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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 13, 2022, 6:30 PM
Webinar ID: 828 3698 1526
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82836981526>

Welcome

6:37 PM start

1. Roll Call

Attending

Tom Meredith Jim Van Dusen Margaret Marmolejo Brandi D'Amore Michael Connolly Robert Morrison
Tony Zimbardi Shauna Frente Asher Landau Annika Guterman Chad Manuel Jack Zweig

Absent

Sheila Irani Thomas Daniels Valls

2. Approval of Minutes

Noted that May meeting agenda items held out of order make reading minutes difficult to follow. It was explained that the formatting of items is programmed into system, so when agenda items happen at full board out of order, it becomes difficult to notate differently in the Access system.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve May '22 Minutes

Motion: Robert Morrison **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-9, No-0, Abstain-3, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman Asher Landau Brandi D'Amore Chad Manuel Jack Zweig Robert Morrison
Shauna Frente Tom Meredith Tony Zimbardi

Abstain

Jim Van Dusen Margaret Marmolejo Michael Connolly

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

The stakeholder named "iPhone jly" introduced herself as Jamie York from the Reseda Neighborhood Council, and said she is asking if NC's would put an agenda item on their agendas to write a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of a Council File 22-0560, about changes in the Municipal Lobbying Ordinance. She explained that she had fought hard with the Ethics Commission to change the rules so that lobbyists at NC meetings would have to identify themselves, since the Reseda NC has had problems with lobbyists not presenting themselves as lobbyists at meetings. She would also like to change the rules to mandate lobbyists identify themselves at City Council and committee meetings as well. She thinks it is a very important structural change so that people know who is commenting and weighing in when the board is discussing issues like housing, Council Files, etc.

Stakeholder Kay Hartman introduced herself as a Budget Advocate, saying that the City Council approved the budget with modifications, which the Mayor signed. This year's budget predicts both record revenues and record expenditures. They will still be struggling to get the City's roads paved and their sidewalks repaired. There is currently have a 5% reserve fund, though the goal is 10% for future emergencies like the pandemic. She suggested stakeholders attend Budget Day to learn about the budget process and give input on necessary services that the Budget Advocates will use when they meet with City departments on their next white paper. Stakeholders do not need to know about budgeting, accounting, or the budget process to participate, and the Budget Advocates need

a wide array of skills and input.

Stakeholder Mikaela Randolph introduced herself as a watershed coordinator for the Central Santa Monica Bay watershed area. She also introduced and talked about the LA Clean Water program which aims to modernize LA's water infrastructure system. She would be putting in a request to make a formal presentation to HUNC in the near future.

Stakeholder Merlin Clarke introduced himself as a member of the Do Good Bus organization. Their goal is to help improve mental health and well-being by picking up members of the community or groups from companies to go and perform philanthropic acts to help serve the community. They also have Do Good Bus Plus where they do longer-term, deeper-impact projects and Do Good Bus Talks where they have thought leaders talk about topics like racial injustice or environmental issues.

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

Xanthe Scheps from Council District (CD) 4 gave updates: this past week, the City opened a Business Source Center on St Andrews and Hollywood. Small businesses can go there for resources like financial advice and loan application info. Also signs around Griffith Park say that Griffith Park drive from Zoo Drive to the Compost Facility will be closed to vehicle traffic; this is part of a pilot program to create safer streets for all types of travelers in Griffith Park. Lastly, by Davis Park, the Council Office and Friends of the LA River will be hosting a river cleanup.

Serapia Kim from Mayor Garcetti's office wished the HUNC board a happy PRIDE. She said that Mayor Garcetti has signed a proclamation making Juneteenth a City holiday. Garcetti also signed a measure banning the sale of flavored tobacco in the city. It does make exceptions for certain businesses like hookah lounges and goes into effect January 1, 2023. Starting earlier this month, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) created a new water conserving ordinance. 2022 has been the fourth driest year to date out of the last 128 years in LA County. The ordinance limits outdoor watering, both with the time of day and the day of the week. Which days residents will be able to water depends on what address number they have. More info and helpful graphics can be found at ladwp.com/watering_days.

EarnLearnPlay.lacity.org is also full information about recreational activities, educational activities, and job and paid internship opportunities throughout the summer in LA.

Ethan Weaver, Neighborhood Prosecutor, updated that a few weeks ago they were able to make some progress on the Cahuenga Triangle. Thankfully, they were able to fence and secure the property, and they are still working with General Services Department (GSD) to repair damaged irrigation. Their hope is in the next couple of weeks they will have the same plants that were there before this whole incident. He also thanked CD4 for doing outreach to the individuals living there. He also wanted to circle back to something he had talked about with Robert Morrison: Mr. Weaver thought he had understood how the Unified Homeless Response Center (UHRC) defines housing, but it turns out to be far more complicated than he had first realized. He retracted his previous, more simplistic explanation of housing from last time. He had also asked if UHRC could have someone come talk to the board at a meeting, but learned that they do not have public-facing personnel.

Tom Meredith said, regarding the Cahuenga Triangle, in past attempts it quickly defaulted back from any attempt to clean it up, and he asked if there was any way to keep it enforced. Mr. Weaver said that he has not been by the Triangle in two days, but last he saw no one was trying to reside in it and the fences were intact. Those will stay up as the plants are planted and grow to necessary height. Once the space is reactivated and planted, he thinks it will be like it was before.

