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## **Holiday Year End Reception/General Meeting**

### **Historic Cultural Neighborhood Council**

**Tuesday December 12, 2006**

Reikai's Restaurant (Little Tokyo Towers)  
455 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street – Parking Lot, Enter through 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Call to order: 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to order by Charlie Woo.
2. Roll Call. Board Members: Kim Benjamin, Alicia Brown, Dominic Ehrler, Martin Farfan, Howard Fink, Ron Fong, Lucy Jensen, Brian Kito, Alan Kumamoto, Howard Nishimura, Jose Luis Sedano, Al SooHoo, Edmund SooHoo, Hoover Tang, Ryan Timmreck, Don Toy, Linda Wang, Joe Wong, Charlie Woo, Peter Woo, Danny Young.
3. K. Benjamin presented L Wang an award for her faithful efforts to attend/participate in our meetings the past 5 years. Mr. Benjamin also presented C Woo a Ceremonial Gavel for serving two years as President.
4. D Toy commented that Chinatown Reps and constituents need to be notified of HCNC Meetings in a more timely manner; as this meeting location had been scheduled at the last minute. He also mentioned that not everyone has email to receive notices.
5. Approval of 10-24-06 Minutes. Discussion. A Kumamoto mentioned that he made the motion on item #5 and D Ehrler had 2<sup>nd</sup>. Correction noted and will be rectified. A Kumamoto motioned to accept the minutes (CORRECTED). 2<sup>nd</sup> by B Kito. Vote taken and unanimously approved.
6. Filling Vacant Board Seats. A Brown Presented/nominated Craig Havens to represent Solano Canyon as a Business Rep. J Wong presented/nominated Ms. Gay Q. Yuen, Ph.D. for Resident Rep & Anne Kim for Non-Profit Rep; Victor Heights. Nominees all made brief statements about themselves.  
  
Vote taken and members unanimously approved to accept the candidates to serve remaining terms of the respective positions.
7. Treasurer's Report. Report given by D Ehrler. Discussion of the current Financial status and that the recent election may have cost approximately \$4000.  
  
Melvin Canas, DONE, mentioned that the money granted by the city to HCNC yearly over the past 5 years can potentially be taken away and returned back to the city's general fund if not spent timely.
8. Election Results & Challenges. Melvin Canas, DONE, discussed results. There were 10 challenges made and are being reviewed by the city's Human Relations Commission. They have 30 days to review/resolve.

9. Presentation on Blossom Plaza. Ms. Reagan Flagler, Project Manager from Bond Companies. Project is at the former Little Joe's Restaurant site/adjacent to the Metro Gold Line Station. The project is to build Residential (Condo) units, of which 10% would be affordable housing and Commercial space.
10. District Funding Requests, Discussion/Action. A Kumamoto mentioned member T Keating wanted to request \$1000 to complete the printing of a Report concerning the Arts District. A Kumamoto made motion. A Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>. A vote was taken & motion was unanimously approved.
11. Board Members: Poor Attendance Record. Discussion. Matter tabled until next meeting.
12. Public Comments. Raymond Yu made announcements concerning Martin Luther King Day Parade & Chinese New Year's Parade in 2007.

Mike Fong, Field Deputy for Councilman Ed Reyes, made announcements about the L.A. River Revitalization Master Plan , Central Area Police Station's Quarterly Senior Lead Officer Summit at California Hospital, and the selection of Hargreaves and Associates as the winning Architect firm to design the new state park called, "Los Angeles State Historic Park."

A Brown also mentioned that the new state park has been designated by the city to be within the boundaries of the HCNC.

Ms. Sky Wilson introduced herself to the board and offered advise on how to make our council more effective.

Melvin Canas mentioned that many members have not completed the Conflict of Interest training. The last session is on 12-13-06 at the DWP. Members can also take this training on-line, but must be completed by the end of this month.

K Benjamin introduces David Nagano, Richard Nozaki, and Yukiko Yamahata as candidates who received the most votes at the recent election.

Eddie Navarrette, of F.E. Design & Consulting introduced himself to Members and was concerned about any negative comments made about night club activities in Chinatown. HCNC is unaware of any negative comments mentioned by residents, businesses or the Police.

J L Sedano proposed having a joint Town Hall Meeting with the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (DLANC). Mr. Sedano stated DLANC & the HCNC can work on joint Arts related activities.

13. Adjournment at 8:40 p.m.

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