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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 09, 2019, 6:30 PM

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Welcome

6:31 PM start

1. Roll Call

Attending

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

Excused

Michael Connolly

Absent

Coyote Shivers Adam Miller

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion Made: Motion to approve the November 2019 Minutes

Motion: George Skarpelos **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

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

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

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

4. Community Updates

George Skarpelos explained that their general manager will be there shortly, but she's visiting North Hollywood. Since Angela has a board meeting at 7:00, Mr. Skarpelos elected to move item 12.C. up so that she could speak on the item.

After item 12.C. was addressed:

Rachel Fox from Councilmember Ryu's office introduced herself, saying that council wraps up Wednesday at noon, saying that the Children's Savings Accounts item passed, it's now called Opportunity Los Angeles. The program begins with \$50 seed money in all LAUSD schools and public schools, the idea being to encourage saving for higher education and financial literacy. The roll-out will be in 2020 in phases, starting with 10% of first graders being enrolled. Philanthropies can contribute into the savings account, and it's been successful in other cities. They will not be the first, but they will be the largest. It's a critical component in making sure all of their students have greater access to higher education. The councilmember has been championing this; the financial institution to oversee the accounts hasn't been chosen yet, but an RFP will be going out. Also, the Griffith Park Line shuttle will be beginning on weekends around noon, with around 12 stops, and it will be free to all park visitors. They are hoping to make connections with other Metro lines and DASH lines, and to make Griffith Park a truly car-free park for all.

Campaign contribution finance reform has also been pushed by the councilmember since he was elected in 2015; the current measure has unfortunately been watered down, but they are happy in taking the first step, and the reforms will be taking effect in the 2022 election cycle.

Also, they have a bridge home site on Riverside whose funds got approved, and will hopefully begin construction in 2020. They also have a bridge home site from a private owner who approached the councilmember. It has passed committee and still needs to pass council, but could be used for crisis housing. Also, all board members are invited to the CD4 holiday party on December 14th.

Brandi D'Amore asked if the schools were promoting the savings program, or if the board needed to. Rachel said that LAUSD was promoting it.

Erin Penner asked if the parents were allowed to tap into it, or if it had to stay there for a certain amount of time. Rachel clarified that it can only be tapped into for higher education, whether college, city college, technical training, etc. The parents could contribute, but otherwise not tap into it.

Senior Lead Officer Bryan White introduced himself, saying that the division as a whole was flat even on violent crime. There was a small increase in aggravated assaults, and otherwise mostly decreases. Part 1 crime are usually the statistics that they talk about; aggravated assault could be a fight that causes an injury, or it could be someone pulling a knife. Someone punching you randomly on the street would not be an aggravated assault.

SLO White said that he had drops in all categories except for aggravated assaults, which was up 9.4%. The entertainment district skews their numbers, but was mostly down on property crime and violent crime.

There's also been an odd slew of smashed windows in the area where tourists usually take pictures of the Hollywood sign. Also, a celebrity-owned property at 2240 Hollywood Drive had a situation with atypical transients who had broken into it and stolen mail and packages, and had possible drug use inside it. There were two vehicles stolen out of the home and a lot of music equipment. A separate stolen car was in the garage, and they were probably starting to strip it. The neighbors probably didn't know each other well, so it didn't get reported.

5509 Red Oak also had a break-in where someone entered the property when the owner was asleep on the couch, looking for someone else, and was arrested for trespassing in lieu of intent to burgle.

Brandi D'Amore said that if you're going to be away from your house for an extended period of time, they need to file a trespass order, otherwise the police cannot remove squatters or trespassers if the neighbors call.

Susan Swan wanted to comment on the signage, saying that no trespassing signs need to have the proper language on it to be enforceable, and asked if SLO White knew where to find smaller signs. He did not have sources for smaller signs. Susan Swan said she appreciated the actions of Zoe and Michael and everyone else in picking up on the issue.

Mr. Skarpelos said that he had a neighbor who was typically absentee, but his neighborhood was unusual in that they know all of each other and have each other's emails.

Stakeholder Christina asked about the no-trespassing order, asking if they file it knowing they'll be leaving for a few months. SLO White said that anybody can file it, and there are 3 categories. If they have a sign, then someone can be arrested on the spot. If you don't have a sign, the police give the trespasser a warning not to come back. If they're there, obviously it doesn't matter. The order is good to have on file for commercial owners or owners who are not on-property all the time. Christina asked if she was out for 2 weeks, if they could send neighbors or the LAPD a list of people who would be house-sitting or dog-sitting. SLO White said that someone inside the house is something different, either breaking and entering or burgling. If someone goes in your house and you're there, they can be arrested for trespassing. The signs are more for your fences or backyard. He reiterated that burglary requires intent to steal or to commit a felony.

Erin Penner asked SLO White if he had noticed an uptake in transients with weapons. They had an incident where a transient was going through the Oaks with a metal pipe, who had been arrested for having meth in his pocket. SLO White said that there are certain

dangerous weapons that are kind of specific. Nunchuks, police batons, throwing ninja stars count. He would say there isn't necessarily an increase, but that it is more visible. Transients are probably pushing more limits. Once a suspect does something with it, they get into aggravated assault or criminal threats.

