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HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEETING

May 19, 2021

6:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85671809471>

Meeting ID: 856 7180 9471

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Draft Minutes

1. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:02pm.**
2. **Roll Call by Secretary, Britta Engstrom.** Quorum established.
Absent: Environment Chair Barbara Witkin, Area 5 Chair Bob Mansell, Area 3 Chair Brian Dyer, Transportation Chair Jeff Straebler, Youth & Community Chair Jeremy Saunders.
3. **Approval of April 2021 Minutes.** President Anastasia Mann made a motion to approve minutes as submitted, First Vice President 2nd. The minutes were approved 15-0.
4. **Public Official Reports**
 - a) CD4 – Tabatha Yelos, Office of Councilwoman Nithya Raman thanked Infrastructure Chair Danielle Mead for her time serving on the HHWNC Board. The CD4 Office is hiring Climate Action fellows (summer job, 300 hours, ages 17-25). They are teaming up with Friends of the LA River for a river clean up on June 12. Tabatha encouraged stakeholders to reach out to CD4 regarding areas that their Clean Team can address (photos are always helpful).
 - b) LAPD – Hollywood & North Hollywood Divisions
Officer Brian White (Hollywood) stated that Hollywood came in #2 in aggravated assaults recently and there is still concern with loud vehicles on Mulholland. Partyhouse enforcement remains a priority and while many chronic locations have subsided, new ones have taken their place.

SLO Kurtis Delbar (North Hollywood) stated that there has still been an increase in grand theft auto but there has been a decrease in burglaries. They have been working with the bar, General Admission on creating some solutions to the noise complaints including turning music down and having Uber/Lyft do pick ups across the street.
 - c) Public Comment: Kristin Dewey
 - c) LAFD – Chief Hogan gave an update on the Palisades fire and reminded stakeholders to continue to reach out if you are aware of people living remotely that could pose fire risks. Reach out to 311 or

go to www.lafd.org if you need to report something. They are looking at adding alert wildfire cameras in the Runyon Canyon area. Chief Hogan thanked the board for their support of their local fire stations.

- d) LADOT – Brian Gallagher, Principal Transportation Engineer stated that they will begin the tour bus studies up in the hills starting in June. These studies will help determine where signage goes. Brian also spoke about the speed humps they recently installed on Mulholland near Coldwater. Soon after the installation they got requests for additional speed humps. It is looking like they will get an additional \$2-3 million for speed humps in the upcoming budget to be installed in the second half of 2022.
- e) 3rd Supervisorial District, Erin Seinfeld, Office of Supervisor Sheila Kuehl stated that the board looked at allowing free phone calls and no mark ups on basic commissary items for those in jail/prison/juvenile hall etc. Another motion put forward was to help unhoused people with stimulus payments, taxes etc. so the county is looking how to best assist. Supervisor Kuehl put a motion on that focused on how poverty and economic opportunity are a matter of public health (a pilot program). Additionally, June 5th will be a day of reflection that reaffirms LA county's commitment to end HIV/AIDS.
- f) 50th Assembly District- Josh Kurpies, Office of Assemblyman Richard Bloom stated that they found out they will have a \$76 billion dollars in surplus. The budget originally had a \$54 billion deficit, so they are pleased with the surplus. Some of the proposals include expanding the stimulus program and additional direct payments for families making \$75k and under which is 2/3rds of Californians. \$12 billion has been set aside to deal with homeless and \$7 billion of which is additional acquisitions for Project Room Key. The assembly will join with the senate to look at the budget and determine what that looks like. They are looking to increasing funding for homelessness issues, invest in CA's diverse communities etc.

Public Comment: Valerie

- g) Hollywood Bowl/Stratiscopes, Angela Babcock stated that the Hollywood Bowl has resumed shows. The season officially kicks off in July. E-mail angela@stratiscopes.com to join her e-mail list that will include information on traffic, audience numbers etc.

5. **Public Safety (Paul Jenkins) & Area 7 (Lincoln Williamson)**

- a) NPG Funding for LAFD Fire Station 41

Fire Station 41, located at 1439 N. Gardner Street, is a Single Engine Fire Station with 18 firefighters. The station runs three 24 hour shifts of six firefighters. The NPG will allow Fire Station 41 to replace worn-out, old, broken or needed fitness training equipment. Fire Station 41 is the "first in" fire company that responds to the almost daily hiker rescues at Runyon Canyon Park and other hillside areas. Hiker rescues require an exceptionally high level of strength and anaerobic endurance. Firefighters need to exercise one hour during their 24-hour shifts. This grant will provide them with the right equipment to stay fit and provide the best possible service to the community.

