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General Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 9, 2016 – 6:00 PM

Meeting Location

Gladys Burns Conference Room # 224 at 155 N. Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026

(Cross streets: Beverly Blvd. and Temple St.)

Agenda is posted for public review at: 1) SIPA, 3200 W. Temple St, 90026; 2) Shatto Rec. Ctr., 3191 W. 4th St, 90020; 3) LA Eco-Village, 117 Bimini Pl, 90004; 4) Mexican Village Restaurant, 3668 W. Beverly Blvd, 90004; 5) RVNC website 6)DONE website. As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assisted listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting by contacting Jennifer Abrillo, at 213 568-3086, or e-mail jjoyaabrillo@gmail.com. In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at our website by clicking on the following link: RVNC.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Jennifer Abrillo at 213 568-3086 or email jjoyaabrillo@gmail.com.

I. WELCOME REMARKS

- a. Call to Order by DONE Representative, NEA Lorenzo Briceno, at: 6:30pm
- b. Welcoming remarks & recognition of out-going Board by President, Victor Cendana

II. SEATING OF THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD

(5 minutes)

- Roll Call: Quorum of 6
7 Present: Angela Joo, David Rockello, Uver Santa Cruz, Mitchell Gutman, Joselyn Rosenthal, Velinda Rockello, Carlos Villa
(All certified in Ethics training and Funding training?)
2 Absent: William Greene, Dom Dacong
2 Vacant: TBD

III. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEMBER'S OATH

- All present sworn in by NEA Lorenzo Briceno

IV. SELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS & REPRESENTATIVES

(25 minutes)

(Officiated by NEA Lorenzo Briceno)

- a. The new Board members of the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council recognized the service of old governing Board and then discussed select process of the incoming Executive officers et al. This included talking of the past budget, & current community endeavors.
- b. **Selection of Board Officers as stipulated under the Bylaws, Article VI**

- ✓ **Approved: 7/ 0/ 0;** Selected, Carlos Villa, **President**
- ✓ **Approved: 4/ 3/ 0;** Selected, Velinda Rockello, **Vice President**
- ✓ **Approved: 7/ 0/ 0;** Selected, Angela Joo, **Treasurer**
- ✓ **Approved: 7/ 0/ 0;** Selected, Uver Santa Cruz, **Secretary**

c. Board designation for the Bank Card Holder (**Postponed for next meeting**)

V. **BOARD DESIGNATION OF NC LIASIONS TO CITY DEPARTMENTS**

(**Postponed for next meeting**)

- a. Public Works
- b. Animal Services
- c. Transportation
- d. DWP
- e. LANNC
- f. City Budget Rep
- g. City Attorney's Office

VI. **MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

- 1) Discussion and possible Action on – Declaring the following position vacant and move to call for candidates to fill up the position at next meeting. (1) Business Representative and one (1) Youth representative
 - ✓ **Approved: 7/ 0/ 0; Moved by:** Uver Santa Cruz; **2nd by:** Angela Joo
- 2) Discussion and possible Action on – Approval of the revised budget for FY 2015-2016 as presented by Lisa Cahn Davis (RVNC Election Manager/ DONE/ City Clerk Employee)
 - ✓ **Approved: 5/ 0/ 0/ 2/ 2; Moved by:** Angela Joo **2nd by:** Uver Santa Cruz
(David & Velinda Rockello found to be ineligible to vote on financial matters after meeting)
 - Carmen Medina (Stakeholder) Beings with the her overall confusion on the prior Board's budget and why there are no proper reports as to why the Board was put into Exhaustive Efforts, AKA the EE measures.
 - Carmen notes there are receipts with amounts yet no reports in regards to a food vendor.
 - Carolyn Burleson (Stakeholder) seconds these inquiries and calls for transparency in regards to funding.
 - Conversation "**tears**" people talked over each other (inaudible).
 - Lisa Cahn Davis (RVNC Election Manager) speaks in defense of prior the budget and as to why it is shown as so on the report.
 - Mitchell Gutman calls for a "fresh start" to approve all Election related expenses as presented by the Election Manager
 - Victor Cendana (Former RVNC President) corroborates. It is then agreed after much varied discussions & motion is made.
 - Motion to look at each item separately then vote on all budget items as one item
 - **Item consented on by Board**
 - a. Discussion and approval to pay Phantom Printing \$5,064.05 for get the Vote out postcard printing, bundle/sort, and postage for EDDM mailer to 13,050 stakeholders with Post Office receipt.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**
 - b. Discussion and approval to pay LA LUNA Restaurant \$1,350.00 for Election Day food.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- c. Discussion and approval up to \$545.00 for the May 4th candidate "meet & greet" at Mexican Village
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- d. Discussion and approval to \$75 for janitorial services for Vista Charter School site of the Election in addition to the the \$200 to be shouldered by Empower LA.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- e. Discussion and approval to pay Jim Tabrizi for graphic design made for the Vote Postcard in the amount of \$200.00
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- f. Discussion and approval of the expenses incurred during the April 27 candidate forum at Eco-Village in the amount of not more than \$104.21.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- g. Discussion and approval to pay Lisa Cahn Davis, for the Election Manager's Fee balance in the amount of \$800.00 as the third installment of the total \$2,000 RVNC Election 2016 Manager's fee.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- h. Discussion and approval for payment the following Apple One Invoices: March 2016 – 272.12; April 2016 -\$115.50; May 2016 - \$98.18 with the total amount of \$485.80.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- i. Discussion and approval of \$40.50 for the advance payment made by Board Member Connie Mored for the volunteers' breakfast during Election Day.
 - **Approved per Motions & Resolutions (2)**

- 3) Discussion and possible Action on – Appropriate action for Starbucks at 534 S. Occidental' request to recommend approval Conditional Use for extended business hours of operation from 5:00AM to 12 :00 Midnight, Monday to Sunday.
 - Elizabeth Valerio (Entitlements Director/Starbucks Rep) introduces herself, and speaks on the recent opening of a Starbucks in the community and possible impacts. Elizabeth speaks on how she would like it to be a 24hr location.
 - Angela Joo brings up the possibility of influx of transients.
 - Both Elizabeth and Mitchell Gutman (Resident Tenants Representatives) assure that steady foot traffic and lighting would dissuade transients from loitering.
 - Elizabeth Valerio exits meeting/ **no action taken.**

- 4) Discussion and possible Action on – Appropriate action regarding Small Lot Subdivision at 316-322 N. Robinson St.
 - It was proposed by David Rockello and agreed upon by Board to postpone discussion on this topic & to be **tabled to next meeting.**

- 5) Discussion and possible Action on – Referral of Small Lot Subdivision development at 333 N. La Fayette Park Place to the Planning, Parks, Public Works and Land Use Committee
 - It was proposed by David Rockello and agreed upon by Board to postpone discussion on this topic & to be **tabled to next meeting.**

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None Seen, None Heard

(5 minutes)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at: 7:45pm