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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 11, 2019, 6:30 PM

Fire Station 82 Annex

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

Second Floor Conference Room

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Welcome

6:36 PM start

1. Roll Call

Attending

Susan Swan Tom Meredith Sheila Irani George Skarpelos Jim Van Dusen Luis Saldivar
Coyote Shivers Margaret Marmolejo Erin Penner Adam Miller Violet Williams Brandi D'Amore
Jeff Ramberg Matt Wait Andrew Chadsey

Absent

Chona Galvez Danielle Paris

2. Approval of Minutes

Jim Van Dusen had some language changes regarding PLUM motions. George Skarpelos advised him to email the changes to Mr. Skarpelos, who will make the changes. Erin Penner also had typo corrections: "Sharon Prior" should be "Shannon Prior", and on item 9.c. "issues" should be "issue", among other changes.

Motion Made: Approval of Minutes (with changes)

Motion: George Skarpelos **Second:** Erin Penner **Vote:** Yes-11, No-0, Abstain-3, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Adam Miller Andrew Chadsey Brandi D'Amore Coyote Shivers Erin Penner George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg Jim Van Dusen Luis Saldivar Matt Wait Violet Williams

Abstain

Sheila Irani Susan Swan Tom Meredith

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

Jamie introduced himself as a community organizer for Neighborhood Housing Services for LA County. They provide a variety of housing services and facilitate home ownership, providing education for new home owners. They collaborate with the city of LA to purchase property, and low-income home owners can qualify for financial aid in purchasing a home. Low-income owners can qualify for \$90,000 in assistance, and medium-income owners can qualify for \$60,000. He added that they were thinking of bringing back a previous program that has since lapsed that paid the mortgages of people who became unemployed, disabled, or were otherwise

unable to keep paying. They want to continue empowering residents and encourage them to keep coming to neighborhood councils. He added that in honor of NHS' anniversary, they will be beautifying 35 houses in 5 different neighborhoods.

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

Senior Lead Officer Brian White introduced himself and informed new attendees of the scope of his jurisdiction. Crime-wise, property and violent crime are down in the area, even in the Hollywood entertainment district. He added that the recent rainstorms probably helped deter crime. He is currently working on some issues with party houses and trespassing/homeless issues. The homicide division also has solved 100% of their open cases in the area last year, and even closed some old cases.

Shannon Prior introduced herself as a field deputy for Councilmember David Ryu. She promoted Spay and Neuter month, and explained that LA County shelters were packed with dogs and cats that need homes. She also added that the councilmember had motioned for the city to look into paid parental leave. A stakeholder asked when a local area near Baldwin would be replanted, and Ms. Prior said that Parks and Rec was currently looking into it.

Officer Thompson introduced himself as the Senior Lead Officer of the entertainment district, and said that there was a new foot patrol with 8 officers assigned to the district. They would be interacting with people and commercial operators, and are intended to discourage loitering in the dense commercial area of Hollywood. Also, patrols are beefed up in 2019, with a commitment from the Chief of Police to put emphasis back on patrol and improve response times. Hollywood has gained 8 new officers and moved officers from investigative assignments to patrol assignments. Watches had also been restructured in terms of the amount of cars and officers each fielded. This is intended to provide more police visibility and faster response times. The entertainment district is also down in crime, which Officer Thompson attributed to the weather.

Serena introduced herself as a member of the Department of Recreation and Parks, and wanted to let everyone know that Rec and Parks had 3 projects developing in Griffith Park: putting in new playground surfacing, building a new playground across from the Greek Theater, and refurbishing Shane's Inspiration. Last but not least, there are 23 concerts scheduled at the Greek Theater, and will have around 70 when they are fully scheduled. They are currently hiring part-time staff, who have to be 18 or older. Adam Miller asked if the construction would impact the parking along Ferndale, and Serena said that she did not know. Erin Penner asked if they were fixing the bathrooms, and Serena said that they were.

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

6. Executive Committee

A) Report by the President

George Skarpelos summarized that the executive committee's meeting had focused on cleaning up the meeting room. The fire department had quoted them \$400 for a weekly clean-up fee, which seemed like a lot of money. Mr. Skarpelos said the committee had thought of asking the fire department to fund half of it, and Adam Miller suggested that the General Services department of the city could come out to clean it, since it is a city building. Sheila Irani asked if the quote was for the room or the entire building, and Mr. Skarpelos said that he hoped and thought it was for the entire building.

Erin Penner said she had reached out to Audrey, who had wanted to provide the board with an update regarding how many seniors they had helped with market matching.