Andrew Chadsey said that they have had more increase of people coming into his area, Beachwood and lower, sleeping or looking into stuff, with face tattoos and hammers. He asked if they post a trespassing sign if they need the specific code on the sign. SLO White said they did, and the sign needs to have the specific municipal code on the sign. Mr. Chadsey asked if someone had someone looking through their trash, who was casing the place while doing so, could they call the police if he kept coming back after being warned. SLO White said they could.

Mr. Skarpelos added that you're supposed to post them on the sides of the yard. SLO White said that anywhere they have open property, you'd want one every 200 feet. If you're in an apartment complex and there's only one point of entry, you really only need it at the point of entry.

A) Introduction of the new General Manager of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Raquel Beltran as part of her listening tour among the 99 neighborhood councils and the alliances in order to share her initial goals and strategy for the first 100 days

Raquel Beltran introduced herself, saying she was in her third month of working as their General Manager. Since she's been there, Lorenzo has been one of the most impressive Neighborhood Empowerment Advocates, and said she is happy to have him on the job.

She thanked the board for allowing her to come in and speak to them; she's committed to visiting each of the 99 neighborhood councils, and this is her 52nd. What she does is talk a little bit about her background and share the department's four goals.

Ms. Beltran said that their mission is to promote civic engagement to make local government more responsive to neighborhood issues through a structured system of neighborhood councils. In terms of her background, it's a combination of public administration, community engagement, and nonprofit board service. She's worked in the county health department in San Diego and worked for the City Planner. But she has a foundation in community engagement and community work. It makes a difference in their public policy ideas if they do become public officials. She comes from a background of organizing labor groups on both sides of the US/Mexico border, and was tapped by the Red Cross to expand their volunteer base in five different areas.

She's been a soccer coach, served on the public advisory board for Cal State Northridge, but for six years she worked for the league of women voters for Los Angeles, which was early on in the formation of the councils in the NC system, and they were contacted all the time by NCs about bylaws issues and parliamentary procedures. She first worked with this NC in 2013 surrounding a councilmember's race.

She has also worked to co-produce a civic university for neighborhood councils. Their four goals at DONE are formed by that experience and by the listening tour she's currently on:

1. Improve and strengthen DONE's support for NC's in the current triad relationship.

They should be supporting board members in getting through the bureaucracy.

2. Improve their relationship with NC's.

They have good relationships with many NC's, and there are others where they have to have a different relationship from the one that they have. They should have a professional relationship with them, even if they don't agree.

3. Support the NC's as they develop their advocacy and project strategies.

They can help support the formation of their policy goals around Community Impact Statements.

4. To improve City Hall's relationship with NC's.

Sometimes NC's don't feel they can get in touch with City Hall, so they need to help facilitate a connection between NC's and City Hall. They can also facilitate conversations if city hall projects affect areas within an NC's jurisdiction.

The listening tour will have a public survey next month. They want to capture as much information from them to help their good works.

George Skarpelos said that his mother was the president of the League of Women Voters in Fremont California, so he thinks that's why he's here now, and noted that numerous board members were at the NC Civic University.

Matt Wait said that he thinks that they and many other NC's often don't feel like they are heard by their councilmembers or the city as a whole, and their relationship with their two CD's is that they don't feel like there's a strong relationship with the councilmembers they fall under jurisdiction of. Ms. Beltran said that the important thing is to not get discouraged to the point where they don't file Community Impact Statements. It's amazing how much they notice when there is no CIS' thus far.

Brandi D'Amore said that a lot of legislation in planning beverage ordinances are actively taking away NC's role in the review process. For TOC's, they aren't able to make recommendations because variances have been negotiated without any of their input. She would hope that Ms. Beltran would figure out a way to help stop writing legislation that takes away power from NC's. Ms. D'Amore said that they can write CIS about why they don't want something, but developers can come in and say that they've been granted something by right.

Andrew Chadsey said hopefully they would do more community building this year, and have more outreach events. But when they go to fund a specialized labor or labor that's needed, it seems to come back that they have to use volunteers for that. But they can still fund a food truck, which is labor with food. They keep butting into funding issues that slow them down. Ms. Beltran suggested they work with Lorenzo on that to navigate the city clerk's guidelines. Ms. Beltran said she has had extended conversations with the city clerk around the contracting process. Effective July 1st, they should be revising the funding guidelines so they can have a pre-approval, separating out certain types of funding to be fast-tracked. They've agreed to that, though there will be specific things that will not be able to be pre-approved. She said that otherwise, that is just the way it works.

Mr. Chadsey also said that in Outreach, they talk about purchasing email lists or other things for Outreach, and they've learned there are some online resources that they learned about through Civic U. She asked if they are working on broad help about info-gathering and data collection so it's not such a high cost. Ms. Beltran said that with overall outreach, they want to make sure they have sustained and robust outreach, particularly when they get to elections in 2021. They also receive a lot of complaints about consistency. To help increase knowledge of the system, to ensure consistency, they want to have a Neighborhood Council info session.

Erin Penner said that she was just happy to have Ms. Beltran. Recently, the changes made by the city clerk feel like they've added more red tape to having events. She's discouraged from trying to have events because of the paperwork and restrictions. Ms. Beltran said that the city works with them now, and they can talk with people like Lorenzo to help communicate concerns. She added that they are meticulous with NC comments.

