



CENTRAL HOLLYWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, Nov. 27 , 2017 at 6 p.m.
Hollywood City Hall, Large Conference Room
6501 Fountain Avenue (at Wilcox), Los Angeles, CA 90028

A. Call to Order.

President Beck called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Name	Present	Absent	Arrive/Leave Time
Elvina Beck, President	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Ferris Wehbe, Vice President	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Roger Davis, Secretary	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Angie Aramayo, Treasurer	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Duffy Culligan		Absent	
Steve Ducey	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Barbara Metzenbaum	Present		Stayed for Entirety
Gayl Murphy		Absent	
Charles Taylor	Present		Stayed for Entirety

C. Reports from Government Representatives

Officer Thompson – There is a business located at 1638 N. Las Palmas Avenue that has been an area of focus for Hollywood Vice. There has been some alcohol related complaints. If you receive calls on that business, let us know. The recent parade went smoothly.

Josh from Assemblyman Richard Bloom's Office. On Dec. 11 there will be an Annual Canned Food Drive and Community Reception at the Assemblyman's Santa Monica office. The Assemblyman is accepting ideas for bills right now. In a two year cycle, an assemblyman can introduce up to 50 bills. Bloom can introduce 17 in the coming year.

D. Approval of Minutes.

Approval of board meeting minutes from **10/23/17**. Minutes emailed to all board members for review.

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the CHNC regular board meeting minutes from 11/23/17; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 5 yes (Beck, Armayo, Davis, Wehbe and Taylor) 0 no, and 2 abstentions (Ducey and Metzenbaum).

E. Public Comment on NON- Agenda Items.

George Abrahams - Past three meetings for the PLUM meeting are illegal because the board did not approve the change in time and date. The time goes against the spirit of the council because it is not convenient for many workers.

Bill Dern- Wants to work with the NC and the community on bringing more entertainment to the area. He is affiliated with Greater Los Angeles Association for the Deaf and working with a local business to put on a deaf comedy night. He is also working on a deaf playhouse. Would like the Central Hollywood Neighborhood council to affiliate with him.

Monique Friedman – In Los Feliz, this Thursday there will be a free showing of Trading Places and a discussion of public banking. Wells Fargo has not been particularly good to indigenous peoples. Los Feliz #3 Movie Theatre, 322 N. Vermont.

Amit Thakkar - Founded lawmaker can propose new ideas for laws at the city, state or federal level. David Ryu is taking ideas for transparency in Los Angeles. The councilman will take the number one idea and introduce it as a motion or try to turn it into a city program. Built for individuals and neighborhood councils. Lawmaker.io

F. Motions and Resolutions

1. Discussion and possible action to approve administrative budget totaling \$ 3,950.00

Food

Minutes

Copies

Water

Office

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the administrative budget; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Armayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

G. Executive Board Member Reports

1. President Elvina Beck – She canvassed in October and gave out items that had neighborhood council information. People she spoke to were concerned on traffic and homelessness. It was a positive experience.

2. Vice-President Ferris Wehbe – No Report

3. Secretary Roger Davis – Planning Land Use Management committee meetings are being scheduled properly. Davis spoke to Darren Martinez, City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles, and Martinez said everything is legitimate with regards to the meetings.

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4. Treasurer Angie Aramayo – i. Discuss and make a motion to approve August, September and October MER (10 min)

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the August MER; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the September MER; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the October MER; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

ii. The Treasurer, Angie Aramayo, announced she will purchase approved items for CHNC. Board members will not expect reimbursement.

H. Committee Reports

1. Safety Committee

The Committee plans to collaborate with LAPD on safety, a holiday party and street cleanings.

a. Discussion and possible action to approve budget until June 2018 of \$2,500.00. (Holiday Party with the LAPD December 2017, Printing to warn people about car thefts, One Clean up with the LAPD in March or April 2018 food, drinks and printing

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the Safety Committee budget; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 6 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 1 abstention (Ducey).

2. Outreach Committee

a. Discussion and possible action to approve Outreach budget \$14,000.00: (Events- Signage- Advertising- Swag- Operational-T-Shirts and other Collaterals and marketing materials)

Angie Aramayo moved to approve the Outreach budget; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

b. Discussion and possible action to purchase 5,000 utility stickers for CHNC. This will be an outreach method to market and brand CHNC. The cost to purchase the stickers will be no more than \$500.