Mr. Skarpelos added that Mr. Miller had raised the issue of frequent cross-talking at meetings, and lauded the board for not cross-talking during the meeting so far.

Motion Made: Report by Committee Chair

7. PLUM Committee

A) Report by Committee Chair

B) Discussion and possible motion to regarding neighborhood oil drilling within LA communities and health and human safety buffer zones for oil drilling sites within the city. PLUM motion approved unanimously: All residents workers, students and visitors to Los Angeles are entitled to and have the right to a safe and healthy environment. To the extent that the comprehensive analysis called for in the report associated with Council File 17-0447 finds that adverse health and environmental impacts are associated within a to-be-determined distance from petroleum and gas wells, then we endorse imposition of a setback/buffer from such wells that is necessary to mitigate those impacts. It has been suggested in the paper titled "Existing scientific literature on setback distances from oil and gas development sites" that

a 2,500 foot minimum setback be the requirement. Any recommendations emerging from this analysis should be subject to review by the public and affected owners before any such imposition is created. If measures other than a setback can reasonably be implemented that would result in the same safety and health benefits, they should be considered.

Jim Van Dusen explained that Stand LA had presented a request for the area around Boyle and Riggs to restrict or contain the noxious smell and health issues caused by the oil rigs there. They were going around to Neighborhood Councils in the city to help mitigate these effects. The union representative had raised an issue that 80% of oil production could shut down from the request, and requested that PLUM go slowly and do appropriate studies prior to implementing the request, especially since it could also get rid of blue collar jobs, and with them salaries and benefits for families in the area.

A representative from Stand LA, Ethan, explained that the proposed setback would be 2500 ft, and wanted to be clear that the Community Impact Statement brought to the PLUM committee was not supported by Stand LA, saying that it caused more problems than it solved. He emphasized that oil extraction sites did not belong feet away from people, and that regulations and promises from the oil industry had produced no remedy for the health impacts of oil extraction sites. George Skarpelos asked if the CIS did not prevent drilling within 2500 ft, and Ethan explained that the motion is unclear in exactly what it's asking for in terms of distance.

Matt Wait asked if he could introduce the original motion if the current motion failed to pass.

Sheila Irani asked if Ethan was familiar with the council's area and boundaries, and asked if there were oil sites within them. Ethan said that there were no active oil extraction sites, but there are some capped oil sites.

Lee Thompson asked if the proposal was for future oil and gas rigs, and Ethan explained that it would apply to all existing and future rigs.

Andrew Chadsey asked whether walls were an option, and Ethan explained that walls were an option to visually hide the oil extraction sites, but that they did nothing to stop the health effects of the wells.

Brandi D'Amore said that she wanted an inclusion in the proposal because its language was nebulous as to what it is doing to remedy the situation. She said that they were advised that 4,000 jobs would be lost in the initial impact of the proposal. They also requested for consideration to help the workers transition into other energy professions.

Matt Wait explained that Ethan had given him a number of articles and sources to explain where the 2500 ft setback idea came from, and said he agreed that the originally version of the CIS was stronger. In his personal opinion, there are a lot more people affected by the environmental impact of these sites than people whose jobs would be affected. He added that a lot of the jobs would probably be taken over by automation in the next few years anyway.

Jim Van Dusen explained that the prior motion they proposed resolved to call on the LA City Council to institute a 2500 ft setback around oil areas from schools, medical buildings, and other businesses serving sensitive populations. The compromise motion changed this so that the distance would be determined in the future. He clarified that the issue was huge, and affected a number of people, and they needed to look at the reality of shutting down all the oil rigs in LA and how that would affect local refineries.

Andrew Chadsey said that their economy was oil before it was entertainment, and asked if they had determined how much of their economy was still based on oil. Ethan explained that there is no extraction tax on oil production, but the city does make business tax on it. He added that most of the oil produced is refined and used for gasoline. The PLUM statement was also based on something that was passed by one neighborhood council, and Ethan added that over half of all NC's in LA had signed on to the CIS that Stand LA had originally presented.

Lee Thompson suggested language changes to the proposal, changing the language to "must be subject to review" in the compromise motion. Mr. Van Dusen read the compromise motion again for clarity.