Tom Meredith said that one of the biggest challenges they have is just the general awareness of the neighborhood council. They have had increases and successes in outreach, but talking about general marketing and general awareness of neighborhood councils, the rebranding caused some confusion. So they can use some general marketing support to help them in their outreach. Ms. Beltran said that all departments were asked to cut money from their budgets this year, and Ms. Beltran did not do that. She presented her best case that centered around outreach and communication, so that non-dynamic issues can be centered. They are trying to centralize issues to report directly to Ms. Beltran. She breaks the NC's down into several groups: about 10 are having real problems. The next group are NC's that are struggling, but making it through. The next group is NC's that have their system and rhythm, and are making it through agendas regularly. This is helpful to her to know what their priorities are.

Susan Swan thanked Ms. Beltran for coming and for listening, and said how much they appreciate Lorenzo.

Fouzia Burfield thanked Ms. Beltran for coming and for providing information.

Sheila Irani said that she feels like the details needed for the treasurer of NC's are more than any other positions. Wouldn't it be wiser to have a series of subcontractors approved by DONE to do treasury matters for NC's so that it doesn't fall on the shoulders of a volunteer? Ms. Beltran said that some of the NC's do spend money on administration, and that the original funding was intended to provide for it. They don't have centralized funding to provide for it currently. Ms. Beltran would have that funding, plus funding for parliamentarians to be on call for NC's and to meld parliamentary rules with the Brown Act. She added that NC's that need translation are also at a disadvantage. On average, of all the NC's combined, they left about \$760,000 of unspent funds. It's the reason she can't go to council and ask for more funding for neighborhood councils. She guessed that a large percentage of those unspent funds are from those NC's in the middle, who are having trouble getting through agendas.

Margaret Marmolejo said she was interested in expanding by promotion or the media around the city the awareness of neighborhood councils. She has been involved for 12 years and it has not increased a lot. Ms. Beltran said that they have asked for funding to create a public relations unit in the department, since they do not have one yet. They just need more funding and personnel to go around.

Julia Eschanasy said that this was what her presentation was going to be on: only 33 out of 99 of neighborhood councils have filled Youth seats, and so she thinks that what other people have said about outreach is important. Ms. Beltran said that there were reforms passed by the City Council about the NC's, and one of them was about minimum age for participation in the NC's. Once they finish the process, NC's won't be obligated to have a youth seat, but the age limit will be 16. They are committed to supporting that next year.

Stakeholder Christina said what Mr. Meredith, Ms. Marmolejo, and Ms. Eschanasy said she agreed with. Her neighborhood had no

clue what HUNC actually did until their HOA actually put the word out. On the youthful side of it, they are getting more involved, and to train them young with the system of politics, who you can go to for support, is valuable. She thinks it would be really helpful to get the word out that groups like HUNC are out there to help homeowners and what they can do for homeowners.

Ms. Beltran asked who their budget advocate was, and Mr. Meredith said that Jack Humphrey was their budget advocate. Ms. Beltran added that the white paper the budget advocates produce is intended to represent what the NC's need.

Mr. Meredith asked for clarity: as budget representatives, board members would go to budget day, then elect budget advocates and talk to them about what they need. Lorenzo clarified that there are currently no budget representatives on the board. Ms. Beltran added that the things they are talking about should be reflected in the Budget Advocates' white paper.

Mr. Skarpelos said that one specific thing he knows is that getting people to run for the office, their filing deadline is from December 16 to January 15, which is the worst time possible to convince someone to run for office. If you moved it for 17 days to January 2 or January 3, you might get people fulfilling new year's resolutions to become more engaged, and the turnout for candidates and voters would increase. He would encourage having the filing period some time where people would actually sign up to run/vote. Ms. Beltran said they were trying to push training sessions for candidates and they were trying to push consistency geographically and make sure they were bringing a diversity of voices to the board.

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

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

Brandi D'Amore said she was invited by the mayor's office to attend a sustainability office meeting, and she told the PLUM committee that the city will be asking NC's to be more sustainable. She went to Argyle Civic and they apparently didn't realize that HUNC existed and could help them. They now have better alliance with them than they did in the past.

Sheila Irani said she just realized the NPG for A Million Drops for the lunch for the community cleanup has been held up, and the NPG for the laundry voucher has also stalled. George Skarpelos asked Adam Miller what needed to be done, and he said it just needed to be processed. The City Clerk rejected it, and so they need to send another NPG. Mr. Skarpelos said that they need to follow up with Mr. Miller about sending another one. Ms. Irani asked if there is a protocol where a treasurer has to submit an NPG within a certain amount of time of receiving it. Mr. Skarpelos clarified that there was a problem with the NPG as written, and so they made some changes to it, and they now have to upload the new version with a board action certification. Tom Meredith said it sounds like they've changed the process to be more restrictive. Mr. Skarpelos said that they need to open up a dialogue with the city clerk. Ms. Irani said that she has been given excuses in the past that turned out to not be accurate on items that have been submitted.

6. Executive Committee

A) Report by the President

George Skarpelos said that they should get some sponges to clean up the meeting area, and that Matt Wait wanted to discuss transitioning their website from the Go Daddy servers in the new year.

7. PLUM Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

No report from the chair.

