General Board Meeting Agenda Minutes

Thursday September 13th, 2018 – 7:00-9:00 PM
Hermon Fellowship Center
5800 Monterey Road, Los Angeles, CA 90042

The City’s Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelinos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us. All agenda items are actionable unless otherwise noted.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS:
   A. Call to order

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II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Representatives from government offices, Police Department, and community-based organizations. Reports and Brief presentations only. Any questions, please follow up with presenter on the side so meeting may proceed as scheduled (up to 10 minutes total).

A. LA City Council District Representative
   i. Absent

B. LAPD Senior Leads
   i. Hermon, one of the safest areas in the city as far as crime is concerned.
ii. Violent crimes and arrests are down in area, however there is a slight rise in property crimes.
a) Residents take protective measures to secure your homes cars and all property. Proper lighting, dogs and Ring Security Systems are very effective for home security.
b) Aggressive dogs: call police for emergency or 311 to report. All calls, and reports are accounted for and help bring attention and service for help to issues in the community.
c) Scams: seniors and immigrants are being targeted. Scams use threats to intimidate and bully victims into paying and sending money out of the country. Keep in mind, IRS will send certified mail if you have any serious tax issues.
C. Other Government Departments/Agencies
i. Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado Field Representative for Assembly member Wendy Carrillo introduction.
a) First bill signed for 6.5 million to clean up parkways.
b) Apply at the DMV for your REAL ID by October 2020.
c) Only a REAL ID card, US passport, passport or military ID will be accepted after date.
D. Community Organizations
i. Chris Dodrige, the pastor of the Hermon Fellowship Center introduction.
a) Feel free to contact on how he can be a resource to the community.
III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:
Public comments on non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction
i. Ursulla Brown, president of the local park.
a) Meeting in regard to the dog park not having any shade and getting new trees.
a) Map your neighborhood program, helps neighborhoods prepare for emergencies, disaster situations to help save lives, reduce the severity of injuries and trauma, and property damage.
IV. BUSHNELL WAY ELEMENTARY
A. Discussion and approval of letter extending Neighborhood Purpose Grant Funds
i. The Hermon Neighborhood Council has funds available for the Neighborhood Purposes Grant program.
ii. Applications must be submitted to info@hermonnc.org no later than 5p.m. on October 15, 2018.

Motion: Danielle Suarez
2nd: Jessica Jimenez

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B. Presentation on upcoming Dual Language Program from Principal Narvaez
i. The two-way dual language program is a model of bilingual education that works toward maintaining the native language of the student who is acquiring a second language.

ii. The goal is to develop full biliteracy and bilingualism while fostering cross-cultural awareness.

C. Neighborhood Purpose Grant submission (Paulianne Bolinger Werthwein)
   i. Postponing

V. Candidacy Statements for Board opening for Charitable, Faith Based Representative
   A. Lee Turner
      i. Has lived in Hermon since 2010 and feels very passionate about the neighborhood and would put all efforts into the council.
   B. Jordan VanDina
      i. Absent

VI. Discussion and Election by the Board of new Board Member: Charitable, Faith Based Representative
   A. Wendy Rice’s recommendation for Lee Turner.
   B. Andrea Moran’s recommendation for Lee Turner.

   Motion: Jessica Jimenez
   2nd: Danielle Suarez

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VII. Presentation from Maria Elena for Senate Campaign
   A. Absent

VIII. Presentation from Reclaim Our Schools LA – Give Kids a Chance
   A. Albert Ramirez introduction.
      i. Give Kids a Chance is a program to reduce class size, increase safety, initiate more resources for mental health and making sure kids have the resources to succeed.
      ii. Meeting Announcement: North- Northeast LA Regional Meeting, Location: El Centro Del Pueblo, 1157 Lemoyne St, Los Angeles, CA 90026, Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 5pm.

IX. Street Banner Design and Installation Update
   A. Discussion and possible action regarding Council Motion Letter
      i. All was approved for the street banners, vendor needs a council motion letter.
         a) Council motion letter to be submitted in October.

X. Clean Team Update
   A. Next Clean Team Event: Saturday October 20th 9am-12p.m. (meet at Fresco)
   B. Discussion and possible action regarding Clean Team budget
i. Postponing getting accurate amount in the next agenda.

XI. Discussion and possible action for Neighborhood Rummage Sale
A. Budget of up to $300 for signage and promotion
   i. Postponed until issue of neighborhood and community council members licenses and profit issue is resolved.

