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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, March 12, 2022
12:30pm

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ROLL CALL - 12:41 PM

KimMarie Johnson-Roussell "The Chair", called the meeting to order. Lauren Brown, Secretary, read roll call attendance.

KimMarie Johnson-Roussell, President - PRESENT

Alison McBeth-Featherstone, Vice President - EXCUSED

Lauren Brown, Secretary - PRESENT

Roozbeh Kaboli, Treasurer - EXCUSED

Michael Guynn, Sergeant at Arms - ABSENT

Carol Derby, Parliamentarian - PRESENT

Jeanna Kindle, Non-Profit Representative - EXCUSED

Kevin Smith, Business Representative - ABSENT

Julia Smith, At Large Representative - PRESENT

Eleanor Smith, Senior Representative - ABSENT

Robbye Davis, Hyde Park Resident Representative - PRESENT

Rhonda Hyman, Angeles Mesa Representative - PRESENT

Devon Williams, Youth Education Representative - PRESENT

EMPOWER REPRESENTATIVE, DINA ANDREWS - 12:45 PM

Dina Andrews w/ Empower shared the following reminders:

- If a board member is faced with a possible conflict of interest, they should contact the city attorney's office
- Board members are encouraged to attend the community impact event on 3/31/22, 6pm - 9pm.
- Board members should keep up on mandatory training
- Board should take action to begin preparing for 2023 elections
- Bylaw amendments are due 4/1/22

POLICE REPORTS - 12:55 PM

SLO, Andre Dixon (77th Division), reported on recent crime activity.

- Reported overall reduction in crime compared to this time last year with the exception of robberies which have doubled.
- Shooting occurred at the Marathon (Crenshaw & Slauson). A couple was visiting and an altercation took place. It's an ongoing investigation. The alley will be closed permanently and no vending will be allowed.
- You will see heavy police presence as well as some street closures on 3/31 (third anniversary of the death of Nipsey Hussel).
- Property on the SE corner of Slauson & Brynhurst has been auctioned and is currently boarded up.

To contact Officer Dixon, email: 31723@lapd.online

SLO, Paul Eveleth (Southwest Division), reported on recent crime activity.

Crenshaw High

- This past Wednesday there was an incident at Crenshaw High with a group of students fighting. The incident generated a visit from the superintendent.
- Stolen cars have been found around campus and four incidents involving guns have been reported.
- Officer Eveleth sent an email to CD8 councilman to ask if street lights could be made brighter around campus as it would be safer if it were lighter.
- Neighbors prefer the vinyl fencing be removed so there is more visibility/light.
- Officer recommends the board invite the school police to the next general meeting.

Other topics included:

- If stakeholders holders need to report parked vehicles, contact Parking Enforcement and the Abandoned Vehicle Hotline
- LAPD dispatch should be contacted if vehicle appears to have been stripped or broken into

To contact Officer Eveleth, email: 38086@lapd.online

PLAN CHECK MEETING UPDATE - 1:26 PM

KimMarie Johnson-Roussell asked for a volunteer to attend Plan Check meetings moving forward to report back to the community council and stakeholders so that the board is equipped with information necessary to address development projects in the community.

Julia Smith attended the most recent Plan Check meeting and shared the need to apply more pressure to the state assembly so that community stakeholders have a say in development. She also stressed the importance of hearing our young people's voices.

Board members and stakeholders are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Guidelines for Sustainable Developments [here](#).

It was proposed that the board consider moving the start time of the general meeting so that members could attend the scheduled LA Plan Check meetings on Saturdays at 10am.

PMHCC REPRESENTATIVE - 1:53 PM

KimMarie Johnson-Roussell announced the opening of Angeles Mesa Representative. The board will hear nominations and vote at the next board meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS - 1:56 PM

Leimert Park Improvement Project - 6pm on Monday, 3/14/22. Must send an email to alexander.morales@lacity.org by 12pm on 3/14/22 to receive invite details.

Hyde Park Miriam Matthews Branch Library - Meetings will resume Wednesday, March 16th, 12pm in garden area

ADJOURNMENT - 2:13 PM

KimMarie Johnson-Roussell, "The Chair", moved to adjourn. Seconded by Carol Derby. Meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM.

Next Board Meetings: March 15, 2022

Next General Meeting: April 9, 2022

COMMITTEES

(Committee meeting dates and times subject to change)

A.) FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr, Roozbeh Kaboli, Chairperson: Committee will review Council's expenditures and modifications on budget line items and balances (*MEETING DATES VARY*) @ 6:00 PM –*PMHCC VIRTUAL OFFICE*

B.) OUTREACH COMMITTEE: Vacant: Committee will lead discussion regarding proposed Strategies and Activities to increase and maintain Outreach efforts (*MEETING DATES VARY*) @ 6:00PM – *PMHCC VIRTUAL OFFICE*

C.) BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Dale Stieber, Chairperson: Committee is responsible for Amending, Reviewing and making recommendations for the PMHCC Bylaws to the Board (*MEETING DATES VARY*) @ 6:00 PM – *PMHCC VIRTUAL OFFICE*

D.) PLANNING, LAND USE and BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: Vacant, Chairperson, Chairperson of Beautification, Vacant: Discussions, Review of Land Use Developments and how they meet the needs of the Park Mesa Heights Community

(*VIRTUAL MEETING DATES*) 1ST & 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00pm - 9:00PM – *PMHCC VIRTUAL OFFICE*

E.) EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Devon Williams, Chairperson: Committee focuses on Educational opportunities for Adults and Youth in Park Mesa Heights (*MEETING DATES VARY*) @ 6:00PM - *PMHCC VIRTUAL OFFICE*

D.) LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE (Ad Hoc Comm.), Julia Smith, Chairperson: Committee focuses on legislative proposals and actions happening in our state & district to keep PMHCC Board and stakeholders informed on legislative processes happening in PMHCC and District 8.

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