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BOARD MEETING

July 15, 2020

6:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92295453962>

Meeting ID: 922 9545 3962

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Minutes

1. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:02pm.**
2. **Roll Call by Secretary, Britta Engstrom 19 members present. Quorum established.** Board Members Oren Katz, Serra Aladag, and Barbara Witkin were absent.
3. **Approval of June 2020 Minutes.** Area 4 Chair Naomi Kobrin made the motion to approve the minutes as corrected, First Vice President Orrin Feldman 2nd. The minutes were approved 19-0.
4. **Public Official Reports**
 - a) CD4 –Field Deputy, Madelynn Taras, Office of Councilmember David Ryu stated that the rent assistance is up and running. Madelynn spoke regarding the rumors that Woodrow Wilson was going to be renamed (from a TMZ article) but there is no plan to rename the street. She additionally stated that the DOT relaxation has been extended through July and Care Plus in Hollywood went out to help with encampments.
 - b) CD13 – Sean Starkey, Office of Councilman Mitch O’Farrell spoke about the renter’s relief program. For CD13 there is \$1 million to help residents specific to that area as well as \$1 million to help small business. The Safe parking in Hollywood has been expanded to 25 spaces. He stated that Smith Park will have lights added to it and all the trees have been trimmed. They are looking to rebuild the Hollywood Rec Center. Additionally, LA Beautician is offering free trees for private properties, Sean can connect you to LABT. Cal Trans is getting ready to start a project on the 101 to redo the medium in the middle of the freeway near Cahuenga.
 - c) Mayor’s Office, Central Area NC Rep, Angie Aramayo stated that in the beginning of July the Mayor announced the COVID threat levels (we are currently in orange, red is mandated at home). Testing has been an issue, you can call 311 for next day testing at Dodger Stadium.

- d) 46th Assembly District, Stephanie Mkhlian, Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian stated that they are not currently in session. If anyone has issues with EDD please reach out to Stephanie. Additionally, she mentioned that Cal Trans is not currently doing encampment clean ups but will do some in the coming months. Due to COVID-19, seniors with expired licenses have a 1 year extension with the DMV.
- e) 3rd Supervisorial District, Erin Seinfeld, Office of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl provided an update on the order to close places of worship, indoor dining, movie theaters, indoor malls etc.
- f) Neighborhood Prosecutor, Hollywood Division, Ethan Weaver and his office are fighting hard against party houses. There has been an increase in citations given by LAPD. His office has issued six nuisance letters.
- g) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, John Darnell mentioned that there will be regional outreach gatherings with tips and tools to help neighborhood councils. He stated that the final parliamentary procedure training will take place later this month.
- h) Hollywood Bowl/Stratiscope, Angela Babcock stated that the Hollywood Bowl season has been cancelled. People can still order take out food from the Bowl. E-mail her at angela@stratiscope.com to get on her e-mail list.
- i) LAPD – Hollywood & North Hollywood Divisions

Brett Cohen is taking over for Ralph Sanchez while he is on leave. He stated that overall crime is down. Most is related to theft or online scamming. Fireworks still continue to be an issue, if you see any please use the non-emergency numbers. You can forward any footage of people lighting off fireworks to him at 40760@lapd.online.

Officer Brian White stated that the Hollywood Entertainment district is still shut down, but there is still an increase in activity at night.

Officer Brian Oliver spoke about the concerns they have received regarding the homeless. They are working with LAHSA and the council office.

Captain Rafael Ramirez (North Hollywood) wanted to say thank you and spoke about party houses.

Public Comment: Schelley Kiah & Pat MacKay

- j) LAFD – Chief Armando Hogan stated that we are moving into brush fire season. He reminded everyone to have their “go bag” ready in case of an evacuation. Chief Hogan spoke about how they will be changing their language regarding evacuations. It will no longer be “voluntary” and “mandatory” but, it will be an evacuation warning (preparing you that might have to leave) and then an order. Additionally, they are working on sending the right resource/people to calls regarding mental health issues.
- k) LADOT (see President’s report)

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

- a) Zoom etiquette & reminder speakers will be limited to 2 minutes each
- b) Special Guest LA Controller, Ron Galperin

LA Controller Galperin spoke about his role and the work his office does. He oversees the finances of the city and audit of the city Los Angeles is receiving a hit to its revenue sources, With the fiscal year just ending Los Angeles had \$231 million less than anticipated in general fund revenue. He stated that unemployment in LA has increased by 300%.

LA Controller, Ron Galperin and Christina Ibarra showed interactive maps available on his website.

Visit www.lapcontroller.org for more info.

Public Comment by: Schelley Kiah & Valerie

- c) Update on Runyon Canyon & July 4th - Safety issues -Task Force with CD4 Deputy Chief of Staff, Adeena Bleich, community members, Mayor's Office, Rec & Parks, DOT & HHWNC.

Adeena Bleich stated that a large focus of the working group is to look at how enforcement and resources have been assigned and if they are being used effectively.

Public Comment: Pat MacKay & Erena Radich

- d) DOT Brian Gallagher & Bhuvan Bajaj: Update on status of Tour Bus Street Restrictions Ordinance.

Due to COVID-19 the studies were put on hold, but they will resume shortly; however, the priority remains Mulholland Drive . Mr. Gallagher explained that they must notify all of the tour bus companies that they are doing the study.

Public Comment: Pat MacKay

- e) Ethan Weaver update on Party House expansion throughout HHWNC Neighborhoods

- f) LAPD SLO Update:

- i. Hollywood SLO Ralph Sánchez is on vacation until early August and then will be out for major surgery for 4-6 months.

