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General Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 6:30-8:30 PM

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1.0 Call to Order & Roll Call (6:43 PM)

President Alan Kumamoto called meeting to order, V.P. Dafne Gokcen took roll call. 21 board members present.

Present: George Campos, Ron Fong (7:56 pm), Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier (7:02 pm) Lydia Moreno, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Al Soo Hoo (6:53 pm), Don Toy, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov (voted in at 7:10 pm) and Yuan Wai So (21).

Absent: June Aochi-Berk, Yuval Bar Zemer, John Jason, Greg Kimura, Norman Qie Nie, Gabriel Owens-Flores, George Rollins, Laura Velkei, Danny M. Young, and Xiayi (Shirley) Zhang.

Guests: Mario Hernandez, Mark Curry, Paul Mackley, Mary Kim, and Maria Ochoa.

2.0 Public Comment & Government Agency Reports (Sign-up sheet – 2-minute limit)

2.1 Mark Curry – LA Fire Battalion Chief (#1) – 10-4pm Saturday open house at any fire-station in the city. There was an impromptu discussion of the homeless situation, where the Battalion Chief stated that the homeless are tapping into the street lights for electricity (480V). Radio Hill has 4 hydrants, but only one is currently working as the homeless destroy the hydrants as they tap the hydrants for water.

2.2 Paul Mackley – Shakespeare Center of Los Angeles wants to do a production in the Lamas House for 2 weeks in September - free for LAUSD students and family. Wants to ask for funding next Month.

2.3 Mary Kim is the new DONE NC advocate – Updates on Skid Row NC three challenges were all upheld by the panel. Electioneering: Email was sent using DLANC logo. Email was not retracted by DLANC although they were aware that using city resources was not allowable. Recommendation for remedy was to investigate the number of votes affected by the email (60 days) and redo the election (30 days after). A board member commented on observing electoral Intimidation at the election location on election day.

3.0 Consent Calendar (Discussion and Vote)

Items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and can be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a board member or the general public so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately:



- 3.1 Secretary and Treasurer: Approval of Minutes and Treasurers MER – (Discussion and Vote)
3.1.1 Minutes of April 11, 2017 Board Meeting – Dafne Gokeen motions to approve with modifications. Marc Rose Seconds (17 Yes, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstain- Steve Nagano, 2 Ineligibles Al Soo-Hoo & Huoang Tuong)

Yes: George Campos, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Angelica Moyes, Marc Rose, Ron Fong,

Yuan Wai So, Don Toy, Hom Ne Huang, Ly Chou

Opposed:

Abstain: Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo & Huoang Tuong

Minutes – Need to add the name of opposed. Name should be listed for both support and opposed.

- 3.1.2 Treasurers April 2017 Monthly Expense Report – Dafne Gokcen motions to approve, Valerie Garcia-Hanley Seconds. (14 Yes, 4 Opposed, 2 Ineligibles – Al Soo-Hoo, Huoang Tuong). Motion Passes

Yes: George Campos, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano, Marc Rose, Ron Fong

Opposed: Yuan Wai So, Don Toy, Hom Ne Huang, Ly Chou

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo & Huoang Tuong

Don Toy requested that the Monthly Expense Report go to interpreter for translation.

- 4.0 Presidents Report - Alan Kumamoto
- 4.1 Introduction of new DONE NC advocate Mary Kim replacing Mario Hernandez
 - 4.2 Skid Row Neighborhood Council Challenges Update – DONE still reviewing
 - 4.3 Echo Park NC Boundaries Clarification referred to Mario Hernandez/or Mary Kim – Update. Received the application for an update to the Boundary and it is in review, but Mary Kim stated that it was unlikely to be approved given the opposition and weak outreach to HCNC.
 - 4.4 Ethics Training: (required every two years) There is in person training for Central and East LA on 05/17 from 7-9 pm or online
 - 4.5 Outreach – Neighborhood Guide is available from Don Toy
 - 4.6 HCNC Budget for 2017 -18 and Budget packet (due end of July). Request an Officers Retreat for planning brought up, however it will need a quorum to be legal meeting. Will be put on agenda for next month.

