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**General Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 2012, 6:00 p.m.  
Pico House, 424 N Main Street LA CA 90012**

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call – Kim Benjamin  
Present: Kim Benjamin, Alicia Brown, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Ne Huang Hom, Tim Keating, Brian Kito, Alan Kumamoto, Blake Martin, Lydia Moreno, Mark Rothenberg, Chase Rummonds, Al Soo-Hoo, Hoover Tang, Don Toy, Ly Chou Tran, Alex Vasquez, Danny Young, George Yu. (19)  
Absent: Angie An, Alejandra Flores, Ne Hay Hom, Peter Lau, Tak Hung Lau, Peter Lee, Yee Lim, Shaojiao Luo, Peter Martinez, Steve Nagano, Howard Nishimura, George Poon, Steve Rice, Charlie Woo.  
Staff: Anne Walrath  
Guests: Father Estrada, Paul Mackery, Sara Harris
2. Public Comments for youths and seniors: 5 minutes each
3. Approval of Minutes for Sept 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – Mark Rothenberg [page 3]  
**Motion made by Alan Kumamoto and seconded by Tim Keating. Vote was unanimous. Motion approved.**
4. President's Report & Action Items, Kim Benjamin  
4.1 Discussion of HCNC Election. HCNC Region 6, 11/15/12.  
16 Seats up for Election: At-Large: George Yu; At-Large Youth: Blake Martin; Arts District Non-Profit: Alan Kumamoto; Arts District Resident: Angie An; Chinatown Non-Profit: George Poon; Chinatown Resident: Tak Hung Lau; Chinatown Resident: Ly Chou Tran; El Pueblo Non-Profit: Al Soo-Hoo; Little Tokyo Business: Brian Kito; Little Tokyo Resident: Steve Nagano; Solano Canyon Business: Alejandro Flores; Solano Canyon Resident: Danny Young; Victor Heights Business: Chase Rummonds; Victor Heights Non-Profit: Hoover Tang; Victor Heights Resident: Peter Lee; Victor Heights Resident: Yee Lim.  
Election is at Cathedral High School, 1253 Bishop Rd, Los Angeles, CA, ADA compliant and accessible.

Brian Kito made the point that the HCNC should not approve and create a letter of support for a project until the preliminary hearing has been set and the residents have been notified.

4.2 HCNC Letter of support for Sixth Street Viaduct Design, Arts District Caucus. In jury at moment, one of three finalists, one clear winner but hasn't been announced yet. Tim Keating will know more by the end of the year.

4.3 LAC+USC Medical Center Master Plan Project, Katherine Padilla Otanez. Not present.

4.4 HCNC Letter of support for Ramirez Central Liquor Store CUP, Arts District caucus. Next meeting. Another meeting in the Arts District at 7pm and there is considerable opposition to it. Bad location for it. Right next to a gas station and a 10 year known crack buying hangout. Seaton Street between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street, one block east of Alameda. No support/approval until meeting tonight so put on next month's agenda.

4.5 HCNC Letter of support for 2019 W. 7th Street – Pizzanista CUP, Arts District caucus.  
Arts District caucus approved the letter of support. HCNC will issue a letter of support. Let HCNC know when the hearing is so can go and support them.

4.6 El Pueblo de Los Angeles Health Impact Assessment (HIA) letter of support.  
Father Estrada: Assess the Health situation in the area and how development would/could impact the population and what is needed in the community. There are children, seniors, homeless. It would include El Pueblo and adjacent areas. Applying for a grant from The California Endowment of \$50 to \$75 thousand dollars.

**Motion to approve letter of support made by Nay Huang Hom and seconded by Ly Chou Tran.  
Yea: 17 Nay: 1 (Tim Keating) Abstain: 1 (Alan Kumamoto) Motion approved.**

5. Action Committee: Discussion and action items on neighborhood projects and expenditures, new and previously approved (previously approved in bold). Brian Kito  
Action Committee meeting 10/23/12 at 6pm at the Koban. This meeting was changed to 11/8/12.  
Need to get all paperwork in before January 31<sup>st</sup> or money goes back into general pot for other projects.

5.1 Arts District Projects and Action Items. Nothing yet, AD working on a new project but not there yet.

5.2 Chinatown Projects and Action Items.  
Teen Post Translation/Transcription Services Invoice HCNC32212 \$3300 thru March 20, 2012, total approved for 2012-2013 budget is \$7765. Don Toy said he will update his invoice to cover the rest of the year and will get it to Anne.

5.3 El Pueblo Projects and Action Items.  
El Pueblo Merchant Plaques 2/7/12 \$3,750. Norma to see what is needed. Suellen Cheung is working on the paperwork.

5.4 Little Tokyo Projects and Actions Items.  
5.4A LTPS 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Video. 2/7/12 \$1,000. Brian will get paperwork.  
5.4B 2012 Tanabata \$1,250 3/20/12 Brian will get paperwork.

5.5 Solano Canyon Projects and Action Items (first \$6,000 of 2012-2013 Fiscal Budget)  
5.5A. SC Garden Project \$3,750 11/8/11 SC Caucus to see what is needed. Lydia Morena is getting the paperwork together and Alicia Brown will report on the progress.

5.5B SC 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Outreach Food and Art Festival \$1,500, Festival Held, Demand Warrant paid.

The Solano Canyon Caucus will decide what to do with the remaining \$750.

5.6 Victor Heights Projects and Action Items

VH Identity Signage Program 11/8/11 \$3,750. Councilman assigned his brother Richard Reyes to oversee the signage program, will be a couple of meetings, and will know more next meeting.

5.7 At-Large Projects and Action Items.

5.8 Youth Outreach.

6. Treasurer's Report: George Yu/Anne Walrath – went over projects listed on the Action Committee. Will modify 2013 Fiscal budget when Demand Warrants are in. Every one knows what their jobs are to get this money already approved spent, paperwork needs to be in by January 21<sup>st</sup> deadline. Total budget is \$37,000, leaving about \$13,000 to spend after current projects are in. Please think about new projects that are viable.

7. Bylaw/Election Committee Report and Action Items: Peter Martinez

November 15<sup>th</sup> Election at Cathedral High School. Candidate filing deadline: October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Don Toy said he was having difficulty trying to help the candidates file, having trouble on the internet and having trouble getting someone to call him back. Also, cannot drop off forms at Downtown DONE, have to go to Van Nuys.

Bylaw changes: Don Toy brought up past Bylaw changes that haven't been followed through on and the need to redo our Bylaws.

8. Public Comments

Al Soo-Hoo:

PSA Announcement: Siqueiros Mural grand ribbon cutting today. Open Tues, Wed and Thurs.

Oct 24, 1871 Chinese Massacre: This year on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> at Pico House will be a Commemoration open to the public.

Don Toy: President Kim Benjamin, joint meeting at Metro Station on Thursday, 8:30am.

Kim Benjamin: Union Station Master Plan is the biggest single project that will be built in this area. The idea is to build transit oriented development.

9. Next Meeting & Announcements, change in meetings dates/times, posting locations and process, action items, possible bylaw change. Next Meeting Tuesday, November 13, 2012. Meeting changed to December 11, 2012 due to HCNC Election on November 15, 2012.

10. New Business

11. Old Business

Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee: Brian Kito, research report and committee formation.

12. Adjournment

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