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**BOARD MEETING**

**Monday, February 26, 2018, 6:30 PM**

**Fire Station 82 Annex**

**1800 N. BRONSON AVENUE, L.A., CA 90028**

**Second Floor Conference Room**

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Welcome

**6:43 PM start**

**1. Roll Call**

**Attending**

Susan Swan	Tom Meredith	Chona Galvez	Anji Williams	Sheila Irani	Robert Litomisky
George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Coyote Shivers	Margaret Marmolejo	Erin Penner
Robin McWilliams	Adam Miller	Violet Williams	Brandi D'Amore		

**Absent**

Greg Morris

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**A) Approval of December Minutes**

**Motion Made: Approve December minutes**

**Motion:** George Skarpelos      **Second:** Adam Miller      **Vote:** Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Anji Williams	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner
George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Robert Litomisky	Robin McWilliams	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

**B) Approval of January Minutes**

**Susan does not approve of January minutes as they are because of the way one motion's vote was written.**

**Motion Made: Approve of January minutes with Susan's ammended vote to yes for 7.A.2.**

**Motion:** George Skarpelos      **Second:** Brandi D'Amore      **Vote:** Yes-11, No-0, Abstain-4, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Anji Williams	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	Jim Van Dusen
Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Robin McWilliams	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	

**Abstain**

Chona Galvez	George Skarpelos	Robert Litomisky	Tom Meredith
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**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

3. Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (2 minutes each)

***Lisa stood up to express her issue with cars being towed due to what she feels are improperly handled parking signs. Sheila suggests that Lisa brings this to the PSW&T meeting. Adam explains that DOT places the signs but BSS flips them.***

***Nicole Bernal from the Yucca Community Center shares her upcoming event that she is looking for funding for.***

4. Introduction: Deputy Chief Armando R. Hogan, LAFD

5. Jack Humphreville, Budget Advocate (5 minutes)

***Jack Humphreville spoke about his recent meetings with Recycle LA and Permanent Supportive Housing.***

6. Announcements from any City, County, State, or Federal representatives in attendance (5 minutes each)

***Shannon Prior announces staffing changes within the city and David Ryu's office. She then states that the Party House Ordinance has officially passed City Council. Shannon urges everyone to sign up for the CD4 newsletter and to send her updates for any neighborhood events that need to be promoted. The Griffith Park Access & Mobility study will be presented next Thursday, the 8th, at 6:30pm at the Crystal Springs Park Ranger Station. Open Data LA Day is coming up on March 2nd. George thanked Shannon for all of her help representing the council district at the recent CERT graduation.***

***Susan reads an e-mail sent from interim SLO Heather Seieroe in regards to current local crime statistics.***

***SLO Ben Thompson from LAPD gives his update to also help SLO Heather Seieroe who could not be in attendance. Officer Thompson mentions the uptick in Metro crime and the need for more officers. Brandi mentions her concerns with alcohol at UCB. A stakeholder from Beachwood mentions her serious concerns with David Merck being in the community after being released from prison. Coyote tells the community he feels David Merck is innocent.***

7. HUNC Committee & Liaison announcements on items not on the Agenda (5 minutes)

***Brandi mentions a recent meeting with Shannon Prior in regards to crime and recent homeless issues, specifically regarding one person in the area. There is a 79% increase in burglary in our HUNC area. Brandi mentions there is a limited Hollywood PD staff even with recent added patrol cars.***

***Margaret speaks about her latest street cleanup and how she witnessed a large part of the homeless community offering help to clean our streets.***

***Anji is hosting 3 upcoming books talks for Women's Heritage Month.***

***Adam mentions that the American Legion is looking to do a monthly cleanup around the eastern part of the district.***

***George mentions his recent meeting with Chief Palka in regards to current crime issues. He was also at a recent Hollywood Chamber of Commerce meeting and discussed a collaboration with LAPD in regards to crime/homeless issues.***