B) Discussion and possible motion: 1841 N. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, CA: Project Description: Action Requested: Existing parking count is 85. Code allows for the same to exist in new site layout. Per code, we added 2 additional parking based on the NEW NET increase in building SF (2 per 1000 SF). Beyond the 87, we, the client would like to increase parking by applying for an "adjustment" process for an additional 9.9% increase, for a total of 95 parking stalls and the eliminate the wall on Western Ave as required by the SNAP conditions. <http://hollywoodunitednc.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/20191201-1841-N.-Western-Ave-Pages-12-13-of-application.pdf>

Jim Van Dusen explained that the property is currently the Rite Aid building on Western. They will be tearing down several smaller buildings and extending a larger building slightly. It won't be that much of a change to the whole facility. They are asking if the committee is comfortable with the project, and if they can add parking to make a total of 95 spaces for the new project. Mr. Van Dusen said that they were comfortable with that request. Lastly, rather than having to put up a wall between the curb and the property, they wanted a variance to get all the parking in, but it would not change the sidewalk. PLUM had approved all of these requests.

Mr. Skarpelos clarified that they would be required to put in a wall and a hedge, and want a variance to avoid the wall so they would be able to get all the parking they want.

A representative for the developer explained that the new store would be a Lazy Acres Natural Market, part of a chain of five stores throughout SoCal, focusing on healthy living lifestyles. They are owned by Bristol Farms, and a lot of the products BF sells, Lazy Acres also sells. He said that they are not as expensive as Whole Foods or Bristol Farms, but they would be technologically advanced in-store. They will employ about 120 people from the local committee, and hope to get started after the developer expands the building to the size they need to operate.

Sheila Irani said that the sidewalk there is a big problem because of the Ficus trees, and asked what they would do about it. A representative for the developer said that they are still working with the Urban Forestry Department on what to do with them, saying that their policy now is to save as many trees as possible. The other alternative is to prune them and root-prune them, but as part of this project they will have to repair this sidewalk.

Susan Swan said that on Western there is very poor visibility there because there is a bus layby. She asked if there was any discussion about addressing the issue, since buses will stop and stay there for hours and for breaks. The representative said that the buses queuing to his knowledge is south to the driveway on Western, and multiple board members said that the bus stop is south, but the layover is to the north.

Erin Penner said that the dry cleaners there is historical due to it being the location of a famous artist's first studio, and asked if the flower shop and dry cleaners would be affected. The representative said that the flower shop would remain, the dry cleaners would not, and to his knowledge it was not on any historical database.

Matt Wait asked how many parking spots the Gelson's in the neighborhood had, and there was no consensus from the board. Mr. Wait said he didn't understand why that many parking spots were necessary for the project. Brandi D'Amore said that the reason they needed this many parking spots is that the market will be a destination market that will bring people who don't want to travel to other premium markets. She said that the market would not be a competitor to Gelson's based on her research.

Mr. Wait asked if there would be bike racks installed, and a developer representative said that there would be. Another representative said that they would have a center in front of the market where people could get their bikes repaired or tired inflators.

Mr. Skarpelos clarified that SNAP refers to a Station Neighborhood Area Plan around a subway station. Ms. D'Amore asked if they would be taking SNAP, and a developer representative said they would be, and would be applying for it soon. She also clarified that they were not shutting down Rite Aid, but Rite Aid was shutting down dozens of their stores.

Margaret Marmolejo said that currently, the parking lot did not have security at night, and it was a little scary, and a developer representative said that it would be properly landscaped and lit and have security.

Erin Penner asked when, ideally, the construction would start, and a developer representative said that ideally quarter three of next year would be when they start construction. He said that the beauty of the site was that it wasn't that big of a construction project when you consider all of the elements. They would house all construction vehicles onsite.

Motion Made: Motion to approve project on 1841 N. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, CA: Project Description: Action Requested: Existing parking count is 85. Code allows for the same to exist in new site layout. Per code, we added 2 additional parking based on the NEW NET increase in building SF (2 per 1000 SF). Beyond the 87, we, the client would like to increase parking by applying for an "adjustment" process for an additional 9.9% increase, for a total of 95 parking stalls and the eliminate the wall on Western Ave as required by the SNAP conditions.

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Jeff Ramberg **Vote:** Yes-12, No-1, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

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

No

Matt Wait

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

- C) Discussion and possible motion for comments: Hollywood Community Plan (HCP) Update: Review of the Partially Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report regarding Sections 4.15, Transportation, Chapter 5.0 and new Appendix N ONLY. Deadline for comment regarding the draft EIR update is December 16, 2019. See attached sections to be reviewed and commented on. Prior HUNC comments sent to the LA Planning Department regarding the HCP Draft EIR is attached. http://hollywoodunitednc.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/20191201-HCP-Recirc-Draft-EIR_Processed.pdf

Jim Van Dusen explained that everything was put on the website, and there are three parts. The Draft Environmental Impact

Report was submitted, commentary closed, they submitted their comments, something changed due to CEQA, so certain sections were reissued for comment only: 4.15, Chapter 5.0, and Appendix N. 4.15 had to do with transportation issues, and it was essentially a smorgasbord of options, and they submitted their concerns about it in their initial comments. They didn't see anything new to propose as a comment. Section 5.0, alternatives, was interesting in that it had to do with CEQA changes, but they broke out different alternatives.