Ferris Wehbe moved to approve the purchase of utility stickers in an amount not to exceed \$500; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

c. Discussion and possible action to purchase up to 576 CHNC t-shirts with logo for up to \$4000. The board discussed the quantity of shirts that outreach requested. There was an agreement that shirts are a good outreach tool and that many are given away at each neighborhood council

event. Some did not think that purchasing 576 shirts was necessary. Others noted that once the shirts are purchased, the board might have some for the next year.

Roger Davis moved to approve the purchase of CHNC t-shirts in an amount not to exceed \$4000; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Armayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

3. Budget and Finance Committee – No report
4. Election Committee – No Report
5. Bylaws Committee – Deadline is now April 2018
6. Legislative Action Committee – No report
7. Planning and Land Use Management Committee –
 - a. Discussion and possible action to approve PLUM budget not to exceed \$2700 (Minutes and letters for 8 months, drinks and Printing agendas)
 - b. Discussion and possible action to nominate Marilyn Pilletere & Wil Anabel to the committee

Marilyn and Wil Anabel both introduced themselves to the board and public and explained why they want to be on the committee.

Roger Davis moved to appoint Marilyn Pilletere and Wil Anabel; the motion was seconded by Ferris Wehbe. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Armayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

c. **Case No.** ZA 2017-3282-CUB 1624 N. Cahuenga Blvd. 90028

Project Description: CONTINUE CONDITIONAL USE FOR SALE AND DISPENSING OF FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ASSOCIATED WITH AN EXISTING 2264SFT RESTAURANT.

Requested Entitlement:

PURSUANT TO LAMC 12.24.W.1, A REQUEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN EXISTING 2265 SQFT AND A 305SQFT FOOT PROPOSED OUTDOOR PATIO IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY WITH 84 INDOOR SEATS AND 16 OUTDOOR SEATS AND PROPOSED HRS OF OPERATION FROM 8:00AM TO 2:00AM AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT INCLUDING AMPLIFIED MUSIC, LIVE DISC JOCKEY AND KARAOKE IN THE C4-2D-SN ZONE.

Applicant: NICHOLAS LARESCA [Company:OUTPOS RESTAURANT LLC]

Representative: F. MICHAEL AYZAZ [Company:BLAKE & AYZAZ, A LAW CORPORATION]

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE1NTAz0>

This is a continuance of the conditional use permit. There might be an expansion to live entertainment and patio dining. No AVC violations. He will speak with the police department often to help resolve any issues. There is one bathroom for women and one for men. There is a shared parking lot nearby. There will be security monitoring the back.

George Abrahams - Thinks that there are too many alcohol establishments

Ayaz – There is no indication that there will be a slowing down of issuing licenses.

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Officer Thompson - If there are noise mitigation features incorporated into the venue, then I think this would be a good addition to the neighborhood. It'd be nice if the music is shut off at midnight.

The board confirmed if the alley service will continue until 2 a.m. The board also asked about security in the alley.

Ferris Wehbe moved to support the approval of ZA 2017-3282-CUB with the conditions that outside music will end at midnight, the implementation of sound mitigation measures for the outside patio and for the operators to cooperate with the Los Angeles Police Department to solve relevant issues; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

d. Case No. ZA-2017-4063-CUB, 7046 W. Hollywood Blvd. 90028

Project Description: THE CONTINUED SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOL FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN A PROPOSED 6,193 S.F. RESTAURANT AND BAR WITH LIVE MUSIC, 142 SEATS, AND OPERATING HOURS FROM 7AM-2AM DAILY.

Requested Entitlement:

PURSUANT TO LAMC SECTION 12.24 W.1, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONTINUED SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOL FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN A PROPOSED 6,193 S.F. RESTAURANT AND BAR WITH LIVE MUSIC, 142 SEATS, AND OPERATING HOURS FROM 7AM-2AM DAILY.

Applicant: ELIOT CARMİ [Company: SOUL HOLLYWOOD LLC]

Representative: JOHN CLOUSE [Company: CREATIVE DESIGN SERVICES]

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE2Mzkz0>

John Clouse presented the project. Currently operating on a permit that was issued a decade ago. The owner must reapply because the size of the venue and the hours of operation have changes. There is some public parking around the site. There will be ambient jazz-type music that won't carry too far.

Officer White – They are agreeing to no promoters and 12 special events annually. Special events might not be open to the public. That requires a two week notice before the event. The LAPD wants to see another restaurant in the area.

Officer Thompson – They did a good job with the design.

George Abrahams – The door will probably be open a lot because of the large number of people. What about noise?

The board wanted to know why the owner did not want more special events to cater to the people who attend Hollywood Boulevard for street closures and celebrations. The board also questioned how residential areas nearby to the business will be affected. The board suggested a ride share drop off sight on Sycamore.

