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Brief Summary: The Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council (ASNC) opposes any reconfiguration of its boundaries and stakeholderhood as currently defined. ASNC prohibits any its resources from being used to promote subdivision of the ASNC.

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Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council (ASNC)

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY NOVEMBER 26, 2012

Monday November 26, 2012 · 7pm · Ramona Hall, 4580 North Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90065

PRESENT Darius Adle, Margaret Barto, Martha Benedict, Alfred Buhler, Jack Fong, Valerie Harragin, , Andrea Jayasekera, Judy Knapton, Andrea Moran , Roy Payan, Joseph Riser, Annie Sakamoto, Terry Saltzman, Judy Shane, Sergio Vidal-Echeverria, Ariel Van Zandweghe, Nina Zippay

EXCUSED ABSENCES Teri Bonsell, Paul Jacques, Brittany Wolfson, , Andrew Ptashnik

I. Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Board President Martha Benedict

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Public comments were heard. They included announcements of a used book sale at the Cypress Park Library on December 8 at 10am; Information about the history of the local CERT program; Plans for a new housing development adjacent to Heritage Square; opposition to item 11 of the agenda, and concerns about the safety of CERT team members during a recent exercise in Debs Park. The Sycamore Grove Local issues meeting is to be held at Ramona Hall on 12/4 at 6:30 pm. Montecito Heights will be holding a Mayoral Candidates' Forum on January 12, 10am-noon and a CD1 Candidates' Forum on January 19 10am-noon.

III. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

- a. Comments from board members were heard. It was stated that local participation needs to increase and the suggestions were made to have local area representatives attend other local meetings to share ideas and suggestions and to produce a year's schedule of meetings in advance. The Environmental representative offered to attend local issues meetings and it was clarified that the ASNC bylaws do not provide for a standing environmental or land use committee.

IV. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES

Julio Esperias, CD 14 deputy was present and made brief remarks regarding item 11 of the agenda.

V. CITIZEN EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM OVERVIEW

Los Angeles Fire Department Urban Search & Rescue Captain Christopher Cooper discussed the CERT program and its value to the community. A seven-week free CERT course begins March 5, 2013 at the Montecito Heights senior center open to all. In addition, Captain Cooper discussed the Disaster Awareness Course (DAC) which is a briefer course that can be provided to much larger groups. The goal for DAC is to train 1 million people.

VI. 68TH ANNUAL NORTHEAST LOS ANGELES HOLIDAY PARADE

Motion to accept invitation to participate in NELA parade on December 2, 2012 passed unanimously.

VII. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Role taken. Motion to accept 9/24/12 minutes as amended passed unanimously.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

Discussion of the 2013 budget. Discussion of what if any expenditures can be approved without going through the appropriate committee. Referred to Rules. Motion to approve the amendments to the budget with specific line items was passed with one opposed and one abstention.

IX. FUNDING FOLLOW-UP

Motion to require the sponsoring board member report results of the funded project within six months of the time the funding is received. The report will answer: how was all the allocated money used? How closely did the final project conform to the original description? How did the project make a difference to the community? Such a report will be a mandatory component of all funded projects. Unanimous approval.

X. SELECTION OF COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT SUBMITTERS

Motion to appoint Valerie Harragin and Martha Benedict to be empowered to submit community impact statements (CIS), a 100-word or less summary of the position adopted by the ASNC, which will accompany the city council file of the motion. Whenever possible, the draftee with bring a proposed statement to the board prior to submission, and when time permits, with bring said statement back to the board for review. Motion passed with 2 opposed and 4 abstentions.

XI. COUNCILMEMBERS' MOTION TO "SUBDIVIDE" EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

Motion: relative to City Council Motion 12-1681 (Jose huizar, Bernard Parks) October 23, 2012, the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council opposes any reconfiguration of its boundaries and stakeholdership as currently defined. A community impact statement will be filed with this position by the CIS designees. In further support of this position, ASNC prohibits any its resources from being used to promote subdivision of the ASNC. Motion passed with 10 in favor, 5 opposed and 2 abstentions.

XII. EAST AREA REGIONAL NC COALITION

Last Monday's Meet & Greet with DONE interim general manager Grayce Liu and Board Of Neighborhood Commissioner Paul Park resulted in a consensus to form an East Regional Neighborhood Council Coalition. Valerie Harragin and Nina Zipay unanimously elected to attend its future meetings and act as liaison.

XIII. TOY DRIVE FOR MONTECITO HEIGHTS REC CENTER

Motion to approve a \$1000.00 donation to the Montecito Hts. Toy Drive approved with 3 abstentions.

XIV. MAYOR AND COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 CANDIDATE FORUMS

Motion to co-sponsor with Montecito Heights Improvement Association two candidate forums at the Montecito Heights Senior Center. Saturday January 12th 10am-Noon Mayor Candidates, Saturday January 19th 10am-Noon CD1 Candidates, enabling voters to hear candidates firsthand answer questions. All candidates will be invited. Request \$60 contribution for room rental plus board members' participation in outreach support. UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

XV. MONTEREY HILLS FEDERATION HOLIDAY MIXER

Motion to fund up to \$200 to Monterey Hills Federation for Holiday Mixer December 18th. Motion Withdrawn

XVI. MONTEREY HILLS FEDERATION BANNERS

Motion to fund up to \$200 to Monterey Hills federation for banners (signage) to announce community meetings & events. Motion withdrawn

XVII. MAYOR'S COMMUNITY BUDGET DAY

Board member Sergio Vidal-Echeverria reported on the Mayor's Budget Day which he had Valerie Harragin attended November 17, 20012. Sergio will serve as ASNC's Neoghorhood Council Budget Representative.

The remainder of the agenda was tabled and the meeting was adjourned at 9:50pm.

Minutes submitted by: Valerie Harragin