XII. Discussion and possible action regarding Holiday Event and Tree Lighting (up to 5 minutes)
A. Approval of budget for Holiday Event of up to $5,000
   Motion: Danielle Suarez
   2nd: Jessica Jimenez
   Votes: Yes=7, No=0, Abs=0, Ineligible=1

B. Update on potential vendors, entertainment, food and giveaway items
   i. Holiday event block party on Wheeling way.
      a) Holiday Tote bags, Santa, Hot Cocoa, Photo booth, tree lighting, decorations permits and miscellaneous items.

C. Discussion and possible action for tree lighting budget of up to $7,500
   i. Motion to approve rental of bow for $2,750.
   Motion: Sandra Ryan
   2nd: Jessica Jimenez
   Votes: Yes=7, No=0, Abs=0, Ineligible=1

XIII. Discussion and possible action regarding Neighborhood Purpose Grant Program
A. Approval of announcement for upcoming Neighborhood Purpose Grant process
   i. Up to $5,000.
XIV. Discussion and possible action regarding Fresco’s application for Type 41 (Beer and Wine) license
   A. In order to host wine tasting and fundraiser events, as well as serving wine after store hours, two separate licenses are required.
   B. Fresco will update the board on when and how they could help acquire licenses.

XV. Outreach Strategy including Social Media (discussion and possible action)
   A. Hermon NC Facebook Page, Instagram, E-mail campaign (mailchimp)
      i. Jorge will update everyone with instructions on how to log in.
      ii. Social media will be used as a source for news and community outreach.
   B. Next approved mailing: Fall Clean Team Event and October/November Meeting Reminder (Postcard to be designed by September 25th/send by September 30th)

XVI. Community Impact Statements
   A. Early morning and weekend noise nuisance at recycling center
   B. Fireworks
   C. Loose dogs
   D. Sidewalks
   E. Street repairs
   F. Other potential CIS topics
      i. Leo comments that Jorge will write the community impact statements; additionally, Jessica Volunteers to help.
      ii. More research needs to be done

XVII. Request from Arroyo Arts Collective for financial assistance for Rock/Rose Southwest Museum Opportunity
   A. Request has not been reviewed to be able to discuss at this board meeting.

XVIII. Discussion and possible action regarding monthly office, storage, and printing services
   A. Hermon Church
   B. Mika Color
   C. Budget of up to $200/month for storage needs
   D. Budget of up to $100/month for ongoing printing and office usage

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XIX. Update on Hermon NC involvement in an NC Learning Series
   A. Renter’s Rights Workshop to be held January 26th at Hermon Art in the Park building
      i. Check www.heronmNC.org or email: info@hermonnc.org for more info
XX. Update from Community Improvement Project Committee
   A. Update on sidewalk report to present to CD 14
      i. First sidewalk repair project in Hermon
      ii. Report will be finalized by next meeting.
      iii. Anyone who would like to add, or review pdf can go on www.hermonnc.org or email: info@hermonnc.org

XXI. Bureau of Street Services (BSS) Small Asphalt Repair (SAR) update
   A. Submissions due by 10/4/18; Work to be completed by 10/18/18
      i. Contact info@hermonnc.org for more info

XXII. Update on Mailing address/Post office box
   A. A Highland Park PO Box seems to be the most logical space where people can send mail.

XXIII. Set or announce date(s) for any NC board and committee meetings
   A. Next Board Meeting held Thursday October 11th, 2018.
   B. October 18th regarding neighborhood purpose grant.
   C. Emails will be sent out for further details.

XXIV. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (discussion and possible action – up to 10 minutes:)
   A. Status of City contract for rental of Fellowship Hall
      i. City attorney has not responded.
   B. Review and Adoption of Minutes for July and August meetings
      Motion: Danielle Suarez
      2nd: Sandra Mora

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B. Review and Adoption of the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs)
   Motion: Danielle Suarez
   2nd: Nicole Mihalka

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D. Discussion and possible action to update the Neighborhood Council Board Roster to submit to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

E. Discussion and possible action to update the Neighborhood Council inventory list to submit to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

F. Discussion and possible action of council submissions for city attorney liaison

XXV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Leo comments, Hermon Ave was change to Via Marisol, inquires on changing it back to Hermon Ave.
   i. Will be added as a discussion item for next agenda.
   ii. Leo and Wendy volunteer to go door to door on Via Marisol residents to invite to next community meeting and start discussing.

B. Lee Turner welcome.

XXVI. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Work needs to be done to website.

B. Add Christmas Parade to agenda.

XXVII. ADJOURNMENT 9:39pm