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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

## Monday, May 11, 2020, 6:30 PM Webinar ID: 948 6973 0733

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#### Welcome

#### 6:33 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	Brandi D'Amore	Jeff Ramberg
Matt Wait	Andrew Chadsey	Michael Connolly	Fouzia Burfield	Ryan Snyder	

Absent

Julia Eschenasy

## 2. Approval of Minutes

## Tabled: Tabled for this initial zoom meeting

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

Sean Starkey from Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell's office explained that their office has done several things to ease the current crisis, including pursuing protections for renters, barring landlords for evicting commercial or residential renters during the crisis and the council has halted Ellis Act evictions for 60 days, allowing renters to pay back their rent in the next 12 months. The council also unanimously waived late fees for renters. Councilmember O'Farrell's office also has created a rental assistance program for the 13th district with \$1 million in discretionary funding and renters can apply through HCID. The city has prohibited RSO rent increases during this time, parking restrictions have been relaxed and there are food pickup zones now. The councilmember has done resolutions advocating for rent and mortgage forgiveness, but those must be done at the federal level. He also introduced a resolution which all Councilmembers supported, asking the federal government to get on that. Also the Hollywood Rec Center has opened a 27-bed emergency shelter which has been packed every night. O'Farrell's office has been working with LAHSA to keep the Salvation Army shelter open. Also any sanitation crews out now are removing litter and bulky items from homeless encampments and are no longer doing complete cleanups.

Rachel Fox introduced herself from Councilmember Ryu's office, and explained that they have been focusing on protecting the health of seniors and vulnerable citizens as well as protecting renters and small businesses. They have been involved in making sure there's more testing in the city and county. Councilmember Ryu has also introduced or co-introduced a couple motions to the council, including the Responsible Banking Ordinance, encouraging banks that do business with the city to disclose plans for mortgage and rent relief. They have supported rent and mortgage forgiveness and expanding rent freeze on RSO units. They have also freed up some discretionary funds to the Jewish Free Loan Association to give to small businesses affected by the current crisis. They have also partnered with My Friend's Place, Angel Food, the Hollywood Food Coalition, and the LA Regional Food Bank to support services and make sure they have funding. They are hoping that this will continue on to provide seniors with critical services by partnering with Mon Ami to provide support and supplies for seniors, and are partnering in Council District 4 to see how it goes. They are also looking at ways to support small businesses; if anyone has suggestions, please forward to her.

Erin Penner asked if there was any update on the city council capping service charges for food delivery services like DoorDash, etc. Mr. Starkey confirmed that Councilmember O'Farrell had introduced the motion, and that it is in committee currently, and they are trying to get it through committee at the next council meeting.

Sheila Irani told Ms. Fox that in her home area, Lake Hollywood, this weekend they had tons of hikers up there, none of whom were wearing masks. Ranger coverage was sporadic, and although there was LAPD patrolling, they didn't stop anybody. She also wishes they would move on that gate on Wisdom Tree Trail.

LAPD Senior Lead Officer Brian White introduced himself, and explained that crime numbers in the east Hollywood Hills are way down as well as in areas north of Franklin, with drops of 20%, 30%. He knows the community has been keeping SLO Heather Mata busy with plenty of community concerns and complaints. Division-wise, they have had an increase of burglaries in general and in theft of automobiles. If any constituents are out traveling, he suggests that they be really careful not to fall into that trap of leaving their car running while they go in to grab something. The Hollywood Entertainment district is still really quiet, so nothing to report.

Ms. Irani said that they have had mail theft every night from 2:30 - 3:30 in her area and surrounding areas. They have photos of people who are doing it in her area and she knows there was another arrest made, and wanted to know if they are the same people. SLO White explained that there was an arrest made and they will follow up on it, but he is not sure if they are the same people. Ms. Irani corrected herself, saying that they are not the same people because her area was robbed a day after they were arrested. SLO White advised stakeholders, especially those who are working from home, to get their mail and packages as soon as possible.

- 4. Community Updates
  - A) Report by the Youth Representative *No report*
- 5. Executive Committee
  - A) Report by the President

George Skarpelos said that with regards to emergency authorizations, we have the ability to authorize emergency funds to various organizations. He did that as president, but now they are still going to have to approve them as a board. In addition to the numbers, they passed an ordinance by the City Council that allows neighborhood councils to encumber funds through June 30th. So if there are funds HUNC wants to spend on things, they still have another month to encumber them, and they need guidelines from the City Clerk's office.

Adam Miller said that he thought what they mean by "encumber" funds is to enter it through the platform to reserve the money ahead of time. Mr. Skarpelos added that they still have the \$10,000 rollover, so if there's \$10,000 they haven't spent, they can still put it towards next year.

B) Discussion and possible motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$1,500 for the LAFD Foundation to purchase grabber tools

George Skarpelos explained that these are reacher grabbers so LAFD can be socially far away and pick up things for people being assisted or spoken with.

