

**Harbor Gateway North Neighborhood Council
Outreach/Communications Committee Meeting
Held Via Zoom Webinar
September 19, 2024**

Present: Frankie Mays, Rosalie Preston, Janeshia Robinson, and Hannah Woods

1) Welcome /call to order/roll call: In the absence of Chair Will Yates, the meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Vice Chair Frankie Mays with a quorum of four members present.

2) General Public Comment on non-agenda items that are within the Neighborhood Council's subject matter jurisdiction: There was none.

3) 2025 Board election

a) September 30 Neighborhood Council elections engagement virtual Town Hall: Committee members are encouraged to attend this virtual meeting to learn more about the 2025 Board election process and how the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment plans to help Neighborhood Councils to engage stakeholders.

b) Review draft candidate recruitment postcard: Rosalie screen-shared the 2023 candidate postcard and the Committee decided that if the information is updated, the same graphics and colors could be re-used.

c) Discussion of Board election voter registration event(s): Rosalie contacted SoCal Shred and learned that four hours of shredding will now cost \$700, but three hours is \$600. The Committee decided to go with three hours from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sat. February 1. Rosalie also suggested that since the weather might be rainy, it would be best to hold the voter registration event at 555 W. Redondo Beach Blvd. so that voter registration can take place in the lobby and voter ids and other documentation can be taken upstairs to the HGNNC office to be copied for submittal, with the driver's license number marked out. HGNNC volunteers can assist voters to register online, as well. The shred van could be stationed in the parking lot and tables set up there for 311, emergency preparedness, and others, including possibly some type of health testing or dental care. Tables could be moved indoors, in the lobby area if it is raining. There could also be a taco truck, to encourage stakeholders to come to the event. There may also be separate smaller voter registration events scheduled in various HGNNC Districts.

d) Revise outreach budget: For the September 10 Board meeting, the proposed election budget for \$6,500 did not have exact numbers for the main voter registration event and possible District events, so the Board ended up voting for a total budget of \$5,041. There was discussion of how much to budget for each of the possible voter registrations events and also if any funds should be allocated for a moderator for the candidate forum, which will probably be held on February 13 via Zoom. Hopefully, either the Toastmasters will be able to moderate again, as they did in 2023, at no cost, or a government professor from Cal State University Dominguez Hills can handle it. With the revised numbers, it was moved by Janeshia Robinson, seconded by Frankie Mays, and passed 4-0-0 to recommend the revised budget of \$6,500 to the Board.

4) Upcoming outreach events

a) Trunk or Treat at Rosecrans Recreation Center-October 26 from 2-6 p.m.: The HGNNC will be a co-sponsor of this event, with several Board members attending and bringing classic or electric vehicles. Rosalie has a contact for other classic cars from the Juneteenth event which

was held in Athens on the Hill and included a number of classic vehicles from a club that one resident belongs to.

b) District 7 clean up day: District 7 Representative Barbara Tyson-Frazier has not set a date for this event yet. She is planning to hold it in late October or early November.

c) Cultural event—possibly Juneteenth: Youth Representative Finesse Simmons expressed interest in organizing a program which could possibly be held at the 2025 Juneteenth event to be held in the Athens on the Hill section of District 5.

d) Other events, including for Board election: The Planning and Land Use Committee is working on a community meeting for District 3 residents about the upcoming renewal of the California Waste Services permit. The October 22 General Membership meeting will feature a speaker from LAHSA about how residents can report homeless and RV encampments and also support the work of housing those who are homeless. The meeting will be held at the 135th Street School.

5) HGNNC communications (website, social media, Constant Contact emails): Aaron DeVandry of The Mailroom has been making updates to the HGNNC website. He will also be starting a re-design of the site and will share the proposed changes with the Outreach/Communications Committee and Board before they are finalized.

6) Announcements: The annual Congress of Neighborhoods will be held at City Hall on September 28, with a number of workshops and tabling by City Departments.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m. / Next meeting scheduled for October 17, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes taken by Rosalie Preston, Secretary