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BOARD MEETING

Special Board Meeting

Monday, July 16, 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

6:52 PM start

1. Roll Call

Attending

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

Excused

Anji Williams	Greg Morris	Erin Penner	Violet Williams	Danielle Paris
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2. Approval of Minutes

Tom Meredith motioned as a point of order to bring up Councilmember Ryu as he has a busy evening.

Councilmember Ryu introduced himself and thanked the entire council, speaking from experience as a former neighborhood council member. He commended the council for taking a volunteer position that is mostly thankless, and added that neighborhood councils were once an experiment, but one that has succeeded, and is here to stay.

When he was elected, the president of the city council took chairmanship of neighborhood councils because he recognized how important they were. He thanked the board for stepping up and making the neighborhood great, and thanked certain outgoing members of the neighborhood council. He presented a certificate of recognition to Susan Swan, one of the founding members of the council. He also came with certificates of recognition for absent board members Violet Williams and Anji Williams, who, although they were stepping down, were still working with Councilmember Ryu's office on a movie night for the Hollywood community. He thanked the board again and its outgoing board members, and called for rounds of applause for Shannon Prior and Senior Lead Officers Thompson and White who were present.

Ms. Swan then directed the board to review minutes from the previous month's meeting.

Matt Wait had a correction, that government representative Mr. Morales had provided his email, not Mr. Wait, and had answered Mr. Wait's question in the affirmative.

Jeff Ramberg also had a correction under 7A, that "turned down" should be "torn down".

Brandi D'Amore also had spelling errors under motion B under PLUM committee, where it should read "compelled". Also, under 10G, it should read "Southern".

Luis Saldivar also added that there was an error under page 2.

Motion: George Skarpelos **Second:** Adam Miller **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan

Tom Meredith

Abstain

Robert Litomisky

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

The director of Hollywood Orchard, a grassroots environmental organization, introduced herself to HUNC. She explained that they're doing a lot of projects locally, including field trips with local schools. They are intending to work on science projects with local schools as well, and wanted to invite the board members to an oak ecology event and encouraged them to spread the word. They also do community fruit picks in the canyon and a community pop-up kitchen, and at least 2/3rds of the produce gets donated to local charities. She imagines that they'll be approaching the council in the future with plans for expansion.

Lee Thompson talked about the area at Argyle and Yucca and explained that DWP has finished their landscaping in the area, which was gorgeous. Also, he added that downtown Hollywood had temporary no-parking signs last weekend which were still up, and that elderly friends of his who drive were confused by it. Brandi D'Amore noticed that from Hollywood Ave to Franklin Ave on Argyle, parking meter tops were taken off, and questioned Shannon Prior about it. Ms. Prior explained that it could be due to parking demand in the area.

Adam Miller added that there had been an increase in signage lately, which could be due to filming, and might not be legitimate. Ms. Prior advised the board to email Dan Halden at CD13 to check on the legitimacy of the signs and why they are still up. A lot of times, Ms. Prior finds that similar situations are due to DWP projects that might last months, and she hopes that the database showing the reasons for such signage will become public. She has been talking to her superiors about it.

Luis Saldivar wanted to follow up on the Argyle parking spaces: a lot of times, the Pantages closes up the meters on the western side of Argyle, and also construction projects in the area have led to the spaces being closed off to give more room for crew parking. Sheila Irani asked if Lee Thompson wanted to send an email to Dan.

Lucy wanted to make a public comment about how much she enjoyed the Hollywood Bowl rehearsals by musicians.

4. Jack Humphreville, Budget Advocate (5 minutes)

Jack Humphreville was not present. Susan Swan said that District Area 5 needed to come up with a budget advocate, and Tom Meredith and Luis Saldivar declined to become a budget advocate. Ms. Swan implored the stakeholders present to consider becoming a budget advocate or encourage others they know who would be interested to become a budget advocate.

Tom Meredith said that there was no budget update, but wanted to emphasize that becoming a budget rep was like an intense crash course and involved a great deal of work: if you want to learn about the city really quickly, become a budget advocate.

Chona Galvez added that if anyone wanted to become a budget advocate, be prepared to sacrifice thousands of hours of your time.