Motion Made: Motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$1,500 for the LAFD Foundation to purchase reacher tools

Motion: George Skarp	elos Second: Tom	n Meredith	Vote: Yes-29, No-0, Abstain	-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1	
Yes					
Adam Miller	Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Brandi D'Amore
Erin Penner	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Luis Saldivar
Margaret Marmolejo	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Michael Connolly
Ryan Snyder	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	Sheila Irani	Tom Meredith	
Ineligible					

Julia Eschenasy

C) Discussion and possible motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$1,000 for the Center of the Blessed Sacrament foundation to purchase snacks and other items for homeless outreach

Erin Penner explained that she ran into Nathan Sheets from the Center today and got an update from him on this item. He officially has the check. The Center has an Amazon wishlist, and it was impossible to order stuff during the initial period of the COVID outbreak. Now it seems like it's a little easier, so that \$1,000 is outreach for their participants: food and outreach supplies.

Adam Miller recused himself since he's a board member for the Center. Erin Penner recused herself since she volunteers for them.

Motion Made: Motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$1,000 for the Center of the Blessed Sacrament foundation to purchase snacks and other items for homeless outreach

Motion: George Skarp	pelos Second: Luis	Saldivar	Vote: Yes-13, No-0, Abstain	-0, Recused-2, Ineligible	e-1
Yes					
Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen
Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani
Tom Meredith					
Recuse					
Adam Miller	Erin Penner				
Ineligible					
Julia Eschenasy					

D) Discussion and possible motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$500 for My Friends Place to purchase tents

Matt Wait said that this is also based on the fact that the council reached out to them to see if they had any particular needs as they're continuing to operate as an essential service. They responded to this request and he urges the board to approve it.

Motion Made: Motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$500 for My Friends Place to purchase tents

Motion: George Sk	arpelos Second: Ma	att Wait	Vote: Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0	), Recused-0, Ineligible-	-1
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly
Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	Tom Meredith			
Ineligible					
Julia Eschenasy					

E) Discussion and possible motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$500 for LALGBT Center's Senior Angel program

Erin Penner said that she had contacted Triangle Square, which is directly across from the Hollywood Farmers Market. They are the biggest residential area for low-income LGBT seniors in the country, and they do drop-offs of essential supplies with no contact during the COVID-19 crisis.

Ms. Penner recused herself from the vote since she does help the organization out.

Motion Made: Motion to approve the emergency authorization of \$500 for LALGBT Center's Senior Angel program

Motion: George Sk	arpelos Second: Er	rin Penner Vote	: Yes-14, No-0, Abstai	n-0, Recused-1, Ineligible-1	
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder
Sheila Irani	Tom Meredith				
Recuse					
Erin Penner					
Ineligible					
Julia Eschenasy					

F) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$1,000 for the Budget Advocates. \*MOTION AMENDED TO \$500\*

Luis Saldivar and Jack Humphreyville brought this to the board: it's about getting the budget advocates \$1,000.

*Mr.* Saldivar explained that it is basically an extra thousand dollars for the budget advocates to get their white paper together, which is basically a list of asks for the mayor for the next budget.

Adam Miller said that he did not see this one on the agenda, so it's not in the calculations on the sheet of the board's finances he sent them, so they are technically over budget if they vote yes on everything. Technically they would have wiggle room with the swag, but he just wanted everyone to be aware.

George Skarpelos read an email from Mr. Humphreyville explaining that 36 budget advocates are elected from the 99 neighborhood councils, and they are supposed to present budget requests, and this year will be particularly difficult considering new labor regulations and the impact of the virus. BA's sponsor Budget Day to listen to presentations on budget related items and meet with city divisions and organizations to get a sense of budget asks, and what the city intends to spend this money on? So the funding would cover their white paper's publication, administrative costs, and Budget Day.

*Mr.* Miller clarified that the \$22,800 is what they have left already with the money encumbered and paid out. When it comes to one of their items, if they ran over, they could buy a little bit less swag and cover it.

Tom Meredith said that he thinks that Mr. Humphreyville's ask is legitimate because they do a lot of work and the budget process requires a lot of securing facilities, note-taking, and paperwork. However, he thought an ask of \$1,000 across 100 neighborhood councils seems ambitious, but maybe \$500 would be a reasonable request. And to Mr. Miller's point, Mr. Meredith said that there are several things he is not going to be supportive of looking ahead, but thanked Mr. Miller for giving them these parameters to think about as they move ahead.

Mr. Miller suggested amending the motion to \$500, and the board agreed.

#### Motion Made: Motion to approve up to \$500 for the Budget Advocates

Motion: Luis Saldivar	Second:	Tom Meredith	Vote: Yes-9, No-5, Abstain-	2, Recused-0, Ineligible-1	
Yes					
Andrew Chadsey Sheila Irani <b>No</b>	Fouzia Burfield Susan Swan	George Skarpelos Tom Meredith	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo
Adam Miller <b>Abstain</b>	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Jeff Ramberg	Ryan Snyder	
Matt Wait Ineligible Julia Eschenasy IM Committee	Michael Connolly				

## A) Report by the Committee Chair

No report

B) Discussion and possible motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the Hollywood Center Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (ENV-2018-2116-EIR) until August 1, 2020

George Skarpelos clarified that this motion and the next motion are only about extending the public comment periods and have nothing to do with the projects or ordinances involved themselves.