Shannan Calland with Council District 13 (CD13) wished the HUNC board a happy PRIDE; she was at the Pride Event held on Hollywood Blvd the day before, and it went really well. CD13 will be doing a cleanup on Bronson/101 and have been doing outreach for some time now. They are collaborating with Urban Alchemy and CalTrans and cleanings will be scheduled June 16. They are also in the process of trying to designate St. Vincent hospital as an acute care facility for unhoused individuals. Other than that, CD13 is continuing efforts with cleanups and trying to find unhoused individuals as many services and resources as possible. It is also working to put in a small home village in Hollywood, so will probably be working with local churches and organizations for that. Robert Morrison, related to the tiny home project, had worked with a workgroup called Hollywood Forward and wanted to make sure Ms. Calland was in touch with them. She said she was and does meet with them. Michael Connolly asked what exactly "tiny home Hollywood" means, and Ms. Calland explained the concept of a tiny home village, including their management and purpose. Mr. Connolly asked if these tiny home villages exist currently, and Ms. Calland said there are currently tiny home villages in Silverlake and Echo Park.

Mr. Connolly asked why unhoused residents on Bronson and Gower are not accepting services or holding out. Ms. Calland said there are many issues and many different reasons that vary for each individual; one individual on Yucca said that she does not want housing because she does not want to stop doing drugs. Other individuals balk at some of the restrictions imposed by transitional or supportive housing. That's why they make multiple attempts with Urban Alchemy. Mr. Connolly asked when that approach gives way to notifying the individual that they cannot stay there anymore. Ms. Calland said that they are not at that point yet and will continue for the near future to make every effort to offer housing.

Mr. Morrison asked how many shelter beds are available currently in CD13, and Ms. Calland said she did not know but could find out. Brandi D'Amore noted that in their assistance with providing figures, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) has been very oblique, and it has been difficult obtaining certain data.

Stakeholder Augusta Johnson introduced herself as a resident of Beachwood Canyon and asked if the Gower camp is on the cleanup list soon or next, which Ms. Calland confirmed. Ms. Johnson noted that they had done a cleanup recently and the trash came back. She asked if they could get more trash receptacles when CD13 comes, which Calland said they could. She also noted that CD13 has their own clean team, so residents can contact the office to have them come out and clean up an area within 24 hours. Mr. Connolly added that Gower is an absolute disaster currently, and Ms. Johnson agreed that it has become a "dystopian nightmare" in the last few years. Ms. D'Amore reminded attendees that the public can ask questions of officials during this item, but it is not supposed to be a back-and-forth.

LAPD Senior Lead Officer Mika Gonzalez introduced herself, and said that thefts are still an issue in their area, more on the northeast corner of Western and Hollywood. There has also been an uptick in aggravated assaults in encampment areas. She has increased high visibility patrols in these areas. On June 14, a group of officers including her will be conducting 41.18 enforcement on Bronson, which is a special enforcement zone. She has coordinated with Urban Alchemy and LAHSA. There will also be a cleanup on the Bronson 101 offramp on June 16 with Sanitation and CalTrans. June 18 the Scientology Celebrity Centre will conduct a cleanup as well. She has been working with CD13 and the Comprehensive Cleanup and Rapid Engagement (CARE+) team on the cleanups and resource outreach. Gower Corridor has also been a huge problem for the community, and she is working with CD13 to make that area a special enforcement zone due to the preschool and the crime the area is generating. Senior Lead Officer Mata is working on Tour Bus violators, and they are working on setting up a task force for that in the coming weeks.

Mr. Connolly asked what enforcement of 41.18 means. SLO Gonzalez explained that the ordinance means that in a special enforcement zone, the public right of way must be kept clear of people and personal property (no sleeping, camping, etc.). If one is violating, one will be issued a citation. She went there a week ago to warn them the enforcement was coming and gave them two weeks to clear out their things so that they would have a lot of time to decide where to go. If they do not decide to move, they will be cited.

Mr. Connolly thanked SLO Gonzalez for mostly clearing out the area, and then described a tent near the corner of the 101 offramp and the west side of Franklin that seemed to be housing around 12 unhoused individuals that blocks motorists' view of the corner. Mr. Meredith asked Mr. Connolly if he could direct his line of thought into a question, and Mr. Connolly said he would ask all of the questions he wanted because the issue was so important. He used an expletive in describing how they have been hearing about 41.18 for a year, and that this was the first time he had heard enforcement mentioned, and wanted concrete answers. As Ms. D'Amore began to speak, Mr. Connolly interrupted her and said that he can have any tone he wants. Mr. Meredith asked everyone to take a breath. Mr. Connolly asked if SLO Gonzalez could take a look at that location, and she said she could. She added that their task force will be covering Gower, Bronson, Sunset, the 101.

Stakeholder Kristina O'Neil noted that at the Cahuenga pass before the Hollywood Bowl, a number of campers have found their way there parked with people living in them. She asked if that was her area. SLO Gonzalez said it was not her area but other SLO's would be working with her on this project, so they would go there and enforce the 41.18.

