

CENTRAL HOLLYWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 24, 2017
HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL
6501 FOUNTAIN AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CA 90028

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

The meeting began at 6:00 pm with 8 Board members and a large audience present.

Attending Board Members:

Elvina Beck, President
Ferris Wehbe, Vice President
Roger Davis, Secretary
Angie Aramayo, Treasurer
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan (arrived late)

Non-Attending Board Members:

None

C. REPORT / COMMENTS from Government representatives in attendance.

Josh Kurpies, District Director, State Assemblymember Richard Bloom, 50th District, www.asmdc.org/bloom, josh.kurpies@asm.ca.gov:

He said that he is from the district office in Santa Monica. He brought flyers for Wednesday's community open house. He announced a big event on August 5, the 3rd annual Hollywood Family Resource Fair. That will occur from 11am to 2pm at the Yucca Park and Community Center at 6671 Yucca Street.

This Saturday, the Assemblymember is hosting an event with the Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council (CHNC), an immigration policy seminar. It will be held at the First Presbyterian Church.

*Fernando Morales, Senior Field Deputy, Los Angeles County Supervisor
Sheila Kuehl, Third District, (310) 231-1170, fmorales@bos.lacounty.gov:*

He spoke of the July 1 Metro funding meeting. He also said that the Supervisor will bring liaisons from different neighborhood councils for homelessless. He can bring in more information about funding for the plan, which includes \$258 mln for this fiscal year.

(Note: Duffy Culligan arrived at 6:03pm)

He urged stakeholders to reach out to him regarding county issues. He added that Supervisor Kuehl is also leading efforts to collect more storm water. Analysis is being done. It should be completed shortly.

He mentioned two neighborhood events, including an immigration seminar on July 29. If you need legal consultation with a lawyer, there will be speakers there to help.

He also announced that there will be a health fair on August 26 at the Saban Community Clinic.

A Board member of the Pico-Union Neighborhood Council:

He introduced himself and sat down.

*Debbie Wehbe, Commissioner, Board of Neighborhood Commisioners
(BONC):*

She said that there are two things coming up. On September 9 there will be the annual Congress of Neighborhood Councils. The neighborhood council volunteers want to know what you want to know more about at the event. Funding will be a focus. It's no longer required that the entire board have funding training.

She urged stakeholders to visit the new funding portal for neighborhood councils. You can view any neighborhood council at City Clerk's website. You can see how money is spent. This is a great tool. It will make it a lot easier for neighborhood councils.

She also discussed hosting meetings and training and issues that are being addressed for this neighborhood council.

For neighborhood councils overall, she said that there may be some more subdivisions coming up for neighborhood councils. She asked the audience how they'd like neighborhood council funds spent. Different neighborhood council areas have different populations, she explained.

Each Neighborhood Council Commissioner is mandated to find two volunteers from their neighborhood councils to serve on an ad hoc committee to look at funding to make it equitable. If you're interested, please contact me. (Debra.webhe@lacity.org)

Dan Halden, Field Deputy, Council Member Mitch O'Farrell, Council District 13 (CD13), Daniel.halden@lacity.org, (213) 207-3015:

He highlighted the Council Member's monthly report for the Hollywood area. This included an update of the Hollywood Community Plan. (www.hcpu2.org). He said that last week they completed five community outreach meetings. He encourages people to follow these developments. He has the draft plan. It's important that people know what's going on.

Five years ago, there was an initiative to update it. Now we are doing it again. Affordable housing, historic preservations, and the revitalization of theatre row are new priorities.

Separately, he said that we will break ground on the new Streetscape project to boost safety in the Hollywood/Western area later this week. Selma Avenue has a similar project to protect pedestrians.

CHNC President Elvina Beck asked how much of the Hollywood Community Plan does your office have? He responded that she should ask Chris. She also asked about 311.

1. Presentation by L.A.Promise Zone

Michael Huff, Partnership Coordinator, Los Angeles Promise Zone, mhuff@ypiusa.org, www.lapromisezone.org, (323) 836-005:

Promise Zones, President Obama's signature anti-poverty program, were launched in 2014 with City and Federal officials working together. There are 22 Promise Zones in the US with high poverty and high population. The program targets five areas in Los Angeles, including Hollywood, East Hollywood, Westlake, Pico-Union, and Koreatown. About 61% of population lives in

poverty in the promise zones. There are 14 Federal agencies dealing with this. Such partnerships empower culturally diverse districts for success. Economic opportunity is essential. There are cross sector partnerships with philanthropy, government, and implementers (there are some 70 local partners working on these issues). There were about 49 partners at the beginning who signed memoranda of understanding with the City of Los Angeles.

Federal officials come to the community and ask what is needed. All agencies work together on identified issues. We are dealing with affordable housing, economic development, education, civic participation, as well as safety and health and legal issues.

For Promise Zone administration, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is a lead agency. The City of Los Angeles and the Youth Policy Institute are among the lead organizations for Los Angeles. There is also a Leadership Council with an Operations team of Americore Vista volunteers. That's us, he explained.

One of our working groups is dealing with Vision Zero. After 2 years, we put together a strategic plan of what we'll focus on. Also, there are action plans for outcomes.

Another Americore Vista speaker said that plans were put together for over a year with our partners. We have an inclusive process to create a strategic plan. We have access to grants, Federal funding. Of the 22 promise zones in the country, Los Angeles has been able to win \$225 mln in awards.

Benefits include a preference point consideration. You can apply for Federal grant opportunities. As partners you get points for preference for funding.

Michael Huff said that we try to personalize it and show what our partners are achieving. How are lives being impacted in the promise zones? A success story is Andy Lee.

We're here to communicate and inform you about our program. We have a directory, newsletters, etc. We did big research project in neighborhoods. Data is important. For more information: www.lapromisezone.org.

A Man asked what are you doing in this neighborhood council area? That's why we're here, said the second Americore Vista program. We're backed by Americore Vista. We are coming here to find out from stakeholders and figure out what programs can be done. He mentioned issues that include homelessness, schools, and Hollywood beautification.

A Man asked about capital projects like Clean Up? Michael Huff explained that our partners would do that. He mentioned a group of veterans who do clean up projects.

The Other Americore Vista speaker said our role is to manage the partnerships with over 70 organizations. We are giving our partners platforms. A Woman asked how do we get in touch with you? He said to use the website. Elvina Beck thanked Linda for setting this up.

E. GENERAL PUBLIC Comment on NON- Agenda items:

Steve, Hollywood Literary Education Project:

He thanked the Board for contributing five new computers. He appeared with children wearing martial arts outfits, who all said thank you to the Board. There was applause. This was organized by Linda. President Beck added that Linda is an amazing stakeholder and member of the CHNC Outreach Committee.

Steve Ducey, No Olympics LA, www.nolympicsla.com:

He is opposed to the Los Angeles bid to host the Olympics. He is aligned with Black Lives Matter and with Iraq Veterans Against The War. His group is concerned about the militarization of police force ahead of the Olympic Games.

He cited State Bill SB54, under which the Los Angeles Police Department would be under the supervision of the Federal government. This could lead to mass deportations. Once the City makes its authorizations for the Olympics there will be no amendments allowed. He is also concerned that the City would be forced to cover \$250 mln in budget shortfalls after the State. His group will host a forum about this in 3 weeks.

