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# GLASSELL PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 20, 2015 7pm – 9:30pm Glassell Park Community & Senior Center 3750 N. Verdugo Road Los Angeles, CA 90065

(Approved Mtg. Minutes (\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ ))

Roll Call Present: Molly Lynn Taylor Ruby DeVera Celina Pinto Bradley Linda Sanchez Brian Sharp **Michael Divic** Mark Quiroz Pavlo Vlanco **Dane Boedigheimer** Marge Piane Gladys Pinto Munoz (late) Patrick Cleary (elected and seated during meeting) Brian Frobisher (seated to meet quorum later in meeting)

Absent: Crystal Lynne Orozco Francisco Contreras

Welcome and Introductions (7:00 p.m.) Acceptance/Review of GPNC GCS Mtg. Min. for August 18, 2015 and September 29, 2015, If provided)

Item is tabled

Official/Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items) (2 Min. Max.)

CD1 Jose Rodriguez, with Gilbert Cedillo's office.

He had not been there for last few meetings, so wanted let stakeholder discuss their needs. Brian had a question about the concrete pile on Kinney. Asked when it would be dealt with. Mel, caseworker for GP, has been working on that issue. The problem should be resolved by Friday. Jose would follow up with them. Another person voiced concern about a pile of concrete on that same road. Said that a truck full of rebar knocked down street signs and that rain had damaged the roads, creating dangerous ditches. Jose said he would check out the area himself. More issues raised by audience about Kinney

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(LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS) LINDA SANCHEZ- AREA 1 MARK QUIROZ - AREA 2 CRYSTAL-LYNNE OROZCO - AREA 3 MOLLY LYNN TAYLOR - AREA 4

FRANCISCO CONTRERAS – AREA 5 PATRICK CLEARY – AREA 6 GLADYS PINTO-MUÑOZ – AREA 7 BRADI EY – BUS. REP BRIAN ARP– BUS. REP DANE BC HEIMER – BUS. REP MARC NE – ORG. REP PAVLC NCO – ORG. REP 251.IN, TO – EDUC. REP A – FAITH-BASED AT LARGE REP Road.

Christine Silver, first time meeting attendant.

She had a question about Fletcher and Drew Street. Jose Rodriguez said that in was Councilmember O'Farrell's district.

Marge thanked the representative for the work being done on streets in her area. Molly mentioned dumping issues; asked if there was any outreach CD 1 was going to do regarding the My LA app or at-home pick up service.

Jose Rodriguez said the issue was actually two: people throwing out things that were too large for regular pick up versus general dumping in lots and public places. Said they would consider door to door outreach.

Jose Rodriguez said that there was a lot of discussion about homelessness. Said that on Sept 22, 2016 Councilmember Cedillo joined the mayor to announce a state of emergency for the city with regards to homelessness: 1) extending the winter homeless shelter schedule by a month before and after the regular schedule. (Nov- March). 2) Safe Parking program that would help people have overnight parking. 3) Looking to accelerate access to affordable housing. 4) \$100 million towards addressing homelessness.

Jim asked if any efforts had been made to support missions that work with the homeless particularly those that offer temporary shelter. Mr. Rodriguez said that the focus on permanent housing might take away from the temporary housing, but they are working to negotiate that.

Ruby asked about a shelter in the area that was closed. The representative said that it was not up to safety and health codes.

Linda asked about the using an old hospital in the area. Representative said he did not know and that it was not in his district.

An audience member asked whether Glassell Park could get a DASH bus. He said that he saw that O'Farrell's report discussed another area getting a DASH bus. Jose said that many neighborhoods have expressed interest.

## Sylvia Robledo deputy for Councilmember Gil Cedillo (CD 1)

She referred to the agenda and said she was there to support the item regarding the Southwest Museum. The mural had been defaced and they were looking to raise money to restore it. They would love to have the support of the NC. Audience member asked where they had gotten money from so far. Sylvia said that for every \$100 that was raised, CD 1 was matching the amount. She said the Autry was as well. She estimated that they needed \$20,000.

## Mary Rodriguez, Mitch O'Farrell's representative (CD 13)

Mary noted that she had a field report available. She wanted to let them know that a few streets in the area would be resurfaced: Ave 32; Ave 33; Estara Ave.

