

**HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
September 19, 2017  
6:00 pm  
Will and Ariel Durant Library Branch  
7140 Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90046**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:05pm**
2. **Roll Call by Second Vice President Jane Crockett.** Quorum Established. Absent: Kathy Bañuelos.
3. **Approval of minutes. Minutes approved unanimously with correction.**
4. **Public Official Reports**
  - a) CD4 –Field Deputy, Alice Roth, Office of Councilmember David Ryu reported on the Party House Ordinance and reminded everyone of emergency preparedness.
  - b) 46th Assembly District, Angie Aramayo, Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian informed everyone to contact them about anything regarding tour buses and handed out a Government Works pamphlet.
  - c) Steve Houchin, Deputy City Attorney , Office of the LA City Attorney Neighborhood Prosecutor Program, Safe Neighborhoods & Gangs Division
  - d) Todd Gilman, Deputy City Attorney, Neighborhood Prosecutor Program: North Hollywood
  - e) North Hollywood Police Department spoke about relationship based policing. Citizens need to do more and police need to work with other agencies that citizens can be directed to. There are no real boundaries between precincts when LAPD is responding to calls for service so North Hollywood and Hollywood precincts work together and across the precinct lines.
5. **President’s Report (Anastasia Mann)**
  - a) **Party House Update:**

Mulholland Division of LAPD & City Prosecutor resources:  
The board was updated on contacts and given clarification of districts for LAPD etc. in Hollywood Hills between Hollywood & North Hollywood Divisions. Invited guests: Alice Roth, CD4; Steve Houchin, Hollywood Prosecutor; Todd Gilman, NoHo Prosecutor (newly appointed); LAPD reps NoHo & Hollywood. Contributors: Suzanne Warren, Area 5; Serra Aladag; Area 8; Macapa residents.

The board was updated on the Party House Ordinance. The LAPD Hollywood Vice Officers and Prosecutor Steve Houchin spoke about the conduct associated with parties and a series of laws that ban said conduct. It is illegal to rent a residence for less than 30 days. Citizens should communicate problems that are non-emergency calls with photos videos etc. Victims and witnesses are needed. The first two big criminal cases were filed in Hollywood as public nuisance abatement cases.

- b) Anastasia gave an update on the Tour buses. AB 25 is on the governor's desk. It gives control to LA Agencies to take illegal vehicles off the road.
- c) East Valley Emergency Preparation Summit on October 21. **Suzanne made a motion for the NPG to have \$250.00 if they can get the paperwork done. Daniel2<sup>nd</sup>. The Board approved unanimously.**
- d) Anastasia announced the Area 6 Chair Vacancy; the election will be on October 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. Mary Yarber gave an introduction.
- e) Next meeting date confirmed for October 18<sup>th</sup>

## 6. First Vice-President's Report (Orrin Feldman)

### a) PLUM Committee

- i. Brian and Danielle provided an update on Hollywood Community Plan that will override JJJ. They will need to go block by block for specific planning. Area and Issue meetings should go over the plans.
- ii. Orrin provided an update on new hillside construction district. The public hearing was on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Nichols Canyon was not included in the construction district. This will be put on the PLUM Committee meeting agenda for October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- iii. Orrin provided an update on 6697-6877 Hollywood Blvd. aka The Vogue Theater.

Orrin reported that on, on August 23 2017, Zoning Administrator Henry Chu held a public hearing at LA City Hall to consider an application from Freddy Braidy and 812 La Cienega Partners to the City's Planning Department for approval to use The Vogue Theater for what the application refers to as a "mixed use project" where alcoholic beverages could be sold at a restaurant for on-site consumption under a conditional use permit (CUP).

The PLUM Committee voted (4 to 0) to support the following motion:

That Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council recommends that the City's Planning Department deny the pending application unless and until the following changes are made:

1. Screenbid is to be the applicant in control of any conditional use permit to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages as part of the operation of food and beverage services at The Vogue Theater;
2. Any change in control from Screenbid to some other entity would require a new Planning Department/ZA review before the conditional use permit could be continued;
3. All oversized deliveries and pickups should be at the rear of the building;
4. There should not be any outdoor dining area or seating;
5. The hours of operation should be much more limited to 10am to 10pm daily; and
6. Provide an undertaking which would prevent the Theater from being changed from a showroom and restaurant into a nightclub.

**Motion to adopt the PLUM Committee's recommendations.**

**After a discussion and amendments to the proposed motion, the Board voted to approve the motion (16 yes, 1 no).**

**7. Treasurer's Report (Michael Meyer)**

- a) July 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report approved unanimously.
- b) August 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report approved unanimously.

**8. Second Vice President's Report (Jane Crockett)**

- a) HHWNC Committee Report 2016/2017

**9. Committee Reports**

**a) Area 3 (Brian Dyer)**

**i. Yucca Community Center's Halloween Festival. Saturday, October 29, 2017**

**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 the Jumpers.

**Brian made a motion, Oren 2<sup>nd</sup>. The board voted to sponsor the motion unanimously.**

**b) Parks & Open Spaces**

- i. Motion for a stakeholder proposal to have the HHWNC solicit input from stakeholders in upcoming Area and committee meetings so that the public can have crucial input into shaping the City's commitment to open space in the Los Angeles General Plan. Input will be submitted to the Parks & O.S. before the deadline and then submitted to the City in conjunction with other elements of the General Plan. The Hollywood general meeting is on Wednesday October 25<sup>th</sup>. Area and issue meetings should get feedback before the deadline.
- ii. Motion for a stakeholder proposal for the HHWNC Board to approve up to \$5,000 to support an Environment Committee & Parks & Open Space Committee joint project: Runyon Canyon tree planting in partnership with Tree People, and with support and assistance from LA Recreation and Parks. Possible event date: January 2018. This Runyon tree planting motion was discussed and a new motion will be brought to the board after next meeting.
- iii. Smith Park Update: \$2,500 was approved at the HHWNC board meeting on May 17th for new security lights requested by stakeholders in adjacent apartments. A meeting must now be set up between LA-DWP, Rec & Parks, and LAPD to work together with Outpost HOA and residents adjacent to Smith Park to discuss lighting design and placement and a timeline for installation. The infrastructure to progress with city departments.
- iv. The Cultural Heritage Commissions Report was discussed regarding the Hollywood Reporter Building. They will be donating historic images to the HHWNC and Runyon Canyon kiosk. The board publically stated appreciation to Mark Wanamaker.

**c) Transportation (Danielle Mead)**

- i. Danielle gave an update on the La Cuesta/Lisco/Desmond Estates street signage. LADOT has proposed for the streets to become one way.
  - Public comments: Can residents get DOT info?

**d) Outreach Committee (Emily Weithman)**

Presentation about Enrich LA

Enrich LA builds and maintains edible school gardens at over 80 schools.

**Motion to request \$2000 for Gardner Elementary (garden ranger 3 days/week).**

**Barbara W. made a motion, Brian 2<sup>nd</sup>. The board voted to approve the motion unanimously.**

10. **Public Comments** – 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.

1. Gilbert Mora commented on marijuana use.
2. Heather Siegel commented on homeless ness and public safety. She asked what the HHWNC are doing about these issues.

11. **Old Business**

12. **New Business**

13. **Adjournment at 8:30pm**