Angela Babcock, Old Hollywood Locals Night, www.onlyinhollywood.org/localsnight:

The Old Hollywood Locals Night will be held August 8, from 6pm to 8pm. It's a free evening of food, community, and activities for the whole family, celebrating historic Hollywood. Sign up on Eventbrite. It includes free samples from 8 Hollywood restaurants.

There will be demonstrations of bump outs. The event will activate sidewalks. There will be a neighborhood council cleanup with actors and musicians. Also, there is a new vaudeville show in Hollywood. Their performers will be there, as well as AMDA (American Music and Drama Academy) students. This will be a great way to see Hollywood Boulevard and get to know your neighbors.

*Gabriela De Leon, California's Artist Coalition of Los Angeles,
info@cacla2006.org, 323-769-5270, cacla2006.org:*

We provide public arts to the community. She said that for the CHNC Board meeting August agenda, she wants to do a presentation. We don't want funding. We just want to introduce ourselves.

F. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Discussion and possible action to** submit comments to the City on the Draft EIR for the Hollywood Crossroads project.

CHNC Vice President Ferris Wehbe said that our neighborhood council was able to delay submittal until July 26. We had several meetings. He then read from the draft Environmental Impact Report in its entirety.

(Note: Michael Popwell left the room by 6:44pm.)

*"RE: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
ENV-2015-2026-EIR
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2015101073*

Dear Mr. Huerta:

The Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council (CHNC) voted at its regular meeting on July 24, 2017, by a vote of 7 Yes, 1 No, and 0 Abstention to submit the CHNC Board's comments to the above referenced draft environmental impact report as follows:

1. *The Crossroads Hollywood project proposes to remove 84 rent-controlled units from the existing housing stock. The project will include 84 new very-low income rental units. The CHNC proposes the following accommodations for existing tenants:*
 - a. *Existing tenants who qualify as low income households should be given the first right of refusal to return to the Crossroads Hollywood project and occupy one of the new 84 low- and very-low income rental units.*
 - b. *Project developer to provide to existing unit tenants not qualifying for the new low- and very-low rental units the opportunity to return to similar rental units at the Crossroads Hollywood development at their current unit rent levels (not to exceed the 84 units being replaced).*
 - c. *Project developer to certify that no relatives or family members of the developer to receive preferential accommodation to occupy the low- and very-low income units.*

The CHNC seeks to have these tenant return policies as a condition of plan approval.

2. *The project developer of Crossroads Hollywood, BILL MYERS [CRE-HAR CROSSROADS SPV, LLC] and Representative KYNDRA CASPER [LINER, LLP], has represented to the CHNC that the development team are working diligently to make available rent stabilized apartment buildings in the general vicinity of Hollywood to accommodate relocation of existing tenants in the existing 84 rent-controlled units, preferably at the same rents currently being paid by tenants for comparable apartments at the existing units being removed from inventory. CHNC would like a concrete commitment from the development team to effectuate such a plan and report back to the CHNC Board of that outcome.*
3. *The Crossroads Hollywood project as currently proposed will remove the LA-Weekly façade, a significant local cultural resource, from the Hollywood community. The CHNC Board like a concrete commitment from the development team to include the existing LA-Weekly façade in the new development program. CHNC seeks*

the City to impose a specific requirement with the guidance of the Cultural Heritage Commission to preserve the LA-Weekly façade in the new development plan as a condition of plan approval.

- 4. The proposed Crossroads Hollywood will generate a significant increase in local area traffic which cannot be mitigated within the existing street systems. The CHNC Board proposes that in addition to all possible physical street improvements required by LADOT, the Crossroads Hollywood development team commit to providing for a fixed period of time funding for non-capital traffic improvement measures such as traffic officers at major intersections and other programs as determined appropriate by LADOT. The CHNC seeks the City to impose such a plan, subject to LADOT approval, as a condition of plan approval.*
- 5. The project developer of Crossroads Hollywood has represented to the CHNC that the project management will fund public transportation, per DOT recommendations, service between the two nearby Metro Red Line stations (Hollywood/Vine and Hollywood/Highland). The CHNC seeks the City to impose a transit-station shuttle plan subject to approval by the LADOT as a condition of plan approval.*
- 6. The project developer of Crossroads Hollywood has represented to the CHNC that the project ownership and management will actively support and seek inclusion of the Crossroads Hollywood project real properties into the Sunset BID (or Hollywood BID if appropriate). The CHNC seeks the City to impose inclusion of the Crossroads Hollywood real properties into the appropriate business improvement district as a condition of plan approval.*
- 7. The CHNC Board and its stakeholders are concerned regarding the off-project impacts of proposed and/or planned nightclubs (inclusive of dancing) in the Crossroads Hollywood project. Here the concern is off-project nuisance impacts to adjoining residential buildings and neighborhoods. Nuisance factors include noise, parking, late-night revelers, and loitering in the immediate*

area and neighborhoods surrounding the Crossroads Hollywood project. The CHNC seeks the City to impose a nuisance mitigation plan subject to approval by the Hollywood Station of the LAPD as a condition of plan approval.

8. The CHNC Board and its stakeholders are concerned regarding the proposed 22 liquor licenses being requested by the Crossroads Hollywood project. Here the concerns are similar to those identified for nightclubs enumerated in Item No. 7 above. The CHNC supports the proposed liquor licenses for the planned Hotel operations, but seeks the City to require other non-Hotel associated liquor licenses to obtain individual plan approval so that the stakeholders may have input as to the nature and operations of each licensee.

9. The Crossroads Hollywood development project is entirely within the CHNC area. The Crossroads Hollywood development team has represented that a Community Benefits Program will be implemented as part of the project development. The CHNC Board would like to participate in the development and implementation of the Community Benefits Program, and that CHNC participation is made a condition of plan approval.

On behalf of the CHNC Board,

*Elvina Beck, CHNC President
Wehbe, CHNC Vice President*

Ferris

cc: CHNC Board Members”

President Beck made the motion to submit the comments to the City. Secretary Roger Davis seconded her motion.

Davis commended Wehbe for putting this together with tremendous detail. There was applause. He suggested that on section 9, to add mention of PLUM (Planning and Land Use Committee)?

Should we do that? Wehbe said it has to come to the Board anyway.

Gayl Murphy said that she seconds this. Kudos to Wehbe. She commented that under Item 1, no one who is related will be able to enter the 84 low rent units. They are given the opportunity to qualify. Wehbe said they have first crack at it.

Murphy said I want this to be definitive. I don't want son-in-law and daughter-in-law to get into units. No friends, relatives, etc. of the developer should get into units.

Wehbe said these are low income. We want people there now to have first right to return. Murphy said it's not 100% fool proof. Anyone responsible for the project should be excluded. No nepotism. They need verification. Wehbe said that he would add this language.

Murphy asked what is the Sunset BID? Wehbe replied Business Improvement District. It's important for additional security.

