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## BOARD MEETING Minutes Tuesday, February 1st, 7:30 p.m.

Location: Hellman Qoun Building, on the Plaza, El Pueblo (next to the Las Angelitas office by the fire station – parking in the Los Angeles Street lot)

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1. Call to Order at 7:52 quorum of 18\
2. Approval of Minutes of October Board Meeting
3. Motion to approve October minutes by Tim, Jonathan seconded, approved unanimously
4. Roll Call: (see Secretary's list of attendees)
5. Additional Item: Guest speaker: Rushmore Cervantes addressed the board: Thanks HCNC for support. Announced that many modifications in how El Pueblo is organized and run are coming. Discussion of pending improvements.
6. President's opening remarks: Charlie affirmed support of HCNC for El Pueblo's efforts and Mr. Cervantes vision. Reminded board of responsibility to elect new officers but said it would be inappropriate in the absence of so many board members. Urged good turnout for next meeting.
7. Linda Lea Theater restoration project: letter of support requested: discussion and possible action: Kjell Hagen discussed history and plans for restoration. Escrow closed Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>. Hoping for historical/cultural matching grants: Jared Hungerford, Jim Kerst and KJell are partners. One day a week Linda Lea would be available to LTSC for public service projects. Jonathan moved/Dom seconded to approve a letter of support that states the project is of cultural, historical and economic value to the community. Passed unanimously with one abstention (Ron Fong abstained because LTSC is a sponsor).
8. Little Tokyo request for grant for community mural project: Brian introduced Nancy Kikuchi of LTSC who presented a slide presentation of mural details. Motion by Brian to pay specific expenses in accordance with NC guidelines. Brian made motion, Alan K seconded, passed unanimously with two abstentions:

Brian and Ron. Discussion of DONE's new guidelines with regard to how funding may be done: Melvin Canas explained expenses must be paid directly to vendors, not paid to others administering project. Brian Kito motion to approve request with appropriate changes to keep action in line with DONE policy: seconded by Joe Wong. Review of grant process ensued. CLARIFICATION NEEDED NEXT MEETING: FINAL AMOUNT OF REQUEST IN KEEPING WITH DONE RULES AND FINANCE COMMITTEE GUIDELINES.

9. Additional Item: Peter Heuman, Guest Speaker: Informational presentation of city of Angels fun ride to support Childrens Hopspital. Brief discussion ensued. No action.
10. El Pueblo request for grant for community gateway project to support 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of El Pueblo: Jose Luis described the arch, showed illustrations: discussion Jose Luis moved funding , dominic seconds. Unanimously approved. CLARIFICATION NEEDED NEXT MEETING: FINAL AMOUNT OF REQUEST
11. Arts District request for matching funds grant (\$1000.00) for Arts Festival: Motion by Tim made, seconded by Jonathan. Passed unanimously
12. Board Member Absenteeism: discussion and possible action: Nick Constantini should be asked to resign. Alan: Secretary should compile attendance records and review them and inform full board of everyone's attendance.
13. Election of New Officers: clarification from DONE regarding eligibility of officer candidates and election of new officers: All officers must with the exception of Charlie are ineligibility to run again for the seats they now occupy. They may run for other seats. Historian is appointed, not subject to rules of elected officers. New Historian will be appointed.
14. Additional Item: The executive committee will meet at a date TBD to encourage filling vacancies – notice to be sent to all members
15. Public Comment
16. Adjournment

Items carried over from January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting to be rescheduled for a future date:

- Inclusionary Zoning update
- Cornfields update
- Eastside rail update
- Parker Center update