Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Special General Membership Meeting

Saturday, October 10, 2020 Held via Zoom webinar

Present: David Matthews (Chair), Rosalie Preston (Recording Secretary), La Juana Mitchell (Treasurer), Joan Jacobs (District 2), Jackie Jackson (District 6), Vanessa Johnson (District 7), Angela Springs (District 8), Richard Lee (Youth Advocate), Janet Mitchell (Outreach/Communications), and Eva Pace (At Large Representative)

1) Welcome/introductions/roll call of Board members: After determining that a quorum was present, Chair David Matthews called the meeting to order at 10:42 a.m. He explained that this Special General Membership meeting will take the place of the one normally scheduled for October 27. The date change was made due to the State ballot measure review and earlier voting taking place this year.

2) General public comment on non-agenda items that are within the Board's jurisdiction: District 2 stakeholder Nita Stonehocker asked about the status of the draft Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Prologis warehouse. Chair David Matthews said that the HGNNC is waiting for its release and will let all stakeholders know when that happens.

Dr. Tom Williams, Citizens Coalition for a Safe Community, said that he is concerned about the Inglewood fault which runs through the HGNNC and should be acknowledged in the updated Harbor Gateway North Community Plan. It could have an impact on the proposed Prologis warehouse. ZIMAS shows that there is a potential of a 6.5 earthquake on that fault. The USC Earthquake Center is interested in doing a STEM project in geology in high schools.

District 8 stakeholder Timothy Smith said there is a homeless person living near the 116th Street School on the parkway at 115th and Stanford. He was advised to report the person to www.la-hop.org. He also noted that there are a lot of cars left on the residential streets for weeks at a time. It was explained that Parking Enforcement in the City of Los Angeles will begin again next week. Such vehicles can be reported to Abandoned Vehicles via their website or telephone 1-800-222-6366.

Edwin, a District 4 stakeholder, reported that near Ainsworth and 140th there are a lot of badly lifted sidewalks and tree roots which make it hard for his grandmother to walk there.

District 2 stakeholder Nita Stonehocker said that she had tripped on a bad sidewalk in her neighborhood and broken her hand.

District 4 stakeholder Arvie Powell said that there are many lifted sidewalks in her area which need repair.

District 2 stakeholder Nita Stonehocker said that the electrical cabinet on Alondra Blvd. under the 110 freeway is used by the homeless as a urinal. There is also a lot of trash in the area. Chair David Matthews said there will be a community clean up there on October 15.

3) 12 State measures, pro and con, on the November 3 ballot - presented by the League of Women

Voters: David Holzman from the League of Women Voters said that he was the President of the Los Angeles League of Women Voters chapter for two terms and served on the West Los Angeles Neighborhood Council as the Safety Chair. The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization though the League does lobby for needed public policy measures. There are four types of propositions: bond measures, those put on by the State legislature, those put on the ballot after the necessary number of signatures are gathered, and referendums on State legislation. Holtzman gave some suggestions for how to evaluate a ballot measure, including whether it is too complex, is it factual, and who is funding it. He then reviewed the twelve ballot measures and answered questions from attendees.

4) Announcements: There were no announcements.

5) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.