Minutes of September 19, 2011

Called to order:

No quorum so Representative Mike Feuer, who was in attendance, was invited to speak.

Mike Feuer spoke about issues in the California Legislature; bills he has sponsored and bills that are in process. Mike then held a question and answer period with attending citizens.

A quorum was reached.

Present: Debbi Aldahl, Robert Abrahamian, Bechir Blagui, Samuel Leiaghat, Nicole Manzo, Margaret Marmolejo, Don D. Paul, Erik Sanjurjo, David Schlesinger, Charles Suhayda, Susan Swan

Public Comments: Lucy mentioned the meeting on Tuesday at Hollywood City Hall.

Motion to approve minutes of August, 2011 with corrections of June, 2011 minutes

Motion: Charles Suhayda
Second: Don D. Paul

Motion Passed:
Yea – 10
Nay – 0
Abstain – 1

Motion to approve November, 2010 minutes

Motion: Margaret Marmolejo
Second: Don D. Paul

Motion Passed:
Yea – 9
Nay – 0
Abstain – 2
Motion to approve July, 2011 minutes

Motion: Susan Swan  
Second: Bechir Blagui

Motion Passed:  
Yea – 9  
Nay – 0  
Abstain – 2

A motion was made to ask our leaders to support Congressman Berman’s legislation regulating use of helicopters and protection of open space in the Hollywood hills and other areas.

Motion: Susan Swan  
Second: Bechir Blagui

Motion Passed:  
Yea – 11  
Nay – 0

Finance

Charles reported, in his budget report that we have used up the credit card limit. We will need to use demand warrants from now on.

A motion was made to reallocate funding to St. Andrews Place stairs upkeep up to $2,000

Motion: Susan Swan  
Second: Robert Abrahamian

Motion Passed:  
Yea – 10  
Nay – 0  
Abstain – 1
A motion was made to approve up to $500 to help pay for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils expenses such as food, video, and other items.

Motion: Susan Swan
Second: Bechir Blagui

Motion Passed:
Yea – 10
Nay – 0
Abstain – 1

A motion was made to approve funding for a DOT study consultant for safe access to Lake Hollywood Park (Hollywood Sign viewing area)

Motion: Susan Swan
Second: David Schlesinger

Motion Passed:
Yea – 11
Nay – 0

Notice was given in regards to the Hollywood Community meeting on Tuesday September 20th in regards to the growth of tour bus/van tours and tourism to view points of the Hollywood sign. Councilman La Bonge and Councilman Garcetti invites all to a community discussion at Hollywood City Hall.

A motion was made to ask City Council to place a referendum on the ballot in 2013 to determine if the citizens want to continue the Mayor’s Coal Elimination Timeline.

Motion: Erik Sanjurjo
Second: Susan Swan

Motion Passed:
Yea – 10
Nay – 0
Absent – 1
A motion was made to support the LA Neighborhood Council Coalition and other Neighborhood Councils in regards to the Department of Water and Power, opposing any action of the DWP and City Council to raise water and power rates until a Ratepayers Advocate is established to review any proposed increases.

Motion: Susan Swan
Second: Robert Abrahamian

Motion Passed:
Yea – 9
Nay – 0

PLUM

A motion regarding the impacts of the Millennium Project on the community was tabled.

A motion was made to re-submit a letter opposing adoption of the revised citywide sign ordinance

Motion: Susan Swan
Second: David Schlesinger

Motion Passed:
Yea – 8
Nay – 0
Abstain – 1

A motion was made to express disapproval of a proposal to open Mount Hollywood Drive to motor vehicular traffic.

Motion: Don D. Paul
Second: Nicole Manzo

Motion Passed:
Yea – 8
Nay – 1
A motion was made for a letter of support towards the application (with restrictions) for Alcoholic Beverages at 6145 Franklin Avenue (Hotel)

Restrictions: Valet parking available and on-site
At least 10 parking spaces available for the lounge
The lounge will close at 2 a.m. at the latest

Motion: David Schlesinger
Second: Nicole Manzo

Motion Passed:
Yea – 9
Nay – 0

Executive Committee

A motion was made to clean up and revise the standing rules and use “Rosenberg’s Rules of Order.

Motion: Susan Swan
Second: Don D. Paul

Motion Passed:
Yea – 9
Nay – 0

No Old Business
No New Business

Meeting adjourned.