***Chona reminds everyone to notice the upcoming street closures.***

8. Board Member announcements on items not on the Agenda (5 minutes)

A) Update on Yucca/Argyle project

***Coyote gives update on his Yucca/Argyle project in an effort to beautify the area. Members are given a visual of ideas for the layout of the beautification project. Brandi mentions that homeless encampments can occur in this type of area. Adam states that it doesn't look like it would get encampments like the Vermont Triangle because there is less of a plaza.***

9. Updates on Community and HUNC Events (15 minutes)

## A) Street Cleanup coming up on March 10

**Erin states that the next neighborhood street cleanup will be March 10th from 10-12pm, with a meeting place at Oaks Gourmet and waters and lunch provided.**

## B) Update on proposed LGBTQI Fair/Forum

**Robin McWilliams explains that First Presbyterian Church denied the idea of an LGBTQI Fair/Forum on Harvey Milk Day, so she is open to suggestions and venues to look at. Tom mentions the idea of doing the event at Cheremoya and Anji feels LAUSD would support an LGBTQI event. Robin states that she has many speakers and organizations on board, but wants a welcoming venue. George suggests using the Ford Theater.**

## C) Update on proposed Self-Defense class for adults

**Sheila states that she is looking into self-defense classes to be held at Cheremoya.**

## 1. Motion to approve up to \$2000, for instructor, space and snacks

**Motion:** Sheila Irani                      **Second:** George Skarpelos                      **Vote:** Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Anji Williams	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner
George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Robert Litomisky	Robin McWilliams
Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith			

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

## D) Update on CREST event

**Coyote states that the CREST event was a 50% success as only half of the participants showed up and half of the FBI agents showed up.**

## 1. Motion to approve up to \$50 to mail certificates of completion

**Motion:** Coyote Shivers                      **Second:** George Skarpelos                      **Vote:** Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

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George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Robert Litomisky	Robin McWilliams
Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith			

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

## E) Update on CERT class

**Margaret gave her update on the successful 40-person graduation class of the latest CERT event. She is hoping that they can have another CERT course in the summer.**

## F) Update on First Aid class

**Erin states that the next free First Aid/CPR class will be from 9-3 on March 24th with lunch provided.**

## 10. Motion for Reconsideration of the Vote taken at January 22, 2018 Board Meeting regarding item number 7 A2:

January 22, 2018:

Item 7. PLUM Committee

A) 6446 West Innsdale Drive: Project: Legalization of a 12-foot front yard fence and 18-foot side yard fence within the required front and side yards of a lot currently developed as a single family residence. Requested Actions(s):

2. MOTION TO DENY: 2. A Zoning Administrator's Adjustment to legalize: 1) a 4-foot concrete wall and 12-foot hedge for a combined fence height of 12 feet, in lieu of the otherwise permitted 3.5 feet fence within the required front

yard

Motion: Sheila Irani Second: Erin Penner Vote: Yes-2, No-10, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Motion Made: Motion for Reconsideration of the Vote taken at January 22, 2018 Board Meeting regarding item number 7 A2: January 22, 2018:  
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**Motion: Sheila Irani Second: Erin Penner Vote: Yes-2, No-10, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1**

**New motion:**

**Approve the legalization--Coyote, Adam, Luis, Coyote, Anji, Margaret, Shiela**

**Opposed to legalization-- Brandi, Jim, Robin, Erin, Susan**

**Motion:** Susan Swan                      **Second:** Robert Litomisky                      **Vote:** Yes-13, No-2, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Robert Litomisky	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

**No**

Anji Williams	Robin McWilliams
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**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

11. Discussion and Motion regarding PLUM Committee recommendations at January 22, 2018 Board meeting regarding:

A) 6446 West Innsdale Drive: Project: Legalization of a 12-foot front yard fence and 18-foot side yard fence within the required front and side yards of a lot currently developed as a single family

1. Motion to Support the Zoning Administrator's Adjustment to legalize: 1) a 4-foot concrete wall and 2-foot hedge for a combined fence height of 12 feet, in lieu of the otherwise permitted 3.5 feet fence within the required front yard

**\*Change 2 to 12 foot**

**Susan mentions that she feels it wrong that the zoning administrator had this hedge legalization brought to a neighborhood council board rather than it being dealt with the city directly.**