Jim Van Dusen said that these are all very problematic. In his opinion, they can only talk about two; one was discussed and voted down in December. On B particularly, it is a mammoth plan and the city and developers have dropped it on them right during this sequestering. He explained that he and Mr. Skarpelos wrote a letter requesting an extension and the city planner sent back a response that in his opinion was unbelievable, saying that they weren't granting any extension on this billion dollar project. Mr. Skarpelos wrote back saying he was flabbergasted by the city's response. They may try to pull off a special meeting between now and June 1, but it's just too big, and they may not be able to pull it off. And the next one, that's another massive project that's been before the board before, and it wasn't finished so there was no vote on it. That one they have not requested an extension of time on, but the deadline is June 8th. The Hollywood Center plan qualified for a special program the governor signed off on, which limits the amount of time they have to put together lawsuits to combat these kinds of programs if they're needed. He wants to make sure the NC's on the record in the public administrative record said that they requested an extension. The city's already denied it, but that was a denial for he and Mr. Skarpelos requesting it. This new motion will be a request from the board.

*Mr.* Skarpelos explained that he changed the asks to August 1st. Now if they say 90 days, but a month has passed since those 90 days, and he figured they should get a date. Mr. Van Dusen asked what the date of the August board meeting was, and Mr. Skarpelos said he does not know, but they should be able to do this in June or July.

**Public Comment:** 

Nyla Arslanian introduced herself as President of the Hollywood Arts Council and editor of Discover Hollywood Arts. In her opinion, the project will have a huge impact on neighborhoods and on the very feel and soul of the area. She thinks it's outlandish that the request has been rejected, and they need organizations to band together to fight to extend this comment period and stop this project once and for all.

Joseph Mariani, project manager, introduced himself and said that he would like to convey the project's previous offer to present the project to HUNC in the future. He asked If everyone on the phone hasn't accessed the draft EIR yet, and said to please go and look at it on the city planning website and be sure to submit comments to Mindy Nguyen at mindy.nguyen@lacity.org. He added that he is happy to discuss projects with individuals.

Susan Winsberg introduced herself as a representative of the Franklin Corridor Coalition. She is wondering if there's anything they can do to persuade the city to give them until August 1 or longer as individual stakeholders. Mr. Skarpelos said that the Coalition can put their request for an extension in, and knows that other neighborhood groups have requested it as well. He is not sure they're going to change their mind on it, but the board encourages everyone to make their wishes known to city planning and city leaders. He also said to write to Councilmember O'Farrell and Councilmember Ryu.

*Mr.* Miller said that, while he is interested with the general idea behind the letter, the board did not vote on a letter being sent to the Planning Department, and with HUNC letterhead and a voice that sounds like they voted on the issue. He said he is unhappy with the issue that they submitted an ultimatum or a statement as a board without voting on that item.

Ryan Snyder asked Sean Starkey if councilmember O'Farrell is willing to help out on this. Mr. Starkey said that he would have to refer to Craig, their planning director. He is happy to connect anybody to him, but has very little info on this project.

*Mr.* Skarpelos said, to be clear about this, he did send an email out to everybody saying he would ask for an extension, and he never represented that the board had a vote. And he also thinks it's unconscionable for them to release this EIR in the middle of a pandemic, which certainly qualifies as abnormal circumstances that should bump the comment period. The optics are terrible for the city to push this through now.

Brandi D'Amore said that the extension is critical because there's even larger things to do with the interdependence of how neighboring projects will affect each other. And she thinks it paints the city as corrupt to be forcing this through when there's not enough time to comment. If the board does not do this, it just makes all of their community groups think that the board does not care, or that they are in collusion with the city.

*Mr.* Miller asked Mr. Skarpelos at a future point if he could find the date he sent the email about the letter, saying it could open them up to litigation, and that he is not comfortable with the situation. He also asked if Mr. Snyder and Luis Saldivar would have to recuse themselves since they would be caught in the region of the projects. Ms. D'Amore said that Mr. Snyder would not have to unless he has a financial vested interest in what happens. She said it is best practice to recuse himself but he's not required to even though he's within 500 feet. Mr. Saldivar would have to recuse himself from the second project since he literally lives on the property. Mr. Skarpelos clarified that Mr. Saldivar can still vote on the Hollywood Center project, and advised Mr. Snyder to recuse himself if he feels he needs to.

*Mr.* Van Dusen said that regarding *Mr.* Miller's comments about the letter, that's why he wanted this on the agenda to have an official statement.