Susan Hunter, Los Angeles Tenants' Union:

She referred to sections 1 and 2. Does this neighborhood council have the right to make this a qualifier? This is a County program for low income housing. Tenants must get into the program first. They are not accepting people onto the list. The developer needs to add an additional 84 units for low income residents. You cannot dictate who moves in unless you withhold another 84 units. Regarding rent stabilized units nearby, she asked how near?

Monique Friedman:

She offered her support to Murphy. Good point, she said. The 84 units may be a lot more than the 84 people being displaced for low income housing. You will totally disrupt their whole lives. You may need to demand 168 units. I've heard their lawyers speak several times, some things change. The waitlist for affordable housing in Crossroads is already full. Most of them not current tenants. She added that Wehbe did a great job. In strategic places this neighborhood council put the brakes on. Kudos and fight the good fight.

Kevin Atteberry:

He asked about sections 1 and 2. What about people who aren't low income who are being displaced? Wehbe replied that they must find them rent stabilized units in the Hollywood area. We can change it to the District of Hollywood. Attebery said there should be right of return within the new development for all tenants.

Kyndra Casper, Liner LLP, kcasper@linerlaw.com, (213) 694-3141, representing developer applicant CRE-HAR Crossroads SPV:

She said that she's never discussed an affordable housing waitlist. Based on our last meeting, the client agreed to allow any of the 84 tenants to have first right, if they qualify.

Beck asked how do we know if what Kendra Casper just said is true? Wehbe said we need to somehow talk to the tenants and encourage them to apply. Murphy suggested to have the Department verify it. Susan Hunter said to call the Housing Department.

Beck asked what does the law say? Wehbe said this is why I crafted #2. Make sure that 84 people who live there have the right to live in either the new development or in the vicinity. Murphy said she volunteered to interface with Tenants Rights to find a point person.

Beck asked why now ask for 168 units? Is that out of the question? Hunter said there are 950 total units available. if they can't make the waitlist, then the developer has to provide units, said Beck.

Roger Davis said that the way our building works, these people are prequalified by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles. Can't we say to the developer, you have 84 specific families in 84 units, can you promise us that they will be given first choice?

Wehbe said that under the law, they can give these people up to \$20,000 and get them out. We're trying to protect them. He will look into this. In the meantime, let's have input into the EIR. It's due on July 26. Every apartment that's rent stabilized, gets a visits from the City.

Murphy said I like idea of working with the Tenants' Rights group. They've done the heavy lifting. They are a good resource. I don't think a promise from the developer is the best way to go. Their

CEO (Chief Executive Officer) may change and then their promises disappear.

Wehbe said let us find the information needed. In the meantime, let's have input. Davis said we have 2 days to do something. Wehbe said I move that we vote.

Rebecca Hirsch asked is the City going to relocate those who can't re-qualify? Different parts of Hollywood are different.

Wehbe said the developer would love to give them money and get them out. Let's put something on the record.

Treasurer Angie Aramayo said I like what you've written to Wehbe. I'd like the number raised to 164 from 84. Beck added that it's fool proof. It protects everyone.

Wehbe cautioned we are advisory. If we push too hard, they give them their money.

Aramayo said that's not asking for a lot. We're never sure that the developer's promises are going to be kept. If we include 84 additional units, should be those 84 families subject to displacement. Those are stakeholders that we are losing.

Beck said they can afford this. Wehbe cautioned that based on what Susan Hunter said, they are already full. Aramayo said that there are 84 families being displaced that we can help.

Wehbe asked what if all 84 of them qualify, if 100 apply. Some 84 apartments being replaced by 84 low-income apartments. Aramayo asked do we know income levels of those being displaced?

Wehbe said they go to section #2. Aramayo said to keep 84. We want to keep the 84 residents here.

Wehbe says to build 84 units which are not low income. Low income would pay less than what they qualify now. Culligan said if they can't find them, they have to provide them. How will they provide them, asked Aramayo.

Murphy said we need to make a statement to our shareholders in a big way. Lots of people there may not qualify. Susan Hunter said

84 market rate units will be set aside for current tenants. If not all are occupied, they can be rented at market rate.

Duffy Culligan said that's section 2. Murphy asked what's the harm in putting it in there? We'll get it or not get it. Aramayo added that if families with students get displaced, it's not fair for students.

Beck offered an amendment: "and an additional 84 reserved for right of return at current rent under RSO they are currently paying and if they choose not to return then the apartments can go to market rent". (In section #1 in second sentence).

Aramayo said that if the developer doesn't want additional 84 units, use section #2. Murphy said to keep item #2. The developer can determine which item to use. Beck commented that those are RSO (Rent Stabilization Ordinance) apartments. Wehbe said the apartments should go to market value if people choose not to stay.

VOTE
7-1-0-1
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Angie Aramayo
Duffy Culligan
Roger Davis
Rebecca Hirsch
Gayl Murphy
Charles Taylor

No Votes:

Ferris Wehbe

Abstentions:

None

Recusals:

Michael Popwell

(Note: Charles Taylor left the meeting at 7:18pm.)

6. PLUM Committee; Chairs Roger Davis, Gayl Murphy

a. **Case No ENV-2015-4612-EIR Project Site:** 6909 Santa Monica Blvd **Project Description:** Demolish Existing Structures And Development of A 7-story, 231 Dwelling Units And 15,000 Sq Ft Of Retail Space.

Representative : Adam Englander [Company: Englander Knabe & Allen] **ACTION:** To approve as written **YES: 6 / No: 2** George objects to this zone change; Gilbert asked that if they get licenses, to just make them beer and wine.

Mark Spector, builder of the project:

This is a seven story mixed use project with 231 units, including 15 very low income units at Santa Monica Boulevard and Mansfield.

George Abrahams asked will they get licenses for beer and wine? Mark Spector said it's a master CUP that acknowledges that there may be future restaurants on site. Those places must return for licenses.

Ferris Wehbe made the motion to approve. Elvina Beck seconded.

Monique Friedman asked what will happen to the locations? How many low income units are there? A Woman asked where is it? Spector replied that it's located at Santa Monica and Orange and Mansfield. There are 231 units total.

Murphy asked will it be higher than existing buildings, at 7 stories? Spector responded that there are tall buildings a few blocks away. We try to keep the height right on Santa Monica Boulevard. The nearby buildings are 3-4 stories maximum. It will take up an entire block.

VOTE
6-1-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Elvina Beck
Angie Aramayo
Duffy Culligan
Rebecca Hirsch

Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe

No Votes:
Gayl Murphy

Abstentions:
None

(Note: Roger Davis and Charles Taylor are not here and did not vote.)

b. Case No ZA-2017-1890-ZV Project Site: 6521 W FOUNTAIN AVE **Project Description:** Continued centralhollywoodnc2014@gmail.com
[Post Office Box 93907, Hollywood, California 90093](#)
Commercial Use Tin The R3 Zone And Change Of Use To Office/Media Production **Representative :**
Amir Mikhail [Southern California Land Use] **ACTION:** To support the project **YES: 6 / No: 0**

There is no representative here. Elvina Beck introduced the project.

Ferris Wehbe made the motion to approve.

(Note: Roger Davis is back in the room at 7:26pm)

Michael Popwell seconded.