**Motion Made: Motion to Support the Zoning Administrator's Adjustment to legalize: 1) a 4-foot concrete wall and 12-foot hedge for a combined fence height of 12 feet, in lieu of the otherwise permitted 3.5 feet fence within the required front yard**

**Motion:** Jim Van Dusen                      **Second:** Sheila Irani                      **Vote:** Yes-6, No-5, Abstain-4, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Anji Williams	Coyote Shivers	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Sheila Irani
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**No**

Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Jim Van Dusen	Robin McWilliams	Susan Swan
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**Abstain**

Chona Galvez	George Skarpelos	Robert Litomisky	Tom Meredith
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**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

12. Update from Homeless Liaison: update on homeless count, update on what is happening post Prop HHH and Measure H., introduction of Homeful LA <https://homeful.la/>

**Erin Thompson from Homeful.LA introduces herself and her organization which is an online resource hub for homeless volunteering opportunities.**

A) Discussion and possible Motion to support permanent supportive housing

**Erin makes a motion to approve a CIS in support of Supportive Housing. Adam seconds.**

**Unanimous vote in support.**

## 13. Education Committee

- A) Update: Youth Committee meeting will be held at 5:30pm for 30 minutes prior to each meeting
- B) Violet is coordinating activation at Franklin Ivar Park. Motion to approve \$750 for materials for activation events at local park

**Violet Williams shares her upcoming events for the youth in the area. She is hoping to have a movie night in June or July in Franklin/Ivar park. Shannon Prior mentions that the council office was very impressed with Violet's activism.**

**Motion:** Anji Williams      **Second:** Coyote Shivers      **Vote:** Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

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Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

**Abstain**

Jim Van Dusen

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

## 14. Finance (10 minutes)

- A) Discussion of budget to date and vote to approve January MER for submission

**Motion:** Tom Meredith      **Second:** George Skarpelos      **Vote:** Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

Adam Miller	Anji Williams	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	George Skarpelos
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Robert Litomisky	Robin McWilliams	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

- B) Review status of Board member compliance on Funding Training and calendar for upcoming sessions, discussion of process for submission of funding items and best practices to ensure fulfillment

**We are 100% ethics trained.**

- C) Discussion, review and vote to approve increasing Verizon hot-spot monthly allowance up to \$100 from \$75, currently.

**Motion:** George Skarpelos      **Second:** Luis Saldivar      **Vote:** Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

**Yes**

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**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

- D) Discussion and vote to approve Application for NPG by Hollywood Dell Civic Association up to \$2500 for the purchase of durable trash and/or recycling receptacles to be installed and maintained by HDCA

**Tabled: tabled**

- F) Discussion and vote to approve up to \$650 for two dog waste stations and replacement bags, payment pending 1. An agreement with private property owner that is acceptable to the City; or 2. request is reconfigured as from a NPG

**Tabled**

## 1. Discussion and vote to approve up to \$150 for battery powered bullhorn for events or disaster.

**Motion:** Sheila Irani**Second:** Susan Swan**Vote:** Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1**Yes**

Adam Miller

Anji Williams

Brandi D'Amore

Chona Galvez

Coyote Shivers

Erin Penner

George Skarpelos

Jim Van Dusen

Luis Saldivar

Margaret Marmolejo

Robert Litomisky

Robin McWilliams

Sheila Irani

Susan Swan

Tom Meredith

**Ineligible**

Violet Williams

## 2. Update on previously approved funding items

## 15. Discussion and review of HUNC stakeholder-relevant surveys utilizing HUNC Survey Monkey's product and services

***Tom discusses the two suggestions for our first two Survey Monkey surveys for this year; one involving noise and one involving local crime.***

A) Discuss and review of Committee questions provided to date, and intentions of those Committees who have not provided any questions or topics for community surveys.

***Committees agree to send along their questions as soon as possible to Tom Meredith.***

## 16. Review HUNC Board Elections in 2019, seats available, Election Committee to be selected July 1.

## 17. Community Impact Statements: Discussion and vote to support/reject:

## 18. Old/Ongoing Business

## 19. New/Future Business

Adjournment at 10:21 PM

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