An audience member asked where the medians would be added on Fletcher. Mary said she needed to get more information.

Another audience member complimented the trees that had been added on Fletcher but was dismayed by trash and waste being left near them. Asked if they could get trash cans. Mary asked the audience member to email her about where she thought they needed more trash cans (the sites could not be in front of private homes). Another audience member concurred that there was a lot of trash on the north side of the Fletcher.

Audience member said that he would love to see a left turn arrow on Fletcher and San Fernando (to much applause). Ms. Rodriguez said she would look in to it.

An audience member had a question about 4 hour parking on Verdugo Road. Said the problem was that there were two businesses in that area, and employees needed to park there.

### Representative Lucy Aparisio for Councilmember Jose Huizar (CD 14)

She had a few updates: 1) they received a letter from GPNC requesting improvements for Verdugo and York; and for safety improvements. LADOT would be doing studies to see how they could improve those roads. 2) Homeless plan: she reiterated some of what had already been said. 3) Saturday 10/22/15: 6<sup>th</sup> street bridge farewell event to celebrate the bridge that will be coming down in early 2016. Festival from 2-10PM, music, food trucks, art, etc. New bridge will be finished in 2019.

Audience member asked about a building complex that had been shut down on Verdugo. Lucy said she would look into it, and said she knew that it was an eyesore.

Molly said the NC was considering submitting a letter on the issue of homelessness. Asked how the neighborhood councils could help. Audience member reiterated Ruby DeVera's concern that there was no winter shelter in Glassell Park and that maybe that should be an immediate focus. Rep. encouraged them to send a letter and to make themselves available to help. Audience member said that she liked the idea of extending the hours for the shelters, but the problem was that there were not shelters available for people.

### Mayor's Office Representative Amanda East Valley Representative

She had updates: 1) she reminded everyone that this was domestic violence awareness week. 2) Noted that there had been a rise in pedestrian fatalities. Mayor had ordered an executive directive to eliminate pedestrian deaths, program called Vision Zero.

### Field Deputy Ray Lopez Chang, for LAUSD school board member Representative Ref Rodriguez.

Wanted to build a collaborative relationship. Said Superintendent was leaving office this year and he wanted them to have a voice in who would replace him.

#### Fire Department, David Spence, battalion chief.

Halloween—one of the biggest days for the Fire Dept. because it is dangerous for children. Drive slowly through neighborhoods, make sure to have lights on. If you are with kids, make sure they are crossing at proper places. El Nino will hit Southern CA around Thanksgiving. Fire Department had sand bags available. Sand and bags were there, anyone could take as many as they needed to secure their homes. Discussed swift water rescue—they would be patrolling the LA River. They were expecting record rainfall. He also gave contact numbers for different stations in the area. Molly added that NC had reflective flashing lights that reps could take for their areas.

Audience member had question about brush clearance. What was the schedule for it as they get closer to El Nino. Mr. Spence said there was a brush clearance unit number on the website that the audience member could call. Audience member said that he was frustrated because they had tried to call through Councilmember Cedillo's office but nothing has happened. He said that they never get called back and the brush is never cleared. Another audience member added that he too had tried to contact councilmembers' offices and not gotten anywhere. Said that landlocked properties were not getting flagged and he was concerned that their uncleared brush was a fire hazard.

Bradley told everyone that they did have a representative on the Public Safety Committee, Brian Frobisher, who they could contact.

#### Public Comment:

A stakeholder, Katie, discussed a CSA, Abundant Harvest Organic, which she was a member of. She thought it would be nice to organize a pick up site at the community garden. The needed a space where a big truck could be parked, so maybe the senior center could be a better location. Bradley encouraged her to talk to the CD 1 representative. They need 30 subscribers before they could get them to make it a drop-off. Marge said something similar happens at Mount Washington School.

Karen Flores of the Audubon Center at Debs Park spoke. She said they recently got Prop 8 funds from LA County so the center would be closed for a little bit. Announcements: 1) Volunteer day was coming up Wed. Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 2) Naturalist docent training was coming up, specifically they were doing training for Spanish-speakers 3) They need volunteers to help with seeding.

Toni Lucas, LASTRA, (LA Short Term Residence Alliance). Their goal was to assure that Short Tern Residences were properly regulated in their area. Wanted to see if they could get on the agenda for next month.