*** President skipped to item 7.1 to appoint Irina Valkov to the board.

7.1 Victor Height Caucus: Motion to appoint Irina Valkov to fill the vacant resident seat. Irina introduced herself and said she completed her training requirements. Don Toy stated that he spoke to Greg Kimura and they were not informed of the meeting to recommend appointment. Don Toy stated that there are other candidates he would recommend. Dafne Gokcen stated that Don Toy was not available and could not be reached and the caucus recommended Irina to the board. The opening was posted in the Koban as required. Valerie Garcia-Hanley requested that the open positions be announced at HCNC prior to selecting a candidate (in addition to the required posting). President Alan Kumamoto stated that there is a monthly report sent by the department via email that everyone receives with the open vacancies. Don Toy does not receive that monthly



report with vacancies, as he does not have email. Dafne Gokcen made a motion to seat Irina Valkov, Lydia Moreno seconded, (11 Yes, 4 No, 2 abstain, 2 ineligible –), Motion Passed

*Yes: George Campos, Norma Garcia, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Steve Nagano, Marc Rose,
Opposed: Yuan Wai So, Don Toy, Hom Ne Huang, Ly Chou
Abstain: Angelica Moyes, Valerie Garcia-Hanley
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Mr. Hoang Tuong*

5.0 Committee Reports:

5.1 Treasurer: (Lydia Moreno)

- Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) department updates: Visual Communications- approved
- Special Services Group- approved
- Castelar Elementary School- open
- Community Partners - open/in contracts

5.1.1 Outreach Projects: allocation of remaining 2016-2017 budget funds:

5.1.1.1 HCNC Support LA Commotion, a 5-day transportation conference hosting folks from all over the world at Sci-Arc. Discussion of financial support the LA Commotion conference. Valerie Garcia-Hanley requested details on what the funding is going to be used for. Even after 5.2 projects are funded and meeting expenses are paid it is expected that \$7.3k will be remain and could be swept by the city. Michael Maier made motion to support funding outreach projects up to \$3,000, Dafne Gokcen, seconded. (17 Yes ,0 Opposed, 1 abstention – Angelica Moyes, 3 ineligible –), Motion Passes.

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Abstain: Angelica Moyes
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov*

5.1.1.2 Little Tokyo Public Safety for Little Tokyo Sparkle community outreach and cleanup. Steve Nagano recused himself since Public Safety is involved in Little Tokyo Sparkle. Angelica Moyes made motion to support funding up to \$3,000, Alexandra Leekly seconded. (17 Yes ,0 Opposed, 1 recused – Steve Nagano, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

*Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes
Opposed:
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov
Recusal: Steve Nagano*

5.1.1.3 Los Angeles Chinatown Business Council for Chinatown community outreach. Dafne Gokcen made motion to support funding up to \$3,000, George Campos seconded. (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.



Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

5.1.1.4 LA Congress of Neighborhoods or Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates- for the future of the Congress of Neighborhoods and/or outreach for the Budget Advocates. Alexandra Leekley made motion to support funding up to \$3,000, Angelica Moyes seconded (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

Motion was made to approve funding for all projects up to 3K for each project, pending final budget end of the year numbers, once budget is revised and finalized. Motion was made by Michael Maier, seconded by Dafne Gokcen, (17 Yes ,0 Opposed, 1 abstention – Angelica Moyes, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Steve Nagano, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So
Abstain: Angelica Moyes
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

DEADLINES:

All NPG projects must be in to DONE by June 1st.
June 1, 2017 - Last day to submit a Funding Request Form (FRF) to Funding Program
June 7, 2017 - Last day to issue a Union Bank Account online check payment
June 11, 2017 - Last day to use the NC Bank Card

5.2 First VP: Chair of Action Committee Report: - Dafne Gokcen

5.2.1 ActioOn Committee Meeting May 02, 2017

(All funds need to be approved in May Board Meeting to submit June 1st)

1. El Pueblo - Olvera Street Merchants Association - \$2,000 to commission a new wooden monument in commemoration of the city's 148th birthday. The monument will be located at the south entrance to Olvera Street. Valerie Garcia-Hanley and Norma Garcia, recused themselves and since they are on the foundation board. Dafne Gokcen made a motion to support, Lydia Moreno, seconded (16 Yes ,0 Opposed, 2 recusals, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano
Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov



Recusal: Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley,

2. Little Tokyo – Tanabata Festival - \$2,000 for annual Tanabata Festival. Dafne Gokcen made motion to support, Lydia Moreno seconded (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

3. Chinatown - Alpine Recreation Center - \$1,000 to fund youth sports programs including scholarships, paying for referees, and sports equipment. Don Toy recused himself. Dafne Gokcen made motion to support funding, George Campos seconded, (17 Yes ,0 Opposed, 1 recusal, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

Recusal: Don Toy,

4. Chinatown - Friends of the Chinatown Library - \$1,250 for new supplies for the Library including a new community message board and craft supplies. Dafne Gokcen made motion to support, Alexandra Leekley seconded, (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Opposed:

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

5. Arts District - Arts District Community Council LA - \$2,000 for maintenance of the dog park. Michael Maier made motion to support, Matthew Glaser seconded (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

6. Solano Canyon- Los Angeles Community Garden Council- \$2000 for Solano Elementary school raised bed garden in Solano Elementary School. Dafne Gokcen made motion to support, Alexandra Leekley seconded, (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano



Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

5.2 Board approval to pay. Dafne Gokcen made motion to accept. Steve Nagano Seconded. (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

- Tom Minkler/Website \$300
- Koban/LPTS for 2016-17 office space and meeting room for the fiscal year \$1,200
- J.A.C.C.C. for May 9th meeting- up to \$250
- Interpreters Unlimited (no longer an approved city vendor)- pay outstanding invoices for services up to April 2017 - \$282.40 for translation

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

5.3 Third VP: Chair of Stakeholders Committee: Michael Maier provided update

5.3.1 Urban Design Land Use Committee 4/19 Meeting Update. Michael Maier motions to accept UD/LUC minutes. Mark Rose seconds (18 Yes ,0 Opposed, 3 ineligible – Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov), Motion Passes.

Yes: George Campos, Ron Fong, Norma Garcia, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Tran Ly Chou, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Hom Ne Huang, Marc Rose, Don Toy, Yuan Wai So, Angelica Moyes, Steve Nagano

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong, Irina Valkov

5.3.2 Letters of supports:

5.3.2.1 March meeting: Bridget Secard – Art project request for letter of support by committee). Michael Maier motion in support, Alexandra Leekley seconds (15 Yes, 0 opposed, 4 abstains, 2 ineligible)

Yes: George Campos, Norma Garcia, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Steve Nagano, Marc Rose, Irina Valkov, Angelica Moyes, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Ron Fong

Abstain: Yuan Wai So, Don Toy, Hom Ne Huang, Ly Chou

Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong

5.3.2.2 LA World Airports 14-Billion-dollar expansion including people mover, additional parking, consolidating car rental parking lot etc. Project completion 2024 for Olympics Draft EIR out need approval airport commission FAA (unanimous request). Michael Maier motion in support, Alexandra Leekley seconds (15 Yes, 0 opposed, 4 abstains, 2 ineligible)

Yes: George Campos, Norma Garcia, Matthew Glaser, Dafne Gokcen, Alan Kumamoto, Alexandra Leekley, Phyllis Ling, Michael Maier, Lydia Moreno, Steve Nagano, Marc Rose, Irina Valkov, Angelica Moyes, Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Ron Fong

Abstain: Yuan Wai So, Don Toy, Hom Ne Huang, Ly Chou



Ineligible: Al Soo-Hoo, Hoang Tuong

5.3.2.3 Verizon Wireless tower: rooftop facility, equipment not visible from the street and camouflaged (unanimous request) Did not vote – lost quorum

6.0 Old Business

6.1. HCNC Logo - digital logo will be available soon. Artist are donating their time. (Announcement)

7.0 New Business

7.1 Victor Height Caucus: Motion to appoint Irina Valkov to fill vacant resident seat (taken earlier in agenda)

7.2 Arts District Caucus: Laura posted Arts District seat openings at Koban. Caucus working on filling 2 seats. (Announcement)

Adjournment: 8:35 PM

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