

Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Special Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

Harbor Gateway Community Center, 802 W. Gardena Blvd.

Present: Pamela Thornton (Chairperson), Saira Cooper (Vice Chairperson), Rosalie Preston (Recording Secretary), Hannah Woods (Recording Secretary), Joan Jacobs (Treasurer), Betty Hawkins (District 4), Larry Morrison (District 8), Deborah Lee (Community Organization Representative), and Eva Cooper-Pace (At Large Representative)

Chair Pamela Thornton called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

1) General public comment on non-agenda items: Chair Pamela Thornton noted that June 19 is observed as Juneteenth in the African American community, the day in 1865 when the African American slaves in Texas learned that they had been emancipated.

2) Board Governance-roles and responsibilities: Chair Pamela Thornton led a discussion of methods by which Board members could work cooperatively. It was agreed that communication needs to be improved so that roles and responsibilities are clearly delineated, especially when carrying out approved projects. Board members need to respect each other. District Representatives need to work with the Outreach Committee Chair (Saira Cooper) and Finance Committee Chair (Joan Jacobs), as well as keeping Chair Pamela Thornton informed. Project proposals need to be in writing with all needed details. If the project changes after being approved, re-consult with the Chair and Outreach Chair and Finance Chair. It was suggested that a schedule and timeline for project targets would help keep things clear for everyone involved.

3) Approval of Outreach Guidelines for outreach events: Outreach Coordinator Saira Cooper presented a draft of a fillable Guidelines for Outreach Events for review. Suggestions were made to add some elements to it and it will be revised as the Outreach Committee works on future projects. It was moved by Hannah Woods, seconded by Joan Jacobs, and passed 9-0-0 to approve the guidelines concept as proposed.

4) Approval of additional funds from 2017-2018 fiscal year:

- a) **Approval of \$1,400 for additional outreach marketing items:** It was moved by Rosalie Preston, seconded by Deborah Lee, and passed 9-0-0 to approve up to \$1,400 additional for outreach marketing items from 2017-2018 fiscal year funds.
- b) **Approval for up to \$200 for a new HGNNC office desk:** It was moved by Saira Cooper, seconded by Betty Hawkins, and passed 8-1(Preston)-0 to table this motion.

5) Announcements: Community Organization Representative Deborah Lee reminded the Board that the National Night Out Vendor Registration needs to be completed to secure the HGNNC booth.

District 8 Representative Larry Morrison announced that he had received a Hekima - Mentor Father Award from the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity at their Honor our Fathers annual event for his work mentoring disabled youth and young African American males at the 116th Street School, which is located within District 8 boundaries.

District 8 Representative Larry Morrison announced the July 4 Stakeholder Appreciation Day in District 8 from 10 am to 3 pm at Stanford and 118th Street.

District 1 stakeholder David Matthews reported that the LADWP will come out for free to residences with air conditioning to optimize the unit in order to save electricity and reduce the DWP bill. They can also provide you with a Wi-Fi thermostat which can be programmed remotely with a smartphone.

Chairperson Pamela Thornton announced that District 3 Representative Rey Paduani has been hospitalized.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston, Recording Secretary