VOTE
7-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Elvina Beck
Angie Aramayo
Duffy Culligan
Roger Davis
Gayl Murphy
Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

(Note: Rebecca Hirsch and Charles Taylor are out of the room.)

c. **Case No ZA-2011-2724-CUB-PAL Project Site:** 1534 N Mccadden PI **Project Description:** Plan Approval To Allow The Continued Sale And Dispensing Of A Full Line Of Alcoholic Beverages For On-site Consumption In Conjunction With A 2,623 Square-foot Restaurant. **Representative :** Judy Lee [La Tierra Consulting, Llc] **ACTION:** That The Board Postpones **YES: 6 / No: 2**

Judy Lee, representative for the owner, La Tierra Consulting, judy@latierraconsulting.com:

She said that there was some confusion about what we were requesting. She is here to address those concerns. It's not a bar. We're not asking for offsite. There's a 463 sq ft patio plus a 1348 sq ft patio in the rear. The hours are 10am to 2am. We want to open at 8am. We also want to have live entertainment with up to 5 musicians indoors, with non-amplified instruments. We're never considered being open until 4am.

Dave Gaddo, owner:

I've been in Hollywood for 30 years in business. He lives and works here. We've been responsible landlords. We control about 6-7 buildings in Hollywood. This will be different because we'll be part of the ownership.

Café Des Artists closed 8 years ago. It ended up in bankruptcy. It was scheduled to be bulldozed until we saved it. This is the first new establishment we've done in Hollywood in 5 years. We've been trying to get the CUP (Conditional Use Permit) approved for 10 months. It has been a challenge to our government. We've got to do better than that.

For the project, we have a Cordon Bleu chef, who wants to remain anonymous. He said that he owns 3 other restaurants in the Los Angeles area. He'll invest \$1.5 mln in this one.

The Crossroads project is the big challenge. We're probably the property affected the most by that project. We've submitted issues as part of the EIR response. Making McCadden a one-way street will affect us.

We need to get this place moving forward. We're not asking for anything new. I thought it was a good thing to do breakfast. We can take that request off the table.

Ferris Wehbe made the motion. Elvina Beck seconded.

Rebecca Hirsch asked is there a bill in the State Senate to allow bar openings until 4am. Would you change your stance about opening hours? He said probably not for this location. We don't envision changing that at all over next 5 years. He urged Board members to talk to the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). We put things in our lease to make it difficult for tenants to do that.

Beck asked about the project name? Gaddo said we're seeking the rights to it but "Café Des Artistes" may be non-transferable. In response to a question about other restaurants that he owns, he mentioned Besos and Kitchen 24 among others.

Beck asked about parking? Gaddo said they gave us 10 covenant parking spots provided it remains a restaurant. There are also spots on the parking deck on Catalina. The building next door has 8 spaces too. When we reopened Besos, we reduced valet parking by 70% because everybody Ubers in now.

Murphy asked will you incentivize ride sharing? Gaddo said that there is a new startup where the restaurant pays for ride for diners. Beck asked how many jobs are being created at the restaurant? Gaddo said about 40? Beck asked is there any way to hire within a 1 mile radius? Gaddo said that depends on what happens in that area. Beck asked will you still do any outreach? We send out flyers, etc.

Travis Wester:

At the PLUM Committee meeting, we voted to postpone. We didn't know that the project would come before the Board. This is a surprise. When they say, they're not asking for anything new. They want to change the hours. Also, they want to modify position 12 of their permit. Now they want a CUP in perpetuity. They are also asking for happy hour. I recommend another 5 year grant. Make sure that that is okay with Hollywood High School. At that point, perhaps a grant in perpetuity can be considered.

Jon Hofferan:

He said that he's lived in Hollywood for 29 years. He's lived behind Café Des Artistes for 17 years. Café Des Artists was fine when I first moved in about 2000. Things got difficult later. The back patio has been expanded. That is about 50 ft from our building. My second floor apartment overlooks the patio. It's noisy even without music. What ever happens on that patio we hear it. Noise mitigation is required. Any amplified music would be a real hardship.

Rebecca Hirsch asked about the high school issue? Murphy asked about happy hour. Wehbe asked about noise mitigation? Gaddo responded that we did not ask for anything outside. Any kind of music would be inside and non-amplified. The back patio size is about the same as before. Wehbe used to lunch there.

There are no speakers outside. There are no plans to put speakers outside. We may have acoustic music inside sometimes. Wehbe asked you're not planning outdoor music? Gaddo said no.

Gaddo added that there is a sliding door entrance to the back patio. I'm happy to add mitigating factors. I'm fine with that. Murphy asked about ways to decrease noise. Gaddo said that people just talk loud. It's a freedom of speech issue. I don't know how we do that. Hirsch said that cushioning and plants absorb sounds. Gaddo added that there are olive trees.

Davis said I ate there as well. It's a lovely place. I can't believe this CUP is being considered as a renewal. I support the breakfast. The patio is an issue. The back patio can close earlier. David has some great places. A new CUP would probably be written forever. That's how the City is doing that now. CUBs are the few tools that we have for control.

Wehbe asked would you be open to 5 to 10 years, no outdoor music, sound mitigation, and the patio open Monday to Thursday to midnight?

Gaddo said that the restaurant business is one of the hardest in LA. Additional restrictions set us up to fail. We do not sell our properties. I would appeal to you that it's a tough business with new minimum wage constraints. It's incredibly difficult if we have to close the patio at midnight.

LA is becoming a late night place. People from abroad eat later. That will help us stay in business. I hope you see that. We're not going anywhere and we have a reputation to uphold. David said that it's an unusual situation with the outdoor patio. Gaddo said that Saint Felix also has that situation. We've never had a complaint.

Wehbe offered a modification: no outdoor music and sound mitigation measures. 8 am breakfast is okay. Beck accepted the modifications.

Murphy asked how does this address stakeholders? What can we do to address them? You don't have to give up very much compared to your neighbors. There was no outdoor music anyways. What are stakeholders getting? Hirsch asked will you offer discounts to neighbors? Beck said we're not allowed to ask for that.

Gaddo said we're offering 40 jobs. Hopefully it will be something that will make the neighborhood proud. Murphy asked maybe we should discuss enclosing part of the patio? Gaddo said that in LA people want to enjoy the outdoors.

Michael Popwell said that Gaddo is investing \$1.5 mln and creating 40 jobs. That is important. PLUM can regulate to a

standstill. Sometimes you have to go with the people. I'm going with 40 jobs. Roger Davis said we need your card.

Aramayo asked have you reached out to community members for input? Have you asked what are the community needs? Gaddo said we sent out a letter to the surrounding area. We're up against a development that may change the area. We are the only development in that footprint that is affected. There are 300 parking spots that will disappear.

How do you think I feel as a restaurant operator with a one-way street and construction noise? This is a labor of love. Aramayo said you didn't answer my question. Gaddo commented all around us, the Musicians Institute, new holes on McCadden. The Chamber of Commerce has responded positively. We worked with Council Member O'Farrell's office.