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-11, No-2, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen
Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith	

No

Andrew Chadsey	Matt Wait
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Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- C) Discussion and possible motion to regarding CIS on Council File 19-0046 (Developer Contribution Restrictions. PLUM Motion approved unanimously to support a CIS on Council File 19-0046 (Developer Contribution Restrictions - Ryu,

Krekorian, Koretz, Martinez, Bonin and Buscaino) as follows:

Hollywood United Neighborhood Council strongly SUPPORTS Council File 19-0046 to reform the Los Angeles City campaign finance system in order to reduce the influence of developer interests at City Hall and urges the Los Angeles City Council to schedule this item and approve it as soon as possible. Reform is necessary as developers have a clear financial interest in influencing City Hall to generate land use decisions that will benefit their projects. In 2011 the City approved Measure H, which limited campaign donations from contractors doing business or bidding to do business with the City due to the clear financial conflict of interest. A similar concern exists with real estate developments where discretionary action required by the City is part of the planning process and incentivizes developers to donate to political campaigns in the hope of partial treatment. Whether influence gained is merely perceived or real, the citizens of Los Angeles, like with Measure H, have a clear "anticorruption and anticircumvention interest" in prohibiting this activity. This ordinance has been upheld for similar bans by the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Ninth District.

Jim Van Dusen explained the council motion to restrict developer contributions to councilmember campaigns, and said that PLUM thought it was completely appropriate. It is an issue, particularly with the amount of money being spent in the development area, and this is a fair approach in their opinion, and would also help developers deflect criticism of trying to influence city politics and development projects.

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Jeff Ramberg **Vote:** Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

8. Transportation and Works Committee

A) Report by Committee Chair

B) Review of the exponential increase of traffic, accidents and hazards now present full time at the Vista adjacent to the Lake Hollywood Estates

George Skarpelos explained that they had dedicated 20 minutes to the issue, since it was of major interest to stakeholders present. Stakeholder David had produced a slideshow summarizing the extent of the problem, which was displayed for the council and stakeholders.

Sheila Irani explained that the primary reason they were here is the overwhelming traffic flow from mostly tourism in the Lake Hollywood Estates. Tourists come there to get a view of the Hollywood sign, and now there are multiple buses and shuttles dropping tourists off illegally at the top of the trailhead. The Barham signal now regularly has a line of 50-60 cars backed up. Tourists even come in the evening now after the park is closed. There had also been an illegal and unlicensed bike rental business.

She explained that their goal was to reduce the exponentially growing traffic problems, and proposed a pre-paid "reservation system" free for 90028 and 90068 ZIP codes, PPD's throughout "Lake Hollywood Estates", and white glove "LADOT" presence to enforce and monitor flow. The white glove service is immediately needed along with parking enforcement.

Stakeholder David Benz introduced himself as the president of the Lake Hollywood Estates HOA. He has lived in the LH Estates since 1999, and emphasized that the sheer number of vehicles and visitors coming into the neighborhood constituted a crisis. He added that the gridlock also affects emergency services, which could be a life and death matter in some health situations. He said that the city is benefiting generously from tourism and the associated business and taxes, but the neighborhood is not receiving any of those benefits directly, only the detriments. He asked for a study into the increased traffic to help fast-track the neighborhood for PPD zoning.

Stakeholder Marina Pomie introduced herself as the treasurer of the Lake Hollywood HOA, and wanted to discuss the backup of cars at the Barham signal. The roads getting through Barham along with Edgewood and Beachwood are becoming impassible, and Marina added that she has personally been a part of a 61-car backup at the light. She emphasized that they need white glove enforcement, reserved parking, and PPD's.

Stakeholder Lela introduced herself as a resident of upper Canyon Lake Drive, and said her biggest concern about the canyon is cars parked up there blocking the road. The only options are going around them and potentially hitting someone, or using your vehicle's horn and potentially starting an altercation.

Stakeholder Cindy Cobb said that her concern was, in the event of a wind-driven fire, the traffic would make it impossible for

residents to get to safety, adding that her mother had only narrowly escaped the Camp fire, and they had multiple lanes of exit and an evacuation plan.

Stakeholder Christine O'Neal introduced herself as the vice president of the Lake Hollywood HOA and said she was here to support their proposal to remedy the traffic issues at Lake Hollywood Estates. The problem has grown so that it is a problem literally every day of the year, even in cold or rainy weather. She added that they must remedy the issue not just for residents, but for visitors as well.

Stakeholder Richard Pierce introduced himself as a former president of the Lake Hollywood Estates HOA, and said that the money the city was making thanks to tourism in the form of hotel taxes, but that none of that money was being used to mitigate traffic problems in the area and keep the residents and visitors safe. He emphasized that it has to be taken seriously and that it will only get worse.

Stakeholder Andy Corrigan introduced herself as secretary of the Lake Hollywood Estates HOA board. She said that 20 years ago, nobody knew the LH estates were there, but that now everyone knows that they are the best place to get a picture of the sign.

