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# GLASSELL PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS **MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Glassell Park Community & Senior Center 3750 N. Verdugo Road Los Angeles, CA 90065

Approved minutes on: 3/17/2015

13 Board members seated: Molly Lynn Taylor, Chairperson, Area 4 Mark Quiroz, Vice Chair, Area 2 Marge Piane, Secretary, Organization Rep Andre Sahakian, Treasurer, Area 6 Michael Divic, At Large Rep Lorenzo Tovar, Area 1 Crystal-Lynne Orozco, Area 3 Francisco Contreras, Area 5 Gladys Pinto-Muñoz, Area 7 Jake Daniel Sneider, Business Rep Pavlo Vlanco, Organizational Rep Celina Pinto, Education Rep Ruby deVera, Faith-based Rep

2 Board members absent: Bradley, Business Rep Lazaro Aguero, Business Rep (arrived 7:08pm, left 7:16pm)

3 Alternate Board members in attendance: Tony Butka Jim Heubach (resigned during meeting) Brian Frobisher

#### \*\*MINUTES MAY NOT REFLECT THE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER OF ACTIONS\*\*

#### Welcome, Introductions, Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Molly Lynn Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. The Secretary did a roll call, and 9 Board members were present. Board member, Lazaro Aguero arrived at 7:08pm and left at 7:16pm, Board member Mark Quiroz arrived at 7:12pm, Board member Gladys Pinto-Munoz arrived at 7:16pm bringing the total to 12 attendees. Board member Andre Sahakian arrived at 7:40pm bringing the total to 13 attendees. In addition, 8 stakeholders were in attendance.

3. Review/Correction/Acceptance of GPNC GCS Meeting Minutes for January 20, 2014 Motion to accept: Marge Piane; Second: Francisco Contreras

**VOTE PASSED:** 

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(LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS) LORENZO TOVAR - AREA 1 MARK QUIROZ - AREA 2 CRYSTAL-LYNNE OROZCO - AREA 3 MOLLY LYNN TAYLOR - AREA 4 FRANCISCO CONTRERAS - AREA 5 ANDRE SAHAKIAN - AREA 6 GLADYS PINTO-MUÑOZ - AREA 7 BRADLEY - BUS. REP JAKE DANIEL SNEIDER – BUS. REP LAZARO AGUERO - BUS. REP MARGE PIANE - ORG. REP PAVLO VLANCO - ORG. REP CELINA PINTO – EDUC. REP RUBY DeVERA – FAITH-BASED MICHAEL DIVIC – AT LARGE REP

9 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

**2 ABSTENTION** (Aguero, Sneider)

- 5. Updates and Information from:
  - a) Los Angeles City Council District 1 -- (not present)
  - b) Los Angeles City Council District 13 (not present, but provided written report)
  - c) Los Angeles City Council District 14 (not present)
  - d) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Barry Stone spoke
  - e) Northeast Los Angeles Police Department (not present)
  - **f)** Los Angeles Fire Department two fire officers were present and spoke
- 6. Official/Public Comment (non-agenda items)

Lazaro Aguero (excused himself from meeting at 7:16pm due to illness)

Jesse Medina updated the Board re: LANCC

Andrew Montealegre resigned as Chair of ED&LU Committee

- 7. Community Presentation(s) none
- 8. Reports/Updates/Follow Up on Funding Grants none
- 8. Reports and Recommendations from GPNC Chairperson Molly Lynn Taylor spoke.
- 9. Reports and Recommendations from GPNC Treasurer
  - a) Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs) item i) was presented and approved; items ii) through viii) were not ready due to documents not yet provided by DONE

Motion to approve July MER: Marge Piane; Second: Molly Lynn Taylor

# **VOTE PASSED:**

10 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

**0 ABSTENTION** 

- 3 INELIGIBLE (Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz)
  - b) All three invoices were approved for payment

Motion to approve all three invoices: Marge Piane; Second: Molly Lynn Taylor

## **VOTE PASSED:**

8 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Piane, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

