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**HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING
January 16, 2019
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.

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on non-agenda and agenda items will be heard during the Public Comment Period and, within the discretion of the presiding officer of the Board, when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Agenda is posted for public review: on bulletin boards at the Durant Library Branch, and electronically on the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council website www.hhwnc.org and on the Department Of Neighborhood Empowerment, www.empowerla.org.

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**ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THIS AGENDA ARE SUBJECT TO:
POSSIBLE ACTION, INCLUDING A BOARD MOTION AND
VOTING ON THE MOTION.**

PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION: The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and Take an Action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a Proposed Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann**
- 2. Roll Call by Secretary Britta Engstrom**
- 3. Approval of minutes**
- 4. Public Official Reports**
 - a) CD13 – Dan Halden, Office of Councilman Mitch O’Farrell
 - b) CD4 –Field Deputy, Madelynn Taras, Office of Councilmember David Ryu
 - c) Mayor’s Office, Central Area NC Rep, Angie Aramayo
 - d) 46th Assembly District, Cindy Vallegas, Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian
 - e) 43rd Assembly District, Seamus Garrity from the Office of Assemblymember Laura Friedman
 - f) 50th Assembly District, Office of Assemblyman Richard Bloom
 - g) 25th Senatorial District, Vickere Murphy, District Representative, Office of Anthony Portantino
 - h) 3rd Supervisorial District, Fernando Morales, Office of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
 - i) 26th Senate State District, Allison Towle, Office of Senator Ben Allen
 - j) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Lorenzo Briceno
 - k) Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, Joe Salaices
 - l) LAPD
 - m) LAFD
 - n) LADWP
 - o) LADOT
- 5. President’s Report (Anastasia Mann)**
 - a) Community Business
 - i. Area 4 Election
 - i.) Candidate: Naomi Kobrin
 - ii. Update on Election: candidate registration; declared stakeholder fiasco.
 - iii. Report on Hillside Ordinance/Development meeting held Jan 10, 2019
Board comments. Possible motion and vote.

Motion: The Board recommends that the Hillside Construction District Ordinance be revised/amended to include all of HHWNC’s hillside areas.
 - b) Confirm next meeting date: February 20, 2019.
- 6. First Vice-President’s Report (Orrin Feldman)**
 - a) Hollywood Community Plan Update (HCPU2) - discussion with regard to an HHWNC comment letter to the City’s Planning Department on how the HCPU2 would affect various issues and sites in HHWNC’s area.

- b) Update of other various pending Planning Department proposed ordinances.

- c) 2005 North Highland Avenue - is the Hilton Garden Inn Los Angeles/Hollywood, which is in HHWNC's Area 4 and City Council District 4.

The hotel's prior conditional use permit to sell alcohol for on-site consumption had expired inadvertently when (or soon after) the hotel's ownership changed. They also had been a problem with the noise coming from the hotel's outdoor patio dining area facing Highland Avenue.

Following a discussion, the PLUM Committee voted (5 to 0) to recommend that HHWNC's board support the hotel's application for a conditional use permit to sell alcoholic beverages or on-site consumption (and for off-site consumption for picnic basket meals going to the Hollywood Bowl and Ford Theaters), but subject to the condition that any speaker(s) directing noise north of the outdoor dining patio facing Highland Boulevard be turned off by 8 p.m. in order to allow The Belmont Nursing Home's residents to enjoy quieter evenings.

Motion: HHWNC supports the Hilton Garden Inn's application for a conditional use permit, but subject to the condition that the speaker(s) directing noise north of the outdoor dining patio facing Highland Boulevard be turned off by 8 p.m.

- d) 6801 West Hollywood Boulevard- is the Hollywood & Highland Shopping Center, which is in HHWNC's Area 4 and City Council District 13.

The Hard Rock Cafe Los Angeles is a tenant in the Hollywood & Highland Shopping Center.

The cafe is seeking to renew its conditional use permit (CUP) to sell alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, change some of the conditions which were part of the original CUP, and change it's site plan to allow the cafe to rearrange how it utilizes its space for some special events.