Ms. D'Amore asked to confirm if officers would be able to cite, but not remove under enforcement. SLO Gonzalez said they will encourage them to leave. If they don't leave, they will cite them, once the comprehensive cleaning team comes, LAPD cannot prevent set up a tent again, yet can cite if not moved. Ms. D'Amore asked how citations will affect their ability to receive services; SLO Gonzalez said it will not affect it at all. Ms. D'Amore asked if there was a method for them to pay the fines, and SLO Gonzalez said she did not know.

Asher Landau said it was his understanding with 41.18 that before enforcement an offer must be made of housing. He wanted to know how they are offered housing and what housing, and how they know whether a person has been offered housing before. SLO Gonzalez said that she usually debriefs with Urban Alchemy or whoever makes the offer, and she frequents the area so much that she can usually tell if someone is new. They also have to offer them resources, and do so with every cleanup. Mr. Landau asked if it was a list she maintained with each individual, and she said it was; she can also verify with Urban Alchemy and LAHSA whether they have been offered resources.

Jim Van Dusen asked on the drug and alcohol addiction issues and mental health issues, whether SLO Gonzalez feels she has the resources to deal with those, and what she feels is their ability to deal with those issues. SLO Gonzalez said it is a difficult situation; they have tried to offer resources and some of them don't want to take it. There are rules for certain housing, curfews, and some

require sobriety. They cannot make their unhoused neighbors want that. And the issue she comes across is, once she moves them from one location, they will be someone else's problem. She wishes she had an answer for that. There are resources, but "you have to want them."

Mr. Morrison asked if SLO Gonzalez has ever referred someone to substance abuse treatment services, and she said she had not. She has referred them to resources for people who have mental illness resources. Mr. Morrison asked if she knew when she went out for cleanups how many shelter beds were available, and she said they are not given that information prior to cleanups.

B) Presentation by Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

1. Discussion and action for HUNC presentation of its bylaws to Board of Neighborhood Commissioners on June 20, 2022
Marilu Guevara, HUNC's Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) explained she had emailed out her announcements, as well as the current bylaws for HUNC which include the comments of the City Attorney's office following review by Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) and the City Clerk. The City Attorney flagged a couple amendments about the governing board structure, including "not less than twelve months". She has communicated these concerns and course of action to follow to the Executive Committee of HUNC.

As Juneteenth is now recognized by the City of Los Angeles, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) will not be meeting as previously scheduled, so HUNC's presence to defend its bylaws submission will be rescheduled. Ms. Guevara also explained feedback given by the Executive Committee about the template, and they will be reviewing their template going forward as a living document. Ms. Guevara then explained next steps for the presentation of the bylaws.

Brandi D'Amore said they did find those things in the language from the template, and she can send that document if necessary. She also asked since the event is no longer on the 20th, what actual next steps and expectations of HUNC will be. Ms. Guevara said that when they are rescheduled to present at BONC, she will communicate it to everyone. The presentation itself is quick, begun by Ms. Guevara who gives an overview. They hopefully will not have any questions, but if there are, the HUNC board member is there to answer.

Robert Morrison asked if BONC votes to not approve the amendments, does this mean the bylaws don't go into effect, and Ms. Guevara said what was not in questions will be applicable, and the prevention only of questioned items. She knows other NC's have gone back and made changes, but they are up against the clock. Mr. Morrison asks if they are currently operating under their prior version of their bylaws, which she confirmed.

Tom Meredith clarified the context around the 12 months issue. He asked if there was an appeals process, and Ms. Guevara said there was no appeals process as she understood it. The City Attorney's office is at the BONC meeting, and they expressed to her that if asked by the Commissioner they will back up not recommending bylaws amendments. The final decision maker in this process is the Commission.

2. Discussion on the implications, and possible motion to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on City Council Approval of the request to amend the Administrative Code to return to the originally stated language associated with the special function related to NC Budget Advocates and City Council File 11-1020-S3 Neighborhood Council Funding Program/Budget Advocates/Term Substitution/Budget Advocacy/Los Angeles Administrative Code/Amendment Portal: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/m.clerkconnect/#/CFIResult>

Motion: http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2011/11-1020-s3_mot_4-27-22.pdf

Marilu Guevara explained that she does not have a presentation on this, but can answer questions. If the motion is approved, the Department would implement a procedure for groups like Budget Advocates. The Department would draft and implement a procedure when those groups are proposing an event. It has not been approved yet, so the Department is waiting to see whether it will be approved or not. Brandi D'Amore read the motion. She said that the motion would seem to potentially kill the ability of Budget Advocates to act, and protection of that did not seem to be in the language. She does not think there is enough info for them as a board to vote on a CIS tonight. Ms. Guevara encouraged HUNC to file a CIS, and Ms. D'Amore's questions could be part of the CIS.

Jim Van Dusen asked what was behind this and whether it was some sort of power grab. Robert Morrison said that they had received an email from a concerned party about this motion basically saying this might take funding away from the Budget Advocates.

Budget Advocate Kay Hartman said that it would not take funding away from Budget Advocates that had already been raised, but it would inhibit their ability to raise funds in the future. The name change is very innocent, but the implications are that the NC will not be able to decide where their Budget Advocacy money goes. The Budget Advocates urge NC's to oppose this Council File: the General Manager of DONE should not be deciding where NCs' Budget Advocacy money goes.

