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**Hollywood Hills
West
NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**

**Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

**Junior Achievement – LOD Cook Bldg, 6250 Forest Lawn Dr.
Hollywood, Ca 90068**

November 15, 2023

5:15 pm F&B Meet & Greet – 6 pm Call to Order

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- I. **Call to order by President, Anastasia Mann at 6:10 pm.**
- II. **Board Roll Call by Secretary, Darnell Tyler. Quorum established.**
Absent: Area 9 Chair- Richard Klug, Environment Chair – Jeffrey Masino, Outreach Chair – Kyle Naumovski, Open Space Chair – Keaton Kustler, Transportation Chair – Chris Wintrode
- III. **Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting 10/18/2023. President Anastasia Mann made the motion, 2nd by Joe Kahraman Motion approved 14-0**
- IV. **President’s Report, by President, Anastasia Mann**

a. **SPEED HUMPS – MULHOLLAND DRIVE – Update.**

First installation near Dona Pegita last Thurs 11/09/23. Other locations to be completed in March 2024. (Mehmet Berker/Josef Siroky – CD4)

Update by Josef Siroky, Office of Councilmember Nithya Raman. Speed hump installations have begun. Other locations will be complete in early 2024. Please let him know about any potholes as a result of the rains. The council office is also working with Outpost Estates.

b. **MEETING LOCATIONS:** Motion to approve four locations as alternate “in person” or Hybrid (if possible) meetings for HHWNC Board and Committees for 2024: Durant Library (Area 7); Junior Achievement Center (Area 1) and Gardner Street School (Area 7); Valley View Elementary School (Area 2) with ADA Compliance.

Discussion & Vote. Time Limit: 10 minutes.

Motion by President Anastasia Mann 2nd by Business Chair, Oren Katz. Motions passed 14-0

c. **JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT CENTER NPG REQUEST: Community Chair, Naomi Kobin – (may be out ill)**

Presentation by: Denisse Palafox, Executive Asst/Facilities Manager
(dpalafox@jasocal.org)

Request for Neighborhood Purposes Grant for \$5000 for ten busses (\$500 per bus) from HHWNC to transport children to the venue for their “simulations”. The students will be exposed to real-life situations via immersive simulations to develop skills and navigate today’s economic environment and how decisions will affect their future. Ages from 6th grade through 12th grade are participants.

Discussion and Vote.

Attached: NPG Application; 501c3; Budget; Letter from Requesting and purpose of **funds**.

Denisse Palafox Shared information regarding the Junior Achievement Center and NPG Funds would be used.

Motion by President Anastasia Mann, 2nd by Community Chair, Naomi Kobrin. Motion Passed 14-0

Board/ Public Comment: Stuart Ross, Brian Dyer, Naomi Kobrin, Anastasia Mann

d. **THE COMMUNITY LAW CORPS:** Isabella Bolton Torres presentation on this new department of the City Attorney’s Office replacing the position of the former Neighborhood Prosecutor’s responsibilities within the community.

The office is in the process of being set up and it will primarily deal with civil issues within

our communities. They will receive public and NC input regarding quality-of-life issues including Party House abuses, etc. Party House issues are now considered potential criminal offences and they will be directed by this office to a city attorney dealing with criminal matters.

REPORT submission:

The Community Law Corps (CLC), is a new division within the City Attorney's Civil Branch that serves as the first point of contact for L.A. residents. For your area, there is Deputy City Attorney Mehrnoosh Naderi, and Community Resource Specialist (Coordinator) Isabella Bolton.

CLC is a small new unit with three attorneys and three coordinators, with years of experience in civil and criminal law. The CLC takes preventative and proactive measures to address a variety of issues that affect neighborhoods and establishes partnerships to resolve problems that enforcement, alone, cannot adequately address. Collaborating with community members, city departments, outside government agencies and law enforcement partners, the CLC identifies and resolves challenging legal issues faced by many city neighborhoods.