Motion Made: Motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the Hollywood Center Project Draft Environmental Impact Report (ENV-2018-2116-EIR) until August 1, 2020

Motion: Jim Van Dus	en Second: Brar	ndi D'Amore	Vote: Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-2, Recused-0, Ineligible-1		
Yes					
Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen
Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				
Abstain					
Adam Miller	Jeff Ramberg				
Ineligible					
Julia Eschenasy					

C) Discussion and possible motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the 6220 West Yucca Draft Environmental Impact Report (ENV-2014-4706-EIR) until August 1, 2020

George Skarpelos said that it was a large project, and he thinks in a time of pandemic they need to be able to comment on it.

Luis Saldivar said, about recusing himself, that things are getting interesting here with Champion; he did not know if attendees had looked at the draft EIR, but it's an interesting project to say the least, and it is a first for the board to be even mentioned in the project. They will see what happens here, there's still a lot of things in the air and times are a little crazy. He does agree with the letter from Mr. Skarpelos and Jim Van Dusen, and this is good measures.

Mr. Van Dusen explained for the folks new to the board that this project was before them a couple years ago, it's a big project but what's significant is Bob Champion came to a HUNC meeting, and about 50 people were going to be thrown out onto the street, and he made verbal concessions about paying their rent in a new place and that they could move back in to the new project at the same rate. It's changed a couple times from one building to two buildings, and he thinks it's still at two buildings. It'll affect a lot of people who've been living in low-cost housing for, in one case, 50 years. So they need time to comment on it.

#### **Public Comment:**

Nyla Arslanian said that she supports the extension on this, and thinks in this day and age when all they hear about before the pandemic was about the lack of affordable housing, and they see 44 units being removed from that area, it's just not acceptable, and that they are not going to have an opportunity to comment is also not acceptable.

Brandi D'Amore explained that the other thing is that the project was supposed to be 8 stories, and is now planning on being as tall as the hotel, and the hotel needs to weigh in on that. And the concessions that Mr. Van Dusen mentioned are not legally binding.

Motion Made: Motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the 6220 West Yucca Draft Environmental Impact Report (ENV-2014-4706-EIR) until August 1, 2020

Motion: Brandi D'Amo	ore Second: F	ouzia Burfield	Vote: Yes-13, No-0, Abstai	n-2, Recused-1, Ineligible-2	
Yes					
Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen
Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan
Tom Meredith					
Abstain					
Adam Miller	Jeff Ramberg				
Recuse					
Luis Saldivar					
Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

D) Discussion and possible motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the Restaurant Beverage Program until August 1, 2020

Jim Van Dusen explained that the board already took a position on this, voting down a CIS against the program. George Skarpelos added that what they are asking for is an extension of the public comment period. Mr. Van Dusen added that the board has already voted and decided not to get involved. He presented as a private citizen and spoke at the hearing. He asked if this was a new piece of business, or because the board already passed on a CIS on this, is it considered part of it.

Brandi D'Amore said that they aren't necessarily going to take the letter they wrote over this new section. They now have more potential construction and development happening, and the issue is that they didn't give us any time to present it to the community to allow them to speak on it, and two, even if you find all the pass throughs are workable, it's not okay to completely leave NC's out of the process.

Mr. Van Dusen asked Susan Swan if they are still able to be in this game as a board. He would propose they consider what's going on now as something new, although he does not know what they are referring to with the motion because they had the hearing before and the board voted not to have a position or CIS on the hearing. He asked if they can resurrect this, and Ms. Swan said she thought they could.

Motion Made: Motion to request that the Los Angeles City Planning Department extend the public comment period for the Restaurant Beverage Program until August 1, 2020

Motion: Brandi D'Amo	ore Second: S	Susan Swan Vo	ote: Yes-12, No-1, Abstain	-3, Recused-0, Ineligible	-2
Yes					
Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar
Margaret Marmolejo <b>No</b>	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith
Jeff Ramberg <b>Abstain</b>					
Adam Miller Ineligible	Andrew Chadsey	Ryan Snyder			
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

7. Bylaws Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

- B) Review, discuss and vote to approve revised HUNC Bylaws, including, but not limited to:
  - Removing redundant language and extraneous words
  - Clarifying acronyms when first used
  - Editing boundary descriptions
  - Adopting Stakeholder definition according to current City Council approval
  - Composing Board of 20 Stakeholder representatives:
  - o 5 Geographic
  - o 3 Renters
  - o 2 Homeowners
  - O 2 Unclassified
  - 1 At-large (no geographic requirement)
  - O 1 Educational
  - o 2 Non-Profit or Faith Based
  - O 3 Business
  - 1 Youth (age 14 19)
  - Revising language regarding absences, censures, removals and resignations
  - Cleaning-up language regarding Executive positions' roles and responsibilities

Tabled: Tom Meredith explained that the bylaws committee has been trying very diligently to look at the bylaws that have been established, and what needs to be revised. He does believe that they have a lot of edits that have been created, and a lot of items that have been revised, but he needs to know if they have the opportunity in this meeting to go through it thoroughly, because it's important and it is basically creating the foundation for what they want to do going forward.