Reseda NC member Jamie York asked the board to file a CIS in opposition to this motion; she said she was a Budget Rep, not a Budget Advocate, and this does seem like a power grab. She thinks it is absolutely critical for NC's to be able to say how and where their money is allocated. Because there is a refusal to separate funds and there will only be one big account, she thinks it will inhibit the first amendment rights and agency of the NC's.

Tom Meredith asked when this was going to Council, and Ms. D'Amore did not know. Mr. Meredith also asked if this would lead the Neighborhood Congress and other organizations to a similar situation. Michael Connolly asked who put this on the agenda tonight, and Ms. D'Amore said she did because they received a request from a community member to place it on the agenda. This was also covered in a DONE communication. Mr. Connolly placed this item in context with other recent DONE actions that seem to limit NC speech and agency and asked what good the NC is if it cannot decide how to spend money in the community.

Robert Morrison noted that on April 27 this was referred to the Budget and Finance Committee of the City Council. He suggested referring this item to one of HUNC's committees to bring back to the full board with a CIS. Ms. D'Amore said she would place it with the Executive Committee. Board discussed and voted to go forward with a Community Impact System to reject the file.

The board voted to decide if it should go back to Executive Committee or vote in Full Board now.

*Brandi D'Amore - Yes
Robert Morrison - No
Tom Meredith - Yes
Michael Connolly - Yes
Asher Landau - Abstain
Shauna Frente - Yes
Jim Van Dusen - Yes
Chad Manuel - Yes
Annika Guterman - Yes
Margaret Marmolejo - Yes
Tony Zimbardi - Yes
Jack Zweig - Yes*

The board voted to handle now and not at Executive Committee.

Mr. Meredith asked Ms. Hartman if she had any suggested language. Mr. Connolly clarified that the reason he voted to do this tonight was because they did not know when it would be necessary. Ms. Hartman read through her suggested language addressed from HUNC. Ms. D'Amore asked her to email it to her. She also proposed that they add some things that came up as to what will happen to the Neighborhood Congress based on statements in the motion, how they are determining where money is going to go.

Mr. Connolly asked if Ms. Hartman's NC, Palms NC, passed a motion to send the CIS. Ms. Hartman said they did not because a member of the Palms NC is also a co-chair of the Budget Tribunes and between DONE and that person they decided to not pursue.

Ms. D'Amore asked if the board wanted to add any other direction or additions, since they would have to vote on the motion of the language. Mr. Connolly said the CIS seemed pretty straightforward. Ms. D'Amore thought the CIS' language was very vague, and that they should have specifics in it to implement policy going forward. She thought unless they delineate that language, it has a tendency to backfire.

Mr. Meredith thought they needed stronger language in parts of the CIS. If this board has allocated funds for a Budget Advocate issue, whether it's a meeting, workshop, etc., the Department should not have the ability to unilaterally redirect or reject that. There is actually only two funds that did not get reappropriated by the City Clerk, and that is the Budget Advocate funds and the Neighborhood Congress funds.

Mr. Connolly asked if Jamie York had a motion as well. Ms. York said that the Reseda NC has not had their meeting yet, but she does have a draft CIS that she can send to Ms. D'Amore. Ms. York said the account with the Congress and Rewards will be kept in two separate sub-accounts, which is why she believes it is a power grab because the BA fund will not receive the benefits of sub-accounts.

Mr. Meredith said this has to be worked on and come back to. Mr. Connolly urged that they take a look at the other CIS. Ms. D'Amore said the first paragraph seems similar to Ms. Hartman's CIS. Mr. Connolly said he would use the Reseda CIS and substitute "Reseda" for "HUNC".

The language is as follows:

"The Hollywood United Neighborhood Council opposes Council File 11-1020-S3. Neighborhood Councils form alliances when they want to join together to work on something of common interest. We want to be able to contribute specifically to alliances we support. The name of the overall fund is not important. What is important is that every recognized alliance has the ability to raise its own funds and those funds are reserved for its use and its use alone. Our Neighborhood Council wants the ability to direct our funds to a specific alliance and not to a fund that is allocated without our input.

The Budget Advocates provide a vital and valuable service to the neighborhood councils including the white paper, Budget Day, and a wide variety of compelling townhalls. Many neighborhood councilmembers participate in their events with 94 of the 99 neighborhood councils participating in their events.

The Hollywood United Neighborhood Council notes that given the limited funds available to neighborhood councils, it is imperative that the funds we direct be allocated in the exact manner in which we direct them. Anything less is tantamount to a reduction in our agency and our charter given right to self organization. Neighborhood councils must have the explicit ability to direct funds to the specific organizations that we select."

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to file a CIS on City Council Approval TO REJECT the amendment to 11-1020-S3 Neighborhood Council Funding Program/Budget Advocates/Term Substitution/Budget Advocacy/Los Angeles Administrative Code/Amendment

Motion: Brandi D'Amore **Second:** Shauna Frente **Vote:** Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-2, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen	Margaret Marmolejo
Michael Connolly	Shauna Frente	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi		

Abstain

Asher Landau	Robert Morrison
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5. Community Updates

A) Report by the Youth Representative Jack Zweig

Jack Zweig said he had a great opportunity to talk to a previous youth rep, Violet, at a tabling event, who related her experiences including planning a youth outreach event at a park. He would like to focus on increasing awareness of HUNC's nature and function for the youth, so he has been working on a film contest for schools in their area, and maybe the winning video could go on HUNC's website. Tom Meredith suggested he keep fleshing out that idea, and reiterated that Violet would be a great resource. Tom Meredith thought reaching out to the Outreach Committee or Education and Arts Committee would be appropriate. Michael Connolly said he was also happy to jump in and help refine the idea.

