



# UNITED NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE HISTORIC ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, WEST ADAMS AND JEFFERSON PARK COMMUNITIES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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## UNNC Executive Committee Meeting

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Monday, May 19, 2014  
Council District 10 Field Office  
1819 S. Western Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90006

### MINUTES

(approved June 17, 2014)

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-President Billie Green opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Members present:** Jeff Camp, Stevie Stern, Billie Green, Norman Gilmore.

**Members absent:** Fletcher Kauffman.

**Additional UNNC board members present:** Marius Stelly, Rosie Brown, Laura Meyers.

Audience at start of meeting: 2

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Jeff Camp moved to approve the agenda, noting two sets of minutes need to be approved for April.

Stevie Stern seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tomorrow is the South LA Planning Commission hearing for the appeal of the various Murphy Oil field determinations.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- A. Approve Letter on the Health Element of the General Plan – ACTION

This was heard out-of-order after Item E.

Laura Meyers presented a page-and-a-half draft letter to Elizabeth Carvajal, Citywide Section, Department of City Planning re: Health and Wellness Chapter of the General Plan – Comment Letter.

This letter also endorses the comments made by Community Health Council in their letter, and Laura Meyers reviewed both letters with the committee.



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The letter advocate policies related to open space, siting of health facilities, as well as the siting of sensitive uses near unhealthy sites (e.g., assisted living or a school next to an industrial site). The letter notes that in some parts of the city, it is inherently harder to make healthy choices about food and exercise due to the insufficient options for both.

**MOTION:** Stevie Stern moved that the Executive Committee accept the letter recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee, with the changes that (i) policies should encourage additional staffing necessary at recreation and park facilities, to improve health, provide robust services, and provide a safe and clean environment; (ii) that policies in general should result in increased plantings on medians, bump-outs and parkways and reduced hardscape; (iii) that the city should make unused public land available for use by non-profits for use by the community, for example as community gardens; and (iv) change the second to last sentence to read “UNNC endorses CHC’s policy recommendations.”

Norman Gilmore seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

## B. Jefferson Park Sign Lighting Project – Update – ACTION

Stevie Stern received an email from Bill Holden at Greencrest with a status update.

As of Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Romero of DWP has asked for the permit that was issued for power to be connected to the customer’s box, which is approximately 6 feet from the DWP box. Once DWP has the permit approval, Mrs. Sol at the Palm Control Center can enter instructions to install the meter. A second order will be issued to have another person come out to connect the two power boxes together. Then Bill Holden’s electrician can power the lights. They have the permit issued to LANI authorized by the Board of Public Works.

## C. UNNC 2014 Election Results Review

Stevie Stern reported the election results:

At-Large Representatives elected are: Laura Meyers, Dolores Spears, Rosie Brown, Helen Indrani Chaudhuri, and Sandra Paul.

Resident Representatives are: Denise Jackson, Heidi Cabero, Jeff Camp, Talicia Raggs, Ophelia Daniel, and Marius Stelly.

We had the highest voter turnout of the seven neighborhood councils that had elections on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Our election went smoothly. We heard there were many irregularities at the West Adams Neighborhood Council Election including allegations such as campaigning at the door of the polling place and voided ballots put in trash cans.

## D. End-of-fiscal-year expenditures for last remaining funds – ACTION

All of our approved expenditures and forms were submitted in person to Betty Oyama by Jeff Camp.



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The deadline was 5pm Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> for NPG grants.

Jeff Camp had to get in touch with Tomas O'Grady to get a letter that the EnrichLA Garden project would begin before the end of the city fiscal year. That was submitted in time.

The vendor finally got paid for the hot dogs provided at Winter Wonderland.

However, Sixth Avenue School representatives failed to sign the correct pages on the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and as a result we have \$1550 available to spend on the P-Card.

We are going to price a folding 8 foot plastic table for our outreach tent, and a matching table cloth with our UNNC logo. We also should consider buying a copy of "Robert's Rules of Order: In Brief" at \$8/each for each board member.

## E. 2014-2015 fiscal budget – ACTION

The Secretary will provide the budget for next year to the President along with the roll call vote so she can forward it to DONE.

## F. Review Board Members' absences.

No discussion.

## G. Plan agenda for next Governing Board meeting

There will be limited time due to DONE Board training at the next Governing Board meeting.

There will be no CD 10 update.

We have to do approval of expenses and minutes at the beginning of the meeting before seating the new board.

Funding Requests for the remaining budget.

The new board will be sworn in.

Items noted above will be included on the next Governing Board Agenda.

New board members get a UNNC hat, T-Shirt, and canvas shopping bag.

They will also get two copies of the code of civility to sign and to keep.

We have to have new officer elections.

We should consider having the July board meeting other than on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Perhaps the July meeting could be a Planning and Zoning 101 meeting.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

## COMMITTEE UPDATES

No report.

## OLD BUSINESS

The Secretary has been working diligently on the new web site.



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## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Secretary presented minutes for approval.

**MOTION:** Jeff Camp moved to approve the April 29, 2014 minutes noting that three audience members were present at the start.

Stevie Stern seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

**MOTION:** Stevie Stern moved to approve the April 15, 2014 minutes with the day of the meeting corrected to Tuesday.

Jeff Camp seconded.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

Meeting adjourned around 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Gilmore

UNNC Secretary

May 20, 2014

Attachment: None.