Mr. Van Dusen referred to the estimates on the front page, and said that there is no place where they'll find a summary of the proposed plan. The guts of the plan is essentially the draft appendices. What they are looking at is three options: what would be the population in Hollywood, what housing would be required, and what would be the employment, and the plans were addressing those issues.

Mr. Van Dusen said that the Southern California Association of Governments, or SCAG, said there would be 119,000 jobs around 2040. Luis Saldivar asked if they were over speculating, and Mr. Van Dusen said that they were, and that nowhere in the plan was affordability mentioned.

He explained that Alternative 1 was them doing nothing. They pointed out that there is no way to stop all construction, and the alternative is only there because CEQA demands it. He believes that Alternative 2 is where a lot of community input was involved. It's essentially tied to the 4.5 Floor Area Ratio, the number of floors per square footage. It's assuming certain amounts of population and employment.

Alternative 3, Targeted Corridors, is still a 4.5 FAR, but is spread out through many of the arteries in the city, so you don't get as many high-rises.

Alternative 4, High TOD, is 6.1 FAR, and in their prior statement comments they supported 4.5 FAR. 6.1 FAR would be essentially skyscrapers. Alternative 4 and Alternative 3 would handle the same population. In Alternative 4, they would put high skyscrapers next to subway stations, whereas alternative 3 put lower buildings spread out through the main transit corridors. Alternative 2 is still above what SCAG is forecasting is going to be needed.

Mr. Van Dusen said that they had not come to a complete decision on the issue. They had come to a tentative decision on Alternative 2, but had to re-read it. After rereading it, they've come to the conclusion that Alternative 2 is the best option. All alternatives will exacerbate traffic, pollution, and noise. Mr. Van Dusen said that once the details come out, they will know better how contentious it will be.

George Skarpelos asked how the Targeted Corridors and Reduced Alternative differ. Mr. Van Dusen said that the Reduced Alternatives are more clustered around the transit centers, where the Targeted Corridors will spread it out more along major arteries of the city.

Matt Wait asked if the report explained why their projections for growth were more aggressive than SCAG's. He also asked what NI, SU and LTS were, and Mr. Van Dusen said he would have to look them up, saying that he only included the tables for context. Jeff Ramberg added that NI is No Impact, LTS is Less Than Significant. Mr. Wait asked why they don't ask them why they haven't taken the NC's advice.

Sheila Irani asked what the boundaries of the Hollywood Community Plan were. Mr. Van Dusen said it was all of Griffith Park, it goes south to Melrose, Hyperion, Los Feliz Boulevard, La Cienega.

Andrew Chadsey said that looking at the graph, the social services and cultural resources take a hit, because the building height limits square feet of development on the ground in Alternatives 2 and 3. Mr. Van Dusen said that almost every single category took 4.5 as the FAR. Ms. D'Amore said that if they take the upper boundary proposed, it would lead to a ridiculous increase in the FAR developers would ask for. Mr. Van Dusen explained that the criteria for "cultural resources" were very loose.

Ms. D'Amore said that CES and Local 11 did a paper about FARs, and based on that paper, especially in Transit Oriented Communities, they've already lost 33% of the people who actually need it, and they end up moving out of the neighborhood. Which brings up the issue of mega commutes, and more people doing mega commutes into the city.

Mr. Wait said that he doesn't know if he buys that the population is increasing rather than decreasing, because people are leaving the state since it is becoming less affordable.

Ms. Irani asked if they could manage the FAR asks; she thought that if they truly want affordable housing, they need a greater supply, but the excess between reduced and targeted has to be affordable. Ms. D'Amore said that currently, buildings with numerous affordable units are being demolished to construct units that are only required to put in 1 or a few units of affordable housing in TOC projects.

Mr. Chadsey asked if it was effective at all if they mention that one of their concerns is to move to 1 to 1 housing, and that's not mentioned anywhere in the plan. He thinks it's appropriate for their area to comment on. Mr. Van Dusen said that their response is going to be Alternative 4. In 3 and 4 they get their numbers by building more housing.

Mr. Skarpelos reiterated that the discussion and focus should be on the comments they can add to the Hollywood Community Plan. They could possibly reiterate that alternative 2 is the best one and they'd like to see higher affordable housing as Mr. Wait says, but that's not being addressed in these documents. Mr. Wait thinks that the fact that it's not being addressed is the problem. Mr. Skarpelos said that they can say the lack of discussion about affordable housing is troubling.

Mr. Van Dusen said that they're only talking about the original plan they've already commented on. Nothing has changed because there's not time for a change. It's only an update based on what came out of CEQA. The change would be when the EIR comes out. Mr. Skarpelos added that they will be able to comment on the EIR when it comes out, and it might be best to comment when that comes out.

Jeff Ramberg said that the problem is that this is a baseline, and if the baseline is followed all the time, there is no affordable housing as written.

Mr. Van Dusen read their previous comments on affordable housing on the plan.

Ms. Irani asked if they would be buying into a higher FAR than 4.5 as a board; Ms. D'Amore said that the TOC was all about setting things in flexible tiers.