Jessie Medina, discussed the effects of a rainstorm in Boyle Heights. Storm drains were clogged, and caused widespread flooding to homes in the area. Reminded them that El Nino is coming, and urged them to use the MyLA 311 App, or to report issues on the City of LA website.

Audience member was upset about an email that had been sent in which they were told who to vote for by NeLA (?) Said it was inappropriate to tell them how to vote through these channels.

Board Member Comment (Non-Agenda Items) (2 Min. Max.)

Molly Lynn Taylor

Said that there was a neighborhood council blitz coming up. It was not on the agenda but she would like the board to consider it.

She asked about the Education ad-hoc committee's creation. Said that she it had been voted down when she proposed such a committee.

She added that Walnut Canyon should be on the agenda, she submitted for it to be added.

Regarding minutes that had been approved from last meeting before her arrival—she is concerned about minutes being approved even though changes need to be made to them. It is bad practice and they should make corrections before approving them.

Said many of the outreach and website items have not come from the committee, but are from the executive committee or the chair.

She wanted to clarify that the NC did not have a contract with Morgan (?). She was an approved LA City vendor but not officially working for GPNC.

Molly also said she had concerns about items on the agenda that are being requested that had already been purchased (iPad, doggy bag dispenser, etc.)

## Michael Divic

Talked about an event that occurred that weekend, which had been a big success. Said he needed to leave early.

### Bradley

Said that he will need to leave early because he was not well and had been traveling. He said that the vice-chair, Mark Quiroz, would run the meeting at that point. He wanted to move up a few items, especially the voting for the area 5 representative, if that was ok with everyone. There were no objections to Mark running the meeting after he left.

Bradley asked if they could take some of the grants and funding committee's requests out of order since he would be leaving and he had put them on the agenda: B.9. (\$1,000) for "Enrich LA" to establish a Garden Ranger Program; B.10. (\$3,500) for "Environmental Science and Technology (ESAT)" to establish a School Campus Garden; B11. (\$1,000) for The Avenue 50 Studio "Southwest Museum Mural Project."

Motion to move up items requested by Bradley passed 8-Y 1-N

Yes (8) Bradley Marge Mark Linda Brian Pavlo Ruby Celina	
No (1): Molly	

## Area Representative Updates

a. Area 1, Linda Sanchez: No report as much of what she had to say had been said in Councilman O'Farrell's report b. Area 2, Mark Quiroz: Spoke about bulky items in the NE—only 46% of their areas items get picked up. Said they should stay on 311 to pick up items. Said that his car had been broken into and wanted to remind everyone to lock up and be careful. He added that LAPD told him that a number of houses and cars had been broken in.

c. Area 3, Crystal-Lynne Orozco: Not Present

d. Area 4, Molly Lynn Taylor: She said that there had been a fire on Richardson. She has been waiting for an update regarding the Yorkshire homes. There had been lots of dumping on Cazador that she is working with 311 to take care of. Also mentioned cement that had been dumped on Kinney Street. Huge trucks had been going up in the area because of all the development. She cautioned people to be careful driving.

e. Area 5, Francisco SCO Contreras: Not Present

f. Area 6, Vacant

g. Area 7, Gladys Pinto-Muñoz: No Report

Business Representative Updates, (Bradley/Brian Sharp/Dane Boedigheimer) No Report

Organizational Representative Updates (Marge Piane/Pavlo Vlanco): Marge said that the GPIA had been active. There had been a board meeting recently, during which they decided to donate \$150 towards the holiday tree lighting snacks. They were looking for people to suggest places that could use their clean-up. They do one clean-up a month. November meeting will be on the 12<sup>th</sup>. They have started an adopt-a-tree program. Audience member asked if streets services takes care of watering trees. Marge said that they have curtailed it because of the drought. Audience member asked about something she heard about watering trees instead of the grass. Marge said yes, the grass will come back but the trees will not. Bradley asked why the GPIA has not come before the NC for funding. Marge said they have tried in the past and not been successful.

Educational Representative Updates (Celina Pinto) Los Feliz Charter School is having an event that Saturday Oct. 24th. Faith-Based Representative Updates, (Ruby DeVera) CD 13 is taking care of the (inaudible). Bradley said that he received an email from St. Bernard Catholic School asking for help on street crossing at Ave. 33.

