7 Committee (Barbara Witkin)

- i. **Sunset Square/Proposed Motion:** That the HHWNC write a Community Impact Statement to support Sunset Square neighborhood in its efforts to become an HPOZ and to help preserve historic Hollywood. Sunset Square was built in the early 1900's and is still very much intact. Sunset Square has been home to many famous film and television stars as well as home to many famous musicians and politicians.

- ii. **Recognition of Neighborhood Businesses/Proposed Motion:** That the HHWNC allocate up to \$200 to be used for acknowledgment of neighborhood businesses. There will be 2 businesses at a time that will receive a certificate for contributing to make Sunset Blvd in our area special. The request is for numerous certificates to be given out over a period of time.

12. Public Comment - Comments from the public on agenda items and non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to 2 minutes per speaker.

13. Old Business

14. New Business

15. Adjournment