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

- A) Discussion and possible motion to approve Shauna Frente as board representative to Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)
<https://www.ncsa.la/>

Brandi D'Amore explained that they were approached by the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) to have a representative from the board to the Alliance to replace Rosalind Helfand. Shauna Frente confirmed the time commitments, and Ms. D'Amore said that she will have support about the legislative aspect with being forward-thinking. Tom Meredith said that the last representative was acting on behalf of HUNC and taking positions that had not been sanctioned by HUNC and the board. Ms. D'Amore said that they can work to support Ms. Frente and now will have legislative reports from DONE.

Robert Morrison asked Ms. Frente if she was prepared to accept the nomination which she was.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve Shauna Frente as liaison to Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)

<https://www.ncsa.la/>

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Robert Morrison **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen
Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Robert Morrison	Shauna Frente	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi

B) Update on first meeting by Ad Hoc Hollywood Sign Advisory Committee - Robert Morrison

Robert Morrison said they had their first meeting with a lot of participation and a visit from the Chief of Staff of Councilmember Raman's office. Mr. Morrison thought the first meeting was pretty good, talking through possible solutions to issues related to the sign. Jim Van Dusen added that the meeting was to identify the issues the community had to offer, and the next meeting will be really focusing on solutions.

3. Discussion and motion seeking 2/3 Board approval for Eda Halliman as VOTING STAKEHOLDER on AD HOC HOLLYWOOD SIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Statement of Interest by applicant: "I have lived in Beachwood Canyon for 68 years at the Corner of Glen Holly and Beachwood. Until GPS, my corner was the last place to take a picture of the sign before the trees got in the way. I would have 300 to 400 people a week end in front of my house.

"Although I am grateful for the dollars tourists bring to our city, I find that the city of Los Angeles does not acknowledge the wear and tear on our streets that accommodate the of thousands of tourists who come; that does not provide supervision by park rangers to watch for smokers from different countries who may no speak English - in an area at high risk for fire; or park rangers to monitor the traffic that mounts daily, completely irresponsible. The sign brings millions of tourism dollars and the fact that the city does not help our neighborhood deal with this is insulting as well as irresponsible.

"I would like to part of any committee or group that would like to find solutions to this problem."

Brandi D'Amore said that Eda Halliman could not be on the meeting anymore because she was struggling with COVID, and she would try to be reconsidered at the July meeting.

Tom Meredith postponed the item.

4. Discussion and motion for any attending who are also qualified stakeholders to submit for appointment to committee
No one in attendance came forward.

7. Executive Committee

A) Report by the Vice President

Tom Meredith reminded everyone that HUNC is at the end of the fiscal year and are in a dynamic transition period into fiscal issues requiring a lot of documentation and deadlines and planning. They still have seven vacant seats without any recent qualified stakeholders. Come the July meeting, the Executive Committee positions will be up for grabs. They will agendize the selection of officers for early in the meeting. He added that DONE has already set dates for workshops about the elections, and that there are only 4 members who are not up for election.

1. Discussion and vote for Robert Morrison to serve as Co Chair of AD HOC ELECTION COMMITTEE

Robert Morrison thought that there are a few people who would not have a conflict of interest in running the committee, and he would ask if someone votes for him to be co-chair, to also vote for Sheila Irani to be co-chair.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion for Robert Morrison to serve as Co-Chair of AD HOC ELECTION COMMITTEE

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen
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2. Discussion and vote for Sheila Irani to serve as Co Chair of AD HOC ELECTION COMMITTEE

Motion passed.

Tom Meredith moved to 7B

Motion Made: Motion for Sheila Irani to serve as Co-Chair of AD HOC ELECTION COMMITTEE

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Robert Morrison **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen
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3. Pending meeting approaching excess of 3.5 hours, motion to extend meeting; time to be determined by remaining items (use if needed)

At about 9:30PM, Board jumped to this agenda items after 7C3 to be able to complete agenda items.

Motion passed.

Board then moved back to Agenda Item 8

Motion Made: Motion to extend meeting time to be determined by remaining items for another hour in addition to standing 3.5 hours.

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Robert Morrison **Vote:** Yes-9, No-3, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen
Robert Morrison	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi			

No

Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Shauna Frente			
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B) Report by the Treasurer

1. Discussion and motion to approve FY 2022-23 budget as created by Executive Committee from draft created by Treasurer

Robert Morrison explained that the March and April Monthly Expense Reports (MERs) were delayed. He said if anyone has any interest in being the Treasurer, there is training you have to take from the City Clerk's office. Those trainings are June 14th, June 28th, July 12th, and July 26th. The training is open to anyone.

Mr. Morrison pulled up the FY 2022-23 budget, saying they will probably approve another budget after their rollover funds are approved by the City. So this is an initial budget that the Executive Committee went through; since it is an election year, they will have more Outreach Expenses. Mr. Morrison then gave them a brief tour of the proposed budget and its different line items and sections, with the budget totaling \$32,000.