Member-At-Large Representative, General Updates, (Michael Divic): Not Present

Report/Recommendations from GPNC from GPNC Secretary, Celina Pinto

a. Motion/Resolution to approve Board Vote Count Form (BVCF), if provided. Marge reiterated what she had said for the last 3 months: that this did not need to be voted on, because it was attached to the minutes and they vote on those.

Report/Recommendations from GPNC City Attorney Liaison, Ruby DeVera: No Report

Report and Recommendations from Treasurer, Crystal Lynn Orozco

a). Update on 2015 – 2016 FY Funding Available and/or Remaining Funds Available, if any

b). Motion/Resolution to approve the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) for September 2015 if available.

c). Motion/Resolution to approve Moore Business Results Website Mgmt. Vendor Invoice No. GPNC2015-0710 in the amount of \$112.27.

d). Motion/Resolution to approve Moore Business Results Website Mgmt. Vendor Invoice No. GPNC2015-0902 in the amount of \$283.55.

e). Motion/Resolution to approve Moore Business Results Website Mgmt. Vendor Invoice No. GPNC2015-0930 in the amount of \$163.04.

f). Discussion/Possible Action to itemize city contractual agreements for Moore Business Solutions

g). Discussion/Possible Action to Appoint 1 official Liaison to work with Moore Business Solutions.

Mark Quiroz said that Crystal had asked him to speak on her behalf. She said that they could not vote on any grants because they needed to reallocate from outreach because the funds were not available. Bradley asked if there was more to say about the agenda items related to item 13 and Mark said no. Molly asked about item c. If this had already been paid and approved then it did not have to be on the agenda. Bradley concurred that it should be removed and asked Mark if he had anything to add.

Molly spoke about the budget for 2015-16. Said that that had been board-approved. Also approved by DONE. Bradley said he wanted clarity from the funding program. Asked Mark to discuss this with DONE Funding program rep, Janet Fernandez, because, from his understanding, it had not been approved. Molly voiced frustration about this needing to be approved because it was her understanding that it had been approved. Said it was a waste of time during these meetings to cover this material. Molly asked if Mark had any trouble being reimbursed, and he said no, and that he did not know of any problems with the budget. Mark suggested that they move forward with the meeting.

Bradley said he had nothing to report on 13.f or 13.g. Molly said that she had something to add on 13.g. Responsibility of the website had fallen to the Outreach Committee. Said that she wanted to create an ad-hoc committee to take care of this but it was voted down by the board.

Reports/Status/Updates From Event Organizer for the "Big Draw LA Event" (Crystal Lynn Orozco): Not Present. Molly said she attended the event with her 3 year old and said it was a great event. There was a mural that was created and a cake walk and other activities.

Reports/Status/Updates From Event Coordinator York & Eagle Rock Blvd. Community Clean-Up Event (Gladys Pinto Muñoz): Said that she asked for a meeting but has not received further information

- A. Glassell Park Community Presentations (Mark Quiroz) 1. None Provided
- B. Neighborhood Council Board Business (8:30p.m.)

Marge suggested that the move on to B.4. and take care of the election.

4. Elections/Selection for Area 6 Representative vacated by Andre Sahakian (Bradley) (Refer to Election Policy of updated GPNC Bylaws) a. Voting to Election/Selection for Area 6 Representative, Patrick Cleary b. Voting on Election/Selection for Area 6 Representative, Rafael Pineda

They verified that Patrick Clearly resided within Area 6 but that the other candidate, Rafael Pineda did not reside in that area. Only one candidate qualified. Patrick spoke briefly, then there was discussion regarding whether they needed to vote since he was the only candidate. Bradley did not think so but the board voted unanimously to approve Patrick as the Area 6 representative. There was some question about whether a vote should be called by show of hands of the stakeholders. A member of the audience asked if this was the proper way to do this as the agenda said the word election. Audience member said that the board could override the by-laws but the stakeholders could not.

Marge motioned to override that section of the bylaws and seat Patrick Clearly, and Dane seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously and Patrick was immediately seated.

Yes (11): Dane Bradley Ruby Marge Mark Celina Gladys Molly Linda Brian Pavlo

Bradley asked Mark if it was possible to vote on items 9-11. Mark said no, they would have to table the items.

9. Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Request for Funding up to (\$1,000) for "EnrichLA" to establish a Garden Ranger Program (Bradley)

10. Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Request for Funding up to (\$3,500) for "Environmental Science and Technology (ESAT)" to establish a School Campus Garden. (Bradley)

11. Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Request for Funding up to (\$1,000) for The Avenue 50 Studio "Southwest Museum Mural Project" (Bradley)

Linda motioned to table agenda items 9-11 and Dane seconded it.

Motion to table passed 8-Y; 3-A

Yes (8): Dane Ruby Marge Gladys Mark Linda Brian Pavlo

Abstain (3): Bradley Molly Celina

Bradley handed over chair duties to Mark Quiroz as he had to leave the meeting. Instruct Board Member to Comply with LA City Ethics and Open Government (http://ethics.lacity.org/education/ethics2007/?audience=done); completed Certifications to be turned into GPNC Office Mgr. Celina Pinto. Mark asked Celina if anyone needed to complete certifications. Celina said everyone was current.

Instruct Board Members to Comply with the new Dept. Funding Program Policies and NC Training & Checking Account Overview Policies or become INELIGIBLE TO VOTE on grants and funding matters that indirectly/directly affect or benefit the Community of Glassell Park.

Mark reiterated the importance of following up and making sure that all the paperwork was done as he had to repeat training once because of an error.

Instruct Board Members to Comply with GPNC By-Laws Regarding "Code of Conduct" and possible removal procedures as governed in Article 5, Section 9, B and Article XI, Grievance Process.

(Completed earlier)

Accept Nominations of up to 10 Alternate Representatives as per "GPNC Standing Rules." (Bradley) Celina said that they had 4 nominations and had room for 6 more. Jim Heubach in the audience said that for the 3<sup>rd</sup> month in a row he had self-nominated as an alternate. He was frustrated that they had not agendized the vote yet. Mark asked how they could move forward, and Jim said that they should put the vote on the agenda.

Discussion/Take Action on Redistribution of the Internet Password to three (3) board members as suggested by Stephen Box/DONE Rep. regarding NC Internet Asset Policies, including domain name registration, board email, website hosting, social media etc.

Board to Determine/Elect/Select three (3) board members to maintain Internet Password regarding NC Internet Asset Policies, including domain name registration, board email, website hosting, social media etc.

Molly said that 6 and 7 were very similar and could be addressed together. Molly said that she had shared much of this information and was not clear on why this information was being addressed here. Brian said that he was concerned about passwords being shared and getting into the wrong hands. Marge suggested that they add some language to the bylaws about procedure for web-related information and maintenance. Mark asked if Molly could share the information with all of the board. Molly said that she was hesitant to send out password info for the back end of the website and web host. Mark asked if she could share it with whomever it was necessary.

Marge motioned that they send items 6 & 7 to the Outreach Committee for discussion and to make recommendations to the board regarding these issues; and Molly seconded it.

An audience member reminded the board that the last Outreach Committee chair left with the password information and hijacked the site. Marge concurred that at least 3 different people should have access to stop this from happened. Motion passed 9-Y; 2-Abstain

Yes (9): Dane Ruby Marge Mark Brian Pavlo Molly Celina Patrick

Abstain (2): Gladys Linda

Announce available Los Angeles Department of Animal Services Request for a "DAS Animal Services Liaison" which would include duties involving direct interaction DAS on Neighborhood Input/Interaction on Dept. Policies, and developing "Back–To-Basics" Programs.

The board discussed who the representative should be and whether they had had one in the past. Marge clarified that board members could apply to do it. Molly said she was not able to take on this position but wanted to emphasize the importance of this role. Said that the local shelter on Lacey Street, needed their support as it was getting older. Gladys volunteered to fill the

role.

Motion to approve Gladys passed 9-Y; 1-N Yes (9): Dane Ruby Marge Celina Gladys Mark Patrick Linda Brian

No (1): Molly (Unclear if Molly was the one who said no. Pavlo was not present during the vote)

Tabled earlier Tabled earlier Tabled earlier

Motion/Resolution to submit a "Letter of Request (LOR)" To City Council and/or the Office of the Mayor to address Homelessness Services and Resources. (Molly Lynn Taylor)

Molly said that they should consider writing a letter in support of immediate services for Glassell Park's homeless. Marge said they should add what they spoke to Mary Rodriguez about, which was that GP did not have a winter shelter and that they would like to get one. Marge suggested that they see if the pool could allow homeless to use their showers at designated times when the pool was closed. Molly they should look into getting mobile showers.