1 ABSTENTION (Orozco)

3 INELIGIBLE (Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz)

- c) Board voted **unanimously** to table this item due to Treasurer's absence, then revisited when he arrived
  - i) Andre spoke with Wendy Moore re: limiting her work to \$100 per month
  - ii) Martin Luther King Day fund dispersal not fully reconciled yet
- 10. Reports and Recommendations from GPNC Secretary Marge Piane spoke
- 11. Legal Liaison Report/Update Ruby deVera read two responses to agenda items from Alois Phillips and Barry Stone, DONE, also read from City Attorney's advice
  - a) per City Attorney's advice, three Board members whose seats are considered abandoned per the Bylaws, were asked if they wished to resign. Crystal-Lynne Orozco and Michael Divic did not wish to resign and Lazaro Aguero was not present.
  - b) Per Darren Martinez, DCA, individual Board members may contact the City Attorney's office with requests for advice and information; however, if the requests become "excessive", the CA would impose the requirement that all matters go through the Board President [Chair] or Legal Liaison.
- 12. LANCC & DWP Liaison Updates Jesse Medina provided update in Public Comments.
- 13. Alliance of River Communities (ARC) Updates Michael Divic stated ARC is still on hiatus.
- 14. Neighborhood Council Board Business

- a) Instructions to Board members about review of GPNC roster and completion/signing of GPNC/DONE Trainings & Code of Civility
- b) Appointment of Ruby deVera as liaison with Arroyo Seco NC for Homelessness event on Feb. 24, 2015

  Motion to participate in ASNC Homelessness event and appoint Ruby deVera liaison for event: Molly Lynn Taylor; Second: Michael Divic

# **VOTE PASSED:**

**13 YES** (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

# **0 ABSTENTION**

- c) Discussion, no action, on length of meetings
- d) Action to provide refreshments at General Community Stakeholder meetings

Motion to approve up to \$100 for refreshments at General Community Stakeholder meetings and rotate responsibility for purchasing, delivering and disposing of food with Crystal-Lynne Orozco as coordinator: Michael Divic; Second: Mark Quiroz

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

10 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

**0 NO** (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Sahakian, Vlanco, Butka)

#### **0 ABSTENTION**

# 3 INELIGIBLE (Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz)

- e) Discussion and Action on annual review of committees as required in Bylaws
  - i-vi) All standing committees have been meeting regularly or semi-regularly
- vii) Website Ad Hoc committee has met once and did not have quorum. Chair, Andre Shakian, suggested committee should be dissolved and future website work be handled by Outreach and Communications Committee Motion to dissolve Website Ad Hoc committee: Molly Lynn Taylor; Second: Andre Sahakian

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

12 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

1 ABSTENTION (Pinto-Munoz)

#### 15. Grievance

The City Attorney's office informed the Board that this item was not to be considered at this time.

# 16. Letters of Request

a) Approval of Letter of Request to CD1, Dept. of Public Works, Dept. of Transportation asking for action to mark and paint the pavement on Toland Way and Scandia Way between Avenue 40 and El Paso Drive Motion to approve Letter of Request: Contreras; Second: Divic

# **VOTE PASSED:**

12 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

#### 1 ABSTENTION (Sneider)

b) Approval of Letter of Request to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency asking for stricter rules for ozone standards

Motion to approve Letter of Request: Orozco; Second: Tovar

# **VOTE PASSED:**

**11 YES** (Contreras, DeVera, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) **0 NO** 

#### **2 ABSTENTION** (Divic, Sneider)

c) Approval of Letter of Request to CD1 asking for Wireless Internet service at their Field Office to be shared with all tenants of 3750 N. Verdugo Road at no cost.

Motion to approve Letter of Request: Taylor; Second: Divic

# **VOTE PASSED:**

13 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

# **0 ABSTENTION**

#### 17. Community Impact Statements

a) Approval of CIS in favor of motion 14-0766 to increase "penalties for graffiti violations, particularly over murals" and to increase the reward for "the capture and conviction of graffiti vandals when the property defaced is a mural"

Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Taylor; Second: Piane

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

13 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

#### **0 ABSTENTION**

b) In favor of City of Los Angeles resolution to include support of SB 126: End of Life Option Act in its 2015-2016 State Legislative Program

Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Taylor; Second: Piane

# **VOTE FAILED:**

4 YES (Piane, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar)

2 NO (deVera, Pinto-Munoz)

7 ABSTENTION (Contreras, Divic, Orozco, Pinto, Ouiroz, Sahakian, Vlanco)

c) In favor of motion 14-0876-34 to transfer \$5,720 from Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station to Board of Public Works Contractual Services Fund to be allocated for community beautification efforts in CD14 Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Taylor; Second: Piane