Recently, CLC has received emails from the community related to nuisance properties. Our team looks up information on the home ownership and works with law enforcement and LADBS, to bring the owner into compliance. Another issue that comes up is party houses. CLC, which is on the civil side, works with the Criminal Branch, Planning, and LAPD, to tackle these party house nuisance locations.

Please consider the CLC a new tool in your toolkit when there is a quality of life nuisance in your neighborhood.

Please see the email addresses below to get in contact with Mehrnoosh and Isabella.
mehrnoosh.zahiri@lacity.org
isabella.bolton.torres@lacity.org

Questions and issues, please contact Isabella at Isabella.bolton.torres@LACity.org or 213-978-7878

Note: Robbie Britton has been reassigned to another area of the city. In a few weeks, Isabella will be joined by Mehrnoosh Vahiri in this new department. She is a former Neighborhood Prosecutor. Note: It is "Corps" as in Peace Corps – not Corp as in Corporation.

Board/ Public Comment: Brian Dyer, Anastasia Mann, Joe Karaman, Hilda B0yadjian, Community Member

- e. Grievances Committee – Central Division. HHWNC may nominate a possible representative for the Central Division (includes our area)**

Grievance Committee to evaluate issues re individual board members from the NCs within the division. Jane Crocket was our former nominee. This position, should our nominee be chosen, requires special training.

Call for volunteers for this nomination. Possible Board Motion and Vote to approve nominee.

President Anastasia Mann asked for a volunteer to join the Grievance Committee – Central Division. Public Safety Chair Paul Jenkins volunteered for the committee.

Vote passed 16-0

- f. VIRTUAL MEETINGS - SB411 - SPECIAL GUEST: Senator Anthony Portantino re UPDATE RE SB411 – LA City Council voted unanimously for a resolution to support**

Senator Portantino's SB 411 (Council File #23-1114) to allow Neighborhood Councils to have the option choose to resume conducting meetings virtually or "in person".

MOTION FOR Community Impact Statement (CIS):

In accordance with Senator Portantino's successful SB 411, the approval signature of California Governor Newsom, the unanimous vote of approval of the City Council's resolution – Council File #23-1114 – the HHWNC Board of Directors supports and approves allowing Neighborhood Council Boards and Committees to meet virtually. This option will encourage and increase additional overall public and board participation due to easier accessibility for those who may be restricted to home stay, prohibited by excessive traffic issues and/or require health and safety protections, etc., making it more difficult for in person participation.

Discussion and vote (FYI: 2/3 vote of FULL board – minimum of 15 ppl - required for approval in order to pass)

Discussion and vote.

NOTE: Done is working on a report for City Council regarding accommodations for a return for NC virtual meetings pursuant to Council File #23-11133 which also was passed by City Council unanimously.

Senator Portantino shared background information on SB411 and why the bill was introduced. He wanted to provide options for Neighborhood Councils to ensure participation by stakeholders. He encouraged the attendees to get involved and get to know their legislators.

Motion by President Anastasia Mann, 2nd by Area 3 Chair Brian Dyer. Motion passed 16-0

Board/ Public Comment: Brian Dyer, Anastasia Mann, Jeff McDonough, Senator Anthony Portantino

g. Next Board Meeting:

- **DATE: Wednesday, January 17, 2024**
- **Location: IN PERSON OR ZOOM: TBA. Possible Motion and vote re: Preference.**
- **Time: TBA**

V. Vice President / PLUM Report: Stuart Ross

PLUM committee meeting at Gardner Street Elementary School; 11/7/23.

a. CRAZY GIRLS: 1433 N La Brea Ave.

PLUM ACTION post LAPD report and public comment: The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council PLUM Committee supports and recommends to the full board revocation of the use of the premises as a nightclub in connection with City Planning Application Case DIR-2022-3752-RV, with a site location of 1433 N. La Brea Avenue and commonly known as Crazy Girls. Motion passed 5-0

Presenters: LAPD Detective Ben Thompson, Officer Brian White. Crazy Girls representative: Invited.