His replacement is Officer Brett Cohen. Intro Brett Cohen: (424) 215-4754
Officer Brian Oliver is on duty: (213) 793-0703

North Hollywood SLO Kurtis Delbar has returned from his leave. (424) 267-9558

- g) Area 9 Chair position remains open. Candidates please submit application to president@hhwnc.org
- h) Next meeting date is confirmed for September 16th, 2020 – (Dark in August)

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

- a) Update on 3003 Runyon Canyon Road
- b) Update on proposed projects, including several which will be considered at the PLUM Committee's July 21st meeting:
 - i. 7901 W. Sunset Blvd. - application for a new mixed use apartment/retail building
 - ii. 7330 W. Sunset Blvd. - requested CUP upgrade for Moment Hotel
 - iii. 2100 Laurel Canyon Blvd. - requested CUP upgrade for Pace Restaurant
 - iv. 6623 1/2 W. Hollywood Blvd. - requested CUP, live entertainment and patron dancing entitlements for nightclub Ballet Hollywood Nightclub, which replaced Muse.

- v. 1708 N. Las Palmas - requested CUP for new Hot Mother Clucker restaurant, which replaced The Rusty Mullet

7. Treasurer's Report (Matt Shichtman)

- a) Approve May & June Monthly Expenditure Reports

Motion: The Board of the Hollywood Hills West NC approves the May 2020 Monthly Expenditure Report submitted by Treasurer Matt Shichtman.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, Secretary Britta Engstrom 2nd. The motion passed 18-0.

Motion: The Board of the Hollywood Hills West NC approves the June 2020 Monthly Expenditure Report submitted by Treasurer Matt Shichtman.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, Transportation Chair Jeff Straebler 2nd. The motion was approved 18-0.

- b) Update on FY20/21 budget and expected FY19/20 rollover funds.

8. Committee Reports

- a) **Community & Youth (Jeremy Saunders)**

- i. Nick Melvoin, District 4 School Board Member spoke about the announcement this week that LAUSD will be online for the fall. There have been distance learning improvements that will be implemented in the fall. LAUSD is running the largest food bank in the country now with 64 sites across the county. Please note that anybody can come get food at these sites (doesn't have to be student). Over 175,000 devices have been distributed so far including wireless hotspots, iPads, laptops etc.

- b) **Area 2 & Transportation (Chandan St Clare & Jeff Straebler)**

- i. Pyramid Place- This is to support making Pyramid Place one-way from Montcalm to Mulholland, with the addition of bollards as necessary, as petitioned by the majority of the residents of said street to minimize and prevent illegal parking and loitering in the neighborhood. Pyramid Place has faced numerous issues over the years from illegal parking and activities taking place on their street.

LADOT is open to changing Pyramid Place to a one-way street going southbound from Montcalm Avenue to Mulholland Drive if the majority of the residents of the proposed one-way section petition for it, and this is supported by the HHWNC, and endorsed by Councilmember Ryu's Office. LADOT also specified the option of installing white plastic bollards to supplement the 'Tow Away / No Stopping' signs, to provide a physical deterrent to drivers wanting to park there.

There are 22 houses on Pyramid Place. One house is under construction, and another is vacant. Of the 20 occupied houses, 12 households have signed the petition. (See attachment)

Speakers: Rafi Sarkis & Hovik

Motion: HHWNC support residents of Pyramid Place in making the street one-way going southbound from Montcalm to Mulholland, with the addition of bollards as necessary to enforce traffic rules.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Area 2 Chair, Chandan St Clare, First Vice President, Orrin Feldman 2nd. The motion passed 17-0.

Public Comment: Kambiz, Chandana Lall, Pat MacKay, Erena Radich

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.

-Annie

10. **Adjournment at 8:56pm.**

Attachment for Area 2 & Transportation Agenda item 11. b) i. Pyramid Place

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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
PETITION REQUESTING ONE-WAY STREET CONVERSION**

We, the undersigned owners/residents of Pyramid Place between
(Primary Street)




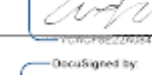


Montcalm and Mulholland Dr. do hereby request
(Cross Street) (Cross Street)

the City of Los Angeles convert to the street to one-way. The requested direction of the one-way street is
is S/B
(Specify traffic direction: E/B, W/B, S/B N/B)

We understand that the above regulations apply to all drivers, including the residents.

**NEIGHBORHOOD
REPRESENTATIVE:**

Rafi Sarkis 7384 Pyramid Place LA, CA 90046 (323) 810-9399
(Name) (Address) (Phone Number)

| DATE | SIGNATURE | NAME (print) | ADDRESS | PHONE # |
|----------|---|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 7/7/2020 |  | Erena Radich | 7395 Pyramid P.l LA CA 90046 | (323)874-3016 |
| 7/7/2020 |  | Peter Shapiro | 7391 Pyramid P.l LA CA 90046 | 3104746006 |
| 7/8/2020 |  | Grace Cheng | 7383 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 4089664424 |
| 7/8/2020 |  | Elena Theane | 7377 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 3109865047 |
| 7/8/2020 |  | Pat Mackay | 7373 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 323-646-9937 |
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| 7/8/2020 |  | Lal Chandana | 7347 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 3176705175 |
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| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Joanne Lucas Hobbs</i> | Joanne Hubbs | 7384 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 323-327-2247 |
| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Thomas J Magee</i> | Thoams Magee | 7310 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 2133213470 |
| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Thomas J Magee</i> | Thomas Magee | 7315 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 2133213470 |
| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Robin Baum</i> | Robin Baum | 7394 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 3109910451 |
| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Hovik Khaloian</i> | Hovik Khaloian | 7356 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 8182812047 |
| 7/8/2020 | <small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>HMK Holdings LLC</i> | HMK Holdings LLC <small>LLC Hovik Khaloian</small> | 7384 Pyramid Pl. LA CA 90046 | 8182447200 |
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