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

Jeff Ramberg said that the scramble at Hollywood Blvd was open. Sheila Irani added that the self-defense course which was held last weekend was well-attended and successful, and that they had a number of homeless attended as well, and that A Million Drops was working on holding a stress-management class for homeless as well. Sheila Irani also updated the council on the success of the efforts of Showers For Hope in securing funding and successfully providing showers for homeless in the area.

Adam Miller added that he had heard from area homeless that they were really happy with the showers provided by Showers For Hope, and Tom Meredith concurred, saying that their efforts were really resonating with the homeless community.

Jim Van Dusen asked if the vouchers provided by Showers of Hope also provided for homeless participants to clean their clothes, and Ms. Irani said that they had renewed the laundry vouchers, but that the shower program does not require vouchers.

Margaret Marmolejo said that they had their first CERT class on Wednesday, and had a good turnout of roughly 30 people. She added that if anyone knew someone who would like to come to the next class, they are welcome to.

George Skarpelos added that he was on the discretionary funds task force for David Ryu, and had been named Vice-Chair.

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

Shannon Prior donated her time to other government representatives in attendance.

Lorenzo asked if the board had approved their inventory, which they had.

SLO Brian White said that he would be the area's active SLO for the next several weeks. It has been a bad weekend for crime, mostly with burglaries and property crimes, but there were several aggravated assaults as well. He recommended continued diligence, especially with regard to property being left visible inside cars and with doors to houses being unlocked. He would be working with another lead officer in an operation involving a decoy vehicle to try to catch a thief in the act. There has been a lot of loud party activity up in the hills, and it had made the news with an active home invasion/burglary.

SLO White was working on a plan with the Vice unit for a plan involving that location, and encouraged board members and stakeholders to email him at 38074@lapd.online, or call or text the area LAPD number at 213-793-0710.

Sheila Irani asked what had happened to the old SLO, and SLO White said that the previous SLO for the HUNC area, Heather, was currently pregnant, and would not be in the field for a while. She is currently administrative capacity only. Word is, there are efforts to fill the position permanently.

Tom Meredith said that communities in the area, including the Dell, have been focused more on reporting incidents, and wondered if that had contributed to the inflation of crime statistics. SLO White said that there were lots of people who felt that they were experiencing more crime, so he didn't want to devalue their experience.

Brandi D'Amore explained that there is a white supremacist group that had been frequenting local young bars recently, and asked SLO White if the LAPD could patrol the area in response. SLO White said that the police couldn't tell them they couldn't be in a certain area, but that he would be happy to increase police presence in the area.

John Deutsch introduced himself as a representative of the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council. They had an election which had a 50% increase in turnout recently, and currently have 13 active committees. They are doing a back-to-school drive tomorrow before their meeting at the Masonic lodge on the corner of Franklin and Vermont, and encouraged the board and stakeholders present to participate. They have a lot of new members who are enthusiastic and excited, and are looking forward to working with HUNC in the future.

Brandi D'Amore read a statement from Dan, who mentioned that the Selma safe routes from schools were still under construction, with closures continuing until around August 14th, and summarized a few other complete or near-completion construction projects in the area. He was also going to circle back and check on a garbage dumping issue with a building. He also addressed the traffic overflow from Hollywood Bowl events, and though there were multiple jurisdictions involved, he would work to alleviate the issues.

Robert Litomisky made a statement, noticing that there was nobody from the fire department at the meeting, but said that there was a fire at his house this past weekend, and wanted to thank the fire department for their prompt response and for saving several structures.

Angela (government representative) represented LiveNation and the LA Philharmonic at the Hollywood Bowl, and said that they would be doing a hard closure at Milner this weekend in order to keep the street off of Waze and GoogleMaps. There would be extra officers, but it could impact the neighborhood, so she will send out an email advising the community. Ms. D'Amore asked where residents could get parking placards, since some were unable or could not find where to get resident parking placards for past events, and Angela said that they should be able to reach out to their local government or go to the Hollywood Bowl's parking office.

Coyote Shivers wanted to know how GoogleMaps and Waze knew that the roads were closed, and Angela explained that there was a "strange hierarchy of editors", so editors who drive by traffic restrictions or incidents can report them, but the City can also notify them. What they've found is when the Hollywood Bowl tries to trick Waze that streets are closed, editors with higher priority will drive by, notice it isn't closed, and change the streets' status.

