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UNNC Governing Board Meeting

Thursday, March 3, 2022
6:50 p.m. Check in/Reception
7:00 p.m. Board Meeting / Call to Order

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- C. Fiscal 2022-23 Budget Training / Budget Development:**
Scheduling stand-alone meeting – review possible dates in late March and April.–**DISCUSSION AND ACTION**
- D. Status Updates RE Previously Approved Funding Items/Projects, including NPG Completion Reports**

(10) 7:45-7:55 **Proposed Community Impact Statement for Council File 20-0963 (and current year CF# TBA for FY 2022-2023 City budget)**, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Election Report, Request for Supplemental Funding, and Reseda NC’s CIS Response ~

Proposed Type of Board Action: OPPOSE
Proposed CIS:

The United Neighborhoods of the Historic Arlington Heights, West Adams and Jefferson Park Communities Neighborhood Council is deeply concerned by the findings that the Reseda Neighborhood Council presented in their 1-18-2022 CIS regarding Council File 20-0963. Their review of public records reveals that the Department Of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) contracted with at least seven organizations or vendors for total expenses of \$113,200. In many instances, contracts were arranged after elections were held; contracts were hardly fulfilled, not even completing the bare minimum that the contracts specified for; furthermore, the vendors selected were inexperienced in election outreach, amply demonstrated in their dismal performance.

The Reseda NC’s investigation shows that NCs such as UNNC were left out of DONE’s voter engagement support. DONE’s offer to engage voters through SMS (texting) campaigning never came to fruition.

Now that DONE is asking for one million dollars supplemental funding for their upcoming election cycle, UNNC is gravely concerned that further accountability is greatly needed before such an expense is even considered. Before City Council acts on this request we request that all expenses and contracts included in the Reseda NC’s CIS are fully explained by DONE, and its findings shared with all neighborhood councils. We request that BONC also responds to the multiple CISs regarding Council File 20-0963, and that the City Council Arts Parks Health Education and Neighborhood Committee reopen such mentioned file and agendizes the Reseda NCs findings at the soonest possible time.

In light of their discoveries, we agree with the Reseda Neighborhood Council when they state that “Neighborhood Councils should be given access to additional supplemental funding in election years as an alternative to increasing the election budget of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.” Also, NCs must be included in NC election development from early on.

(Related draft UNNC letter to attach to the CIS is in the agenda packet)

(11) 7:55-8:25 **UNNC Bylaws Revisions:**
Review and discuss proposed Bylaws Amendments, presented by Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee. Changes, if any, to be referred back to Ad Hoc Committee to prepare final recommended Bylaws revisions, to be adopted at the April UNNC Governing Board meeting. - **DISCUSSION AND ACTION** [estimated 30 minutes]



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(12) 8:25-9:00

Planning and Zoning Committee *[estimated 25 minutes]:*

(Any proposed Resolutions, Letters of Support and Community Impact Statements referenced in section below will be placed in the agenda packet.)

- A. **Case No. ZA-2021-10708-CU, 2191 West 25th Street (Kinney Heights):**
Application by the Bidly Mason Charitable Foundation, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, which provides support to youth and families impacted by the foster care system. Proposal is to allow the use of an existing residence at the above address (in West Adams Terrace HPOZ) to be utilized, in part, as a "private club" that will provide current and former foster youth a clean and safe space to come together; allow engagement and exchange of ideas on civic, social, cultural, and literary topics; and help build personal and professional character. -- **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
- B. **Case No. CPC-2019-5425-DB-MCUP-SPP-ZAI-SPR-PHP-1A (Appeal) Related Case No. ENV-2019-5426-SCEA, 3630 S. Crenshaw Blvd. "Crenshaw Crossing" project:**
Review and discuss, with possible action, the pending appeal of the City Planning Commission's approval of the project from January 2022. The appeal is focused on the demolition of the existing protected sycamore trees on the site. The UNNC Governing Board previously took a position and action (in the form of a position statement sent to the Planning Commission, CPC and Council Office) on December 2, 2021, in advance of the CPC's final public hearing on the case, regarding the project and its impact on the sycamore trees. -- **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
- C. **Demolition Permit Application(s) for 4 separate structures on one parcel at 1640 South Bronson Ave, Arlington Heights (Character Overlay District in the Baldwin Hills-West Adams-Leimert CPIO) ~ Permit Application Nos. 22019-10000-00390, -00389, -00392, -00391:**
Discussion and possible action regarding the pending demolition permit of a 4-unit bungalow court. Committee will discuss what potential action might be taken. No other permits have been applied for for any post-demolition development. At time of the property sale in October 2021, some or all of the units were occupied (MLS stated all units were occupied). -- **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
- D. **Follow-up to Previous Cases, ENS, and Old Business -- DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**



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(13) 9:00-9:20

Executive Committee *[estimated 20 minutes]:*

- A. **UPDATE re SHARP (Amazing Grace) Event:** The Amazing Grace Conservatory / SHARP (Sugar Hill Arts Revival Project) public event/festival will be held later in the Spring (between June 20 and July 31, 2022), rather than April. – **DISCUSSION ITEM**

- B. **Funding Request:** UNNC’s Public Safety / Emergency Preparedness Committee requests up to \$500 for printing related to emergency preparedness informational materials, including possible purchase of Avery labels stock. **Request up to \$500.00 – DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

- C. **Funding Request:** The UNNC Communications Committee is continuing to roll out UNNC’s new branding initiative, including a Sidewalk Chalk & Stencil project. **Request up to \$350.00. – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- D. **Funding Request:** As a part of the branding initiative, the UNNC Communications Committee also proposes to produce lawn signs with individualized neighborhood identification. **Request up to \$475.00. – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

(15) 9:20-9:40

Committee Reports and Updates:

Committee chairs are requested to report on tasks or projects completed, projects they are working on, any events they have participated in, and updates regarding current issues of concern, if any.

- A. **Recreation & Parks Committee:** Appoint new chair/co-chair of the Committee – **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- B. **Communications Committee:**
 - >> Updated UNNC Business Card design: Funding was previously approved, Governing Board requested to approve design. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**
 - >> Proposed You Tube live streaming of UNNC meetings. – **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
 - >> Update & discussion regarding proposed post card mailer campaign -- **DISCUSSION**

- C. **Other Committee Updates,** if any, including Follow-up to Previous Cases and Old Business. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

(16) 9:40-9:50

President’s Report:

- A. **Revisit Type of and Access to ZOOM Account – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**



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- (17) 9:50-9:55 **Reimbursements and Budget Adjustments for Fiscal Year 2021-2022:**
Discuss and approve Budget Adjustments, if any. – **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- (18) 9:55-10:00 **Secretary’s Report:**
A. Approve February 3, 2022 Governing Board Meeting Minutes – DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- (19) 10:00 **Adjourn**

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