Tom Meredith clarified for new board members that they can look at the budget every month, this is just to have a budget to turn in to keep funding going in July and will likely change if they get approved to do in-person events. Mr. Morrison thought they would get about \$6,000 in rollover funds based on what will be left in their budget after this month.

Margaret Marmolejo left meeting at some point before 9:01 PM; she did not announce her leaving the meeting. Her absence was realized at time of vote.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget as created by Executive Committee from draft created by Treasurer.

Motion: Brandi D'Amore **Second:** Robert Morrison **Vote:** Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Annika Guterman Asher Landau Brandi D'Amore Chad Manuel Jim Van Dusen Michael Connolly

Robert Morrison Shauna Frente Tom Meredith Tony Zimbardi

Ineligible

Jack Zweig

2. Discussion and motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for March 2022

Robert Morrison explained the MER and said board had to go back and do retroactive approval for some expenses which delayed the March and April MERs due to new City Clerk rules.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for March 2022

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Shauna Frente **Vote:** Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Annika Guterman Asher Landau Brandi D'Amore Chad Manuel Jim Van Dusen Michael Connolly

Robert Morrison Shauna Frente Tom Meredith Tony Zimbardi

Ineligible

Jack Zweig

3. Discussion and motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for April 2022

Robert Morrison went through the MER. Tom Meredith asked about the language in the motion, and Mr. Morrison said that some of the language visible is so he does not have to go through and do things twice.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for April 2022

Motion: Chad Manuel **Second:** Jim Van Dusen **Vote:** Yes-10, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Annika Guterman Asher Landau Brandi D'Amore Chad Manuel Jim Van Dusen Michael Connolly

Robert Morrison Shauna Frente Tom Meredith Tony Zimbardi

Ineligible

Jack Zweig

4. Discussion and motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for May 2022

Robert Morrison went through the MER. Margaret Marmolejo rejoined the meeting after internet issues.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to approve Monthly Expense Report for May 2022

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Asher Landau **Vote:** Yes-11, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-1

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jim Van Dusen	Margaret Marmolejo
Michael Connolly	Robert Morrison	Shauna Frente	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi	

Ineligible

Jack Zweig

C) Report by Secretary

1. DONE Monthly Profile Statement Highlights

- Conflict of Interest

- Update on Empowered Virtual Governance (EVG); State Assembly Bill (AB) 1944 Local Government; State AB 2499

Brandi D'Amore reiterated the DONE policy about conflict of interest and urged the board to go through the monthly profile for the steps to do that. She also summarized the two state Assembly Bills, noting that they may go to a hybrid model of meeting and the Assembly Bill would alleviate some of the Brown Act issues that would bring up. The quorum required to be present in a location issue would also need to be addressed.

2. Trainings

Pending City Council File 20-0990 mandatory diversity, equity, inclusion, anti-bias, gender expression and gender identity training

Pending City Council File 20-0990 will focus on mandatory diversity, equity, inclusion, anti-bias, gender expression and gender identity training for board members and voting stakeholders. Tom Meredith noted that her sound was very spotty.

3. Neighborhood Council election updates

Brandi D'Amore said there would be additional trainings for elections and that the Election Info Worksheet would need to be looked at by Election Committee members since it is due August 1st. Tom Meredith reiterated that board members should be reading the monthly DONE profiles.

Tom Meredith went back to item 7.A.3 and motioned to extend the meeting for another hour.

4. Miscellaneous Internal Updates

8. PLUM Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

None

B) Discussion and possible motion to deny 6021 Hollywood Blvd. (Academy LA) Zone Variance Request to permit outdoor dancing and live entertainment ZA-2022-20-ZV

<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/Mju0MDU40ZA-2022-20-ZV> for the following reasons:

HUNC received negative community input about the lack of compliance by the applicant with the prior agreed upon conditions set when the CUP was approved. The neighbors have requested that the variance be denied as the music has been playing louder than the applicant had agreed to and outside the hours that the applicant had agreed to, making the neighbors' living experience extremely difficult.

The applicant has continuously postponed their participation in the neighborhood council's PLUM process and, as such, has shown a lack of commitment to participate in the NC process.

The variance would result in the loss of residential zoning when Hollywood is faced with an extreme loss of affordable housing.

Applicant did not submit sufficient information at any meeting that its request for a zone variance met the five findings required to justify the request.

Asher Landau recused himself since this property is right next to his employment at Hollywood Food Coalition.

Jim Van Dusen explained the item, saying they had tried to schedule the applicant before the PLUM committee and they have not shown for the past three months. At the last meeting, they heard the issue and stakeholders weighed in; in the past it seemed like the applicant was complying with certain guidelines. However it turned out they were playing their music louder and longer than they were supposed to, making neighbors' quality of life worse. Finally, the patio is zoned for residential, which would be taken away by a variance.

Brandi D'Amore added that they did not meet the required findings to qualify for a Zone Variance because they did not submit sufficient information.

Motion language:

"HUNC received negative community input about the lack of compliance by the applicant with the prior agreed upon conditions set when the CUP was approved. The neighbors have requested that the variance be denied as the music has been playing louder than the applicant had agreed to and outside the hours to which the applicant had agreed, making the neighbors' living experience extremely difficult. The applicant has continuously postponed their participation in the neighborhood council's PLUM process and, as such, has shown a lack of commitment to participate in the NC process. The variance would result in the loss of residential zoning when Hollywood is faced with an extreme loss of affordable housing. Applicant did not submit sufficient information at any meeting that its request for a zone variance met the five findings required to justify the request."