SLO Thompson also had a brief note, adding that the area was lucky to have SLO White filling in, and said that he was knowledgeable, dedicated, and attentive, and taught Officer Thompson everything he knows. SLO Thompson talked about a pilot program by CD13 that would be fully rolled out this weekend involving Sanitation, and the LAPD was performing a support roll.

It establishes a special enforcement zone for bulky items on the sidewalk. Because there's a lot of street commerce taking place, a lot of people have large obstructions that they set down on the sidewalks which create bottlenecks and inhibit mobility. This pilot program is attempting to address the issue. Currently, there are about 50 signs which have been placed along Hollywood Blvd directed at the buildings on the north and south of the sidewalk which have information about it being a special enforcement zone, as well as about the municipal code the program will be relying on for enforcement. There would be officers from the LAPD and investigators from the

Bureau of Street Services handing out information regarding the program, and the program would last 4-6 weeks.

Sheila Irani asked what bulky items the program was addressing, and SLO Thompson and other board members explained that businesses in the area frequently put out large tables and chairs without the necessary permits, as well as large displays of goods or products.

SLO Thompson added that the enforcement procedure is supposed to be humanitarian, and would encourage people to reduce the amount of material they placed on sidewalks. It is supposed to give people who place bulky items on the sidewalk a time limit where they can remove them. They would also be enforcing the takedown of homeless encampments along Hollywood Blvd.

Adam Miller talked about doing a combined cleanup on July 28 with the Legion and Erin Penner, and LFNC will probably contribute people as well. He encouraged anyone interested to come to the cleanup, and said he would provide information on the website.

7. PLUM Committee

Jim Van Dusen talked about the Convenience Store project, a little Super Mart, and their request for a Conditional Use Permit upgrade to a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing grocery/convenience store. The hours of operation will have to be adjusted to 6:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. PLUM had raised the issue of the homeless encampments across the street, and the need for the business to monitor and be aware, and to be vigilant with regards to their alcohol sales in the area.

PLUM's recommendation was to approve both requests regarding the hard liquor sales and increased hours. There were no questions for the applicants.

A) Discussion and possible Motion(s) regarding:

Project: Convenience Store, 6213 Franklin Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90028. Action(s) Requested

1. A Conditional Use Permit to upgrade from the sale for off-site consumption of beer and wine to a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing 1,500 Sq. Ft. grocery/convenience store.

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Luis Saldivar **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Matt Wait	Robert Litomisky	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Margaret Marmolejo

2. Deviation from the Mini-shopping Center standard. Requesting hours of operation from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m

Motion Made: Deviation from the Mini-shopping Center standard. Requesting hours of operation from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Motion: Coyote Shivers **Second:** Jim Van Dusen **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Chona Galvez	Coyote Shivers	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Matt Wait	Robert Litomisky	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Margaret Marmolejo

Ineligible

Violet Williams

8. Report from the quarterly Hollywood Neighborhood Council Meeting at the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce

George Skarpelos went to the HNC meeting with John Deutsch. They had a report there from Jonathan Larson, one of the adjutants of Captain Palca, and they talked about certain things they're doing with regards to homelessness in the area, and learned that interim SLO's were only kept in the position for two months. The other thing Mr. Skarpelos thought was important was the Community Plan Improvement Overlay, and in HUNC's area, it was a small spot between the freeway and Cahuenga and Hollywood blvd up. They are trying to make it more pedestrian-friendly. The website Hcpu-2.org has information and an interactive map with more information on the overlay zones. They also discussed fees collected here, and whether they would be used somewhere else, and said they would be restricted to projects in the Hollywood area.

Sheila Irani added that the sidewalk under the Odin tunnel is in horrible shape, and asked for it to be brought up at the next HNC meeting.

9. PSW&T Committee

- A) Update on Villa Carlotta ribbon-cutting ceremony by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, possible Motion for letter
Tabled: Brandi D'Amore summarized the issue, and asserted that the company behind Villa Carlotta, CGI, had engaged in duplicitous and underhanded behavior to evict and displace some 50 renters for the purpose of turning the property into a residential hotel. The purpose of the letter was to admonish the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce for giving tacit approval to these business practices by holding a closed ribbon-cutting ceremony which surprised and angered the community.