VOTE
6-2-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Duffy Culligan
Roger Davis
Rebecca Hirsch
Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe

No Votes:

Angie Aramayo
Gayl Murphy

Abstentions:

None

d. Case No VTT-75022-SL Project Site: 1422 N Sycamore Ave
Project Description: Vtt For 7 Small Lots Demolition Of Existing Two Single Family Dwellings For Creation Of Seven (7) Small Lot Homes. For Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 75022.
Representative : Steve Nazemi [Dhs & Associates Inc.]

ACTION: Table further discussion. That presentation should include a discussion of requirements for landscaping, translucent balcony railings, commercial trash pick-up versus individual trash cans, inclusion of mature landscape trees, inclusion of dog waste station, building second floor step backs from adjoining properties, and a plan for front yard fencing or railing. **YES: 6 / No: 0**

That project has been tabled for tonight, said Popwell.

e. **Case No VTT-74942-SL Project Site:** 6517 W Lexington Ave 90038 **Project Description:** Applicant Is Proposing To Develop A Small Lot Subdivision, Including 18 Small Lot Homes In The Rd1.5 Zone.

Representative: Land Use Developers Corp **ACTION:** Forward the project to the Board without a recommendation based on concerns previously listed in the motion (modifications that include translucent railings, landscaping in front, security along the front, step backs for the second and third floors on the east and west lot perimeters, a doggie waste station, and mature robust trees) and a review of the proposed density **YES: 4 / No: 2**

Stan, developer:

The project is 4 lots. There is a single family home there now along with a triplex and a single family dwelling. Seven units are to be demolished.

He discussed the PLUM conditions. There will be trees in the front and landscaping. There will be trees to the side of the property. The rooftops will have setbacks adjacent to neighbors by 5 ft. so they can't look down at the neighbors.

He noted that there is an apartment building on the North side with 23 units and 3 stories. To the right is a 17-unit apartment building that is 4 stories high. There is also a 5 story apartment building. There are windows but no balconies on the side yard. The windows will be foggy. We have 2 parking spaces per unit. There are also 5 guest spaces including one handicapped spot.

Popwell made the motion. Their hearing is on August 2. Whatever we put forward will go into the hearing. No recommendation is the motion due to concerns of setbacks

for the second and third floors for east and west lot perimeters.

The project is to include setbacks of 5 ft for rooftop railings from east, west, and north. There will also be translucent railings, front landscaping, front security barriers, doggie waste stations, and mature landscaping. We're saying they have to include that, said Popwell.

Wehbe asked how much is back setback to north? Stan said that it's 5 ft all around. Popwell noted that right now, there is no setback on second and third floor on the east and west where there are single family homes. So, no recommendation.

Stan said there is a 5 ft setback from the property line. There is a single family on the west side and a 2 story unit on other side. Beck said it should be indented more. Popwell agreed.

Murphy said this is a very small street. Wilcox is on one side, Stewart is on the other. Two cars can't pass at the same time.

Stan said that the Planning letter is incorrect about the number of units displaced. That should be 7 units. About a third of homes will be displaced for 18 new small homes.

Murphy said this is a very large development for this particular street. To me, it's wrong. This creates real density. This is the definition of density. I'm not in favor of it. There are multiple apartment buildings nearby that are taller.

(Note: Charles Taylor returned at 8:19pm. There are 9 board members here now.)

Stan said this isn't in the description. That's why I bring this up. In response to a question about the height of the project relative to houses on each side, Stan said 16 ft taller. It's modern too, he added. Murphy said it doesn't look like the neighborhood.

Wehbe asked about street dedication on Lexington? Stan said 5 ft. The Bureau of Engineering will allow an easement instead to have more landscape.

A Woman said I live down the street. I believe wholeheartedly what Murphy is saying. The street is extremely narrow. There is no parking. There are theatres all along on Santa Monica Boulevard. I got the letter too on Thursday. A request for 1200 sq ft instead of required 1500 sq ft residences. Why? You're jamming more residences onto the site.

Davis asked about dedication. He has setback questions and small lot developments questions. Popwell's motion doesn't include garbage, David noted. Wehbe said they volunteered that.

Davis said that 5 of the 7 units to be torn down are affordable housing. This will be lost. Stan, referring to the letter, said only 1 unit is asking for an extra 300 ft. That's how the code reads. This property is 28,000 sq ft.

Regarding parking, he said there are two spaces per unit plus 5 guest parking spaces. A new ordinance hasn't passed. Those guidelines are not in effect. Each unit is 1500 sq ft except one, said Stan.

Hirsch asked can you guarantee that you'll minimize parking with construction? Neighbors have parking situation with tow away zones. Those signs remain even after project work is completed and on Sundays. So people who live there are impacted. Stan replied that we'll make sure that on Sundays, there won't be signs.

Murphy asked about the size of the project. Stan commented that there are currently 7 units and 4 lots, he said. This will become 4 lots and 18 small homes, he said. The flyer is completely ridiculous.

VOTE to move forward without recommendation
8-0-1
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Angie Aramayo
Duffy Culligan
Roger Davis
Rebecca Hirsch
Gayl Murphy
Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

Charles Taylor

Davis noted that an abstention vote is the equivalent of a yes vote for this neighborhood council.

8. Budget Advocates update; Michael Popwell and Charles Taylor

None

F. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

2. Discussion and possible action to reimburse Elvina Beck \$189.14 for Joe's Pizza at June 26 board meeting

Wehbe made the motion. Davis seconded.

VOTE

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

3. Discussion and possible action to discuss and remedy of the issue of “Are there 2 Chairs in PLUM?” and who is actually the “Chair and Co-Chair of PLUM?”

Murphy said that this is a question that we didn't know that we had. One of our PLUM members researched this. According to past minutes, a mistake was made and needs to be resolved. This is not a power play or grab. Our bylaws are absent about this. We sought a precedent: the minutes, a clear history. The first mention was at the December 2015 meeting. There are differing descriptions in the minutes of the following months.

In August 2015, Irma Pelati resigned. Her position was vacant. I was ratified to take Pelati's position. Therefore I am the chair. Davis is the second chair. There was no information in any meetings. We're working on the bylaws, this needs to go back. We have a long history of people stepping into positions of people who had that position.

Popwell cited the bylaws, Article 5 regarding the governing board. There is a thing about terms and rotation of terms in section 4. For Board members, serve a four year term but staggered. When an elected person resigns, the Board takes applications and votes on the next Board member. The candidate who wins fills remaining term of the vacated Board seat. It doesn't say that they fill the Board seat and the assignment.

In section 3, the bylaws discuss committee structure, with the exception of the executive committee. Committee members will be appointed by the President and ratified by the Board. So, I disagree with Murphy about this history and automatically filling chair and committee assignments. Committees must be appointed by the President and voted on by the Board. There is nothing in the bylaws saying that a new Board member fills that Board member's terms and fills the committee chair and committee assignments. It doesn't say that.

I've been on PLUM as long as George Abrahams. That's not the case. I've sat through lots of PLUM meetings when David was chair. It wasn't that way either. There's never been an instance where a Board member was selected and automatically filled the chair or a committee. It would not behoove the Board to have a structure like that. The member may not be qualified or interested, added Popwell.

I didn't run as a Board member and a committee member of PLUM. There was no mention of any committee that I would be filling. That's my interpretation. I don't think the analogy about inheriting assignments of previous board members is valid.