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to deny 6021 Hollywood Blvd. (Academy LA) Zone Variance Request to permit outdoor dancing and live entertainment ZA-2022-20-ZV

<https://planning.lacity.org/pdscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjU0MDU4OZA-2022-20-ZV>

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Robert Morrison **Vote:** Yes-11, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-1, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen	Margaret Marmolejo
Michael Connolly	Robert Morrison	Shauna Frente	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi	

Recuse

Asher Landau

- C) Discussion and possible motion to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Council File 21-1230 Housing Element / General Plan / 2021-2029

Council File Portal:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-1230>

Housing Element Amendments: [Housing_Element_-_Draft_Targeted_Amendments_-_April_2022.pdf](#) (lacity.org)

Jim Van Dusen explained that board will almost have to accept PLUM's recommendation on faith because the motion is complicated. The issue before them is the Housing Element (HE) to the General Plan. The City proposed some amendments to the HE to be heard by the City Planning Commission in 2022. They had Dick Platkin who is a retired City Planner speak at length: the HE did not contain a monitoring process as to how they will handle the housing elements. There is about a 5,000 page document that he outlined. So they came to the conclusion they want to send these 14 points to the City Planning Department prior to the hearing. These are kind of HUNC's wish list, and to go into all of them in detail would require someone with similar expertise to Mr. Platkin. Brandi D'Amore added that the City is pushing this through as quickly as possible, so they had to get the CIS in as soon as possible.

Robert Morrison added that this is a massive plan that is really important and hard to understand, but he thinks their PLUM motion is a good one to give constructive comment to the issues. Ms. D'Amore said they might want to add language requesting that the process be more transparent and that it is inappropriate that the City is rushing this without time for NC's to give comment. Jim Van Dusen summarized that they have to let the City know through this CIS that the NC is watching them and they are concerned. PLUM's vote was unanimous.

Mr. Van Dusen clarified that the CIS was a vote to deny. Ms. D'Amore asked if Jack Zweig could vote on CIS' since his role was advisory, and Marilu Guevara confirmed.

Motion language for portal:

Council File Portal:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-1230>

Housing Element Amendments: [Housing_Element_-_Draft_Targeted_Amendments_-_April_2022.pdf](#) (lacity.org)

HUNC requests that the time to evaluate and offer public comment be extended for the above as there has been limited time and

opportunity for community input. In addition, HUNC requests that the following actions be reviewed and included in the amendments:

- 1) Restoring HUD public housing programs.
- 2) Restoring CRA public housing programs.
- 3) Eliminating two "cures" to the housing crisis that are central to the Housing Element: the deregulation of zoning and the privatization of public housing through density bonuses.
- 4) Raising wages so more people can actually afford to rent or buy housing.
- 5) Eliminating vacancy decontrol in the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.
- 6) Inclusionary housing ordinances.
- 7) Adopting 1995 or 2007 as the RSO cutoff date.
- 8) Plugging Ellis Act loopholes.
- 9) Enforcing the Airbnb ordinance.
- 10) Establishing accurate registries of available low-priced housing and vetted low-income tenants.
- 11) Review Section 8 and increase its accessibility and implementation.
- 12) Realistically assess the water table levels and the real capability of water availability to the whole of the City with the increasing in density as suggested in the Housing Element
- 13) Provide a breakdown of the monies that are planned to be received upon approval by the State of California.
- 14) Increase oversight and compliance measures to ensure all components are being complied with by the different constituencies.

Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to DENY with amendment Council File 21-1230 Housing Element / General Plan / 2021-2029

Motion: Tom Meredith **Second:** Brandi D'Amore **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

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Margaret Marmolejo	Michael Connolly	Robert Morrison	Shauna Frente	Tom Meredith	Tony Zimbardi

- D) Discussion and motion for Cesar Cervera to continue to serve as a voting stakeholder for one additional 1-year term on Planning and Land Use Management Committee beginning immediately. Vote requires 2/3 approval of board as per Bylaws, Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph A, Line 2

Jim Van Dusen said that Cesar Cervera could not attend because he was recovering from a medical procedure and said that he is a lifelong resident of the area and a business owner which allows him to bring a business perspective to PLUM. That perspective will be helpful.

2/3 vote achieved. Motion passed.

Motion Made: Motion for Cesar Cervera to continue to serve as a voting stakeholder for one additional 1-year term on Planning and Land Use Management Committee beginning immediately. Vote requires 2/3 approval of board as per Bylaws, Article VI, Section 2, Paragraph A, Line 2

Motion: Jim Van Dusen **Second:** Michael Connolly **Vote:** Yes-12, No-0, Abstain-0, Recused-0, Ineligible-0

Yes

Annika Guterman	Asher Landau	Brandi D'Amore	Chad Manuel	Jack Zweig	Jim Van Dusen
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9. Outreach Committee

- A) Report by the Committee Chair - Update by the Chair and/or Co-Chair on past and upcoming Outreach plans for events, funding and possible expenditures.

Tom Meredith clarified that for each committee report, he would like to hear how the committee has worked to achieve the goals they set out.