Stakeholder Kathleen Cavanaugh introduced herself as a 25-year resident of Lake Hollywood, saying that it used to be a quiet neighborhood street, but now they were inundated with illegal businesses centered on tourism, including overweight tour vans.

Stakeholder Bob Homier introduced himself as a 29-year resident of Lake Hollywood, and added that it was not just the amount of people going up to the sign vista, but what they were doing there too. There had been people setting off fireworks over the brush area, and disaster was only a matter of time.

Stakeholder Mickey Metzger displayed a month's worth of cigarette butts collected from Arrowhead Dr up to the point of the Vista, over 1,000 of them. Some through still-lit cigarette butts out of their cars, which is asking for a brush fire. She emphasized that rangers need to start writing tickets for smoking, which is illegal in their area.

Stakeholder Marissa O'Neal emphasized that theft also comes with the huge numbers of visitors that come through their neighborhood. The information regarding the laws should be part of the documentation and advertisements given to tourists.

Stakeholder Kim Kevorkian introduced herself and explained that her Grandmother built her house in Lake Hollywood in 1965, so she has literally grown up there. She emphasized that there needs to be control put in place as soon as possible. The proposed reservation system, PPD's, and white glove service will help restore order to streets that were not designed for the current level of traffic.

Stakeholder Susan Lawson has been a resident for only 4 months, and even in that time has seen a difference in crowd escalation.

Stakeholder Jain Goitchman explained that she's lived in the neighborhood since 1979, and that the huge change has happened over the last six years, with the volume escalating with each holiday period.

1. Discussion and possible motion to support Lake Hollywood HOA research into developing a Pre Paid Reservation Parking system for use at Lake Hollywood Park for visitors, exempting fees for 90028 and 90068 residents.

Susan Swan commented that she had heard a statistic mentioning how many people were going up to Lake Hollywood, and according to the LA tourism and convention board, the city had 48.3 million visitors in 2017, a 2% increase over the previous year, and they hosted over 50 million visitors in 2018.

Brandi D'Amore asked how many spaces would be allotted to tourists vs locals, and Sheila Irani said that it would depend on the results of the research, as would the amount of revenue actually coming back to the neighborhood. She explained they were looking at reservations in 15-minute increments up to 2 hours, and similar pricing to Griffith Park. She explained that people would have to do reservations whether they were fee-exempt or not.

George Skarpelos clarified that the motion says they support research into developing a reservation parking system, not that they support a reservation parking system.

Andrew Chadsey added that traffic would be pushed to other neighborhoods, and bearing that in mind, he asked whether they would be doing research of how many public people go to that park and give a concerted effort to have that much parking. Ms. Irani said that they would be doing a survey to figure out how many locals were coming to the park, adding that many locals now choose not to go to the park because of the congestion. She emphasized that there was no one solution or silver bullet, but the residents' lives were currently at risk, so something needs to be done.

Adam Miller added that Griffith Observatory's parking varied depending on proximity to the building, suggesting that a similar pricing scheme could be used for Lake Hollywood.

Ms. D'Amore asked what they were looking at for nighttime visitors, and Ms. Irani explained that they were looking at private security and other measures.

Jim Van Dusen commented on all three proposals: to start, before Beachwood Canyon was closed, they would be jammed completely, including to emergency vehicles. He related the anecdote of his wife suffering a medical emergency; had they not closed Beachwood down, she might have died since ambulances could not get to her. He added that the traffic produced a ripple effect throughout surrounding neighborhoods. Locals could no longer hike the park area, and he added that the remedies help the tourists and the locals.

Mr. Skarpelos clarified that the third measure was also just to provide support for research, not to implement a PPD. The second motion is the only one that supports something actually happening.

Mr. Chadsey commented that he has a serious fear that they are leaving out people who are going to these parks, and related an anecdote where he was told it was a private street and he needed to leave. In serving all of their stakeholders, they need to include everyone and put up public notices before meetings related to the issue so they can have their say. One important aspect of all neighborhoods working together is each zone taking a share of the problem, rather than just pushing it around.

Jeff Ramberg added that lessening vehicle traffic will increase pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

Erin Penner asked who would be getting the surveys, and how they would be finding research outside Hollywood, and added that there always tend to be only certain pockets represented. Ms. Irani explained that they would be doing what they did before, hiring a third party to query people entering the park about where they were coming from.

Ms. D'Amore suggested that they talk to Waze to help with the problem of traffic cutting through the area. She added that a lot of people in the area don't come to HUNC or Transportation Committee meetings because they aren't homeowners and worry that their voice doesn't matter to HUNC.

Luis Saldivar wanted to follow up on what Mr. Ramberg and Mr. Van Dusen were saying, that there would be increased pedestrian, bicycle, and scooter traffic, and that it was a safety issue.

Ms. Irani said that the important thing is that they have to state as a neighborhood council that the safety of their residents is their number one priority. She added that there were a number of uncontrollable situations that resulted.

Matt Wait asked if the city itself was unwilling or unable to do the surveys mentioned in the motions, and Ms. Irani clarified that they had never done a PPD survey, so they were doing it to help the city along. Tom Meredith said that he would feel more comfortable if language saying that the survey would be through a third party and objective would be put into the motion.

Mr. Skarpelos said that he used to go up to the Vista area, but does not anymore as a local because of the prohibitive level of traffic. He asked if they wanted to modify the motion, and Mr. Meredith wanted to add "independent and objective" in front of "research".

Luis Saldivar suggested that they could use social media to get a wider range of responses.

Motion Made: Discussion and possible motion to support Lake Hollywood HOA (independent and objective) research into developing a Pre Paid Reservation Parking system for use at Lake Hollywood Park for visitors, exempting fees for 90028 and 90068 residents.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

2. Discussion and possible motion to support LADOT Traffic Control Officer(s) to manage traffic flow at Vista on Mulholland and Canyon Lake and into Lake Hollywood Estates during peak traffic periods

Adam Miller said that the committee had approved it.

Motion: Jeff Ramberg **Second:** Adam Miller **Vote:** Yes-16, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Cesar Cervera	Coyote Shivers	Crissi Avila
Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo
Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith		

Ineligible

Violet Williams

3. Discussion and possible motion to support LHHA conducting surveys/research and preparing findings, both pros and cons, regarding adoption of Preferred Parking Districts in Lake Hollywood Estates

Tom Meredith suggesting inserting "independent and objective" in front of "surveys/research".

Motion Made: Discussion and possible motion to support LHHA conducting (independent and objective) surveys/research and preparing findings, both pros and cons, regarding adoption of Preferred Parking Districts in Lake Hollywood Estates

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- C) Discussion and possible motion to support a letter from HUNC requesting LA DOT investigate pedestrian signal timing on the Hollywood Blvd/101 Overpass

Jeff Ramberg explained that the crosswalk on the overpass makes you cross in two different phases, which is dangerous, and wants to make sure people don't get hit by making them cross when all lights are red, as opposed to crossing when the Van Ness light is green as it is currently. Erin Penner added that there was at least one death last year at that intersection.

Luis Saldivar added that at that ramp, there is a light that used to be there that was taken away by DOT or CalTrans after someone ran into it.

Matt Wait commented that it's not just an issue with Van Ness, but with both directions.

George Skarpelos suggested adding "at Van Ness and Bronson" to the motion.

Margaret Marmolejo added that she has experienced that people getting off the freeway ramp cross Hollywood boulevard and get back on the freeway, adding to the safety issues.

Lee Thompson clarified that they were just adjusting the timing to the pedestrian lanes.

Motion Made: Discussion and possible motion to support a letter from HUNC requesting LA DOT investigate pedestrian signal timing on the Hollywood Blvd/101 Overpass (at Van Ness and Bronson).

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- D) Discuss possible impact of Hollywood Community Plan on Transportation and Joint Meeting with PLUM

Adam Miller said that he would send Jim Van Dusen an email to hammer out a time to have the joint meeting with PLUM.

- E) Discuss Wayfinding methods from the Red Line to areas within HUNC Boundaries

Andrew Chadsey said he had heard from a lot of stakeholders that walking through the neighborhood is hard and occasionally dangerous, and he would like to improve it. He had talked to the SLO about safety patrols making increased rounds in targeted routes. He asked the board to contribute if they thought of additional routes that would be good to step up police presence in. He also discussed increased lighting and artwork as potential ways to increase safety, as well as improved walkways. Also, potentially working with Discover LA or tourist organizations to give guided walking tours.

George Skarpelos suggested Mr. Chadsey take his suggestions to the Transportation committee, and Mr. Chadsey said that he wanted to take his suggestions to everyone since they affect everyone.

Lee Thompson commented that in the last couple of months, the city is putting up placards with directions for pedestrians.