Speakers: Armando R. Hogan, Deputy Chief

Motion: HHWNC approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant of \$2,940.95 for LAFD Fire Station 41 to purchase and install wall mounted workout equipment.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Public Safety Chair Paul Jenkins, Area 8 Chair Serra Aladag 2nd. The motion passed 15-0.

Public Comment: Cheri Smith & Valerie

6. **President's Report (Anastasia Mann)**

- a) Area 2 Chair election: candidate Angela Sanders - Term: July 2021-June 2023. Board Vote. Angela Sanders was elected unanimously 16-0.
- b) Transportation Chair - Danielle Mead (current Infrastructure Chair), resignation due to relocation outside of Los Angeles. Danielle resigned on April 4th. Therefore, opening for Transportation Chair position for 2021-23 Term. Interested parties should e-mail president@hhwnc.org. Nominations close the Wednesday prior to the next meeting day (after 30 days posting) once one or more candidates apply.
- c) Next HHWNC Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 16, 2021

7. **Treasurer's Report (Matt Shichtman)**

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

Motion: The Board of the Hollywood Hills West NC approves the April 2021 Monthly Expenditure Report submitted by Treasurer Matt Shichtman.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, 2nd by Secretary Britta Engstrom 2nd. The motion passed 16-0.

- c) Possible further amendment to remaining FY20-21 Budget

Motion: HHWNC Board approves the further amended FY20-21 budget as presented.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, 2nd Outreach Chair Kyle Naumovski. The motion passed 16-0.

Motion: Reapprove the expenditure of \$1,942.30 for Wattles Farm and Neighborhood Gardeners to purchase new tools including wheelbarrows, spades, loppers, pruners, and wheelbarrow wheels as a Community Improvement Project.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Treasurer Matt Shichtman, 2nd Housing Chair Sara Steffan. The motion passed 16-0.

- i) Important Funding Dates:
 - a. **May 20, 2021** - Final date to submit an Event Approval Request
 - b. **June 1, 2021** - Final date to submit a check payment request
 - c. **June 20, 2021** - Final date for any bank card transactions
 - d. The last official meeting of this board is **June 16th**, with transfer to new board **July 21** (in new Fiscal Year).

8. **Committee Reports**

- a) **Outreach (Mihail "Kyle" Naumovski)**
 - i. Outreach Swag - Due to the pandemic, no new outreach promotional items have been purchased for over two years. We need to restock as public meetings will resume predictably this summer.

Motion: HHWNC approve the purchase of new Outreach “swag” items branded with HHWNC logo for meeting and event distribution not to exceed \$3000. Items to include Miniature Flashlights with logo from Magellan Marketing Promotions plus other items to be discussed.

Amended Motion: HHWNC approve the purchase of new Outreach “swag” items branded with HHWNC logo for meeting and event distribution not to exceed \$3000. Items to include Miniature Flashlights with logo.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion to amend the original motion removing the language: “Magellan Marketing Promotions plus other items to be discussed.” Parks & Open Space Chair Jeffery Masino 2nd. Motion passed 16-0.

President Anastasia Mann made the motion on behalf of Outreach Chair Kyle Naumovski, 2nd Parks & Open Space Chair Jeffery Masino. The motion passed 16-0.

b) Infrastructure / Social Justice Ad Hoc Committee (Danielle Mead)

i. Social Justice Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Update

-The Ad Hoc Committee voted to not to bring the gift card outreach idea back to the board
-Stakeholders had outreach organizations that would be great for future projects and will reach out to board members in the future.

c) Parks & Open Space (Jeffery Masino)

i. Committee report on recent May 4th Parks and Open Space/Area 6 meeting including proposed tree planting project in Runyon Canyon Park for late Fall 2021.

Jeffery provided an update on topics they covered including the issue with deed transfer of land to the city, the reopening of the Mulholland parking lot discussion, amplified sound in Runyon Canyon (signs have recently been put up at some entrances), and future tree planting at Runyon funded by the board (motion to come in the future).

d) Public Safety/Homeless Liaison (Paul Jenkins)

i. Homeless Liaison – Information Update

I am currently researching a concept to use parking structures as an alternate location for bridge housing. The top floors of many parking structures are currently underutilized or unused and have the potential to become a community asset. Please join the upcoming Public Safety/Homelessness Liaison committee meeting for a complete overview.

e) Area 9 (Richard Klug)

i. Area 9 Committee meeting update re: Mulholland safety issues & MAK House future plans

Richard gave an update on his recent meeting which included street racing issues on Mulholland. Area 9 stakeholders were pleased with the presentation by MAK House new Director, Jia Gu, for it resuming its intended use.

9. Public Comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items only within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. No discussion allowed. Public comments are limited to 2 minutes per speaker.

No public comments.

10. Adjournment at 7:53pm.

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