Mr. Wait proposed saying that HUNC reiterated its previous position requesting a higher inclusion of affordable housing. Mr. Van Dusen does not want to muddy this opportunity to create a clear statement. They have an opportunity to make a policy statement to be on record for an alternative, with their previous statements on 4.5 on record.

Mr. Wait said that his concern is them saying that they endorse Alternative 2, and disregard everything else they said. Mr. Van Dusen is okay with saying that, but adding it onto the end of the motion.

Motion Made: Motion to endorse Alternative 2 in the Hollywood Community Plan (HCP) Update: Review of the Partially Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report regarding Sections 4.15, Transportation, Chapter 5.0 and new Appendix N ONLY. Deadline for comment regarding the draft EIR update is December 16, 2019, and to add a paragraph reiterating their prior position and comments on the plan.

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

Yes

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Tom Meredith					

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

8. Outreach Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Erin Penner said that they discussed a possible motion to recommend an approval for tabling at the Lemon Grove park, and they didn't come to pitch the NPG, so the item went by the wayside. And the Parkline shuttle event was discussed, along with the candidate forum. And HUNC presence at Civic and Homeowners' meetings, if they could have more board members there, it would be good. At Ferndale park, they now have HUNC benches that have been stored since 2007 and are now surrounding Ferndale Park.

B) Discussion and possible motion approve up to \$3,000 for rentals, food, beverages, flyers, swag and other incidentals in sponsoring a CD4 candidate forum in coordination with other NCs

George Skarpelos said that he has been in discussion with several NC's, and all are in on doing a CD4 group candidate forum. The biggest thing is the location. That is not the point at the moment, though they will have to figure that out. The general tenor was "This sounds ground, how can we make this work". The location was not enough of an issue to cause the other NC's to pull out. The idea was to do it in January or February, sometime before the election in March.

Luis Saldivar asked how many NCs are on board, and Mr. Skarpelos restated the NCs that were on board for the event. They have five for sure, with two to four more possibly involved. He said that \$3,000 was not budgeted, but it was to cover possible rentals, food, etc.

Matt Wait asked how many candidates had filed for CD4, and Brandi D'Amore said that 4 candidates at least have filed. Erin Penner added that most NC's already have an ad hoc committee for the election already. Tom Meredith added that they can pass it, and then take it around to other NCs for assistance.

Ms. D'Amore said that other NCs might have different issues from HUNC's. Mr. Skarpelos said part of the issue is how far-flung CD4

is.

Stakeholder Christina asked when they would get it out to stakeholders so they could have notice to attend, and Mr. Skarpelos said they would get it out in time once it was planned.

Motion Made: Motion to approve up to \$3,000 for rentals, food, beverages, flyers, swag and other incidentals in sponsoring a CD4 candidate forum in coordination with other NCs

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

Yes

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Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

C) Discussion of board member participation in HUNC and various community events

Erin Penner said that there tend to be the same people who show up at events. With the evacuation exercise, if you're on an NC and not at an emergency meeting planning what they're going to do in the event of an earthquake or wildfire, it looks bad.

Matt Wait said that he perceived the event as being exclusively for people in the hills. Brandi D'Amore said that regardless of who would be the evacuees, if an NC is putting it on, more people from the NC should attend.

Tom Meredith said that Mr. Wait represents all of the people in the area of HUNC. Mr. Wait said that he simply perceived the event as not providing information that he or others who do not live in the hills would use. Mr. Skarpelos understood, but said that they are all part of a board and part of a community, saying that they should try to participate in as many of the events as possible.

Ms. D'Amore said that they also had National Night Out in August and they had a handful of people attend. It's not about the evacuation or event, it's about who's putting it on. National Night Out was for everyone in their neighborhood. And if it's the same 5 people coming out, it doesn't tell stakeholders who does what.

Sheila Irani said she couldn't do the evacuation because of surgery, but she went on Nextdoor to push for the event hard. And she thinks if a board member can't make it, they should find a way to contribute to outreach in another way.

Stakeholder Christina added that her neighborhood didn't participate in the evacuation, but said that they were aware of RYLAN thanks to Ms. Irani, and they are now having training in it coming to their neighborhood. And members of their community could make it to the town hall or the emergency fair.

Ms. Penner said that she thinks they have to be a resource to the community as board members. And especially renters needed to be at the emergency fair, and board members should be a resource for them as well.

D) Discussion of possible meet and greet with stakeholders at Everly Hotel in upcoming months

Brandi D'Amore said that they wouldn't be able to do anything until the first of the year. Erin Penner and Ms. D'Amore are trying to get more involvement in it from younger people and younger renters who don't know that they have a stake. They're thinking about doing a meet and greet to help with that, possibly at the Everly, possibly doing a trivia night. It is a way to encourage more participation in A area and non-homeowners below 50.

Mr. Skarpelos said he thinks it's a great idea, and thinks it's great to bring HUNC outside of meetings and into the community. Ms. D'Amore added that they might get Chief Hogan to do a pancake breakfast just for their neighborhood.

9. Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Erin Penner said the only thing that isn't on there is that they have to get the survey monkey out, and Tom Meredith and she will meet to work on that.

B) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$400 for an FRS (Family Radio Service) or GMRS (General Mobile Radio Service) device to be kept in the Annex and used in conjunction with the LFNC for monthly safety check-ins

Erin Penner said that LFNC does monthly check-ins on their radios, and she said Mike Hain suggested they have a radio at the

Annex. The GMRS devices have greater range, but require an FCC license to operate, and Ms. Penner would have to look into who/what can get the license. Either way they're not more than \$200, but she put it up to \$400 just in case.

Stakeholder Christina said that the GMRS has more channels to prevent communications overlap. Ms. Penner said that she has to figure out if a board can get it or a single person can get it. Andrew Chadsey added that they would have to understand the coding necessary to use the radio since they would be integrating with fire and police radio bands.

Ms. Penner clarified that this would be used monthly by Public Safety. It would be a base and two walkie-talkies.

Sheila Irani asked why only two walkie-talkies, and Ms. D'Amore said that ideally most of the neighborhoods would get their own base units with walkie-talkies. Mr. Skarpelos added that they would get one and train on it, and perhaps other neighborhoods would get their own. Ms. Penner said that every month, the LFNC checks in on other NC's, and they would be part of that network of NC's. Also, the GMRS walkie talkie unobstructed reaches 65 miles. Because of the hills, their range would be 5-10 miles. She would have to do more research on models.

Stakeholder Christina said that she thought the communication tower that's on her part of the hills means that they have an additional repeating station. She thinks they're better off getting the license to communicate with fire and police.

Motion Made: Motion to approve up to \$400 for an FRS (Family Radio Service) or GMRS (General Mobile Radio Service) device to be kept in the Annex and used in conjunction with the LFNC for monthly safety check-ins

Motion: Erin Penner **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

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Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

- C) Report on the recent sexual assault seminar with Officer Ben Thompson and discussion of possible follow-up seminar in early 2020.

Erin Penner said that Dr. Schleicher got very sick and had to cancel two days prior. She put out word and heard back from two amazing clinical psychologists who want to work with us; one's grandfather invented the rape kit, and she now works in the LA Prison system. Ms. Penner thinks they should still have it since they spent money on advertising and social media boost. No one showed up except for Office Thompson's wife. They had zero attendees, even though it probably went out to 20,000 people.

George Skarpelos said that doing it on a Saturday, especially at this time of the year, might not be the best idea. Also, it might be better to partner with other NCs or organizations.

Brandi D'Amore said that they learned a lot of really useful information, although some of it was very disturbing, such as that some forms of sexual assault are still considered misdemeanors, or that for some crimes, police can't arrest people unless they personally witness the incident.

Ms. Penner says they are thinking about reaching out to businesses, and Ms. D'Amore says Planning is thinking of making the training mandatory for a conditional use permit. Ms. Penner says making the thing bigger to attract more people would be a good thing.

Andrew Chadsey said that as a side note, he knows two people who have been roofied on their block. The younger people have no awareness of what they need to be doing, and their behavior is way outside of what's safe. Unfortunately, when he talks about this stuff coming from a UCLA background, when they hear these things, they clue in, before that, they don't think their behavior is outside of safety.

10. Homelessness and Social Services Committee

- A) Report by the Committee Chair

- B) Discuss Homelessness Neighbors Resource Bundles

Tabled

- C) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$2000.00 for METRO Tap cards to be distributed in the Homeless Neighbors Resource Bundles

Tabled: George Skarpelos said that they technically had this in July, they might as well move it up to \$2000.

Sheila Irani said that she talked to someone to put together an invoice, and until it gets sent to Adam Miller they should table it.

11. Transportation & Works Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

12. Non Profit, Education & Arts Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

B) Report by the Youth Representative

George Skarpelos said that Julia Eschanasy, now absent, already brought up her report's concerns while speaking with Raquel Beltran, about the lack of outreach to potential youth representatives.

Luis Saldivar suggested the committee could set up a date where the kids meet the neighborhood council. Sheila Irani suggested doing an assembly presentation. Margaret Marmolejo suggested they could even put it as an Eventbrite.

C) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$1,000 for Cheremoya School murals

(This item was addressed before item 4)

Angela introduced herself, saying she directs the Hollywood Orchard, which does a lot of sustainability work, donation to homeless shelters, and works a lot with Cheremoya elementary school which teaches them about the environment and about sustainability.

She explained that the mural project builds off years of teaching about native culture, native flora and fauna, and would teach the children about what California's habitat used to look like and what it could look like again. The idea of Los Angeles as a watershed is very important, and she presented example artwork from the mural artist that she would like to produce the mural for Cheremoya, including a mural about the birds of Hollywood designed for the Cornell Ornithology Lab.

She explained that the palette of the mural will be designed to evoke the colors of southern California, and explained that they are trying to get across several things to the kids: "Where am I", macro and micro, and to showcase some of the predators of Los Angeles. In addition, they want to get across the ideas of being a citizen scientist and environmental stewardship. The mural will also help advance STEM teaching and careers, and the mural will be geared to help advance an inclusive and diverse curriculum.

The entire mural will focus on the watershed of Los Angeles, and they are still playing with palette. The mural will have a lot of representation of First People's practices with the land. Erin Penner asked if they would be visible from the street, and Angela said they would not be, but they would be facing into the schoolyard and into the shared garden of the school. She then displayed some bump-outs from the murals that teach bird identification, citizen science, LA river history, and other topics.

