

**Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council
General Membership Meeting of May 25, 2010**

Present: Adrian White (Chair) Delores Allmond (Vice Chair), Rosalie Preston (Recording Secretary), Joan Jacobs (Corresponding Secretary), Gloria Christmas (Treasurer), Jimmie Williams (District 1), Adrian Valenzuela (District 2), Rey Paduani (District 3), Betty Hawkins (District 4), Llewyn Fowlkes (District 5), Mattie Menser (District 7), Leo Youngblood (District 8), Neodros Bridgeforth (Faith Based Representative), and Eva Cooper (Youth Representative)

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Chair Adrian White

1) Public Comment: Sgt. John Jenal, Southeast Division Vice, discussed the Figueroa Street Corridor Community Coordination Project which will address the historic crime problems along the Figueroa Street Corridor related to prostitution and the related burglaries, robberies, shots fired, used condoms and other trash which are left along the sidewalks. He is working with City Attorney Carmen Trutanich and Captain Tingrides of Southeast Station to create a Zero Tolerance Zone with a Vertical Prosecution Policy (which allows for a coordination between the LAPD, City Attorney, and the courts) which would be similar to what was done in Hollywood some years ago which resulted in a major improvement there. He is asking for community members to sign the letter and return to him for presentation to the City Council in June. For more information contact him at (213) 972-1010.

The HGNNC has received copies of applications for a new beer and wine license at 449 W. Imperial Highway and for twelve new antenna and wireless panels on the AT&T building at 17200 S. Vermont Avenue. The Planning and Land Use Committee will review these applications.

The Pacifica Open Air Market at 16304 S. Vermont Avenue has appealed the denial of their conditional use permit to the Harbor Area Planning Commission.

2) Candidates for HGNNC Board seats: Frances Talbot-White of the League of Women Voters Los Angeles introduced herself and what the League of Women Voters does as an organization. She noted that the League is always looking for new volunteers. She then explained the format for the Candidate Forum. Each candidate present briefly explained their background and their qualifications, including Adrian White, candidate for Chairperson, and Rosalie Preston, write-in candidate for Chairperson, Delores Allmond for Vice Chairperson, Joan Jacobs for Treasurer, Adrian Valenzuela for District 2 Representative, Rey Paduani for District 3 Representative, Betty Hawkins for District 4 Representative, Llewyn Fowlkes for District 5 Representative, Marvin Bell for District 6 Representative, Gloria Christmas for District 8 Representative, Kandee Lewis for Youth Representative, and Neodros Bridgeforth, Eva Cooper, and Leo Youngblood for At-Large Representative. David Ortega, candidate for Community Organization Representative, Paris Miller, write-in candidate for District 7, and Cornita Pitchford, write-in candidate for Recording Secretary, were not present. Then Xandra Kayden asked the questions which had been received in writing from stakeholders, and the two candidates for Chairperson (Adrian White and Rosalie Preston, write-in candidate) and the three candidates who were present and running for the two At-Large seats, Neodros Bridgeforth, Eva Cooper, and Leo Youngblood (Derl Brown was not present) answered them in turn.

3) Vote on changing the June Board meeting to June 1 or June 15: Due to the regular Board meeting night being the same as the HGNNC Board election date, it was moved by Leo

Youngblood, seconded by Llewyn Fowlkes, and passed 11-0 to change the date of the next HGNNC Board meeting to June 15.

(Leo Youngblood left the meeting at 8:55 p.m.)

4) Approval of the April 27 Membership meeting minutes: The minutes were approved as corrected. Motion: Cooper Second: Christmas Vote: 10-0

5) Treasurer's Report: There was no expenditure summary report available. Copies of the 2009-2010 budget were available as well as copies of the summary of VISA card purchases through April 23, 2010, and the City checks or demand warrants through April 30. The Treasurer and Recording Secretary are working on the reconciliation report for the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment which is due June 15.

6) Announcements: Stakeholders have until June 1 to return their application to vote by mail in the HGNNC June 8 Board election. Call (213) 978-8050 to request the application.

Watts Neighborhood Council is holding their Candidates' Forum on Wed. June 2 at 10221 Compton Avenue, Suite 200.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston