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HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEETING January 20, 2021 6:00pm

Draft Minutes

1. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:04pm**
2. **Roll Call by Secretary, Britta Engstrom.** Quorum established with 20 board members. Area 9 Chair Richard Klug and Outreach Chair Kyle Naumovski arrived after roll call. Absent: Area 5 Chair Bob Mansell
3. **Moment of silence in honor of Tom LaBonge**
4. **Approval of November 2020 Minutes.** President Anastasia Mann made the motion to approve the minutes as corrected, 2nd by Business Chair Oren Katz. The minutes were approved 19-0.
5. **Guest Speaker: Councilmember Nithya Raman, CD4**

Councilmember Nithya Raman introduced herself to the HHWNC board and stakeholders and covered the below topics:

- Transition period: Municipal elections and federal elections overlapped so transition period was different than in the past
- They are working to develop a better system and responses for neighborhood-based outreach and services first, develop a better system and response
- They are still hiring CD4 staff but are almost complete
- Reach out to the CD4 office with any field related issues
- HHWNC area will be split up between a few different field deputies
- Updates on Runyon Canyon and the CD4 Newsletter

CD4 staff Rachel Fox & Meg Healy introduced themselves.

Councilmember Raman addressed questions regarding HHH, Affordable housing and homelessness.

Councilmember Raman and her staff will meet with HHWNC Board members and stakeholders in the future to review concerns and priorities important to the HHWNC community.

6. Public Official Reports

- a) CD13 – Sean Starkey, Office of Councilman Mitch O’Farrell provided an update that the expanded 120 bed WYCA shelter for those that identify as women. He stated that they secured funding to extend the Salvation Army shelter and are trying to make it a year round shelter with 30 beds. Additionally, digital occupancy signs in DOT garages near Hollywood Blvd. in the business district have been installed, this will be helpful to know how many spaces are available.

Public Comment: Michael Konik

- b) Mayor’s Office, Central Area NC Rep, Angie Aramayo stated that those 65 years and older are now eligible for the COVID vaccine. Call 1-833-540-0473 between 8am-8:30pm get assistance with appointments.
- c) LAPD – Hollywood & North Hollywood Divisions

Captain Steven Lurie provided an update on the 2020 Crime in Hollywood. Overall crime in Hollywood was down in all categories. Starting in 2021, in the city of LA as whole, crime is on the rise. He reminded stakeholders to lock their cars, as car theft and break in continues with people leaving key fobs in their car. Most crime victims are out of state or out of country. He stated that there were no inauguration related crimes, protests etc. in Hollywood. LAPD has been hit by COVID hard.

Public Comment: Tamra B, Chris Wintrode, Tom Gregory, Michael Konik

- d) LAFD – Chief Hogan wished everyone a happy new year. He mentioned the recent red flag alert and spoke about the extreme winds recently. Chief Hogan reminded stakeholders of the wildfire cameras and that they are looking for additional areas to install them.

Public Comment: Kristen Stavola

- e) Michael Aguilera-Gaudette, Office of Congressman Adam Schiff stated that the Congressman was on the floor on January 6th and thanked everyone for their well wishes. The current focus, outlined by the current President regarding legislation, is on COVID, economic relief, racial injustice and climate. Please reach out if there are other things you would like drafted into legislation. Michael can be reached at michael.aguilera@mail.house.gov
- f) 50th Assembly District- Josh Kurpies, Office of Assemblyman Richard Bloom stated that the Assemblyman Bloom returned to session on January 11th. He mentioned that they submitted many bills and are now waiting to see what will be introduced. Housing and environment seem continue to be important areas.
- g) 25th Senatorial District, Vickere Murphy, District Representative, Office of Anthony Portantino attended.
- h) 3rd Supervisorial District, Erin Seinfeld, Office of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl stated the COVID vaccine supply is still very limited and open to healthcare workers and that LA County residents 65+ years old.
- i) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Mario Hernandez introduced himself. He stated that data liaisons will start training later this month and links to sign up should be sent out soon. Additionally, there will be funding trainings offered in February if any board members need to update their training. The Board of Neighborhood Commission is meeting to review the digital media policy.
- j) Hollywood Bowl/Stratiscopes, Angela Babcock stated that the Hollywood Bowl will be hosting another food drive on February 5th.