Angela said she was told to ask for more, and to ask for \$2,000. George Skarpelos asked if it was possible to amend the motion, and the board said that she could always come back again to ask for more.

Erin Penner asked if she had submitted an NPG, and Angela said she had submitted it to Adam Miller. Mr. Skarpelos asked Angela to forward it to him as well.

Angela clarified that the money would be a part of more than \$40,000, and that it would also go to purchasing field journals to be used by students in individual or group activities.

Andrew Chadsey asked if she had integrated any geometric color designs into their color palette, and Angela said that it would be to be determined, and that they want to stay accurate to the color palettes of local indigenous groups.

Tom Meredith asked where they could get a placard signifying HUNC's support. Angela said getting the HUNC logo on the mural is possible, but it would be preferable to get a large plaque showing large donors to go somewhere on the mural. Mr. Meredith asked where the other money was coming from, and Angela said it was for her to figure out, but they will be sending out grant applications and doing crowd-sourcing. Even if they don't get all of the money right away, they will be doing at least one of the murals when they have the money. Brandi D'Amore added that they will be able to take that one mural and use it to raise more money.

Luis Saldivar asked when they were planning on starting the mural, and Angela said their dream scenario would be to start in February-March, and it would probably take six weeks.

Margaret Marmolejo asked how much they would need to even start, and Angela said she would need about \$10,000 to finish one mural. She clarified that the murals would be designed to be permanent.

Mr. Skarpelos said that in committee, they can recommend in committee to approve more than \$1,000, and said that Angela could come next month before the board to approve up to \$2,000, with an amended NPG.

Motion Made: Motion to approve up to \$1,000 for Cheremoya School murals

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

Yes

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Tom Meredith					

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

13. Renters and Housing Issues Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Matt Wait said that because they didn't meet, he doesn't have much of a report, but coming up at their renter's meeting this Thursday, they were able to get a map of all of the rental properties in the HUNC boundaries. What he was able to do from that was to get a tally of every unit in area A, which was pretty small. It's small enough that he thinks they can do a direct mail campaign to find a representative from that area. It'll probably end up going to outreach as well.

Brandi D'Amore noted that Chona Galvez compiled that list way before numerous projects were completed in the area.

- B) Discussion and possible motion to file a CIS in support of Council File 19-1127 Tenants in Common (TIC) / Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Units / Ellis Act Eviction / Inventory and Monitoring System
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-1211>
 First: O'Farrell (CD 13) Second: Martinez (CD 6); Currently In: Housing Committee; Last Action: 10/8/19
 Summary: Requesta report within 60 days on the feasibility of creating an inventory and monitoring system for units subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) that have been vacated by the Ellis Act and have become, or are suspected to become, Tenants-in-Common units, in order to enforce the regulations of the City's RSO and the Home-Sharing Ordinance; the report should include the resources necessary to effectuate the creation and maintenance of this new tracking system

Matt Wait said that this was something that they approved at their committee last time they met, and it didn't make it to the full board agenda until now. It's supposed to be to investigate the feasibility of creating an inventory for RSO properties that are being turned into Tenants in Common units. He then summarized the Tenancy in Common system, saying it was sort of like a rent to own plan for housing buildings, and is more popular in San Francisco. Councilmember Farrell thinks it is coming over into Hollywood and other areas.

Brandi D'Amore said that it is kind of like taking investor money without actually giving them the ownership of the building in practice in Hollywood. There's a group of people using the Ellis Act to get people out to do this without any guarantee that they're going to own it. Mr. Wait said that the idea is that eventually you own a condo, but what Councilmember O'Farrell is trying to address is buildings purposefully being emptied out of tenants in another way to use the Ellis Act to convert housing, and they may not actually go through with the Tenancy In Common aspect.

Ms. Irani asked if they were against Tenancy in Common or against pretending something is Tenancy in Common to kick people out. Mr. Skarpelos added that the CIS is solely to investigate the creation of an inventory system. Ms. Irani added that most RSO properties are at the end on their useful life because they haven't been maintained.

Motion Made: Motion to file a CIS in support of Council File 19-1127 Tenants in Common (TIC) / Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Units / Ellis Act Eviction / Inventory and Monitoring System

Motion: Matt Wait**Second:** Luis Saldivar**Vote:** Yes-13, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1**Yes**

Andrew Chadsey

Brandi D'Amore

Erin Penner

Fouzia Burfield

George Skarpelos

Jeff Ramberg

Jim Van Dusen

Luis Saldivar

Margaret Marmolejo

Matt Wait

Sheila Irani

Susan Swan

Tom Meredith

Ineligible

Julia Eschenasy

14. Finance

A) Report by the Treasurer

Tabled

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

Tabled

C) Discussion and vote to approve November Monthly Expense Report for submission

Tabled

15. Board Member announcements of items not on the Agenda

Sheila Irani asked if anyone would object to doing a similar mural to the one done in Lake Hollywood Park in Bronson Park. George Skarpelos suggested running it through the Arts committee.

16. Old/Ongoing Business

Luis Saldivar asked if they could get cleaning supplies and some waters/sodas. Andrew Chadsey suggested getting a water filter. Brandi D'Amore said that their branded coffee mugs were intended to be used with the water fountains to be sustainable.

17. New/Future Business

Adjournment at 9:41 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.