Davis said this is a power grab. You're not happy that I wouldn't bow to your demand about what goes into agendas. It's a shame that this board is being subjected to this. I replaced Irma as chair. I then nominated you.

Murphy said your statements are misguided and hateful. It's not right. You can't read my mind. I'm disappointed in your judgment. I had conversations with Lorenzo. There is nothing in our bylaws that even comes close. I'm taking my seat from DONE, not from the great beyond, or from any place of power.

Davis said Lorenzo sent both of us emails not advocating for either one of us. This email clearly says that he isn't taking a position on this. Murphy said I'm advocating for clarity.

Wehbe said I serve on PLUM. We need to have a chair and co-chair. Co-chairs that don't get along don't work. Beck asked do the bylaws require a cochair?. Murphy said this is an issue of the bylaws.

Taylor said two adults can come to some sort of agreement. I'm disappointed that we're discussing this. Hirsch said I agree with Taylor. There is too much airing of this.

Aramayo suggested to have PLUM decide. If there's already a miscommunication and PLUM members disagree, that will be a waste.

Beck stated her preference. I stand by the bylaws. I read the minutes. If this really was in the minutes, there was a time when

you weren't on the Board. Murphy commented that you didn't realize that there was a chair and co-chair.

Beck asked shouldn't we just reverse what happened? Davis nominating Murphy as co-chair is the error. Davis commented that she's saying that I'm the junior chair. Murphy said I'm chair based on our history.

Wehbe told Beck that you appoint the chair and ratify it and look into the bylaws structure so this doesn't happen again. Beck said I want to revert to what's in the minutes of August 22. I never nominated you as a co-chair.

Travis Wester said to Beck that you seconded it. I don't understand the confusion. Established in January 2016,. In May or June, Puna resigned. She was second chair. There is no record of Davis being ratified as co-chair.

If Davis took Puna's position, he took the position of second chair. Two months later, Irma resigned in August 2016. Davis said at the time that I'm over my head. I need another chair. Irma and Puna were referred to as co-chairs for months. If Roger is the second chair and a co-chair is being appointed, then that chair is Murphy. This needs to be addressed in the bylaws.

George in the audience said that I prefer Murphy as chair. She has the right temperament.

Debra Wehbe said to go by the bylaws. It's very clear. This board didn't have training. The decision is Beck's. The president makes this decision. What stakeholders say isn't relevant.

We discussed making sure that committees match what is on your website and you must have standing rules. You don't have guidelines. That's why stakeholders are arguing with you.

Aramayo said I want to echo what Taylor says. At every meeting we are airing our dirty laundry. If there are any committee issues, do it on your own. It's really getting to be annoying and frustrating.

Murphy said I'm operating under Lorenzo. I did not uncover this. I immediately went to DONE. I've had multiple conversations with Lorenzo. I am not a power grabbing tyrant.

Beck said I can confirm everything that Murphy said. Murphy said she doesn't care but she just wants clarification.

Murphy said that Lorenzo is not allowed to make recommendations. We deserve it. I love this neighborhood council. I have a real rags to riches story. I don't want to wear a raincoat in PLUM (while having things thrown at me).

Davis said I want to read a statement that was sent by Travis Wester to all of you. In the final sentence it says that jurisdiction belongs to Murphy. I don't recognize Davis having any authority on this committee.

Popwell made a motion to request the President to appoint a chair to PLUM for ratification. Taylor seconded.

Beck asked what if neither of you was chair? Part of me wants to return to the original formula but there are some new members on the Board. I nominate Davis, as I originally did. Wehbe seconded.

Beck said that per 8/22/16. No more co-chairs. *Davis will be appointed as chair. There is no co-chair.*

VOTE for Roger Davis as Chair of PLUM

6-3-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Duffy Culligan
Roger Davis
Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe
Charles Taylor

No Votes:

Angie Aramayo
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch

Abstentions:

None

Murphy said you have to say that I was removed as co-chair. Taylor said I would ask for civility among all the board members. Beck said that Davis is sole chair of PLUM. I want to be removed said Murphy. Popwell advised to put it on the agenda for next month.

4. Discussion and possible action to spend a bit of our funds to cover the expense of purchasing 2 or 3 cases of bottled water for next Saturday's CHNC (7/29/17) sponsored event. The catering company advised against buying water from them because the cost was prohibitively high. In the alternative, would the board accept an in-kind donation or donation of funds to cover this expense for this Educational Seminar for Immigrant Families?

Wehbe withdrew the motion because there's no dollar amount. Aramayo said we can pull it out of Outreach. She mentioned a donation from Blum's office.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve Board President's appointment of an Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee consisting of three Board members. The Bylaws Committee will be charged with reviewing and making recommendations to the Board for adoption of update(s) to the CHNC Bylaws (September 1, 2015); and with preparing and making recommendations to the Board for adoption of CHNC Board and CHNC committee Standing Rules and Procedures.

Wehbe said this is precisely for what just happened. I don't have to talk about it.

Wehbe made the motion. Taylor seconded.

Davis said it's a great idea. We just had an example. Wehbe said I will make it my priority to create bylaws to set up committees and rules. I will look at other neighborhood councils and learn from what works.

A Woman asked don't you need training for that? Those who have experience should do this. Beck said we are deciding whether to do this.

VOTE
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Wehbe, Beck, Popwell, and Hirsch all volunteered for the limited positions. Beck said that the representatives will be herself, Wehbe, Popwell and Taylor.

Everything comes back to the Board. Popwell said that he'd defer to Taylor if he wants to do it. Hirsch said I volunteered to do this. I want that on the record. Wehbe said four people is too many. Beck said that Taylor can serve and Popwell can help. Aramayo asked can Board members attend and give input?

VOTE for Beck, Wehbe and Taylor as volunteers and Popwell as editor. Wehbe will chair.

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

D. ADMINISTRATIVE Items :

1. Approval of CHNC DRAFT minutes from 6/26/17. Minutes have been circulated with the agenda.

Beck said there would be changes to the minutes. Katherine, the note-taker, copied and pasted the whole thing. I prefer that the spirit of what was discussed was there. This was unnecessary and lengthy. It's not necessary to have verbatim speech. I prefer if it was just what was said at the meeting.

Hirsch said I liked the fact that she put it on there. Beck said I considered filing a grievance against this, regarding Hirsch and Taylor. I said point of order and people didn't hear it. A totally different section was copied and pasted. I'd like it to be removed.

Hirsch said I have a problem with it, the deleting. That statement gives me my Constitutional right to present my point of view. I didn't think we were going to revisit this again. It's almost like the whole exercise is being revisited. Lorenzo already looked at this. This could potentially be a retraction.

Beck asked why not include entire packet? There's no reason to have your good-bye letter here for life. Taylor said I don't see a problem with removing it if it's just copied and pasted. Hirsch said but it would be like it never happened.

Davis seconded Beck's motion.

Hirsch said I have a reputation to protect. A Man said you were wrong about her attendance and she's still here. Hirsch said the presentation of my absences was incorrect. If someone Googles me all they will see if that the president tried to remove me. My presentation is my defense. It clears my reputation and my name.