9. Homelessness and Social Services Committee

- A) Report by Committee Chair

- B) Recap of 2019's Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count Event

Brandi D'Amore said that the event was very successful and had more volunteers than ever before. Andrew Chadsey, Matt Wait, and she attended, as well as a couple stakeholders. Visually it looked like there was less homelessness than last year, and she added that the statistics would be out May or June.

- C) Update on Sock / Clothing Drive for First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood

Erin Penner explained that she would be giving those socks to First Presbyterian this week, and said that they had about a hundred pairs of socks collected for it.

- D) Discuss possible motion for up to \$1500 for A Shower of Hope to continue services into 2019

Adam Miller explained that their renewal time was coming up for A Shower of Hope, and that it had always been successful. Lee Thompson added that Shower of Hope had gotten increased publicity. He added that the motion should be amended to reflect the organization that runs The Shower of Hope.

Motion Made: Discuss possible motion for up to \$1500 for End Homelessness California (for The Shower of Hope to continue services into 2019 at Hollywood Adventist Church)

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- E) Discuss meeting local Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Homeless Engagement Team (HET) members and/or possible Outreach "ride-a-long"

Adam Miller said that Matt Wait was interested and Mr. Miller was trying to set up a ride-along for anyone interested in coming

He clarified that the ride-along passengers would not be expected to engage or talk with homeless people, and said for the board to email him if they were interested.

- F) Discussion and possible motion to provide a HUNC CIS on Council File 19-0002-S22: Proposition HHH Permanent Supportive Housing Loan Program / All Project Status / Supportive Housing Goal
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=17-0090-S11>

Adam Miller explained that it was introduced on January 29th, and explained the substance of the bill. The general idea is that they are two years into measure HHH and there are not nearly as many affordable housing units as were promised under the measure.

Coyote Shivers said that the statements were not specifically agendized on committee level, and that the original agenda item was incredibly vague. He said they should have had the opportunity to discuss them at a committee level.

Brandi D'Amore explained that they just got the legislative component after the committees happened, which is why they couldn't have had it at committee level. Adam Miller added that he did not think any of the items would be contentious.

Susan Swan said that CIS's are generally fast-moving without time to be put on agendas. George Skarpelos added that this is what happened with the Air BnB measure, that by the time they put it through committee and to the board, it had already been voted on.

Jim Van Dusen asked if there was a time limit on them that precludes going to committee, and Adam Miller said that he did not know, but some of them would move quickly. Mr. Van Dusen asked if there was no time limit on them, whether they should be agendized for discussion, and asked whether they were in compliance with the Brown Act.

Mr. Miller said that in the future, he would provide specifics on CIS's when adding them to agenda.

Ms. D'Amore said that it was her understanding that the committee component was designed to give a recommendation for the whole board, but was not necessary to bring something before the board. She added that two of the items are time-sensitive and require an immediate timely action. She said that they got the agenda on Friday and there is no reason that someone couldn't have done the research on the items.

Andrew Chadsey said that if someone is not comfortable on voting on something, they can not vote, but that they could have discussion now. In his point of view, they're having a discussion about having a discussion and not accomplishing anything.

Mr. Miller commented that they had simply copied and pasted what Tom did, and that they would look into modifying the process so that the same problem wouldn't happen.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- G) Discussion and possible motion to provide a HUNC CIS on Council File 19-0002-S25: Federally Funded LGBTQ Youth Foster Care Agencies / Waiver of Funds Opposition / Religious and Sexual Orientation Discrimination
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-0002-S25>

Adam Miller provided background on the council file, saying that the idea is the city making sure that adoption and foster care agencies are prohibited from discriminating on the basis of religion or sexual orientation.

Motion: Erin Penner **Second:** Jeff Ramberg **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- H) Discussion and possible motion to provide a HUNC CIS on Council File 17-1286-S1: City Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Complaint Procedures / Harassment and Discrimination Work Group / Recommendations <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=17-1286-S1>

Erin Penner explained that the motion requests personnel departments to submit harassment reports to the city council for proper review.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- I) Discussion and possible motion to provide a HUNC CIS on Council File 17-0090-S11: Domestic Violence Definition / Emotional and Psychological Abuse / United States Department of Justice (DOJ) / Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-0002-S22>

Erin Penner explains that the resolution requests that the city of LA includes in a 2019-2020 federal program opposition to any federal efforts to reduce the definition of abuse only to physical crimes.

Coyote Shivers said that he knows more about this subject than everyone there combined. He says that the council file is a partisan bit of showboating. He was personally consulted by the Trump administration when they were writing their policy, and specifically recommended that the loophole be closed. He had worked with victims of the loophole, and he and his family had been victims of the loophole. He explained that his ex-wife had taken advantage of the loophole during their divorce, and a court found that there was never any violence and any threat of violence. However, based on accusations of emotional abuse only, a restraining order was granted against him. Then she spent the next decade stalking him and abusing the loophole by calling 911.