George Skarpelos suggested the motion be for he and Ms. D'Amore to draft a letter for next meeting to achieve the maximum impact. Robert Litomisky suggested that they concentrate on the ethical issues without being heavy-handed. Mr. Skarpelos also suggested Jim Van Dusen contribute, and Susan Swan suggested Adam Miller contribute as well. Further, having their chamber representative Mr. Skarpelos contribute will help to give the letter balance.

- B) Update on Gershwin Apartments

Brandi D'Amore summarized the issue regarding the Gershwin Apartments. The property's and the property behind's landlord has been doing incredibly sketchy things: not accepting rent, doing cash for keys, leaving the property dangerously unattended. The LA Tenant's unit and the EPA are now looking at the property; the landlord has been removing property, and may be subject to felony charges now. It has since come out that the landlord is a known slumlord. They are trying to get Gershwin vacant to raise the market value, and the landlord is now threatening tenants.

Susan Swan asked Brandi D'Amore to keep the board updated on the ongoing situation. Adam Miller added that they are now refusing to accept rent, which is completely illegal, although he and Ms. D'Amore have been encouraging tenants to get receipts each time they pay rent.

- C) Update regarding inquiry to CGI about renting

Tabled

- D) Review of the League of Women Voters LA forum, "LA on Board? The Intersection Between Transportation and Housing", that was held on July 14th

Adam Miller explained that the forum happened the day before yesterday, and that he could only stay for a few minutes.

10. Discussion and Motion to approve "Resilience Liaison(s)" to the Mayor's office of Resilience

<https://www.lamayor.org/Resilience>.

Susan Swan summarized the packet discussing the concept of Resilience Liaisons, and explained that in the near future the Mayor's office and EmpowerLA would hold a town hall with resilience liaisons from across LA.

The Resilience campaign is designed to enhance the city's strengths and prepare it for challenges to come in the future. Adam Miller and Jeff Ramberg volunteered to go to the Resilience meeting to find out what the initiative was all about.

Susan Swan motioned then that Adam Miller and Jeff Ramberg go to the meeting.

Motion Made: Discussion and Motion to approve "Resilience Liaison(s)" to the Mayor's office of Resilience
<https://www.lamayor.org/Resilience>.

Susan Swan motioned then that Adam Miller and Jeff Ramberg go to the meeting.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

11. Website transition update and discussion

George Skarpelos summarized the website transition and added that they had used MailChimp to scrub for defunct email addresses and to automatically distribute information about HUNC and HUNC/local events. He has also adjusted the menus for better readability on tablets. He also implemented "sticky" posts, which will stay posted at the top of the website until a predetermined time. They will also be implementing a feature to be able to search through their document archives and pdfs.

Susan Swan suggested that they were missing a clear path to the archived site and archived minutes, and needed a way of directing the public to find such things. Susan Swan suggested having a link that clearly says "To Find Old Board Meetings, Go To etc."

Tom Meredith recommended as they go through the website creating a log of things that they would like to see added or changed, and they could then review it as a board.

Ms. Swan suggested considering duties regarding the website during the board retreat, and that Lorenzo would have to keep them posted on not violating Brown Act rules. Go Daddy has also informed Mr. Skarpelos that their old server plan would be going away by March of next year.

12. Finance

A) Discussion of FY2017/2018 year end budget

Tom Meredith explained that HUNC was now fully-funded at \$42,000 thanks to them passing their budget in the June meeting. It does not include the money that Erin Penner received for her community cleanups totally roughly \$4,000.

B) Discussion and vote to approve June Monthly Expense Report for submission

Tom Meredith summarized the June MER, and added that they had roughly \$40 left in their account by the end of June, and thus gave almost nothing back to the city. They had also spent money on new outreach items, including new dog waste bags, new pens, and bicycle reflectors. He thought that they were in good shape for outreach events for a while.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

C) Motion to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$250 for A Million Drops for art classes for homeless

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

D) Motion to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$250 for A Million Drops for 17 sleeping bags.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

E) Motion to approve up to \$200 per month for food & supplies for monthly HUNC street cleanups in the new fiscal year

Motion: Sheila Irani **Second:** Luis Saldivar **Vote:** Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- F) Discussion to reschedule and vote to approve up to \$1000 for Tree/Plant Give-Away and pottery painting at Franklin Ivar Park, date TBD.