Culligan said I didn't recall this part of the minutes. Is there still a record with the gist of what she said? A summary of what she said should be there. Beck said I think it's favoritism. Hirsch said it's unfounded.

VOTE to amend the minutes
7-2-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch

Abstentions:

None

Before a vote could be taken to approve the amended minutes Beck said I feel like we just did vote so we're done. There was no separate vote for the amended minutes.

G. BOARD REPORTS, including Discussion and possible action items, if listed.

1. President, Elvina Beck

Hollywood Community Plan Update (packets for distribution) - visit <http://www.hcpu2.org> to receive updates

Beck said packets were removed from the community plan meeting. They are waiting for stakeholder comment. They obviously want it to work.

Taylor asked what is the definition of affordable housing? There's no real focus on building housing that's affordable.

Murphy said they weren't ready for the stakeholders. The stakeholders were really smart and asking killer questions. Wehbe urged not to wait till the last minute for EIR input. We should start now.

Aramayo said not a lot of stakeholders know about this. Monique Friedman said there are two affordable housing projects, including one at Hollywood and Western (for up to \$50,000 annual income). I applied for a building on Selma. The whole building got scooped up by the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) people. Popwell noted that the LAUSD paid for the building.

Davis said there isn't enough affordable housing. It's a disgrace. Beck said I want to give thanks to Mark Thurmus.

Popwell commented about the Hollywood community play. It has a horrible deficiency. He referred to the Hollywood quadrangle and the Hollywood earthquake fault. There's no accommodation for that dangerous section of land. It should be a green zone. In Signal hill, they designated that fault as a green zone.

I'm asking people to issue comments to have a green belt along that rupture zone. Earthquakes could be up to 7.0 magnitude on the Richter Scale. It's a steep fault. The force pushes along a line. It is perpendicular. There can be 4-12 ft of displacement. This happens every 8 thousand years, said George, a stakeholder.

Beck said I made an attendance sheet for the past 12 months. As of November, 2 tardies equals one absence. This involved 12 months of opening minutes. It took a really long time. I intend to update it every month. We were severely organized. There was no bullying. This will be available to everyone.

We did not have special minutes attendance being recorded. Since special meeting minutes count, I wasn't actually wrong last month. Hirsch was not present so that's five absences. I've discovered another 5 absences. We'll have to go through proper procedures. The Board can choose to keep members on.

Davis said I'm keeping a duplicate set of attendance records. I'll also do it for PLUM. Aramayo asked that's been checked, right? We won't have another scene from last time, right? Have Davis do his own, if it matches, then it's verified. If it doesn't then it doesn't.

2. Vice-President, Ferris Wehbe

no report.

3. Secretary, Roger Davis

no report

4. Treasurer, Angie Aramayo (Second Signer: Elvina Beck)

1. Discuss and make a motion to approve June MER
2. Discuss and make a motion to approve the Neighborhood Council Strategic Budget Package, Strategic Plan, Outreach Survey, Neighborhood Council Budget, and Council Self-Assessment for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Aramayo said that Beck is no longer second signer. She can't approve the June MER (Monthly Expense Report) because the account is closed. So table this one.

Aramayo said we can hold off on discussion until the end. She said she can draft it and send it to you guys. Does it need a vote? This is for the plan, not the budget. Debbie Wehbe said the plan is to be decided as a group. What you have done and what you're supposed to do are different things.

Aramayo said this is a motion to pre-approve.

Popwell made the motion to have the Treasurer prepare the CHNC strategic plan for the coming fiscal year 2017-18 with editorial approval by Board members. Aramayo seconded.

VOTE

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

3. Discuss and make a motion to appoint Charles Taylor as the card holder.

Davis made the motion. Wehbe seconded.

VOTE
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

H. COMMITTEES REPORT, including Discussion and possible action items, if listed.

1. Safety Committee; Duffy Culligan, Roger Davis

Davis said there is a meeting on Wednesday night. There will be a report at the next meeting.

2. Outreach Committee; Angie Aramayo, Duffy Culligan and Gayl Murphy

1. Discussion and possible action to purchase \$100 worth of sodas and water for General Board and committee meetings

Aramayo explained that this is for the purchase of \$100 soda and water for multiple meetings until we run out.

Wehbe made the motion. Davis seconded.

Popwell noted that soda is bad for your health. He suggests water only.

VOTE for \$100

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

2. Discussion and possible action to spend up to \$500 to print CHNC brochures.

Murphy made the motion. Culligan explained that we must have a change to the definition of a stakeholder. Debbie Wehbe said that when you change committees, that might change the wording on brochures. Ferris Wehbe said to hold off on printing for one month.

VOTE

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

3. Budget and Finance Committee; Elvina Beck

nothing

4. Election Committee; Rebecca Hirsch

nothing.

5. Legislative Action Committee: Angie Aramayo and Charles Taylor

1. - Council File 15-1138-S26, Comprehensive Homeless Strategy Quarterly Performance Report / Fiscal Year 2016-17 Third Quarter: Introduced on June 2, 2017, and referred to Homelessness and Poverty Committee. The CAO's report is the Fiscal Year 2016-17 third quarterly performance report on the City's Strategy Committee. The report discusses the implementation of Proposition HHH, the County of Los Angeles' Measure H budget allocation process, and key accomplishments for individual strategies.

Council File:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=15-1138-S26>

2. - Council File 14-0366-S7, Cannabis Business Registry: Introduced on May 26, 2017, and referred to Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee. This motion is instructing the City Office of Finance or other appropriate

departments to create a Registry that would allow all categories of cannabis businesses the City intends to license as noted in Measure M to come forward and register with the City based on criteria noted in the motion.

Council File:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-0366-S7>

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3. Discussion and possible action to write a CIS in support for *Council File 14-0366-S7* and make suggestions that community input is heard from this council regarding the process moving forward. *Cannabis Business Registry: Introduced on May 26, 2017, and referred to Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee. This motion is instructing the City Office of Finance or other appropriate departments to create a Registry that would allow all categories of cannabis businesses the City intends to license as noted in Measure M to come forward and register with the City based on criteria noted in the motion.*

Council File:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-0366-S7>

Davis said that he wants to table agenda item h.5.1. There is a speaker for items 5.3 and 5.4.

Davis also wants to table agenda item h.5.2

VOTE to table agenda items 5.1 and 5.2

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck

Ferris Wehbe

Roger Davis

Angie Aramayo

Michael Popwell

Gayl Murphy

Rebecca Hirsch

Charles Taylor

Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Melanie To, Behavioral Health Services, Inc.:

She said that she works with Gilbert Mora on PLUM. Agenda items 2 and 3 are the same. This motion was written because there is no regulation for the cannabis industry. It was written in 2016. The City is not giving marijuana licenses. They are hoping to get a final draft of the ordinance out by September. Public comment ended July 12. She recommends to not do a Community Impact Statement yet. Beginning January 1, 2018 there will be licenses.

In response to a question from Hirsch, Melanie To said we believe that the City doesn't want to get in trouble with Federal law. For liquor you need to go to ABC (California's Alcoholic Beverage Control agency).