LAPD shared information regarding an illegal cannabis dispensary by an organization called the Backpack Boyz. The organization has been the location of 3 shootings, 2 in Hollywood and 1 in Venice.

MOTION: The HHWNC Board supports the PLUM Committee's unanimous recommendation to revoke the use of the premises known as Crazy Girls as a nightclub in

connection with City Planning Application Case DIR-2022-3752-RV, with a site location of 1433 N. La Brea Avenue

Discussion and Vote.

Motion by 1st Vice President Stuart Ross, 2nd by President Anastasia Mann. Motion passed 16-0

Board/ Public Comment: Brian Dyer, Anastasia Mann, Naomi Kobrin, Paul Jenkins, Hilda Boyadjian, Oren Katz, Ben Thompson, Leslie O'Toole, Lincoln Williamson, Audience member

b. KOOKABURRA Restaurant; Ovation complex at Hollywood & Highland

PLUM Action post discussion: The Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council PLUM Committee supports and recommends the full HHWNC Board support the City Planning Application for issuance of an ABC license with a project location within the Ovation complex. Motion passed 5-0

MOTION: HHWNC Supports Case Number ZA 2000-4320-CUB-CUX-PA12 for Kookaburra Restaurant within Ovation Complex in Hollywood at Hollywood and Highland, for issuance of an ABC license.

Presenter: Lee Rabin, project representative

Discussion and vote.

Motion by 1st Vice President Stuart Ross, 2nd by Business Chair Oren Katz. Motion passed 16-0

Amended Motion by President Anastasia Mann, 2nd by Business Chair Oren Katz. Motion passed 16-0

Board/ Public Comment: Brian Dyer, Anastasia Mann, Graham Rossmore, Daniel Savage, Lee Rabun

c. SUNSET AND GARDNER PROJECT, NE Corner: 7441-7449 W. Sunset Boulevard

PLUM Action post 35 minutes plus of public comment and discussion: The HHWNC PLUM Committee voted unanimously to oppose the City Planning Application Case Number DIR-2023-4766-TOC-SPR-VHCA as proposed located at 7441-7449 W. Sunset Boulevard, and 1502-1516 N. Gardner Street and requests the Full HHWNC Board's support for this decision. PLUM Committee motion passed 5-0.

(NOTE: Developer will not be presenting at HHWNC Board meeting tonight with this current proposal due to the overwhelming comments of the large number of members of the community in opposition to the project in its present form during the PLUM Meeting as well as the PLUM committee's unanimous support of their opposition.

d. MOTION: HHWNC Board opposes the Project Case # DIR-2023-4766-TOC-SPR-VHCA as proposed in support of the PLUM Committee unanimous vote in opposition held on Tuesday, November 7th, 2023.

Discussion and vote.

Motion by 1st Vice President Stuart Ross, 2nd by Area 7 Chair Lincoln Williamson. Motion passed 15-0

Board/ Public Comment: Lincoln Williamson, Oren Katz, Hilda Boyadjian, Paul Jenkins, Naomi Kobrin Lauren Greenfill Brian Dyer, Anastasia Mann, Daniel Savage

e. 1332-1345 NORTH FAIRFAX (2 projects)

PLUM Committee and Public Discussion: RE: Case Numbers CPC-2023-5116 and CPC-2023-4983, with a project locations of 1332 N. Fairfax Avenue and 1346 N. Fairfax Avenue. The HHWNC PLUM Committee opposes these two City Planning applications as presented primarily due to the lack of parking. The PLUM committee requests the support of the HHWNC board to oppose these two projects. Motion passed 5-0

MOTION: HHWNC Board, in support of public comment and the unanimous vote of the PLUM Committee at their public meeting on November 7th, 2023, opposes both projects, as presented via Case Numbers CPC-2023-5116 and CPC-2023-4983, with project locations at 1332 N. Fairfax Avenue and 1346 N. Fairfax Avenue.

Presenter: Invited: Project manager or representative

No project representative presented at the meeting.