George Skarpelos said that he and Mr. Meredith have discussed this, and he said if they are going to really go through the bylaws and identify changes, they need to make a point-by-point summary of the changes. Some of these are cleanup, making language consistent. Their community member was very diligent about making those changes. In addition, there are things that could be controversial, certainly different, and they want to make sure people can talk about this. He is not sure they can do this in 30 minutes, and they probably need 90 minutes and to put it in a format so they can vote on individual pieces. He asked if people would be willing to come to a special board bylaws joint meeting.

Adam Miller asked if they could move the funding items up, because they have people who are going to propose on funding items. He said it would be unfair to keep them waiting if they don't move this to a later discussion. Mr. Skarpelos added that that is their question now, and that they would need to do a joint bylaws/board meeting in the next three weeks.

Susan Swan agreed with Mr. Miller that they should move to the more important items. The work on the bylaws has been very diligent and deep, which means another meeting. Since they are all at home, she suggested they set up another meeting as soon as they can and go through it.

## Fourier Burfield and Luis Saldivar supported the idea.

Ms. Irani asked if 90 minutes would be enough, and Mr. Skarpelos said this is why this is somewhat of a pipe dream, putting 30 minutes to it; he thinks the idea is if they break it down into different sections, and this is incumbent on Mr. Meredith and Ms. Swan to clarify what the changes are, then consider each change as a component and decide on it, it's doable. So the idea is to structure the meeting to be as efficient as possible.

Mr. Miller thought they should have their own independent meeting, and asked that they set up some kind of method in which people can email in beforehand notes to the committee chair. They don't want to have something that people want to focus on

that isn't in that agenda.

*Ms.* Swan said that the goal is they would have one document with the yellow highlight being new things and yellow strikeouts representing something removed.

Mr. Skarpelos said that they would get back to the board with some potential date for the meeting.

Items VII-A, B, and C were postponed.

*Mr.* Van Dusen asked if they could hold committee meetings with this format. *Mr.* Skarpelos said that if he wants to do this, the board or DONE would set him up.

*Mr.* Meredith thanked the board for their comments, and said he would appreciate it if the board could get back to this with another meeting, and in the meantime if everybody could read this document that they have provided, because it represents what Ms. Swan started, what the committee did, and what they are doing now. He said he would like to propose a special meeting for the committee and the board on Memorial Day. He would be more than happy to calenderize this for everybody.

C) Review, discuss and vote to approve appointed board seats not to exceed a period of two years or until the term of the appointed seat ends, whichever is the lesser.

## Tabled: Postponed for the next 2-3 weeks

- 8. Outreach Committee
  - A) Report by the Committee Chair

Erin Penner asked, piggybacking on Jim Van Dusen's comment, if they are to have committee/subcommittee meetings, do all Chairs have to attend these Zoom trainings, and wouldn't it require George Skarpelos to attend a lot of these committee meetings? Mr. Skarpelos said that it would not, and that he can set it up and make co-hosts and hosts.

Ms. Penner said as far as outreach, they did have an outreach meeting, but nothing to report. They feel the board needs to reach out to the senior demographic; they don't all have internet access and computers, etc. So if members want to brainstorm creative ways to interface with the seniors, she asked them to send them to her. She said some NC's are going door to door to check on senior stakeholders.

Luis Saldivar said maybe they can talk to folks at the castle, and he think there are places where they can hit up seniors to see if they need anything.

B) Motion to approve up to \$3000 more for additional HUNC promotional materials to include but not limited to pens, safety reflectors and bags

George Skarpelos said that they do not have to do this if they don't want to, and they have \$2,000 set aside already. His biggest concern was that they wouldn't have the \$10,000 for rollover, but he has been told by Lorenzo that it is still in play.

Adam Miller said they might as well vote on it now, it's up to \$3000 but it's up to them how much they spend, and it's nice to have it in the back pocket.

Erin Penner said that they have to see people in person in order to distribute swag, so that's maybe something to keep in mind, or if it can wait until next fiscal year. Mr. Skarpelos agreed that's a big question; who knows what Outreach will be like in the next 6 months to a year. But do they want to just approve it and decide whether or not to spend it?

Brandi D'Amore said, with respect to Ms. Penner, they talked about how the city may or may not be distributing money next year, so they should set it aside now.

Mr. Skarpelos said that they are giving NC's money, but his understanding is it is going to be less.

Motion: George Skarpelos Second: Erin Pen		in Penner	Vote: Yes-16, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-2		
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly
Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith		
Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

- 9. Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee
  - A) Report by the Committee Chair

Erin Penner introduced Brandi D'Amore, who has been working with SLO Heather Mata all week. Ms. D'Amore said that Heather wanted to make sure people knew to report online what's happening with recent incidents of car burglary and vandalism increasing. She asked stakeholders to report illegal Air BnB's over the hotline. She added that the Hollywood Reservoir is opening up again, and LAPD will not be enforcing social distancing or masks, but will be strongly encouraging. Large gatherings on PRIVATE RESIDENCES cannot be enforced by the stay at home ordinance, so please don't call about them. Brandi said that Heather is getting back to her about the blood drive protocol, and potentially telling people with fevers, etc. not to come.

