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HOLLYWOOD STUDIO DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (HSDNC)
Monday, August 11th, 2014, 6:30 p.m.

Mayer Building – Gallery Space on 1st Floor
5500 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90028
(PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A NEW LOCATION)

HSDNC BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Items are listed for reference only and may be discussed out of order

1. **Meeting called to order**, welcome remarks by Chair
   - Introduction of stakeholders/visitors

2. **Roll Call –** Alex, bill, Christina, don, maria, Drew, Jennifer, Luke, Jing, Christian, Doug, Paul, Aaron, Jose, John, efrain – 16 present (Jirair arrived at 8:09) (Christina left at 8:56)

3. **Approval of Minutes** for April 14th & July 31st 2014 Board Meetings
   April – Bill, Jennifer – table
   July – bill, Jennifer - table

4. **Public Comments** on Non-Agenda items (2 min. per)

a. City & Government Entities (CD 13, LAPD etc.)

- Eric Menjivar – field representative with Assembly member Mike Gatto. Film tax credit legislation – bill 1839. Any driver who commits a hit and run will. Event aug 23rd adoption event with Burbank animal shelter – waive fees for all adoptions at 10:00AM.

- Aram – Mitch O'Farrell CD13 Representative – Department of Recreation and Parks – Sealy Rodriguez park - made designs for larger playground, removed basketball courts. Santa Monica Blvd – Route 66 BID forming committee and reached fundraising goal of $25,000. Street repairs on Santa Monica and Saint Andrews. Cal Trans is planning street improvements in 2015. Tour buses – city and state agencies are working better to enforce the tour bus operation guidelines. Aug 30 at Barnstal there will be a Native American concert.

b. General Public

- Alissa Kriby – Food and Water Watch is a nonprofit that works with communities to protect shared resources like food and water. They are working to pass a moratorium. Fracking is dangerous to the community and causes health problems. Working to start the twin tunnels project (massive water project the government has proposed that would reroute a river to the central valley – 67 billion dollars) because it doesn't

bring any new water to LA or the valley. Requesting to be agendized at the next meeting so HSDNC can support their letter.

- Orletha Andersen – Last October, Mitch O'Farrell and Paul Perez created a motion at city council to ban GMO seed planting and seed selling. Recommending the board agendize this and familiarize itself before this motion gets voted on in September.

5. **Update regarding the last LANCC Meeting and Items from BONC presented there.**
– Don & Luke **-** Covered water issues - presentation about street repair. Police chief is up for renewal. Some people believe he is not the best because he has not been very involved in the community. Other people have had other issues and think looking for another chief would be better. Discussion on whether or not to allow vendors in the parks.

6: **Announcement, discussion and request for outreach efforts by the Board to Community and Stakeholders, Discussion for Candidates to appoint to fill <u>one (1) vacant District Seat</u> and <u>one current vacant Business Tenant seat</u> in accordance with Article X, Section 6 and Article V, Section 1, Subsection A.8 of the Bylaws.**

7. **Discussion and Vote to elect/select two (2) Representatives from the HSDNC to attend the August 16th Budget Day event**. - Paul Dougherty has already signed up. Drew/Jennifer motion for Christian – 15/0/0

8. ***Budget and Finance***
   a. a. Status and Update – Paul & Bill **-** Paul took the training. Next step is to receive the Friday newsletter.

   b. **Discussion and Vote to Approve $500 to support the Annual Hollywood El Salvador Parade -** issues brought up included keeping the parade clean, what our money would go towards, is HSDNC in the parade? Are we walking? In a car? The number of El Salvadorian families in our boundaries is significant so it would be a good event to support. Recommendation to approve $150 on the condition that HSDNC logo is advertised, that HSDNC gets a place in the parade, and a booth. Drew/Luke – 13/1/2

   c. Discussion and Vote to Approve spending $40 on a phone for the HSDNC Office, pursuant to the Board's approval of procuring phone service for the HSDNC Office - Don/Luke – 15/1/0

   d. Discussion and Vote to Approve spending $200 for a router and wireless modem pursuant to the Boards Approval of procuring WiFi service from ABS and providing towards that end. - Don/Drew – 15/1/0

   e. Discussion and Vote to Approve spending $200 on Voice Over Internet (VOIP) device for telephone service in HSDNC office, pursuant to previous approval - Jing/Alex – 14/1/1

9. **Discussion and Vote to approve spending $30.60 for HSDNC Board Members on Business Cards for them. Those currently wanting cards and subject to approval are:** Ben Adams, Paul Dougherty and Aaron Downes **(Vote on each**). Ben - Bill/Jing Motion to Table, Paul - Doug/Christian motion to approve – 16/0/0; Aaron - Doug/Jennifer motion to approve – 16/0/0

10. **Discussion and Possible Action to Elect/Confirm Committee members (and possibly confirm/re-confirm Co-Chairs/Chairs for those committees if needed) for the following committees:**
    - Outreach – Alex & Don - Bill/Efrain – 16/0/0
      - Committee members - Efrain, Christina, Aaron, Don, Alex – Drew/Maria
    - Public Safety - Jirair and John reconfirmed as co chairs - Bill/Doug motion – 15/0/0. Bill and Jose as committee members – Drew/Aaron motion – 15/0/0
    - Youth - Committee members – Christian, Gilbert Mora (stakeholder)
    - Budget & Finance - Paul (Chair) Jing and Jirair (Committee members) – Drew/Bill motion to approve – 16/0/0

11. ***PLUM Committee***
Update & Discussion – Courtney

a. Discussion, Update and Possible Outreach actions to the stakeholders and HSDNC community regarding this last Wednesday's hearing for <u>1146-1152 N. Beachwood Dr</u>.