Marge motioned that they write a letter to the City addressing these issues and Mark seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously

Yes (11):	
Dane	
Ruby	
Marge	
Celina	
Gladys	
Mark	
Patrick	
Linda	
Brian	
Molly	
Pavlo	

Motion/Resolution to submit a "Letter of Request (LOR)" To Bureau of Sanitation (BOS) Regarding Illegal Dumping/Bulky Item Pick-up in Glassell Park. (Molly Lynn Taylor)

Molly gestured to Mark's report about how GP was not a priority when it came to 311 responses regarding dumping. Patrick asked for clarification on what 311 did, and Mark said that it included many city services.

Marge made a motion that they write a letter addressing these issues to the Bureau of Sanitation and the community districts, Mark seconded

The motion passed unanimously

Yes (9): Dane Ruby Marge Celina Mark Patrick Brian Molly Pavlo

Motion/Resolution to submit a "Letter of Request (LOR)" To Bureau of Street Services (BSS) and/or the Department of Transportation (LADOT) on the light/sensor issues at Avenue 31 at Eagle Rock Boulevard (Molly Lynn Taylor)

Mark complimented Molly for staying on top of these issues in Glassell Park. Molly said that she thought they approved this item during the September meeting. Mark did not remember it being approved. Patrick asked for clarification, and Molly said that this was this intersection was causing problems because people were either running the light or getting out of cars to press the crosswalk to get the light to change. Marge concurred but said that the lights surrounding that intersection were having issues as well.

15. Discussion/Possible Action To Create Host an "Abundant Harvest Organics Drop-Off Location at the Glassell Park Community/Senior Center. (Crystal Lynn-Orozco)

16. Discussion/Possible Action To Appoint A Board Member to Facilitate the "Abundant Harvest Organics Drop-Off Location at the Glassell Park Community/Senior Center. (Crystal Lynn-Orozco)

17. Discussion/Possible Action To Create a "Tenant's Advocacy Group" (Crystal Lynn-Orozco)

18. Discussion/Possible Action To Instruct By-Laws Committee to create/include Standing Rules/By-Laws regarding "Tenant's Advocacy Group" (Crystal Lynn-Orozco)

Mark suggested that they move on since Crystal was not there. Jim Heubach mentioned that item 18 had been discussed at the committee meeting that Crystal attended. He said that the committee suggested that someone on the board or in the community could take on a liaison position for this. Marge said that DONE is not currently entertaining any changes to the bylaws such as adding a board member or adding a position. Brian said that he had heard from many artists that the rent had been raised for them and that they are being pushed out of the neighborhood. Marge said that this seemed like a longer term position than an ad-hoc position. They would add this to the agenda when Crystal was there.

C. Committee/Ad Hoc Committee Reports/Updates (9:00p.m.)

1. Report and Recommendations from Budget & Finance Committee, (if any) (Crystal Lynn Orozco) a). Update/Status on board approved 2015-2016FY Budget submitted to Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment.

b). Update on 2015 – 2016FY Funding Available and/or Remaining Funds Available, if any.

Crystal was not there to speak on these.

2. Report/Recommendations/Status/Update from By-Laws Committee, (if any) (Jim Heubach)

a). Motion/Resolution to Adopt recently approved GPNC By-Laws issued by DONE/EmpowerLA (Jim Heubach)

b). Discussion/Possible Action to Adopt Committee Recommendations Regarding Amendments/Modifications/ Revisions.

Jim said that item C.2.a had already been addressed in the last meeting. Jim briefly discussed the revisions for item C2.b. The committee clarified the process for GPNC filling vacant seats; board member attendance; revising where the meeting agenda was posted; procedures for posting regarding the website and agenda; standing rules that would give committees more time to get items on the agenda; and procedures to request committee recorders to post information on meetings.

