

Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 10, 2014

135th Street School Auditorium, 801 W. 135th Street

Present: Delores Allmond (Chairperson), Pamela Thornton (Vice Chair), Rosalie Preston (Recording Secretary), Joan Jacobs (Treasurer), Ramon Montoya (District 1), Adrian Valenzuela (District 2), Rey Paduani (District 3), Betty Hawkins (District 4), Llewyn Fowlkes (District 5), Marvin Bell (District 6), Shirley Johnson (District 8), Deborah Lee (Community Organization Representative), Richard Lee (Youth Representative), Donald Cook Outreach Representative, and Charlene Marshall (At-Large Representative)

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Delores Allmond. She then reviewed the Code of Civility, led the salute to the flag, and observed a moment of silence.

1) **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

2) **Installation of the new Board and recognition of outgoing Board members:** Jacob Haik, for council District 15, thanked the Board for agreeing to serve in the unpaid positions. He said that the City of Los Angeles, Councilman Buscaino, and Mayor Garcetti thank the Board members for their service. He acknowledged that there have been and will be areas of disagreement and frustrations but that service also brings a sense of accomplishment. The Councilman is out of town as otherwise he would have been present. Jacob then led the oath of office for the new Board. He and Daisy Ybarra, Field Deputy, then gave out certificates to those Board members who had served from October 2012-June 2014.

3) **Appointment of District 1 Representative due to resignation of elected representative:** Ramon Montoya expressed his willingness to be appointed to the Board as the District 1 Representative and presented a written summary of his background. It was moved by Llewyn Fowlkes, seconded by Marvin Bell, and passed 11-0-0 to approve this appointment.

4) **Appointment of District 8 Representative due to resignation of elected representative:** Shirley Johnson said that she would be honored to have a seat on the Harbor Gateway North Board and presented a written summary of his background. It was moved by Joan Jacobs, seconded by Rosalie Preston, and passed 12-0-0 to approve this appointment.

5) **Appointment of At-Large Representative due to vacancy:** Charlene Marshall said that she would like to make a difference in the community in which she lives and presented a written summary of her background. It was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Richard Lee, and passed 13-0-0 to approve this appointment.

6) **Approval of the May 13 Board minutes:** Chair Delores Allmond said that for items 3a., 3b., and 3c. one Board member (Rey Paduani) was not eligible to vote on these funding items due to not having taken ethics training within the last two years. She consulted Betty Wong Oyama of DONE Funding about the matter and Betty had advised that the items should be re-agendized. Pamela Thornton asked that item 3b. also be re-worded because Mike Herrera did not mention the computers being used by the afterschool youth as well as the Charter School students. Richard Lee asked for corrections to the name of the Youth Leadership Workshop and also the attendance figures for that program. It was moved by Richard Lee, seconded by Joan Jacobs, and passed 14-0-0 to approve the May 13 minutes as corrected.

7) Approval of the May 20 Special Board minutes: Lu Watson asked that the name of the market in item 4 be corrected to read “San Pedro Discount Market” and that the wording of the Board vote be revised to read “after review of the proposed conditions recommended by the Planning and Land Use Committee, it was moved by Marvin Bell, seconded by Rosario Rico, and passed 10-0-0 to support the application for renewal of a license for off-site sales of beer and wine“ with a number of listed conditions. The letter will be sent to the Department of City Planning, Councilman Buscaino, his staff, and the applicant.” It was moved by Llewyn Fowlkes, seconded by Joan Jacobs, and passed 14-0-0 to approve the May 20 minutes as corrected.

8) Treasurer’s report on expenditures to date and May monthly report: Joan Jacobs reviewed the report which included details of amounts that have been paid in June and which are awaiting payment by DONE. Pamela Thornton asked Joan Jacobs to find out if any Neighborhood Purposes Grants and or demand warrants are not approved by DONE and not paid, can those funds be used to pay for new tables and chairs to be used for meetings at the Harbor Gateway Community Center? Joan said she had been attempting to find out the exact status of HGNNC funds and would again call DONE Funding before the end of the week. June 13 is the last day for the use of the p-card for this fiscal year.

9) Appointment of members to the five standing Committees (Bylaws, Emergency Preparedness, Finance, Outreach, and Planning and Land Use): Chair Delores Allmond reviewed the draft of the names submitted for appointment, both Board and stakeholders and asked for additions or substitutions. It was moved by Joan Jacobs, seconded by Rosalie Preston, and passed 14-0-0 to appoint Richard Lee, Betty Hawkins, Charlene Marshall, Rosalie Preston, and Luetta Watson to the Bylaws Committee; Deborah Lee, Ramon Montoya, Maureen Montoya, Rey Paduani, Alvin LaBostrie, Debra Sterling, Bettye Watson, and Shirley Johnson to the Emergency Preparedness Committee; Joan Jacobs, Pamela Thornton, Llewyn Fowlkes, Donald Cook, and Dr. Princess Sykes to the Finance Committee; Donald Cook, Marvin Bell, Richard Lee, Rosario Rico, Jevette White, Orgine Fletcher, and Trinette Trevillison to the Outreach Committee; and Pamela Thornton, Rosalie Preston, Luetta Watson, Betty Booker, Marvin Bell, Thomasina Curry, Llewyn Fowlkes, and Vanessa Johnson to the Planning and Land Use Committee.

10) Appointment of Representatives to the Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils: It was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Llewyn Fowlkes, and passed 5-1-7 (Thornton voted “no”; Hawkins, Fowlkes, R. Lee, Montoya, Bell, Paduani, and Cook abstained) to appoint Luetta Watson, Rosalie Preston, and Joan Jacobs as the official representatives to the Harbor Alliance. Lu Watson asked that clarification be made about how many of the official representatives are allowed to caucus on any HGNNC vote at a HANC meeting.

11) Appointment of two Budget Representatives: It was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Richard Lee, and passed 14-0-0 to approve appointing Joan Jacobs and Charlene Marshall as the two HGNNC Budget Representatives.

12) Appointment of a Board Representative to pick up the 2014 Board election voter applications and ballots from the City Clerk: It was moved by Marvin Bell, seconded by Llewyn Fowlkes, and passed 13-0-1 (Jacobs abstained) to appoint Charlene Marshall as the HGNNC representative to pick up the election materials from the City Clerk’s office at Piper Tech.

13) Report from the Finance Committee: Joan Jacobs reported that the Finance Committee met on May 31 and drafted the goals statement and the 2014-2015 budget of \$37,000. While DONE is requiring the goals statement and budget to be approved by the end of August, it seems more logical to have a budget in place before July 1 to help guide funding decisions from the beginning of the new fiscal year. Therefore, since the July 8 Board meeting must allow for a one-hour Board training, a Special Board meeting needs to be set to review and approve the goals statement and 2014-2015 budget. After discussion, the Board decided on Tues. June 24 at 7 p.m. at the Harbor Gateway Community Center.

14) Announcements: Chair Delores Allmond gave out the flyer on the next DONE ethics training for Wed. June 18 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the 9th District Constituent Center, 4301 S. Central Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90011. Board members must take ethics training within six months of being seated or face losing their Board voting rights. Board members who have not taken both the 20-minute funding training and also the DONE ethics training are not allowed to vote on funding items.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston, Recording Secretary