Again the developer intends to demolish existing single family dwelling to allow for creation of 12 single family homes. (small lot subdivision). **Requested Entitlements include permitting 9.5' feet front setback in lieu of 15 feet setback, zero feet side yard setback in lieu of required 12' feet setback. To permit 5' feet rear yard setback in lieu of 15 feet setback. Concerns raised at hearing also included setting precedent and project in context of the neighborhood. <u>Hearing officers gave an additional two weeks for community input</u> –** Courtney, Jackie & Doug

Developer has proposed working with the HSDNC and stakeholders to address outstanding concerns. However, the HSDNC can and will only do this in the form of public meetings – Ira Handleman

- Their hearing was last Wednesday and now their planning date was extended two weeks. Trying to bring in communities comments and feedbacks and give it to the developer so they have a concrete of the HSDNC rather than just being told they need to do more public outreach. 8/12 at 7AM at lemon grove park in the auditorium.
- Discussion regarding the meeting.
- John Cocuccio – stakeholder – Clarified the difference between the small lot subdivision ordinance and small lot subdivision design guidelines, which are the recommendations on what the developers should be doing. From attending the meetings regarding this SLS, it was communicated that they are interested in following the law and not the guidelines. John communicated he needs help on the ground level with fliers, Spanish speaking assistance, and door-to-door communication in support of the subdivision's density being reduced.

b. Presentation, Discussion and Possible Vote for Action regarding <u>1238 & 1242 Gordon St</u> – Frank Lawrence, WCH Partners

<u>Description</u>: Small Lot Subdivision for two properties, 1238 and 1242 Gordon St between Fountain and Lexington. Will replace of two single family homes, a 10 unit, 3-story + roof deck, 42'-8" tall small lot subdivision has been designed. The subdivision has 2 parking spaces for every unit, and a total of two guest parking spaces. The units are set back from the street 15', and set back from the side-yard 5'.
<u>Entitlements</u>: Vesting Tentative Tract map No. 72931 to permit the merger and subdivision of two lots into ten lots for the construction of 10 new single-family homes with 20 parking spaces in accordance with the Small Lot Ordinance No. 176,354 on a 13,013 net square-foot site in the R3-1 Zone

- Courtney – Raised points regarding exterior colors and landscaping in an effort to make sure these buildings are in keeping with the scale of the neighborhood. They did not file an application when they came for feedback in May. Public hearing is Sep 3rd.
- Frank Lawrence – 10 unit small lot subdivision. Just south of fountain on Gordon. 3 stories. 3 bedrooms, 3 ½ bath. 2 car parking in all units and 2 guest spots. Ordinance only asks for 5 foot setback to the north, 5 to the south, 5 in the rear, and 0 on Gordon. Guidelines ask to conform with neighboring properties, which is 15 to the north and 15 to the south. 10 ft rear setback. Presented to PLUM in May. First thing asked was to allow for more landscaping. Height is 41 feet. No common area. There will be a 21 day notice distributed in a 500 foot radius of the hearing.
- Courtney – concerns - useage of metal on the exterior of building is a heat conductor. The buildings are very dark, which doesn't match the neighborhood. Only 2 guest parking spaces for 10 units.
- Paul - motion to issue a letter against the project. Ask that this project be continued until there is more community input included. Move that we ask the hearing officer to postpone the decision to consider HSDNC issues including height, aesthetics, impact on parking, potential noise impacts from rooftop private space, and incongruence with street scape. Intent of ordinance is for projects of modest scale and the belief of the board is that the project does not meet that guideline. – Doug/Paul – 9/4/4

12. ***OUTREACH Committee***

a. Discussion and Update regarding upcoming events and HSDNC's efforts regarding the recent National Night Out – Jennifer – there were 3 or 4 board members at NNO. They talked with people and got email addresses.

c. Discussion and Update regarding Hollywood Art Council Faireat Paramount Studios and HSDNC's participation – Board members attended and talked with community members.

b. Discussion and Update regarding scheduling the next Outreach meeting – Alex & Don will send out an email.

13. **Update and Discussion on the AdHoc Committee created to work with the governing board (and the school's Director David Riddick) at Santa Monica Community Charter (SMCC) School regarding maintaining the adult education (Parent Center) courses/program and the day care/child care facilities serving the community** – Alex and Jose believe it is most important to have the involvement of the parents.

14. **Discussion and Possible Vote whether to move forward with vacating Jose Torres' HSDNC Board seat due to multiple unexcused absences on his part without an explanation, nor responding to Board inquiries as to his availability**

a. Discussion regarding this situation as it pertains to the HSDNC Bylaws and whether to push this issue to be addressed the Bylaws committee as an area of focus and concern – Jose expressed desire to stay on board. Bill asked that Jose at least communicate when he will be gone and attempt to make as many meetings as he can.

b. Discussion regarding creating a standard expectation of participation and response for all Board Members with regard to serving on the HSDNC

15. **Discussion & Possible Action to schedule a Board Retreat for either September or October –** Bill will send out proposed dates via email.

16. **New Business**

17. **Announcement of next regularly scheduled Board Meeting – <u>Monday, September 8th @ 6:30PM</u> - and open request for agenda items and calendar events**

18. **Adjournment**