He explained that the unanimous conclusion of numerous other investigators was that it was the worst case of restraining order abuse in California history and should be the catalyst for legislative reform to curb that abuse. He added that an LAPD officer had said in a deposition that his ex had abused the loophole well over 50 times by trying to call him to have Mr. Shivers arrested. He added another example where two police cruisers were called to a restaurant where he accidentally ran into his ex-wife, and that during that time another ex of his was murdered. He said that the abuse of the system tied up law enforcement that might have prevented it.

He would like to add into the record a statement from Wendy McElroy, who is blind because she's a victim of domestic violence. Mr. Skarpelos suggested he send the statement to him to be put onto the record. He added that the legislation is blatantly a piece of partisan showboating, adding that nothing they can do or pass will affect the Trump administration's views or policy. He added that he didn't think anyone in the room had the knowledge or expertise to do anything either way about the issue, and to do so would be unethical.

Luis Saldivar wanted to say for the record that he found that notion insulting.

Mr. Skarpelos then read the council file. He said that speaking from his wife's point of view, who has with other people suffered emotional abuse, she would support the resolution. Mr. Shivers said that opening the definition would mean less resources for victims of violence.

Matt Wait said that the legal system already recognizes various types of abuse, so he does not see how this is a departure from existing policy.

Brandi D'Amore said that is on the spectrum of violence, which is a type of abuse. She said that she is also insulted by Mr. Shivers saying that she does not know anything about the issue, saying that he does not know her experience. She has worked with women who have suffered non-violent abuse. She said that Mr. Shivers' case was an unfortunate egregious problem, but that they should work more on prosecution and verification of abuse. She adds that there has been an increase in this type of abuse under the current housing crisis because women are afraid of being unable to move out.

Andrew Chadsey commented that he has been involved with people who have been abused all the way to the point of being killed, some of them very close to him, and emotional abuse is the turnkey because you dominate someone emotionally, and that makes them tolerate the physical abuse. He says that Mr. Shivers and others have had bad situations, but that it is still important to catch emotional abuse before it escalates to violence.

Mr. Shivers added that the implication that someone doesn't care about any sort of abuse isn't the case, but whether or not it's effective to have these laws be very loose. He agrees with Tom that CIS's are good to expand their power, but that the current CIS is ridiculous and nothing more than showboating. He added that the very verbiage used is partisan showboating.

Erin Penner commented that being elected to the council meant that they were the voice of the stakeholders. It is their job, if elected, to represent their best interests.

Lee Thompson commented that any law with broad definitions is subject to abuse. If they narrow the definition, you run into the problem of people trying to get around it.

Mr. Shivers asked that an opinion piece by Wendy McElroy be included in the minutes

Motion: Luis Saldivar **Second:** Matt Wait **Vote:** Yes-11, No-1, Abstain-2, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Matt Wait	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith	

No

Coyote Shivers

Abstain

Margaret Marmolejo Sheila Irani

Ineligible

Violet Williams

10. PS&EP Committee

A) Report by Committee Chair

Erin Penner reported that a woman named Anna Atwater discussed her issues with a person running a bike service who had been harassing her for some time, and asked for help from the Public Safety and EP committee. Brandi D'Amore explained that the man has been harassing other neighbors and tourists, and she finally got a hard copy of the restraining order, and her lawyer said he would keep track of any future business violations.

B) Review of the Emergency Preparedness Town Hall to take place on March 16 in cooperation with Hollywood Hills West NC and the planned activities

George Skarpelos explained that they were filling out the event form for the Emergency Preparedness Town Hall. It will be from 11 until 3 in conjunction with the Hollywood Hills West NC. The LAPD, Animal Services, and LA DWP will be there. They will also be screening an hour-long documentary on the 1994 Northridge earthquake. Adam Miller recommended people attend, especially since it will be in a beautiful venue. Brandi D'Amore asked if there was a graphic they could use for the event, and Mr. Skarpelos said they were working on it.

Ms. Penner added that the idea had come up in emails about including a disaster simulator there, and said that she didn't think it was worth their budget.

11. Outreach Committee

A) Report by Committee Chair

Tom Meredith explained that they talked about the continuation of the Hollywood Farmers Market through the election period. Margaret Marmolejo added that CERT training would start in May.

