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**HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 17, 2018**  
**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 of Hollywood Blvd. Building is accessible and free parking is available behind the building.

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

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## DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:02pm**
2. **Roll Call by Secretary Kathy Bañuelos. Quorum established.**  
Absent: Richard Joludow, Serra Aladag, Sheila Irani, Matt Shichtman, Emily Weithman.  
Late: Orrin Feldman, Jane Crockett, Brian Dyer
3. **Approval of minutes. Barbara made the motion, Luminita 2<sup>nd</sup> the minutes were approved as amended 17-0.**
4. **Public Official Reports**
  - a) CD4 –Field Deputy, Rachel Fox, Office of Councilmember David Ryu introduced herself. Rachel stated that CD4 is working with WAZE to minimize traffic, provided an update on their annual tree plantings report, reminded everyone of their new Ventura Blvd office and that they are reviewing the Dixon study results and strategies.
  - b) 46th Assembly District, Angie Aramayo, Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian
  - c) 43rd Assembly District, Seamus Garrity, Rep. from the Office of Assemblymember Laura Friedman reported on legislative priorities including college affordability/access, film tax incentives, and permanent supportive housing and on the Dickson study re mobility in Griffith Park and the Hollywood sign.

### 5. **President’s Report (Anastasia Mann)**

- a) Community Business
  - i. Anastasia announced a Town Hall Community Meeting with LA City Attorney Mike Feuer with LAPD Hollywood Prosecutor Steve Houchin- Jan. 30: 6-7pm Temple Israel of Hollywood 7300 Hollywood Blvd. 90046
  - ii. Medicare Assistance Services Presentation- Free for Stake Holders by Susan Pintar
  - iii. Tour Bus Update: Restricted Roads and Routes by Brian Gallagher
  - iv. Homeless Update on Sunset & Martel and announcement re upcoming homeless count. DOT can put up “no loitering” signs.
  - v. Discussion re fire threat from homeless encampments from West Laurel to Hollywood Bowl
  - vi. Anastasia announced that there will be no action re an inquiry from West side of Laurel Canyon to join HHWNC.
  - vii. Billy the Elephant Motion. There was a request for the Neighborhood Council to weigh in on having Billy moved to a sanctuary.
  - viii. Parking Lot issues at Runyon & Mulholland
  - ix. Party House status-update re Macapa and legislation
  - x. Announcement re: Yamashiro project
  - xi. Joe Salaices from LARAP introduced the newest park ranger for Griffith Park, Ian Rotundo
  
- b) The next meeting date was confirmed for February 21, 2018

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

- a) Orrin reported that there are new projects in the works including, that the City has assigned personnel to restore the Odin mural in the freeway underpass, to stay tuned for developments regarding the Universal Hilton expansion and that will be a homeless shelter for women at the old Durant library, but we haven't seen any plans yet.
- b) 7500 Sunset Project  
7500-7580 Sunset Blvd.  
CA CEQA case no. ENV-2014-1707-EIR

In July, 2016, the Board voted (17-0) to oppose the proposed project, and HHWNC submitted a comment letter to the City's Planning Department.

Following a presentation of the revised proposed project at the PLUM Committee in December, 2017, the PLUM Committee voted (7-0) to support the following motion:

HHWNC's PLUM Committee recommends that HHWNC's Board vote to continue opposing the proposed project for 7500 Sunset because, while the applicant has made some improvements to the proposed project's design, the applicant had not (yet)

(i) reduced the size and massing of the proposed project to a more appropriate size, and

(ii) provided more information to resolve open traffic issues, which include circulating into and out of the site; and

(iii) should consider increasing the percentage of affordable housing units in the proposed project.

The PLUM Committee recommends that the proposed project be reduced from 5 floors to 3 floors along Sunset Boulevard in order to help reduce the proposed project's height and massing along Sunset Boulevard.

**The DEIR is expected to come out in the next three weeks. Orrin made a motion to table this item, Oren 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.**

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

- a) Funding Request Forms approved. Michael moved, Barbara 2<sup>nd</sup>. Request approved by 18-0.
- b) November & December Monthly Expenditure Reports. Orrin moved, Barbara seconded. Reports approved by 18-0.
- c) Motion to approve up to \$1000 for LAPD LGBT Safe Space Cards. Michael moved and Anastasia seconded. Motion approved by 17-0 vote.

## 8. Committee Reports

### a) Parks & Open Spaces (Jeffrey Masino)

- i. Patty announced positive response to Runyon Canyon Tree Planning Update
- ii. Jeffrey reported on Dixon Associates study and announced the Griffith Park Access & Mobility Study Stakeholder Meeting Tuesday, January 16.

### b) Parks & Open Spaces/Transportation (Jeffrey Masino/Danielle Mead-Revised)

**Runyon Canyon Park:** Residents living near Upper Runyon Canyon Park continue to be negatively affected by issues related to traffic congestion, parking, noise, loitering, after-hours usage and fire/safety risks from park patrons.

**Motion:** HHWNC requests that CD4 initiate a 3rd party study of issues affecting residents living near Runyon Canyon Park and organize a working group of affected stakeholder and community groups to provide input on proposals and mitigations resulting from the study. **Jeffrey moved, Danielle seconded. Motion approved by 18-0.**

**Runyon Canyon/FilmLA:** Discussion with FilmLA, producers rep, CD4 and residents regarding the request for filming inside Runyon from Jan. 20-Feb. 5 at 3050 Runyon Canyon Rd. home inside the gates adjacent to hiking trails. Possible

**Motion that the HHWNC reject the film permit request. Oren moved, Luminita seconded. Motion approved by 16-2.**

### c) Area 3 (Brian Dyer)

- i. Discussion re recommendations to the Board on the HCPU2 from Area and Issue Committees.

9. **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.

10. **Old Business**

11. **New Business**

12. **The meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.**