Ferris Wehbe moved to support the approval of **ZA-2017-4063-CUB** with the conditions that there will be no audible music, no dancing and no promoter; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 7 yes (Aramayo, Beck, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

e. Case No. ZA-2017-3640-CUB, 6464 W. Sunset Blvd. 90028

Primary Address:

Project Description: CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE SALE OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION AT AN EXISTING RESTAURANT.

Requested Entitlement:

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PER LAMC SECTION 12.24.W.1 TO ALLOW THE SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH A PROPOSED 1,087 SQ. FT. RESTAURANT WITH 26 INDOOR SEATS, A COVERED 226 SQ. FT. OUTDOOR PATIO ON-SITE WITH 16 OUTDOOR SEATS, AND AN UNCOVERED 227 SQ. FT. OUTDOOR PATIO ON THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY WITH 16 OUTDOOR SEATS. PROPOSED HOURS OF OPERATION ARE FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 2:00 A.M. DAILY.

Applicant:

BRAD FOLB [Company: SUNSET BOULEVARD PROPERTIES LP - DBA CIABATTA BAR]

Representative:

LEE RABUN [Company: CLR ENTERPRISES, INC.]

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE1OTE20>

Lee Rabun presented the project. The Folbs have contributed positively for the Hollywood in the past. Folbs won a liquor license.

Officer Thompson – Not in favor of business open that late on the southern side of Sunset Boulevard. This restaurant would set a dangerous precedent for late night dining. It might attract noise due to nearby club patrons visiting the Ciabatta Bar. I would prefer it to be open to 2 a.m. on some nights of the week. I am in support of all other aspects of the site.

Ferris Wehbe moved to support the approval of ZA-2017-3640-CUB with the recommendations of the Vice division of the Los Angeles Police Department; the motion was seconded by Roger Davis. Motion passed with 6 yes (Beck, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 1 no (Aramayo), and 0 abstentions.

4. Case No. ZA-2017-3180-CUB-CUX, 1626 N. Cahuenga Blvd. 90028

Project Description: THE SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN CONJUNCTION WITH A NEXISTING 2,278 SQ. FT. BAR AND LOUNGE

Requested Entitlement: PURSUANT TO LAMC SECTION 12.24,W-1, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE AND DISPENSING OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN EXISTING 2,278 SQUARE FOOT BAR AND LOUNGE WITH 192 INDOOR SEATS AND 42 OUTDOOR SEATS (IN REAR ALLEY), WITH HOURS OF OPERATION FROM 6:00 AM TO 2:00 AM DAILY. PURSUANT TO LAMC SECTION 12.24-W,18, A CONDITIONAL

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USE PERMIT TO PERMIT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXISTING BAR AND LOUNGE.

Applicant:

JOHN LASKER [Company:THE ROOM HOLLYWOOD, LLC]

Representative:

Samira Squires [Company:ELIZABETH PETERSON GROUP, INC.]

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE1Mzg40>

Samira Squires presented the project. This would be a new permit for continued sales and live entertainment and dancing. The operators have extensive experience with operating this kind of facility. There have been no outstanding violations so far. Officers from the Los Angeles Police Department and provided training to The Room staff for dealing with intoxicated patrons.

Officer Thompson – I have personal experience with the site. The most outstanding issue thus far were two incidences of alcohol service to customers that were already intoxicated. The operators know what they are doing and take security seriously. I believe they will work with us to enhance safety. Slight changes to the security plan would be preferred. They are looking to put the patio area into new use.

The board expressed a desire for consistency in operating hours, noise mitigation and security plans for all businesses along the alley behind Cahuenga Boulevard.

Ferris Wehbe moved to support the approval of ZA-2017-3180-CUB-CUX with the conditions that outside music will end at midnight, the implementation of sound mitigation measures for the outside patio and for the operators to cooperate with the Los Angeles Police Department to solve relevant issues; the motion was seconded by Elvina Beck. Motion passed with 6 yes (Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 1 abstention (Beck).

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

Interested members may contact elvina@chnc.org or attend the meeting. Possible action by the Board includes appointments to the committees. A maximum of two members from CHNC board can be members of each committee.

J. Comments by Board Members

Charles Taylor – A dumpster is impeding traffic on Lexington and Cahuenga.

Steve Ducey- The Los Angeles County homeless count will be on Jan. 23 to the 25.

K. Adjournment

Ferris Wehbe moved to adjourn and Roger seconded. Motion passed with 7 yes (Beck, Aramayo, Davis, Wehbe, Ducey, Metzenbaum and Taylor), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.