B) Approve up to \$500 for a new bulletin board case to replace the one on FS82 Annex

Tom Meredith explained that the current bulletin board had been bought cheaply and now was leaky and weathered. They would share the space with Station 82.

Motion: Margaret Marmolejo **Second:** Erin Penner **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Abstain

Coyote Shivers

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- C) Discuss and possible vote to approve admin assignments of the president, the vice president, secretary and outreach chairs for social media platforms and the HUNC website

Tom Meredith explained that this was a result of discussions had in December when Susan Swan was wanting decisions about social media be made at committee level then brought to the board. They took it to the outreach committee, discussed it, and figured systems of outreach fit into outreach committee business. They believed it was best to keep access controlled to just the outreach committee chair and the executive committee.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

- D) Discussion and vote to reapprove up to \$250 for sandwich boards for HUNC meetings and events

Tom Meredith explained that the item was Erin Penner's idea to promote meetings and events from HUNC. George Skarpelos explained that they were re-approving the item; they had approved it six months ago, but the action had fallen to the wayside.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

12. Non Profit, Arts & Education Committee

- A) Report by Committee Chair

Margaret Marmolejo said that they held a meeting and it ended up being just her and Luis Saldivar there because Violet Williams was ill and Danielle Paris was unable to come. They discussed various things and said they would wait to discuss with Violet Williams because she had plans in place as the youth liaison. They also discussed how to increase voting, and discussed going out to churches in the area to talk about voting.

13. Renters and Housing Issues Committee

- A) Report by Committee Chair

Matt Wait explained that they had a big turnout over the Air BnB ordinance that was recently passed by city council. He thought there was a lot of interest by people who owned properties in the area who wanted to understand the rules about who could rent and what's RSO versus what's not RSO. He didn't know if there was space for an ad-hoc committee on Air BnB issues, but thought it could help address concerns of a number of stakeholders. He said that they wanted to do the same thing that Adam did for the CIS's for homeless services. He added that Chona Galvez would be helping put together informational packages for homeowners and renters. They discussed doing a renters' survey.

Tom Meredith then added that there were two other surveys he was tabulating and finalizing before he could get to coming up with a renters' survey.

14. Finance

A) Discussion of current fiscal year budget and possible motion for adjustment

Adam Miller explained that for a while they couldn't generate MER's due to funding an event in October. Net available dollars are \$19,358.39, and the elections approvals would subtract about \$5,000 from that total. He added that they should be proud of themselves because they've done a good job of tightening their belts and spending responsibly.

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

1. Discussion and vote to approve October Monthly Expense Report for submission

Adam Miller explained that this MER was when they put the brakes on their spending, and summarized the content of the MER.

Luis Saldivar added that he followed the Hollywood Police Activities League on Instagram, and that there were many photos of participants in the Hollywood PAL games with the HUNC logo on their shirts.

Motion Made: Motion to approve October 2018 Monthly Expense Report for submission

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

2. Discussion and vote to approve November Monthly Expense Report for submission

Adam Miller summarized the contents of the MER.

Motion Made: Motion to approve November 2018 Monthly Expense Report for submission

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

3. Discussion and vote to approve December Monthly Expense Report for submission

Adam Miller summarized the contents of the MER.

Motion Made: Motion to approve December 2018 Monthly Expense Report for submission

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

4. Discussion and vote to approve January Monthly Expense Report for submission

Adam Miller summarized the contents of the MER.

Motion Made: Motion to approve January 2019 Monthly Expense Report for submission

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

15. NC Elections

A) Discussion of planned Election outreach activities

George Skarpelos explained that there would be two events for candidate mixers so candidates could meet and interact with potential voters. Sheila Irani asked how many new candidates there were, and Mr. Skarpelos explained that there were roughly 10.

He added that they would potentially have a party/event to engage the public on the day of voting.

Andrew Chadsey asked if they sent HOA's invites for the mixers and events, and George Skarpelos said they do.

B) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$1,000 for 2 candidate forums

Tom Meredith asked whether they had voted on doing all these expenditures in November, and George Skarpelos clarified that they had voted on an overall budget, not specifics. George suggested voting for the agenda items under 15 by consent.

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

C) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$1,000 for 2 candidate meet and greets

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

D) Discuss and possible vote to approve up to \$500 for additional collateral such as signs, flyers and miscellaneous items to promote the election

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

Yes

Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Coyote Shivers	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				

Ineligible

Violet Williams

16. Board Member announcements on items not on the Agenda

17. Old/Ongoing Business

18. New/Future Business

Adjournment at 10:10 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.