Molly asked for clarification about the number of copies (10) that needed to be made for a meeting—which meeting were they referring to. Some confusion as the agenda did not reflect the proper language the committee had sent. Molly asked if it was a Brown Act violation. Audience member who was on the committee said that the information was not on the website and it should have been posted. Audience member said that it might have been mistakenly removed, but that it might be a Brown Act violation. Marge said that she did not think they were responsible for making sure the agenda was not removed from the posting spot. She said that often she would post at the Super A and it would be torn down. Said that the website was a similar issue. She said that they did post as they were supposed to and that Wendy Moore had removed it incorrectly. Jim clarified on how the executive board created the agenda and how the committees put items on that agenda. Jim said that this allowed the committees to ask for items to be agendized without immediately providing the supporting documentation. Molly again said that what was on the agenda for the night was very different from what they had been hearing from the Bylaws committee. She asked if they are restricted to make the action on what was provided on the agenda, not on what was being discussed by the committee. Audience member asked if they could bring it back to the committee later once the information had been shared with the public.

Marge shared her frustration that the agenda did not reflect what she sent the secretary, Celina. Jim said that this information had been shared at the last meeting, and that it had been sent back to committee with requested changes. He asked all board members if they had any issues with the language that had been provided. He said that the language in the agenda was incorrect, but that he saw no problem with them acting on the supporting materials. Molly said that the issue was not what was being voted on but whether they could vote on it because the agenda have the proper information.

Mark said it was almost 9:30PM and that they should vote to extend the meeting.

Molly motioned to extend the meeting by 1/2 an hour and Marge seconded it.

The motion to extend the meeting 6-Y; 2-N, 1-Abstain

Yes (6): Dane Marge Mark Patrick Brian Molly

No (2): Celina Gladys

Abstain (1): Ruby

Mark asked how they could move forward with this. Marge said that if they decided to table this, then they should make sure that the information would be correctly reflected in the next meeting's agenda, since the agenda should reflect what is actually being voted on. There was a question of whether it should be inserted as a pdf; Marge said that she had sent it as a pdf and the language was completely different from what she sent. She said that next time it should be added as an attachment to the agenda

Marge motioned to table the item, and require that the bylaws revision be attached to the next agenda as a separate document; Molly seconded the motion.

Jim asked that they clarify that nothing needed to be done by the bylaws committee.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Yes (9): Dane Ruby Marge Mark Patrick Brian Molly Celina Gladys

3. Economic Development and Land Use Committee Updates, (if any) (Andy Montealegre/Ruby DeVera) (For City of LA Dept. of City Planning cases, view web link: <u>http://planning.lacity.org/cts\_internet/</u>)

a). Motion/Resolution to Adopt Committee Recommendations and/or "Letters of Support" On behalf of ED&LUC per Co-Chairs/Chairpersons for the following:

1). Address: 2702 West Avenue 33 Case No. DIR-2015-2556-CDO ENV-2015-2557-EAF VTT-73674-SL Project Description: Proposal of a Parcel Map/Small Lot Subdivision to permit six (6) Units 3 story 35' max ht. Applicant: Ani Petrosian/Alisa Karlan

2). Address: 4454 N. Sunnycrest Dr. Case No. ZA-2015-2150-ZAD-CDO ENV-2015-2151-CE Project Description: Proposal of a New SFD, observing reduced s.y. of 4 ft. in lieu of 7'[ on a substandard street.. Applicant: Bruce T. Mulhearn

b). Discussion/Possible Action to Approve "Letter of Interest" Regarding 2266 W Moss Avenue In Reference to DCP Case No(s) ZA-2014-4424-ZAD-SPP/ENV-2013-3691-MND

c). Discussion/Possible Action to Approve "Letter of Interest" Regarding 3835 N. Cazador St in Reference to DCP Case No(s) ZA-2013-3690-ZAA-SPP-2014-4425-EAF

d). Discussion/Possible Action to Approve "Letter of Interest" Regarding 2385-2401

e.) Yorkshire Blvd in Reference to OTC# RC06232015-926 e). Discussion/Possible Action to Approve "Letter of Recommendation" Regarding Hillside Roadway Width Improvements along frontages of subject properties.

Molly said that she did not like that the Land Use committee would read the letters aloud, but that they did not provide letters in advance to the board. Ruby said that these had been approved by the committee and that these were their recommendations. Marge said that she wished that Land Use would post the letters on the website. Marge said that she knew that changes had been made to the property mentioned in item a. of the recommendations and she wanted to know if the letter reflected the changes. Molly again reiterated that the recommendations were subject to stakeholder discussion and board approval.