For Outreach's goals, they have started tabling again. As far as the candidate forums, since they're partnering with other NC's, they would not do a candidate forum until after the primaries. As for the survey, they got one into the field about crime awareness.

Asher Landau said they tabled at the Thai CDC Farmer's Market last month which was not very successful. They will probably not do it again until foot traffic picks up there. They also tabled at the Hollywood Dell Civic Association Block Party which was very successful.

Stakeholder Kristina O'Neil asked if they were not meeting in June now, and Brandi D'Amore said they canceled the June meeting

in May. Ms. D'Amore clarified that Ms. O'Neil would come before the committee for funding in July.

Mr. Meredith as a point of order went back to allow Jim Van Dusen to give a report about PLUM achieving their goals. Mr. Van Dusen said that they had stayed on top of projects in the area; Robert Morrison said they talked about targeting stakeholders near areas with projects of concern and educating stakeholders at events and doing proper outreach.

10. Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Michael Connolly said they wanted to do some community trainings, and they did Ready Your LA Neighborhood (RYLAN) and Community Emergency Response Training (CERT). Committee hit some roadblocks due to COVID. The last meeting had the MySafe:LA folks again; the big thing is it coming up with an app to report fireworks. It is not up yet, but will be live the 15th for iOS or Google. Mr. Meredith clarified if something comes up that you want to share, feel free to put it in the report. Mr. Connolly added that he thinks they have hit 50% of their goals, and not being able to get people in a place physically has affected some of that.

11. Homelessness and Social Services Committee - did not meet in May

A) Report by the Committee Co-Chair - Reminder that June 16th the committee is volunteering to package and serve dinner at Hollywood Food Coalition. Committee meeting is cancelled for June.

Tom Meredith said they wanted to engage with the Hollywood Food Coalition (HoFoCo) and do Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPGs) for products, sanitation giveaways. The money spent in terms of NPGs is pretty much all Homelessness and Social Services items. The senior population has been underserved as well in terms of social services. He was disappointed that he was the only one of his committee that would be volunteering at the June HoFoCo due to travel or scheduling issues. He implored the board to join him in volunteering. Brandi D'Amore reminded the members that when the Executive Committee sends out an email requesting something, they need to respond.

12. Transportation & Works Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Brandi D'Amore said they had a member of LADWP come present on the new water restrictions which was successful enough that they want to spin it into a larger event.

Ms. D'Amore added that one of the problems in achieving the goals of the committee is she has continuously lost board members from the committee. The committee was able to start certain goals or projects, just not finish them. The goals were to have more events, so they did do some virtual events. The committee wants to do more walkthroughs and walkarounds for the committee. It wants to push the 311 app and engage with the NCSA as well. Preferably it would like to do more in-person events but that has been more difficult. It also wants to get more involved in live events like Ciclovía, etc.

B) Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) presentation

See previous

13. Non Profit, Education & Arts Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Margaret Marmolejo said they did not meet last month. In reviewing their goals, she indicated that the goals were to create a database of the artists, nonprofit groups, and educational facilities that are in the area. Another goal was to give out some NPGs; the committee did get one done for the Cheremoya Elementary School and its library. They would also like to do art or beautification activities, but they will be harder due to COVID. Lastly, CERT classes are now happening live again, and the first available was January 4th, which Ms. Marmolejo registered. It is basically a 101 training class for an emergency situation. They hope to do it at the LAFD Community Center/Annex on Bronson. She would also like to do a live CPR class.

14. Renters and Housing Issues Committee

A) Report by the Committee Chair

Chair Thomas Valls was not present, so Brandi D'Amore gave the update. She indicated that the committee reviewed several council files that will affect renting and housing.

Tom Meredith indicated that he just realized that he didn't articulate the board needs in the extension of the meeting correctly. He meant to have the meeting extend for one more hour from 3.5 (10PM) end. Instead based on how articulated, it meant just one more hour from the vote at 9:30PM.

Ms. D'Amore went through the goals of the committee, and noted that they did not have a stable enough committee to do any of the mailers.

- B) Discussion and possible motion based on recommendation of Council District 4 on process to submit a letter to, including but not limited to, Housing Committee Chair (Council District 1) Councilmember Cedillo; Housing Committee, Council Districts 4 and 13, urging Chair of Housing Committee to move out of committee and onto council agenda Council File 19-0646 Interim Control Ordinance / Minimum Lease / Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) Buildings Portal: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-0646> Ordinance Motion: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2019/19-0646_ord_draft_02-09-2021.pdf Previously submitted HUNC position: : https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2019/19-0646_CIS_02192021010723_02-19-2021.pdf

Brandi D'Amore said she would have to postpone until future meeting since they only have ten minutes left. She asked to be put at the forefront of the next meeting on which it is placed because her CIS was not able to be addressed. Tom Meredith said that they should also have CIS language written ahead of time. She indicated that it was written and ready to be presented.

15. Board Member announcements of items not on the Agenda

Brandi D'Amore noted that the agenda items for upcoming committees should be in to her so the agenda can be assembled in a timely manner. She cannot track people down to make sure their committees meet.

She also notified the board that the Bourgeois Pig is closing because of COVID pressure and the landlord raising the rent. She emphasized how important the location was to the community, and it would be missed.

16. Old/Ongoing Business

None

17. New/Future Business

None

Adjournment at 10:29 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.