Susan Swan explained that Violet had been planning the event described in the issue, and that they had asked Lorenzo if they could have more non-voting Youth seats, since they had two people wanting to become a Youth member of the council. She suggested getting Julia and Erin Penner involved.

Sheila Irani commented that the amount seemed high, and Tom Meredith explained that there were approximately \$700 worth of fees associated with using Franklin Ivar Park now.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- G) Discussion and vote to approve up to \$200 for the purchase of refreshments for Movie Night at Franklin/Ivar Park on August 25.

Shannon Prior spoke to the issue, and says she was assisting Violet Williams in making the Movie Night a reality, and said that the Councilmember's office would be paying for a screen and generator for the event.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- H) Discussion and vote to approve up to \$2100 for CERT Training refreshments (7 sessions X \$300/session)

George Skarpelos noted that when they got the materials last time, they came three-hole punched and shrink-wrapped, and it was an opportunity to put the HUNC logo on it and brand it.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- I) Discussion and vote to approve up to \$700 for HUNC branded large 3-ring binders to accommodate CERT Training paper materials

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- J) Discussion and vote to approve up to \$500 for Word Press modules and plug-ins.

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- K) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$300 for the MailChimp marketing automation platform and email marketing service

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

Yes

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

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- L) Discussion and motion to approve payment up to \$500 to Swank Films to license the movie Goonies, for the Franklin/Ivar Park Movie Night on August 25

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

Yes

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Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- M) Discussion and motion to approve reimbursement to Anji Williams for \$31.12 for refreshments, supplies and incidentals purchased at Smart and Final and Nature-Watch for, activities at Franklin/Ivar Park on May 19, 2018.

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

Yes

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Ineligible

Violet Williams

13. 2018 HUNC Elections: Discuss, review and vote to approve Election Plan and Budget.

Adam Miller explained that Robert Litomisky would be taking pictures of the HUNC board for the website following the meeting tonight.

George Skarpelos said that he was out of town last month, so wasn't able to put anything together, but suggested that Adam Miller, Tom Meredith, Margaret Marmolejo, and he get together to go over and discuss election plans. Adam Miller added that they would also be talking with the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council because their election had great turnout and was run smoothly. Next month, the board could vote on committee recommendations.

Lorenzo also clarified that their 2019 election would be around May, although he had to confirm.

14. Committee Reports on items not on the Agenda (5 minutes)

15. HUNC Committee & Liaison announcements on items not on the Agenda

Sheila Irani added that there is a national night out August 7th, which has been posted to the website.

16. Discussion and Motion to approve that the current Executive Committee terms of office be terminated as of July 16, 2018 and new Elections be held on that day to run until immediately after the 2019 general HUNC Board election with the general HUNC Board election date having precedence over the one year period term as specified in HUNC Bylaws.

(Note: Chona Galvez had left by this point in the meeting)

Jim Van Dusen questioned where the vote was that they could rely on to show that they had passed up an option to extend Executive Committee terms to the 2019 election, and the minutes for last meeting were reviewed to determine the board's consensus. Susan Swan said that it was not on the agenda to prove or disprove a one-year extension of the term, and that the issue simply came up and the entire item was tabled. The board as a whole chose not to move forward on the one-year extension option. Mr. Van Dusen raised the issue that they had no formal documentation regarding the raising and refusal of the option.

Susan Swan clarified that the option was addressed via the wording of items 16 and 17. George Skarpelos suggested they vote on the motion. Jim Van Dusen restated his concern for the record that they had not addressed the first part of the motion as he stated and read, and does not see anything in the minutes that substantiates the board's consensus to refuse the one-year extension option.