# **VOTE FAILED:**

**6 YES** (Contreras, deVera, Piane, Pinto, Taylor, Vlanco)

2 NO (Orozco, Pinto-Munoz)

**5 ABSTENTION** (Divic, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Tovar)

d) In favor of motion 14-0748 to develop a draft ordinance that requires all public street construction and reconstruction projects to incorporate "Stormwater Management Guidelines for Public Street Construction and Reconstruction" consisting of: drainage capacity/flood mitigation; stormwater infiltration feasibility; water quality improvement and regulatory standards

Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Sahakian; Second: Taylor

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

11 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

**2 ABSTENTION** (Divic, Pinto-Munoz)

e) In favor of motion 14-1634 to require a 30-day public notice and public hearing for any permit application for the removal of three or more trees on private property and further to create a system for better collaboration among departments to ensure that review and analysis of environmental impacts occur prior to the completion of CEQA review for a project

Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Taylor; Second: Piane

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

12 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

# 1 ABSTENTION (Sneider)

f) In favor of motion 15-0050 asking the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance to require new cellular communications towers to be constructed to satisfy the same standards currently required for public safety facilities

Motion to approve Community Impact Statement: Piane; Second: Divic

# **VOTE PASSED:**

13 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Sneider, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

# **0 ABSTENTION**

Note: Jake Sneider left at 9:10pm, so only 12 votes cast after this point

# 18. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update Bylaws Committee

- a) Discussion, no action, as to whether the Legal Liaison is a ministerial function or exercises independent judgment
- b) Discussion, no action, regarding Standing Rule 4
- c) Action to approve three Bylaws changes as written

Motion to approve all three Bylaws Committee recommendations under item 18)c): Taylor; Second: Piane

# **VOTE PASSED:**

12 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Pinto-Munoz, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco) 0 NO

#### **0 ABSTENTION**

Note: Gladys Pinto-Munoz left at 9:20pm, so only 11 votes cast after this point; also Pavlo Vlanco out of room for this vote

d) Action to approve Chair Protocol

Motion to approve Chair Protocol to include in Standing Rules with language change to take out personal names & replace with position held: Taylor, Second: Piane

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

10 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar)

0 NO

**0 ABSTENTION** 

# 19. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update Economic Development & Land Use committee – Helene Schpak

a) Adopt letter of approval/denial and/or committee recommendations

i) 3079 San Fernando Rd, ZA-2014-4536-CUB-CU, support 7-Eleven at this address

Motion to approve ED&LU Committee letter: Contreras; Second: Taylor

# **VOTE PASSED:**

11 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Pinto, Quiroz, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

**0 ABSTENTION** 

# 20. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update Public Arts committee - Crystal-Lynne Orozco

a) Action to approve funding of \$3,500 for artist stipends, outreach and "Vote Night" event for Utility Box art in CD13 & CD14

Motion to approve funding for artist stipends and outreach in the amount \$3,000 and revisit funds for "Vote Night" event once DONE has approved it: Piane; Second: Contreras

#### **VOTE PASSED:**

**9 YES** (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

**0 ABSTENTION** 

2 INELIGIBLE (Pinto, Quiroz)

b) "Earth Day" arts event to take place April 18, 2015. Orozco provided budget breakdown.

#### 21. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update Outreach & Communications committee - Michael Divic

Approve funding in the amount \$750 to purchase outreach materials

Motion to approve funding for general outreach materials: Divic; Second: Taylor

# **VOTE PASSED:**

9 YES (Contreras, DeVera, Divic, Orozco, Piane, Sahakian, Taylor, Tovar, Vlanco)

0 NO

**0 ABSTENTION** 

2 INELIGIBLE (Pinto, Quiroz)

Note: Mark Quiroz left at 9:50pm, so only 10 votes cast after this point

# 22-25.

Items tabled by unanimous approval

## 26. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update National Night Out Ad Hoc committee - Pavlo Vlanco

First meeting of this committee will be Thursday, February 26, 2015, at 5:00pm

#### 27-32.

Items tabled by unanimous approval

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03pm.

Minutes prepared by Marge Piane from notes by Frances Pollock, Apple One