Stakeholder said that it would be great to have the letters ahead of time particularly since many developments have gone forward without the neighborhood knowing what was happening until a later stage in the building process. Marge said that they used to have presentations from committees before they approved such things. She said she was on the Land Use committee and she had never seen the letters but only knew of their existence because she attended meetings. She asked where the supporting documents were for these items.

Stakeholder said that he agreed that the letters should be provided to the public. Marge said it was a violation of the Brown Act and Ruby said that it was agendized. She asked if they wanted to table it, and Mark said that that would be a good idea. Marge said that it would be a good idea to do outreach to neighbors in the areas that were going to be discussed. She said that they should not be talking about things that the interested parties were not aware of. Asked for people to volunteer to let these affected areas know about the forthcoming meeting.

Marge motioned to table all of item 3 and reiterated that anything on the agenda should be made public in advance of meeting; Mark seconded the motion.

Ruby DeVera left the meeting which broke quorum and Brian Frobisher was seated as an alternate.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Yes (8):
Dane
Marge
Mark
Patrick
Brian S.
Molly
Celina
Brian F.

4. Outreach & Communications Committee Update, (if any) (Molly Lynn Taylor/Michael Divic)

a). Discussion/Possible Action To Address Concerns about censorship, mistrust, and bias in reference to the GPNC Website, Social Media, and other electronic communications outside of public meetings b). Discussion/Possible Action on overview of the Committee Chair Protocols/Standing Rules for Website posting/requests/procedures for electronic attachments. Page 4 (Continued From Page 4) c). Discussion/Possible Action on the GPNC Website and social media service provider "Roles, Rules and Responsibilities", and committee chairs & recorders.

d). Discussion/Possible Action on the budgeted amount of \$100 p/m for city approved vendor, Moore Business Results.

e). Update/Status on Newsletter Articles and board member assignments.

f). Discussion/Possible Action on Recommendations for Budget, Timeline, Dissemination and Distribution Methods for Fall/Winter Newsletter

Molly said that the recommendation for 4.a. on the agenda was differently worded than what she had requested be put on the agenda. She asked what censorship, mistrust, and bias the item was talking about. She said the person who had put the item on the agenda was not there to speak on it. Marge said that she had some issues with this as well, but that the people who could talk about it were no longer at the meeting. Brian said that he saw an email that seemed to imply that Marge and Molly were doing distrustful deeds. Molly said that she had been a longtime volunteer and that she thought her service was beyond reproach. Molly read 4.b. Molly said that the purpose of 4.c was not clear. She went through the rest of the items for

4 and asked board members to send updates for newsletter articles.

Molly discussed item 4.f. It was voted down in August but it had been decided that they would discuss it later. Mark asked if there was any action anyone wanted to take on this. Marge asked how much money was being requested, and Molly said \$3500. Marge asked if it was within the Outreach Committees budget, which it was.

Marge motioned that they budget up to \$3500 for the fall newsletter ideally to come out around Thanksgiving; Mark seconded the motion.

Motion Passed 7-Y; 1-Abstain

Yes (7): Dane Marge Mark Brian Sharp Molly Celina Brian

Abstain (1): Patrick

Grants & Funding Committee Report/Recommendations/Status/Updates (Bradley)
a). Motion/Resolution To Adopt Committee Recommendations for Roles, Rules, and Submittal Criteria dated September 9, 2015. Not Present

 Public Arts Committee Report/Recommendations/Status/Updates (Crystal Lynn Orozco) a). Motion/Resolution To Adopt Committee Recommendations dated (None Provided) Not Present

7. Education Ad-Hoc Committee Report/Recommendations/Status/Updates (Celina Pinto) (None Provided) No Report

8. Elections Adhoc Committee Report/Recommendations/Status/Update (Jim Heubach) (None Provided) Not Present

9. Announcements/Public Comments

Stakeholder asked about the letter that would be drafted for 311. Would it be put online for the public to read? Molly said that that was the process when she was the chair--everything should be online.

D. New Community Activities/Business & Developments/Issues and/or Concerns

Marge said that they voted to spend \$100-150 per meeting for food and that they have not had any food at meetings. Mark said that they should do it going forward. Mark volunteered picking it up if someone placed an order on the day of the next meeting.

E. Adjourned 10PM.