Motion: Luis Saldivar **Second:** Margaret Marmolejo **Vote:** Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-3, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	Luis Saldivar
Margaret Marmolejo	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith		

Abstain

Jim Van Dusen	Matt Wait	Robert Litomisky
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Ineligible

Violet Williams

17. Outgoing President (Emeritus) Susan Swan: Discussion and Election of Executive Committee to serve as described in item 16

Susan Swan played a video for the board to summarize the advisory role of a neighborhood council featuring Carol Baker Tharp, the former General Manager of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment. In it, she asserts that the role of a Neighborhood Council board is to manage the money and to facilitate community discussion and forward community opinions to decision makers. She asserted that the purpose of a NC is not for people to get elected solely to make their own voice the only one which is heard.

Susan Swan then talked about Secession, where the Valley and the Harbor wanted to secede because they felt they were not represented. The Neighborhood Council system was born out of Secession, in order to facilitate the hearing of community voices. She emphasized that the next president must know the laws and rules that bind the council.

As they move into the election, concerns have been made about losing Tom Meredith as treasurer, and emphasized that there were systems in place to support any future treasurer. She said that she and Lorenzo had come up with ballots for the board to vote. No secret ballots are allowed in accordance with Brown Act rules. Anyone may ask to see the ballots, but Ms. Swan said that they would be destroying the ballots afterwards if no one asked to see them or for them to be kept for public record. She then passed out four ballots for HUNC President, HUNC Vice President, HUNC Treasurer, and HUNC Secretary to each board member.

Coyote Shivers asked to be added as a candidate for Secretary, and said that he thought that he was better-qualified to serve the position than listed candidate Erin Penner. He said that he was older and more experienced, and has looked at the bylaws.

George Skarpelos suggested that everyone who wants to run should have 2 minutes to talk with no questions or cross-talk, which was met with a board consensus. Adam Miller asked who would speak on Erin Penner's behalf since she was not here, and Mr. Skarpelos volunteered to speak on her behalf.

Mr. Shivers then reiterated points regarding why he was more qualified.

Mr. Skarpelos spoke in support of Ms. Penner as a committed, dedicated, and perseverant member of HUNC, who has taken on a lot of additional duties outside of her secretarial duties.

Mr. Miller spoke to his affinity for working with numbers, and to his experience studying Tom Meredith's duties as Treasurer.

Sheila Irani, running for Vice President spoke about running for city council and winning the LA Times and Ledger endorsement, and to being a 9-year president of her HOA, in addition to being on HUNC since 2012. She then listed her accomplishments as a member of HUNC and chair of several committees and outreach efforts. She has also raised tens of thousands of dollars for charity.

Mr. Meredith said that he was running for Vice President and President, and would prefer to be President. He summarized his experience as president of Hollywood Studios and implementing community surveys there. He wants to start instituting that kind of community sampling at HUNC. He sees the Vice President job as helping the President through leadership and support.

Mr. Miller then admitted that he hasn't lived in the area as long as Mr. Meredith or Ms. Irani, and does not have as much experience in the area, but has worked for Councilmember Ryu's office and worked on several projects with them. He said that he could offer vision to the board, especially with how to bring more stakeholder engagement and attendance to the meeting.

Mr. Skarpelos then spoke to his candidacy for both Vice President and President, and summarized his experience in engaging with the community on behalf of the neighborhood council and spearheading the Engage, Inform, and Empower initiative. He also summarized his vision for the future of the council.

To her candidacy for HUNC President, Ms. Irani added her experience working for a past councilmember and her contacts with the highest echelons of city government, plus her ability to cut through city bureaucracy.

Mr. Meredith then described his objectives if elected to the HUNC presidency, including more community engagement, elevating HUNC's presence in city politics to become a leader among councils and known for being a functional, effective council. In addition, obtaining more stakeholder engagement and participation. He would like to interact more with underserved stakeholder groups.

The board then circled their choices for the HUNC executive committee seats. Ms. Swan then collected the ballots to give to DONE representative Lorenzo for tabulation.

Lorenzo then said that Erin Penner had won Secretary, Adam Miller had won Treasurer, and George had won President, and there was a three-way tie for Vice President between Tom, George, and Adam. George declined the vice-presidency, and Lorenzo said that Adam could either decline or have a run-off with Mr. Meredith for Vice President. Adam Miller declined and agreed to be Treasurer.

18. Old/Ongoing Business

19. New/Future Business

Adjournment at 10:19 PM

Reconsideration: The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place before the end of the meeting at which it was considered or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and take an action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a [Proposed] action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Recording Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.