Adam Miller asked, since the Hollywood Reservoir is DWP land, if the DWP officer will do the same thing the rangers and LAPD are, or will they be harsher. Ms. D'Amore said she has heard from several sources that this is an ordinance where people cannot be cited. She thinks what might be all that's necessary is for officials to tell them to put on a mask. However, people have been attacking the Rangers for trying to kick them out of tennis and basketball courts.

Sheila Irani clarified that DWP is going to rely on the rangers.

Ms. Penner said she had posted the blood drive flyer for HUNC on Instagram, and asked whether she should take it down and wait for clarification, and Ms. D'Amore said yes.

- 10. Homelessness and Social Services Committee
  - A) Report by the Committee Chair

Sheila Irani said there's an NPG outstanding for A Million Drops, so that's what she has been working on, and she has been trying to get Showers of Hope to put in an NPG before the end of the year, and still nothing. Adam Miller added that they have given them \$4,500 and there's a \$500 item on the agenda to close out the \$5,000 max.

- 11. Transportation & Works Committee
  - A) Report by the Committee Chair

No report

B) Discussion and possible motion to support mobility & open space access in Los Angeles during the COVID-19 pandemic

Ryan Snyder explained that this is a motion put forth by an organization called Streets for All. Many cities around the world and the country are creating space for people to walk and bicycle outside. There are 2 different types of streets: one is a neighborhood street where people can drive on it but you're expected to slow down and people can use the street to walk. Another is to take an arterial street, take a lane away and create temporary bike lanes. This motion is just to support the concept for the city of LA, then come back and recommend streets for each type.

Motion Made: Motion to support mobility & open space access in Los Angeles during the COVID-19 pandemic

Motion: Ryan	Snyder Second: Jef	ff Ramberg Vote: Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-2			
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Matt Wait	Michael Connolly
Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan			
Abstain					
Tom Meredith	I				
Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	s Julia Eschenasy				
12. Non Profit, Edu	cation & Arts Committee				

- - A) Report by the Committee Chair

No report

B) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for up to \$2,000 for the East Hollywood Certified Farmers' Market/

Thai Community Development Center

Tabled: No representatives from the project were present. Margaret Marmolejo said she would like to support them. George Skarpelos said if they can't make a meeting, and the board has given them three chances, as much as he appreciates that, they can possibly encumber this. He said they can put this off one more meeting, but Michelle (representative) has to come.

Adam Miller suggested they table the item, and the board tabled it.

D) Discussion and possible motion to reapprove a Punk Rock Martha's NPG for \$2,000 purchase books for every K-2 student as part of an author reading at Cheremoya

George Skarpelos said that he went to this event, and it was very well received. They approved money for the purchasing of books, but he thinks it was 6 months out, so this is a mere fact of reapproving the money. Adam Miller added that this time around, they do have both NPGs in. Mr. Skarpelos clarified that the first one is for something they already did.

# Motion Made: Motion to reapprove a Punk Rock Martha's NPG for \$2,000 purchase books for every K-2 student as part of an author reading at Cheremoya

Motion: George Ska	arpelos Second: Lu	uis Saldivar Vote	e: Yes-14, No-0, Abstain	<ol> <li>Recused-0, Ineligible-2</li> </ol>	
Yes					
Adam Miller Jim Van Dusen Susan Swan	Brandi D'Amore Luis Saldivar Tom Meredith	Erin Penner Margaret Marmolejo	Fouzia Burfield Michael Connolly	George Skarpelos Ryan Snyder	Jeff Ramberg Sheila Irani
Abstain					
Andrew Chadsey Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

E) Discussion and possible motion to reapprove a Punk Rock Martha's NPG for \$2,000 purchase books for students for grades 3-5 as part of a summer reading program

George Skarpelos explained that this event's purpose is to target an older group of kids. Luis Saldivar just wanted to reiterate that he has seen the work Angie does at Cheremoya, it's commendable, and the more help they can give her, the merrier.

Motion Made: Motion to approve a Punk Rock Martha's NPG for \$2,000 purchase books for students for grades 3-5 as part of a summer reading program

Motion: George Skarpelos Second: Adam Miller		Vote: Yes-15, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-2			
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder
Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	Tom Meredith			
Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

F) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for up to \$500 for A Million Drops for a Laundry Voucher program

Maike Both introduced herself and explained that she closed the A Million Drops learning center a couple months ago for personal reasons, but they still support homeless citizens by providing supply packs, bags, chargers, and laundry vouchers. Her main source of donations is her network in the film industry, and with everything shut down, she is running out of resources, so HUNC supporting with \$500 would help pay for the next two months of laundry vouchers.

Brandi D'Amore asked if they can award the money to an individual, and Ms. Both explained that she only closed the learning center, and A Million Drops is still operating as a non-profit, they just don't have the physical location anymore.