The cafe has asked to be allowed to sell tickets to special events there, but currently is not allowed to do so unless the event is associated with a nonprofit organization. The cafe wants to be able to impose a cover charge for "comedy nights". The cafe has agreed to limit the number of these special events to 12 per year, but also would be allowed an unlimited number of "buyouts" when a customer comes to buy out the entire cafe. No promoters would be allowed. For the special event nights and the buyout nights, the cafe would be allowed to remove the tables in front of their stage area, and turn that space into a dance floor.

The cafe also has asked to be allowed to have karaoke, and has agreed to limit the hours when karaoke could occur to between 8 p.m. and midnight. Most of the committee members believed that the site was well suited to karaoke and other live music because it's deep inside the shopping center.

The cafe volunteered to include a change of control provision so that their conditional use permit and site plan changes could be reviewed in the event of a change of control of the cafe.

Following the discussion, the committee voted (4 to 1) to recommend to HHWNC's Board that the Board support The Hard Rock Cafe Los Angeles' application for a conditional use permit renewal and site plan change(s) if it is modified to include the aforementioned conditions.

Motion: HHWNC supports the Hard Rock Cafe Los Angeles' application for renewing its conditional use permit and changing the site plan for the restaurant if the aforementioned conditions are included, which means limiting the number of special events to 12 per year, providing for no promoters, limiting karaoke to the hours between 8 p.m. and 12 midnight, and including a review of the conditional use permit and site plan if the restaurant's controlling ownership were to change.

7. Treasurer's Report (Michael Meyer)

- a) Motion and Vote to approve monthly expenditures report for December
- b) Approve Funding request forms
- c) Approve payment of \$34.10 to the City of LA Publishing Services Dept. for business cards, a reduction from the \$1,451.50 invoice originally sent.

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

9. Secretary's Report (Britta Engstrom)

10. Committee Reports

a) Public Safety (Paul Jenkins)

- i. Update on Fire & EMS Safety Town Hall

b) Area 3 (Brian Dyer)

- i. Since 2011, the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council has approved expenditures to supply dog poop bags out of a dispenser that it previously purchased. The dispenser is located in Area 3. HHHWNC purchases Mutt Mitts at dogpoopbags.com. Currently, bags that fit into the dispenser are reduced from \$39.95 to \$29.95 for a box of 1000. Shipping for six boxes would be estimated at \$45.00.

Motion: That the Board of the Hollywood Hills Neighborhood Council approve an expenditure of \$225.00 for to purchase and ship dog waste bags.

ii. Area 3 PLUM Project Updates

- i.) Area 3 chair experience at Central Planning Commission Meeting which saw first appeals of Measure JJJ, one of which was 1920 Whitley Avenue in Area 3, Planning's Department's behavior and Central Planning Commission's actions, and 90028 liquor license count in Area 3.

c) Parks & Open Spaces/Area 6 (Jeffery Masino & Mary Yarber)

- i. Runyon Park Traffic Study/Dixon Study: In March, 2018, City Council approved funding for a study of park access, safety and mobility in and around Runyon Canyon Park to be undertaken by Dixon Resources. Monday, Feb 11, 2019, 6:00PM, Durant Library, an update to be given on the study by Dixon Resources, discussing next steps.
- ii. Runyon Canyon Opening/Closing Times: Update from May 2018 committee meeting on installation by Rec and Parks to upgrade components for the main gates into the Park (Mulholland, Vista, Fuller, and Solar Drive) with springs and timed locks.
- iii. Reminder: Runyon Canyon Tree Planting: Sat. Jan. 19th, 2019 9:00AM north of Fuller Entrance. In coordination with LA Rec & Parks, Tree People, and the HHWNC.
- iv. New mapping/information signage for Runyon Canyon: LA Rec and Parks has a new draft for mapping/information signs to be installed for three major park entrances. Installation TBD.

11. **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.

12. **Old Business**

13. **New Business**

14. **Adjournment**

Attachment for Agenda Item 10. C) iv.