Discussion and vote.

Motion by 1st Vice President Stuart Ross, 2nd by Treasurer Dan Bernstein. Motion passed 13-1

Board/ Public Comment: Lincoln Williamson, Oren Katz, Hilda Boyadjian, Paul Jenkins, Julie Stevens, Leslie Roque, Ralph Sanchez, Demetri, Benjamin, James Steel, Anastasia Mann, Nathalie Samanon

VI. Second Vice President's Report, Jane Crockett

a. NO REPORT

VII. Board Secretary report, Darnell Tyler

a. NO REPORT

VIII. Treasurer report, Daniel Bernstein

a. Approve Monthly Expenditure Reports:

Motion: Approve Stuart Ross's out of pocket reimbursement of \$59.29 he paid for beverages used at the June 21, 2023, July 20, 2023, and September 20, 2023, meetings.

Motion by Treasurer, Dan Bernstein, 2nd by President Anastasia Mann. Motion passed 14-0

Motion: Approve continuance of David Horowitz's retainer for his web and admin services for the fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$300 per month.

(Note: This motion is to fulfill the LA City Clerk's requirement that the Board approve all vendors each fiscal year).

Motion by Treasurer, Dan Bernstein, 2nd by Area 3 Chair Brian Dyer. Motion passed 14-0

Motion: The Board of Hollywood Hills West NC approves the October 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report submitted by Treasurer Daniel Bernstein

Motion by Treasurer, Dan Bernstein, 2nd by Area 3 Chair Brian Dyer. Motion passed 14-0

IX. PUBLIC OFFICIALS' REPORTS: Time limit – 1-2 minutes each.

NOTE: Officials each allocated 3 minutes to address the Board and Stakeholders; however, no discussion or Q&A will be allowed due enforcement of Brown Act Restrictions. Contact info is provided for Board Member and Public to contact with questions.

- a. LAPD –Hollywood, Captain Craig Heredia (31900@lapd.online); Hwd Hills, SLO Ralph Sanchez (30735@lapd.online); Hwd Ent, Officer Brian White (38074@lapd.online); Hwd Flats, SLO Brian Oliver (37349@lapd.online); NoHo, Officer Kurtis Delbar (38887@lapd.online); Lt. Shon Wells (31394@lapd.lacity.org)

X. AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Area 1 – Daniel Savage, Chair:

Report on the progress of the Hollywood Sign and Western Griffith Park Action Plan Working Group, organized by CD4 and consisting of representatives of all relevant homeowners/residents' associations and Neighborhood Councils (HUNC and HHWNC/Area 1).

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 2 minute(s).

XII. ADJOURNMENT at 9:07 pm

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to **2** minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.



November 8, 2023

Dear HHWNC council,

We are applying for a \$5,000 grant to cover the transportation costs for 10 simulations in the Spring of 2024. There are 32 simulations currently scheduled for from 2/1/2024 – 5/30/2024. Your funding would allow 10 schools to attend Finance Park during the spring semester, covering their transportation costs.

32 simulations @ \$500.00 per bus is a total of \$16,000.

Grant \$5,000 / \$500 each bus = 10 schools/simulations

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Les McCabe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "M".

Les McCabe, Ph.D.
President and CEO
Junior Achievement of Southern California

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APPROVED BUDGET FY24



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	<u>FY24</u>
INCOME	
Corporate	\$941,040
Individual Giving	\$90,500
Foundations	\$381,000
FP Program Fees	\$99,535
FP Sponsorships	\$300,000
Facility Rentals/In-Kind/Other	\$135,880
Total Contributions and Revenue	\$1,917,955
EVENTS	
Hall of Fame	\$610,000
Golf Classic	\$536,125
Pinnacle Golf	\$130,000
Stock Market Challenge	\$112,000
Community Leadership Luncheon	\$57,000
JA Inspire	\$155,150
Play4JA	\$58,200
Leading Ladies & Men's Talk	\$27,000
Total Events Gross Income	\$1,685,475
Events Expenses	\$(585,550)
TOTAL INCOME NET EVENTS COSTS	\$3,047,880
FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	
Personnel Related	\$1,961,175
Occupancy	\$214,116
Communications	\$42,483
Program Services & Fees	\$429,696
Programming Materials	\$54,918
Trainings & Conferences	\$14,140
Marketing & Communications	\$53,425
Recognitions	\$26,650
Office Functions	\$111,165
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	\$2,907,767
NET INCOME	\$140,113