Motion Made: Motion to approve an NPG for up to \$500 for A Million Drops for a Laundry Voucher program

Motion: George Ska	arpelos Second: Su	isan Swan	Vote: Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0	, Recused-1, Ineligible-2	
Yes					
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	Fouzia Burfield	George Skarpelos
Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith				
Recuse					
Sheila Irani					
Ineligible					
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

G) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for up to \$2500 for Hollywood PAL to provide food to kids and

families who have lost food security due to COVID 19

Kitty Gordillo introduced herself and thanked the board for letting her submit this NPG. Hollywood Police Athletic League has continued to do programs throughout the crisis, and they are still working on meeting the families' needs. They are working with LA Unified to do some regular meal pickup Tuesday through Friday, 300 meals a day. But there are several families that are in even more need because both parents aren't working or a single parent isn't working.

Motion Made: Motion to approve an NPG for up to \$2500 for Hollywood PAL to provide food to kids and families who have lost food security due to COVID 19

Motion: Adam Miller	Second: An	drew Chadsey Vote	Vote: Yes-14, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-2			
Yes						
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith					
Ineligible						
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy					

 H) Discussion and possible motion to approve up to \$2500 for Hollywood PAL to provide additional tools and supplies for online and virtual tutoring, mentoring, and enrichment programming for Hollywood kids ages 7-17

Kitty Gordillo explained that this is going along the lines of their additional programming, there's some huge education gaps and a lot of their families are having problems connecting online to do homework packets, etc. This will include tablets, software platforms, and additional hard copy materials for addressing those learning gaps.

Motion Made: Motion to approve up to \$2500 for Hollywood PAL to provide additional tools and supplies for online and virtual tutoring, mentoring, and enrichment programming for Hollywood kids ages 7-17

Motion: Adam Miller	Second: Rya	an Snyder Vote	: Yes-14, No-0, Abstain	-1, Recused-0, Ineligible-2	Recused-0, Ineligible-2	
Yes						
Adam Miller	Andrew Chadsey	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	
Jim Van Dusen	Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Ryan Snyder	Sheila Irani	
Susan Swan	Tom Meredith					
Abstain						
Fouzia Burfield						
Ineligible						
Coyote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy					

I) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for up to \$500 for End Homelessness California to purchase towels

Tabled: Adam Miller said that they don't have a physical NPG for this; he thinks in all transparency they should table it until they have a member of the organization approach them for the money. Tom Meredith agreed.

The motion was tabled.

J) Discussion and possible motion to approve an NPG for up to \$5000 for Independent Shakespeare Company so that they may convert and present their summer's plays via livestream

Marisa Johnston introduced herself as the development and communications director for ISC, saying they were planning to present the 18th season of the Griffith Park Free Shakespeare Festival, but after communication with Rec and Parks, they had to cancel this season. Typically they present 40+ free performances in Griffith Park, welcoming a diverse cross-section of over 40,000 Angelenos on average. They are pivoting to live streaming performances. The current plan they are working towards is to present a shortened festival at the end of the summer, live streaming performances and their community education offerings such as family education workshops, which are important to organizations and schools serving low-income students that they work with. An NPG grant will help them to pivot towards this new technology and to live stream the festival from their indoor studio. Also, the grant would mean their outreach staff could work with HUNC's outreach committee to expand their reach to other people who have been unable to come to the festival before or were unaware of the festival. It will also help them reach students who are having challenges with home education. Also, perhaps HUNC's president could make a video recording that could be played for their live stream performances to thank HUNC for their support.

Erin Penner said that she knows in past fiscal years, this is a big part of the Los Feliz NC's budget. She asked if they were getting funding from them as well, and Ms. Johnston said he had not spoken to them yet, and will hopefully be on their agenda for next meeting. They have also not been receiving as much money from them in recent years.

Tom Meredith asked if it was safe to say that their organization is an incarnation of Shakespeare in the Park? Ms. Johnston said that the organization is called the Independent Shakespeare Company, but they are free Shakespeare in the park for LA. Mr. Meredith said that he has had nothing but negative experiences with their organization, in terms of board membership with HUNC and HSNC. Funding the organization in the past, with the agreement that they would have return services back to student workshops for dramatic or comedy and tragedy at their schools, and it always failed. And the reality that most of the participation in Shakespeare in the Park attendance has never been HUNC's community, it has always been about outside people coming to Griffith Park for this. Respectfully, he will not vote to approve \$5000 for their organization. He appreciates that they put acknowledgement in their swag and brochures. He even had the opportunity of presenting verbally prior to their presentations; he just feels this isn't a great opportunity for \$5000 of HUNC money to help their constituents or stakeholders in this area.

Adam Miller mentioned on ISC's behalf, they have had amazing partnerships with CD4 and NC's throughout the region, and HUNC supported them before. He is sorry to hear one of HUNC's members didn't have a great experience there.