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

- a) HHWNC Board Seat Installation

Motion: HHWNC REQUESTS that DONE, the City Clerk and BONC support our recommendation that all newly elected Neighborhood Council Boards be seated and installed at their first meeting of the new fiscal year in July of each election cycle.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion, 2nd by Treasurer Matt Shichtman. The motion passed 22-0.

Discussion Points

- i. Time needed for new board members to complete Training requirements for voting on funding issues, etc.
 - ii. Decisions re budget expenditures at end of 2020-21 fiscal year
 - iii. Roberts Rules of Order training
 - iv. policies and procedures, etc.
- b) Next meeting date is confirmed for February 17, 2021.

8. **First Vice-President’s Report (Orrin Feldman)**

- a) **Motion:** HHWNC supports the efforts of CD5 and CD2 re: CF 21-0002- S18 and S21 to oppose SB9 and SB10, which would require by-right approval of duplexes and lot splits, and would exempt such projects from public hearings and environmental review.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion, 2nd by First Vice-President Orrin Feldman. The motion passed 21-1.

Public Comment: Susan Winsberg

9. **Treasurer’s Report (Matt Shichtman)**

- a) Board Member Reimbursements – None
- b) Approve November Monthly Expenditure Report

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

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, 2ND by Park and Open Space Chair Jeff Masino. The motion passed 22-0.

- c) Approve December Monthly Expenditure Report

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

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, 2ND by Park and Open Space Chair Jeff Masino. The motion passed 22-0.

10. **Second Vice President’s Report (Jane Crockett)**

- a) 2021 HHWNC Election Update

HHWNC Election Date: March 16, 2021
Candidate Filing Begins: November 13, 2020
Candidate Filing Ends: December 28, 2020
Release of Certified List of Candidates: January 15, 2021
Vote-By-Mail Application Begins: January 15, 2021
Ballot Mailing Period Begins: February 15, 2021
Vote-By-Mail Application Period Ends: March 9, 2021
Deadline to Receive Postmarked Ballots: March 19, 2021
Official Results Due/Certification Deadline: April 1, 2021

11. Committee Reports

a) Public Safety (Paul Jenkins)

i. Homelessness Issues & Resources on the HHWNC Website

A web page has been added to the HHWNC website addressing issues of homelessness. Links to Issues on People Experiencing Homelessness (<http://www.hhwnc.org/homeless-info/>). It has links to make requests for homelessness services, HHWNC specific issues, and links to an overview of Los Angeles City and County programs, including Bridge Housing, prop HHH, and measure H.

b) Area 7 & Infrastructure (Lincoln Williamson & Danielle Mead)

i. Pressure Washing Sunset Boulevard Sidewalks

On January 26, 2020, members of the Area 7 and Infrastructure committees walked Sunset Boulevard east, from the Los Angeles City border with West Hollywood to La Brea Ave. The Committees identified many opportunities for improvements and beautification, including the need for pressure-washing multiple stretches of sidewalks, which are dirty, discolored and littered with gum and debris.

On May 20, 2020, the HHWNC Board approved the following motion:

The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council approves \$4,900.00 for pressure washing sidewalks (including gum removal) for four blocks along Sunset Boulevard: 1) Hayworth Avenue to Fairfax Avenue (south side), 2) Vista Street to Martel Avenue (north side), and 3) Fuller Avenue to Poinsettia Place (north side) twice.

The motion made by President Anastasia Mann, 2nd by Area 7 Chair Lincoln Williamson, and the motion passed 16-0.

The funds were deemed “encumbered”, and a second motion is required for the funds to be expended.

Motion: HHWNC expend the funds (\$4,900.00) approved by the HHWNC board on May 20, 2020 for pressure washing along Sunset Boulevard within Area 7.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion, 2nd Area 8 Chair Serra Aladag. The board discussed.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion to amend “reapprove the expenditure for”, 2nd by Infrastructure Chair Danielle Mead. The motion passed 21-0.

New Motion: HHWNC reapprove the expenditure for (\$4,900.00) approved by the HWWNC board on May 20, 2020 for pressure washing along Sunset Boulevard within Area 7. The motion passed 21-0.

12. **Public Comments** – None.

13. **Adjournment at 9:00pm**