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UNNC Governing Board Meeting

Thursday, July 9, 2015
Council District 10 Field Office
1819 S. Western Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90006

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Jeff Camp opened the meeting at 6:45p.m. A quorum was present.

Members present, Marius Stelly, Bettye Smith-Anderson, Ophelia Daniel, Laura Meyers, Elizabeth Fenner, Sandra Pruitt, Helen Indrani Chaudhuri, Sandra Paul, Rosie Brown, Jeff Camp, Billie Green, Dolores Spears, Talicia Raggs, Lizy Moromisato, Denise Jackson(15 total).

Members absent, Jess Bravo, William Hernandez, John Arnold, Andrea Dunlop, Carlton Stubbs, Anthony Carter, Betty Walton, (7 total).

There were about 3 audience members at the start of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Billie Green moved to approve the agenda with standard time limits for each item.

Sandra Paul seconded.

The Chair asked for any objections. There were no objections.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Marius Stelly has grave concern about the speeding of cars throughout our neighborhoods. Arlington Avenue is a targeted area of great concern. Anyone with concerns should send an email to Sylvia Lacey.

CERT classes have begun at the Exposition Library Debra Varnado. reminded us.



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CD10 UPDATE

- A. Herb has taken over the Neighborhood committee. He has also been reelected as president of the city council. \$5,000 has been returned back to Neighborhood Councils' budgets.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- A. Funding Request – West Adams Avenues Jazz & Music Festival up to \$1200 for Labor Day weekend Sat-Sun —Donna Jones—ACTION

MOTION: Billie Green moved that UNNC fund up to \$1200.
Helen Indrani Chaudhuri seconded.

The Chair asked for any objections
A roll call vote was recorded.
Vote: 14 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions.

- B. Funding Request– Movies in the Park—Sylvia Lacy — ACTION

MOTION: Helen Indrani Chaudhuri moved that UNNC fund up to \$1500 for CD 10 Movie in the Park- refreshments and food (4to5 parks) Bennie H. Potter Park show is August 28th.
Lizy Moromisato seconded.

The Chair asked for any objections
A roll call vote was recorded.
Vote: 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. Approval of expenditures and bank statements—ACTION

Sandra Paul presented the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: Sandra Paul moved that UNNC approve the Monthly Expenditure Report and Bank Statement for June 2015.
Dolores Spears seconded.

The Chair asked if there were any objections to the motion.
A roll call vote was recorded.
Vote: 15 in favor, _0_ opposed, _0_ abstentions.

COMMITTEES BUSINESS

- A. Planning & Zoning



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1. Case No * **Citywide Mobility Plan 2035 ACTION**

Mobility Plan 2035 is Los Angeles' first comprehensive update of its transportation and mobility policies since the 1990s, creating a new policy foundation to complement and capitalize upon the nation's largest local investment in new transit infrastructure. The Plan seeks to create an integrated network, balancing the needs of all road users and guide the City's future mobility decisions, creating a comprehensive, integrated and connected network for all modes. The Plan incorporates new State requirements focused on Complete Streets, making the streets work for everyone – people who drive, people who walk, people who bike, and people who take transit.

The Plan is meant to be a citywide guide, but implementation at the community level will focus on each neighborhood's unique challenges and needs. While the Plan identifies a variety of policies and strategies it doesn't prescribe specific solutions for select corridors and/or intersections. The process will include conversations with community members and elected officials, and the examination of data to identify and learn more about specific community concerns. From there, a comprehensive package of improvements can be identified. Depending upon the unique characteristics of the area, the package could include the identification of improved off-street parking options, street calming improvements, wayfinding, improved cross-walks and an area shuttle bus.

The Final Environmental Impact Report and Staff Report were released in May, and now the Mobility Plan is headed to City Council after the July break. UNNC commented during the draft process, and now may prepare a Community Impact Statement on the Mobility Plan 2035.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

MOTION: Laura Meyers moved on behalf to ratify its previous letter and prepare a CIS.

The P&Z Committee recommends that the UNNC Governing Board ratify its previous letter on the Citywide Mobility Plan 2035, and prepare a Community Impact Statement reflecting UNNC's support for the plan.

However, UNNC does not support the proposed "Vehicle Enhanced Network" as it is proposed, since it proposes the creation of widened directional thoroughways, which appear to be quasi-"freeways" on ground-level streets. These designs will only encourage unsafe speeding that put the lives of Angelenos at great risk, while making these streets wholly unlivable for residents and workers on these streets. In addition, this initiative is unsupportive of pedestrian-oriented sidewalks that can support local businesses. We do want to particularly emphasize:

> UNNC applauds the new Complete Streets "Design Guide," but would prefer that it still be considered a "manual" to be used as requirements, not just guidelines, for new projects and construction



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> UNNC supports the “Vision Zero” principle, a concept that sets out as a goal of zero human lives lost on Los Angeles roads.

> UNNC emphasizes the importance of making the city’s neighborhoods and communities into destinations, not cut-throughs for commuters. *The plan should identify a way to make streets about neighborhoods themselves, rather than about passing through them.*

Elizabeth Fenner seconded.

A roll call vote was taken.

Vote: 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions.

B. Committee Updates (as needed)

1. Laura Meyers reported that Garr private school is not a school district
2. St. Andrews Place ruled against it
3. Denise Jackson, Public Safety Chair announce the LAPD Wilshire Division Open House Sept 20th 12pm-4pm.
Gave an update from June24th the African American forum regarding policing as well as a meet and greet.
4. Elizabeth Fenner is watering trees
5. Rosie Brown updated CIS regarding sidewalk vending

SECRETARY’S REPORT

The Secretary presented minutes for approval. Please review the motions you made or seconded carefully. If you were not present, abstain from voting on approval.

MOTION: Sandra Pruitt moved to approve the June 4, 2015 minutes as presented.
Jeff Camp seconded.

A roll call vote was taken.

Vote: 11 in favor, 0 opposed 4 abstentions.

MOTION: Sandra Pruitt moved to approve the June 25, 2015 minutes with the following corrections:
Denise Jackson was present.
Denise Jackson seconded.

A roll call vote was taken.

Vote: 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstentions

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.



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Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Camp
UNNC Secretary (Acting)
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Attachments:
None.