Sheila Irani said she remembered Tom's comment before, and she had spoken with ISC about it: they've worked hard to get the schools to get there. It's not that they didn't approach the schools, they just weren't embraced by the schools. Also, in light of the fact that they don't have to rent the stage/facilities this summer, that's a huge savings, and it surprises her that they need money.

*Ms. Johnston explained that typically the budget for the festival is \$450,000, and the budget for this incarnation is closer to \$100,000. They pay their artists, cast, and crew, and most of their actors are union, and there's new technology that will have to be discovered and implemented to be able to present the festival.* 

Margaret Marmolejo asked what assurance HUNC has that this will all come to fruition for ISC, and if this is for sure going to happen or if there are chances it might not. Ms. Johnston clarified that they would have to abide by any mandates from the city in terms of social distancing. It might look a little different, which will affect how the performances happen, but it doesn't mean they won't produce anything. The festival will still happen in some incarnation, it'll just be different.

George Skarpelos asked if anybody wanted to amend the amount, and Ms. Irani said they should amend the amount considering they are not quite sure what's going to happen, or how it's going to turn out. She said she would like to amend it to \$2,500.

Ms. Penner agreed with Ms. Irani and Mr. Miller, and asked if the board can fund something for this large amount not knowing where it will go and if it can happen. Mr. Miller said that the NPG has all of their budget requirements, and there are no issues with it. He said there are a lot of different things they end up giving money to where they are not sure if it's going to run all golden.

George Skarpelos moved to amend the amount down to \$2,500, and Brandi D'Amore seconded. Jim Van Dusen added that this doesn't preclude them coming back to the board later on, and they are essentially looking at this as seed money.

Motion Made: Motion to approve an NPG for up to \$2500 for Independent Shakespeare Company so that they may convert and present their summer's plays via live stream

Motion: Adam Miller	Second: Brandi D'Amore		Vote: Yes-11, No-2, Abstair	-2	
Yes					
Adam Miller	Brandi D'Amore	Erin Penner	George Skarpelos	Jeff Ramberg	Jim Van Dusen
Luis Saldivar	Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Sheila Irani	Susan Swan	
No					
Andrew Chadsey	Tom Meredith				
Abstain					
Fouzia Burfield	Ryan Snyder				
Ineligible					
Covote Shivers	Julia Eschenasy				

- 13. Renters and Housing Issues Committee
  - A) Report by the Committee Chair *No report*

14. Finance

A) Report by the Treasurer

Adam Miller explained that they've passed about 17,000, which leaves them about 5 grand and wiggle room. He would like to present the MER's, but one of their receipts has been rejected multiple times. It was for a food item paid for and picked up by a board member. But part of the receipt was not accepted by the clerk's office since they did not get the itemized part, so they will have to do the affidavit method. So they will have to vote on the affidavit and the MER's next meeting.

The board tabled items B-F until next month.

- B) Discussion of current fiscal year budget and possible motion for adjustment
- C) Discussion and vote to approve the January Monthly Expense Report for submission *Tabled*
- D) Discussion and vote to approve the February Monthly Expense Report for submission Tabled
- E) Discussion and vote to approve the March Monthly Expense Report for submission *Tabled*
- F) Discussion and vote to approve the April Monthly Expense Report for submission *Tabled*
- 15. Board Member announcements of items not on the Agenda

Erin Penner announced that the Center also works closely with Schrader Bridge Housing, and they're looking to do art classes for the unhoused. If anyone wants to donate art items, they're just trying to give these people an extra activity to do. She wanted to help, but it's very hard to get cleared thanks to Covid, and suggested stakeholders email her if they wanted to donate.

Sheila Irani said that she has gone through the whole course of action to get the mural approved by Rec and Parks, and the Rec and Parks commission, and asked Adam Miller if the \$2,000 for it is still allocated for this fiscal year. Mr. Miller said that it has already been earmarked. Ms. Irani asked how she can start the process to get the artist paid, saying she'll be working on the mural and social distancing since there won't be anybody in the park. Mr. Miller asked if she was running a non-profit, and Ms. Irani said she is an artist, and since it's a Community Improvement Project, Lorenzo from DONE said that the artist can get paid directly. Mr. Miller said he has never funded a CIP before, so she will look into guidance for that tomorrow to try to get it started. George Skarpelos added that they don't have a specific form for the city clerk or DONE for CIP's.

Brandi D'Amore said that if anyone attended CPAB, there are 50 or so beds for the homeless, but you have to call 211, get a list of the centers that are possibly available and then call the centers. If someone needs a bed, be prepared to have a significant amount of time trying to help them. Also, people really need to attend the training for Zoom; regarding abstention, they were clear that it's not to be used just if you don't understand all of an agenda item. Also, moving to videoconferencing, there are certain things the board members won't be allowed to do.

Mr. Miller agreed with Ms. D'Amore, saying it's brutal to find housing, even for people already within the system.

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

No public comment

17. Old/Ongoing Business

No old/ongoing business

18. New/Future Business

No new/future business

#### Adjournment at 9:15 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 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.