Davis asked how much time do we have to look at this further? Melanie To said that the City wants regulations in place by September. That's a self-imposed deadline but the State is to begin issuing licenses soon. Gilbert Mora will address this more in PLUM, said Davis.

Aramayo said we made a motion to write a statement in support. We wanted community input as the process moves forward. We should send an email to the community about this CIS being heard and the possibility of this happening sometime soon.

Wehbe made a motion to table. Davis seconded.

Monique Friedman spoke about what she learned from Gilbert Mora. They thought there'd be 100 applications for stores. There are about 900 stores in Los Angeles. There are no business licenses but they are Measure M compliant. Business licenses won't happen before January when sale becomes legal. It's going to explode.

VOTE to table
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

4. Discussion and possible action to write a CIS/ letter stating that there is no opposition to other cities having the extension but there is no benefit to having it in Hollywood. The letter will also express our concerns to city council and implore them to give additional value and weight to residents opinion on this legislation and prohibit extension to outdoor or rooftop drinking businesses. Bill in discussion- SB 384 Senator Scott Weiner's 4:00am Bar closing bill. This bill allows, but does not require, local governments to extend alcohol service hours to a specified time between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m for bars and restaurants. The decision for how and where to implement any extension of alcohol service hours would be up to the local jurisdiction, with approval by the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC). Last minute provisions to the bill include: a 2 year waiting period to go into effect so cities can have time to plan, a sunset clause that would make this subject to reauthorization five years after going into effect, reinstating the original language that ABC must review each city's plan, and clarifying that only an elected City Council or Planning Commission has the authority to approve a 4 am district. More info: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB384

Melanie To said that this offers no benefit to Hollywood. They want an extension of outdoor and roof spaces.

Popwell commented that there are some benefits to Hollywood. Get involved after the State approves this. Melanie To urged to act now to let the City know we're on top of this.

Wehbe said the City will require input from stakeholders. Let's wait and get input.

Aramayo said that City Council members don't often listen to stakeholders, at least not as much as we'd like. Let them know that we'd like to have major input.

Monique Friedman said that the hardest time for Hollywood is after the bars close. If there are later closings, this will happen as people going to work. Melanie To said I don't agree with the wording.

Hollywood is part of the City of Los Angeles. CHNC will be listed under support. We are part of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. Vice said the extension will use more public resources from police overtime. People will linger. At 4am people will linger two hours longer until when kids are walking to schools.

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health said the increase will affect communities adversely. LA County has the highest number of DUI and death collisions. These tend to happen between 2am and 4 am for fatal collisions.

Friedman also noted that at the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council meeting, people went bananas about selling booze until 4am. They want to push it back to midnight.

Wehbe suggested to table this until we hear from Vice and others. Melanie To said that the Hollywood Chamber chose not to support. We don't have the transportation that San Francisco or New York have.

Davis noted that the Montalban Theatre now has a full liquor license for their non-rooftop despite our opposition.

Wehbe asked can we table this? Aramayo said we can make a motion to oppose it. Popwell said it requires and demands thorough discussion. Table it, he urged.

VOTE to table
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

5. Discussion and possible action to write a CIS/ letter of support to elected officials for AB 411 Therapy and Facility Dogs, Assemblymember Richard Bloom's bill. This bill would authorize, in certain cases, prosecuting victims, witnesses, and child witnesses to be accompanied by a dog ,trained in providing emotional support, while testifying at a preliminary hearing, trial, or a juvenile court proceeding. *More info:*
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB411

Davis made the motion. Wehbe seconded.

Beck said that she has a problem with these dogs as a business owner.

VOTE
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

6. Discussion and possible action to write a CIS/ letter of support to elected officials for AB 1506 – Costa Hawkins Repeal, Assemblymember Richard Bloom’s bill. This bill removes the state restrictions on local rent control ordinances and will ensure local governments have the ability to enact local rent control policies that suit local conditions. More info:
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billStatusClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1506

Davis made the motion. Taylor seconded.

VOTE

6-1-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

Michael Popwell

Abstentions:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe

Popwell said I want to table this. Aramayo reminded Beck and Wehbe that an abstention is a yes vote. She recommended recusal instead. Culligan said we don't have enough information to vote. Davis said I'll remove my motion. Popwell seconded Davis' motion to remove.

Davis said the new motion is to table this. Culligan's point is well taken. Popwell seconded.

VOTE to table

9-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

7. Discussion and possible action to write a CIS/ letter of support to elected officials for AB 982 – Ellis Act Reform. The letter/CIS will also state that it should be given , Assemblymember Richard Bloom's bill. This bill gives senior tenants and disabled tenants more time to prepare in the unfortunate event that they are evicted under the Ellis Act and provides, for safety reasons, fellow tenants the same 1-year extension. More info:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billStatusClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB982

Popwell made a motion to table. Hirsch said the community should be here for this. Wehbe said we should have a housing forum. We had one June 29 with Assembly Member Laura Freeman. It was very nice. Wehbe seconded Popwell's motion.

VOTE
9-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Elvina Beck
Ferris Wehbe
Roger Davis
Angie Aramayo
Michael Popwell
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

Popwell said we vote on these but we never see them. I never see the CIS'.

J. COMMENTS by Board Members

Friedman commented that LA Promise is vague. It's lots of talk. They mentioned Vision Zero, which is creating total havoc on the Westside and in the South Bay. It's driving businesses out of business as traffic lanes are lost. It's hell. This is a right wing conspiracy. It's an attack on the middle class.

I. The board is seeking members of the public to participate on all CHNC committees

Aramayo asked will Gilbert Mora be on the Legislative Committee? *Beck said I appoint Mora to the Legislative Committee.* Ferris said I love Gilbert but I'd like a counter-weight because he's so against alcohol.

VOTE for Gilbert Mora
6-3-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Elvina Beck
Angie Aramayo
Gayl Murphy
Rebecca Hirsch
Charles Taylor
Duffy Culligan

No Votes:

Roger Davis
Michael Popwell
Ferris Wehbe

Abstentions:

None

Debbie Wehbe asked who's going to update the website? The bylaws are not correct. Beck said I'm the webmaster. Debbie Wehbe said that the ethics training for two Board members has expired so they should not be voting on financial matters. Beck said that she submitted information yesterday. Debbie Wehbe said it's not on the website.

Murphy said that this important. We need to make a statement that whatever was going on with Hirsch is done. Transparency is important to me. I'm not re-litigating this. Aramayo said she was voting based on Lorenzo's email. There should be a special announcement about this. Hirsch said that Lorenzo said that special meetings don't count.

Aramayo suggested to send an email saying that. You're the President, you have to update things. Hirsch said that Lorenzo said the motion to remove me should be rescinded. It's not fair to me. Beck replied that you didn't put it on the agenda.

Hirsch said it has to be mentioned on the record for this meeting. I wasn't insisting on it. The reason why I didn't say something was because the minutes already contained what I thought was acceptable. Now there is nothing on the record. Lorenzo verified attendance. Lorenzo checked and rechecked. Lorenzo's email said that Hirsch has not reached 5

absences so as such the action taken on June 26 to remove her from the Board should be rescinded. I should not have to beg for this.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Beck made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 10:21pm.