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Internal Revenue Service
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Department of the Treasury

Date: SEP 15 2008

Person to Contact:

JA WORLDWIDE
1 EDUCATION WAY
COLORADO SPGS CO 80906-4477

Toll Free Telephone Number:

877-829-5500

Employer Identification Number:

84-1267604

Group Exemption Number:

1116

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your letter of August 28, 2008, regarding your tax-exempt status.

Our records indicate that a determination letter was issued in January 1994 that recognized you as exempt from Federal income tax. Our records further indicate that you are currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records also indicate you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Based on the information supplied, we recognized the subordinates named on the list you submitted as exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Cindy Westcott
Manager, Exempt Organizations
Determinations



City of Los Angeles
Office of the City Clerk
Neighborhood Council Funding Program



Neighborhood Purposes Grants

Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPGs) provide NCs opportunities to develop partnerships with local 501(c)(3) nonprofits and public schools to build community and enhance neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles. Projects and activities supported by NPGs vary widely and can include, but are not limited to:

- The Arts
- Beautification
- Community Support
- Education
- Community Improvements

NPG-funded projects and activities must be for a **public benefit** and purpose, **open**, **accessible**, and **free of charge** to stakeholders.

Grants approved by NCs exceeding \$5,000 involve further review and possible City contract by the Office of the City Clerk.

Visit the NC Funding Program website page on NPGs ([click here](#)) to find out more details about how 501(c)(3) nonprofits and public schools serving NC areas can apply. There are two NPG Information Packets; One for prospective applicants to help guide them in the application process, and one for NC board members outlining considerations and factors to keep in mind while evaluating NPG requests.

A "Project Completion Report" template is also provided to help ensure accountability in the use of Grant funds and help demonstrate how NCs and their partners are supporting L.A. communities and stakeholders. NCs and NPG recipients are strongly encouraged to work together to complete and submit the Report at the conclusion of the project.

Any questions you may have with the NPG process, please contact us at the NC Funding Program:

- Clerk.NCFunding@lacity.org
- (213) 978-1058

Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: HHWNC

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) Junior Achievement of Southern California 95-1799192 California
Organization Name *Federal I.D. # (EIN#)* *State of Incorporation* *Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)*

1b) 6250 Forest Lawn Drive Los Angeles CA 90068
Organization Mailing Address *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1c) _____
Business Address (if different) *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1d) **PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**
Denisse Palafox 323-785-3527 dpalafox@jasocal.org
Name *Phone* *Email*

2) **Type of Organization- Please select one:**
 Public School (not to include private schools) **or** 501(c)(3) Non-Profit (other than religious institutions)
Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead **Attach IRS Determination Letter**

3) _____
Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable) *City* *State* *Zip Code*

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

At JA Finance Park, students have the rare opportunity to experience their personal financial futures first-hand. Here, students participate in an immersive simulation that enables them to develop skills to successfully navigate today's complex economic environment and discover how decisions today can impact tomorrow. This knowledge serves as a foundation in personal finance education and gives them the skills they need for a successful JA Finance Park® experience/FP Simulation. The grant would allow 10 schools to participate covering the cost of transportation to and from the JA facility.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

Your grant would have a huge impact on 10 schools struggling to get to our facility. By attending these simulations students recognize that the decisions they make about education and career will have an impact on their potential income and quality of life. Each simulation requires the transportation from school to our facility. The cost of transportation (bus) is \$500 per simulation/school. Your grant would allow 10 schools to participate and cover the cost of the transportation fee.

